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CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR RECENT RETIREMENT!

We invite you to join us.

The Engineering Retirees Society (ERS) is an organization of retirees who were employed in a unit represented by SPEEA during their days of employment. Our mission and purpose are to protect our retirement benefits, including employer sponsored pensions, Medicare, and Social Security. Our quarterly lunchtime meetings enable socializing, topic presentations, and discussions. We have a quarterly newsletter and a web site to provide access to information and data of interest to members.

With ERS membership you are eligible to become a Associate Member of SPEEA at no additional cost. As an Associate SPEEA member you will continue to receive the SPEEA Spotlite and are eligible to join SPEEA committees. ERS membership also gives you membership in the National Retiree Legislative Network (NRLN). The ERS is partnered with the NRLN to set a federal legislative agenda, to write position papers that define the issues, define potential legislation and help write bills, recruit sponsors, and to lobby Congress. We encourage our members to actively use the NRLN grass roots network "Action Alerts" to contact your representatives on critical issues such as protecting your pension, health care, Medicare, and Social Security. The SPEEA council has voted to support our NRLN/ERS initiative to protect pension funds in mergers and acquisitions with foreign-owned corporations and subsidiaries.

We hold general meetings at noon on the first Thursday in March, June, September and December. A bi-monthly investment meeting is held the third Thursday of odd months. A light lunch and guest speakers are featured at all meetings, and we encourage you to bring your spouse and friends.

Visit the ERS web page (<u>www.engineeringretirees.org</u>) for schedules, meeting minutes, mission statement, and handy links. Go to (<u>www.nrln.org</u>) for up-to-date information on our legislative agenda and for news on what is happening in Washington DC.

You get all of this for only \$15 a year for a member and one spouse. Join today! Do you need the form? Print it off our web site, or contact Tom McCarty (info below), then snail-mail the form to ERS/SPEEA, $15205\ 52^{nd}$ Ave S, Tukwila, WA 98188.

Please join us. We support your interests, and we need your support!

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