

It will be no surprise that production of WATtimes has been a challenge over the past year. As most retirees will know, production of WATtimes is a shared effort. The UWRA is responsible for the content, but University Communications generously provides service in assembling the content and producing the edited issue.

The advent of the pandemic and the shutdown of most parts of the University made several changes necessary. Only a spring and fall issue were published in 2020 rather than three issues as in past years, and they were only posted in electronic form on the UWRA website. A spring 2021 issue will be posted on the website in the next few weeks.

Board members Bob Hicks, Ron Champion and Lynn Judge have served as an informal editorial board over the past two years, and I am immensely grateful for all the suggestions, advice and proofreading they have provided. My travel plans for the next few years will make it necessary for me to step down as editor, but I am delighted to report that Bob and Ron have agreed to serve as co-editors of WATtimes going forward. I will remain engaged during the transition.

Finally, I am grateful to Brandon Sweet and his colleagues in University Communications for their support of WATtimes.