To: Illinois State University Staff, Faculty, and Administrators

From: Barb Dallinger, President, ISU Annuitants Association (ISUAA).

I would like to personally invite you to become a member of ISUAA. We **serve current employees** and retirees that receive a SURS pension, their spouses, and survivors of Illinois State University.

**Our main goal is to protect your pension and benefits** along with our parent state organization, State Universities Annuitants Association (SUAA). We do this through educating state legislators about our rights and monitoring relevant legislative activity. SUAA was the lead litigator in the lawsuit that overturned the 2013 legislation that would have reduced our promised pension benefits.

Members also receive:

* Regular legislative briefings
* Quarterly chapter newsletters
* Educational programs
* Quarterly chapter meetings with guest speakers
* Survivor advocacy

**Our presence in Springfield and the clout of our membership truly makes a difference.** The simple truth is membership numbers get legislative attention. It is vital that we not only sustain membership but grow it. That is why I am writing to you today. If you’re a current member, thank you for your continued support. If you are not yet a member, I’m asking you to become one today. Membership is a mere $46 per year which includes both state and local chapter support. Monthly payroll deduction is available for only $4.60 for 10 months.

As an incentive to join, any employee who becomes a new member or refers a new member will have his or her name entered in a drawing for one of three Amazon gift cards. One will receive a $100 gift card and two will receive a $50 gift card. I’ve enclosed a membership form for your convenience. Simply complete the form and return it by March 31, 2023 to be included in the drawing. You can check out our websites Annuitants.IllinoisState.edu or SUAA.org for more information.

Please do not take your retirement benefits for granted! I sincerely hope you will join me in this effort by becoming a member today.