

#### WHO ARE WE?

- We are Public Employee Retirees! Any Public Employee Retiree may join us! \*\*PEF Membership Benefits Program benefits are only available to PEF Retirees who are actually retired and who were formerly active, dues-paying members of PEF.
- We are a Chapter driven organization.
- We have an active chapter in every PEF Region of New York, and we have members in all parts of the country
- Our dues are \$36.00 a year if paid by automatic pension deduction, or \$41.00 annually if paid by check.
- PEF pays the first year of your membership dues, but you need to sign up in order to become an active member.

## HEALTH INSURANCE IN RETIREMENT IS ADMINISTERED BY NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL SERVICE.

## NEW YORK STATE HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM (NYSHIP) IS NOT CONSTITUTIONALLY GUARANTEED.

#### WORKING TO PRESERVE

### HEALTH INSURANCE; PENSION; SOCIAL SECURITY AND MEDICARE.

WE ARE RETIREES IN ACTION FOR A SECURE RETIREMENT FOR ALL!

### OUR MOTTO IS "OUR PURPOSE FOR ORGANIZING IS TO PROTECT OUR HARD-EARNED BENEFITS!"









#### WE ARE POLITICALLY ENGAGED BECAUSE WE ARE AFFECTED BY WHAT HAPPENS IN ALBANY AND WASHINGTON!

We are affiliated with NYSARA, AFT and other senior and like-minded groups!

We work with other retirees in action for a secure retirement.

We advocate for retiree concerns such as protecting well deserved secure retirements and pensions, affordable quality health insurance and the Social Security and Medicare safety nets for seniors.

Please visit the PEF Retiree website at <u>www.pefretirees.org</u> to learn about your Chapter Presidents and Statewide Officers.

The Retiree Executive Board meets quarterly.

Each chapter schedules regular meetings in their area.



# THE BEST WAY RETIREES CAN GET THE BENEFITS THEY NEED IS BY ORGANIZING. IN ORDER TO BE EFFECTIVE AS AN ORGANIZATION, WE NEED YOUR ACTIVE PARTICIPATION AND ASSISTANCE!

Our ability to provide retirees the quality of living they deserve depends directly on the volume and involvement of our membership.

#### PEF RETIREES MISSION STATEMENT

- To provide a venue for social interaction and political activity in furtherance of the well being of the members.
- To support this mission, the PEF Retirees will:
- Provide necessary, high quality membership benefits at the lowest possible cost;
- Identify critical issues on both the federal and state levels that may impact the pension and health care security of the members;
- Educate members about critical issues and other issues which will enhance their retirement;
- Advocate and lobby on behalf of the members, for pension, health care, and economic security enhancement;
- Work for the election of candidates endorsed by PEF and the PEF Retirees and cooperate with the Regional PACs to support local candidates;
- Coordinate with other organizations throughout New York State to further the aims of the PEF Retirees.

#### RETIREES KNOW FROM OUR EXPERIENCES THAT UNION ISSUES ARE RETIREE ISSUES



UNION CONCERNS ARE COMMUNITY CONCERNS.



WHEN WE ORGANIZE AND WORK TOGETHER, WE ENABLE OUR LOCAL CHAPTERS TO MARSHALL THEIR STRENGTHS; AND THEY KNOW HOW TO MAINTAIN ECONOMIC SECURITY, HEALTH SECURITY AND MIDDLE-CLASS SECURITY.



PROTECTING THESE THINGS FOR WHICH OUR UNION FOUGHT REQUIRE ALL OF US PULLING TOGETHER; RETIREES UNDERSTAND THIS BECAUSE IT IS HOW WE HELPED BUILD THE UNION.



## JOIN TODAY! WWW.PEFRETIREES.ORG

The first year of membership is FREE - All subsequent years, membership dues are only \$36.00 annually via automatic pension deduction, or \$41.00 annually if paying by check.

Complete and return the PEF Retiree Enrollment Form and Pension Deduction/Automatic Renewal Form to secure your membership for year one and beyond.