



MINNEAPOLIS AREA SENIOR WORKERS ASSOCIATION

Our Mission: To develop a multidisciplinary community of professionals working in the field of aging who are educated, supported, and interconnected so they may improve services and advocate for older adults.

November 2007



Membership Meetings

November is a month that MASWA does not hold a membership meeting because the 4th Thursday, the usual meeting date, is Thanksgiving.

December will be the annual Joint Public Policy meeting with SPASWA. The featured speaker will be Rajean Moone from the Metropolitan Area Agency on Aging. It will be held:

Thursday, December 20, 2007
The Wellstone Center
2:45—4:15 p.m.

Save the Date!

Nominating Committee Notes

The nominating committee is seeking volunteers to join the program committee and the communication committee. If you are interested in getting more involved in this organization and getting to know more members, this is an excellent opportunity. Please call Allen Cox at: 952-807-8868 if you are interested in working with a committee.

The President's Message

Hello MASWA Members,

**Happy November and
Happy Thanksgiving!**

These months go by way too fast! Working in hospice, I am reminded that each day we are alive is a day of Thanksgiving. Take time everyday to share the "Four Gifts" with those you love and care for:

- **The Gift of Forgiveness** ~ Be generous with "I forgive you" and "I'm sorry." I know that each and every one of us can share these meaningful words with those we have relationships with.
- **The Gift of Love** ~ "I love you." Just three simple words we can share on a daily basis with those we love.
- **The Gift of Gratitude** ~ "Thank you" for being part of my life.
- **The Gift of Farewell** ~ "Good-bye" is difficult to say to those we love, but so necessary, especially when we are bringing closure to a relationship.

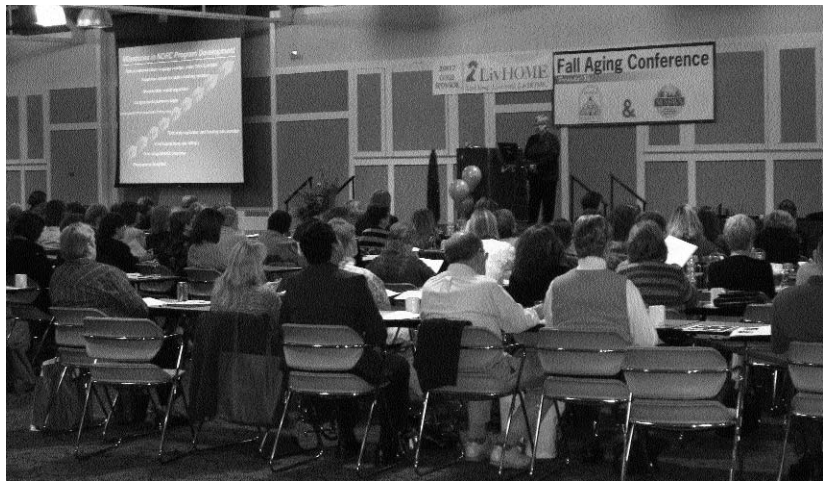
I am thankful for all of you and the amazing work you do with seniors in the community. You have "gifts" not only to those you serve, but also to those who stand beside you in this mission.

Have a wonderful
Thanksgiving holiday!



33rd Annual Fall Aging Conference

33 years! Isn't it wonderful that a group of persons dedicated to helping seniors can remain vibrant after all these years! Praise to all of the organizers who worked so hard to put this conference together. The presenters; Victor Rodwin, PhD, Fredda Vladeck, and Denise Parks, PhD offered different insights in the field of aging, each from their own areas of study. Last, but not at all least, was Vicki Snyder, who brought light-hearted humor to the event. The Earle Brown Heritage Center, as always, provided an abundance of food and beverages, and the vendors were well prepared for the crowd. Some new vendors also helped to make the displays very interesting. Probably one of the best features of this annual event is the networking that takes place for individuals; member to member interaction, member to vendor, and getting to know new people who love working with seniors!



Speaker, Fredda Vladeck



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