



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.



**October
2007**

33rd Annual Fall Aging Conference Global Longevity: Navigating Tomorrow

Date: Friday, October 26, 2007

Location: Earle Brown Heritage Center
6155 Earle Brown Drive
Brooklyn Center, MN 55430

Contact: Deb Jensen at 952-885-6186

Speakers: Dr. Victor G. Rodwin, PhD
"Urban Aging: World Cities and Beyond."

Fredda Vladeck, LSW
"Shifting the Paradigm:
The Community Imperative in
Aging Services."

Dr. Denice Parks, PhD
"The Aging Mind: Understanding
and Improving It."

Vicki Snyder
"Lighten Your Heart with Laughter."

To register check the MASWA website,
www.seniorworkers.org. Registrations due by
October 19th or a late fee of \$10 will apply.

Up to 5.5 CEU's can be earned.

The President's Message

Hello MASWA Members!

October, the beautiful fall colors are at a peak and fall is definitely in the air! It is also the month we (MASWA and SPSWA) host our biggest event of the year, the Fall Aging Conference, at Earle Brown Heritage Center in Brooklyn Park. This year it will be on the last Friday in October and we are looking forward to a great turn-out. I may be biased, but it seems to get better every year.

Fall is also a time when the children are back in school and life becomes more structured as we prepare for the winter months. Ahhh...Minnesota is grand, isn't it? I look forward to seeing you at the Conference. Have a memorable fall!

Your President,
Linda Debner



2007 Membership Survey

If you haven't done it yet, please enter your opinions on the short survey found on the MASWA website,

<http://www.seniorworkers.org>

Your input is needed to help with the planning for MASWA goals and activities for this coming year.

Public Policy News

During the months of September and October, cities in the State of Minnesota are planning “Area Redevelopment.” This creates a window of opportunity for you to give feedback to your city regarding transportation, benches and walking trails that can serve seniors in your community! Have some great ideas? Contact your city council with suggestions!

Diane Rideout, Chair
Public Policy

Last month.....

We did our first article featuring a member of MASWA. That article was about Kelly Lundgren, Historian for our organization. At the time of printing last month’s newsletter, we did not have a picture available of Kelly, but we have one now. We hope these articles will help all of you to get to know other members.

Here’s Kelly



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Member of the Month

Angie Bizal

Angie became a member of MASWA a couple of years ago and found the benefit of being involved in such a dynamic organization right away. In 2006 Marlene Panek and Angie became co-chairs of the Membership Committee and have had a lot of fun supporting and recruiting our membership base.



Angie began working in healthcare about 10 years ago in Adult Day Care for Traumatic Brain Injury Clients. Angie says, “That is where my desire started to help people, who may not be able to do so on their own, obtain a higher quality of life.” Angie currently works as the Support Group and Advocacy Manager for the Alzheimer’s Association of Minnesota and North Dakota. She recently married a wonderful man named Steve and lives with him and their dog and cat in Andover.

If you know of anyone who would like to join MASWA, please refer them to our website, www.seniorworkers.org. There is a link to our membership application there. Also, remember if you sign up or renew your membership at the Fall Aging Conference, you will receive a discount on your membership.

