

# 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.*

## *Monthly News*

**December 2008**

### **Joint Public Policy Forum St. Paul and Minneapolis Senior Workers Association**

**Date:** Tuesday, December 9, 2008

**Time:** 2:30 – 4:00 p.m.

**Location:** Roseville Area Senior Program  
Site at:  
Fairview Community Center  
1910 County Road B West  
Roseville, MN 55113  
651-660-4350

**Presenter:** Iris Freeman, MSW

#### **Participants in this program will:**

1. Review the milestones in state law to protect vulnerable adults.
2. Learn about a year-long collaborative effort to update sections of the law.
3. Become familiar with the proposed changes.
4. Learn about how these changes are expected to improve social services and law enforcement in vulnerable adult cases.
5. Learn about how they can have a role in public policy advocacy on these issues.

Certificates of Attendance (1.5 CEU's) will be available.

Annual Membership opportunities. Guest Fee \$5.00.

### **The President's Message**

Dear MASWA Members,

I hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday! Many of you were very fortunate and spent the holiday with family, either here in the Twin Cities area, or at the home of distant relatives (I'm referring to geography). Others, I'm sure, spent time with friends and neighbors enjoying good company, good food, and an opportunity to share how grateful you are to have them in your lives.



We have much to look forward to in December as well. On December 9, 2008 we have our MASWA/SPSWA Joint Public Policy meeting. It will be from 2:30-4:00 p.m. at the Roseville Area Senior Program site at the Fairview Community Center. More information on this meeting can be found on our website, or in this newsletter.

It is also a time for more very important holidays: Chanukah, December 23-29, 2008; Christmas Eve/Day, December 24-25, 2008; and Kwanzaa, December 26-January 1, 2009. I hope all of you have the opportunity to enjoy these important holidays with those you love, and you cherish the beautiful memories you make this holiday season. If you have the opportunity to make a difference in the life of one of our elders, please do. I know they will be very grateful for the time you spend with them.

I wish all of you a very Happy Holiday and Best Wishes for the New Year!

Sincerely,

*Linda Debner*  
MASWA President

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## MASWA MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Agency: \_\_\_\_\_  
Position: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in getting involved with MASWA! Please contact me with more information about:

\_\_\_ MASWA Board \_\_\_ Program Committee  
\_\_\_ Conference Committee \_\_\_ Education Committee  
\_\_\_ Public Policy Committee \_\_\_ Job Bank/Mentor  
\_\_\_ Membership Committee \_\_\_ Nomination Committee  
\_\_\_ Web Site

### MEMBERSHIP DUES:

I am a (please check one):  
\_\_\_ New Member (\$25.00)  
\_\_\_ Renewing Member (\$25.00)  
\_\_\_ Student Member (\$15.00)  
\_\_\_ Retired MASWA Member (no fee)

Please accept my additional donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to the MASWA:  
\_\_\_ General Operations Fund \_\_\_ Education Fund

Please mail membership form and dues to:  
**Minneapolis Area Senior Workers Association**  
P.O. Box 26630  
Minneapolis, MN 55426

*Membership is held in the name of the individual and is non-transferable.*

## MASWA MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FOR 2009

It's time for renewing your MASWA membership for 2009. You can fill out the membership renewal form above and mail it in. For a larger form with more writing space, you can download the form from the website – [www.seniorworkers.org](http://www.seniorworkers.org).



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