

# 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*

**November 2008**

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**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. It will be held:

**Tuesday, December 9th – 2:30-4:00pm**  
**Roseville Area Senior Program site at the**  
**Fairview Community Center**  
**1910 County Road B West**  
**Roseville, MN 55113**

**Save the Date!** More details will follow.



**Thank you to the 300 attendees, members, speakers, sponsors, and vendors that made the 2008 Fall Aging Conference a huge success. We are already looking forward to another great conference next year!**

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

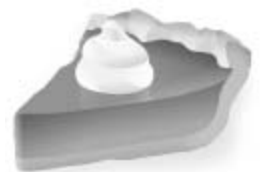
Hello, MASWA Members!

The Fall Aging Conference was a great success. As always, it is wonderful to see all of our members networking, enjoying good food and good company. I want to thank all of you who were sponsors or exhibitors this year. Without your participation we would be unable to give back to the seniors in our community. I also want to thank all of you who donated non-perishable food items to the food drive. It really takes very little effort to make a huge impact. I know many will benefit from your generosity!

We will not be having a membership meeting this month, as our meeting day falls on Thanksgiving. I wish all of you a very happy Thanksgiving and hope you are all surrounded by those you love on this Holiday.

With warm regards,

*Linda Debner*  
MASWA President



## FEATURED BOARD MEMBER OF THE MONTH:

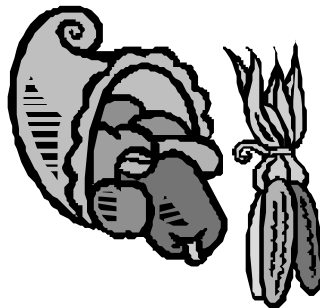
### Joann Sanford – Nominating Committee Chair & Fall Aging Conference Program Committee Chair

I have been a member of MASWA for the past three years and this is the first year I have really been involved. When the announcement came out they were looking for people to be on the Fall Aging Conference program committee, little did I know I would end up as this year's program chair. When you get involved in all that MASWA has to offer you meet the people in your community who strive to do what you do, care for the elderly in all capacities. In meeting these people, opportunities come like serving on the Board. I am proud to be on the Nominating Committee and when the time comes I know there are others who are looking forward to the opportunity to become part of the MASWA team.



I have worked in home care for the past 17 years and own and operate Homecare Assist, a private duty home care agency. When I am not on duty (which seems like never) I keep busy with my husband Doug, my daughters, son-in-law, grandsons, three dogs and one six-toed cat. I still find some time to read, make salsa and bake.

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