

Happy Halloween!

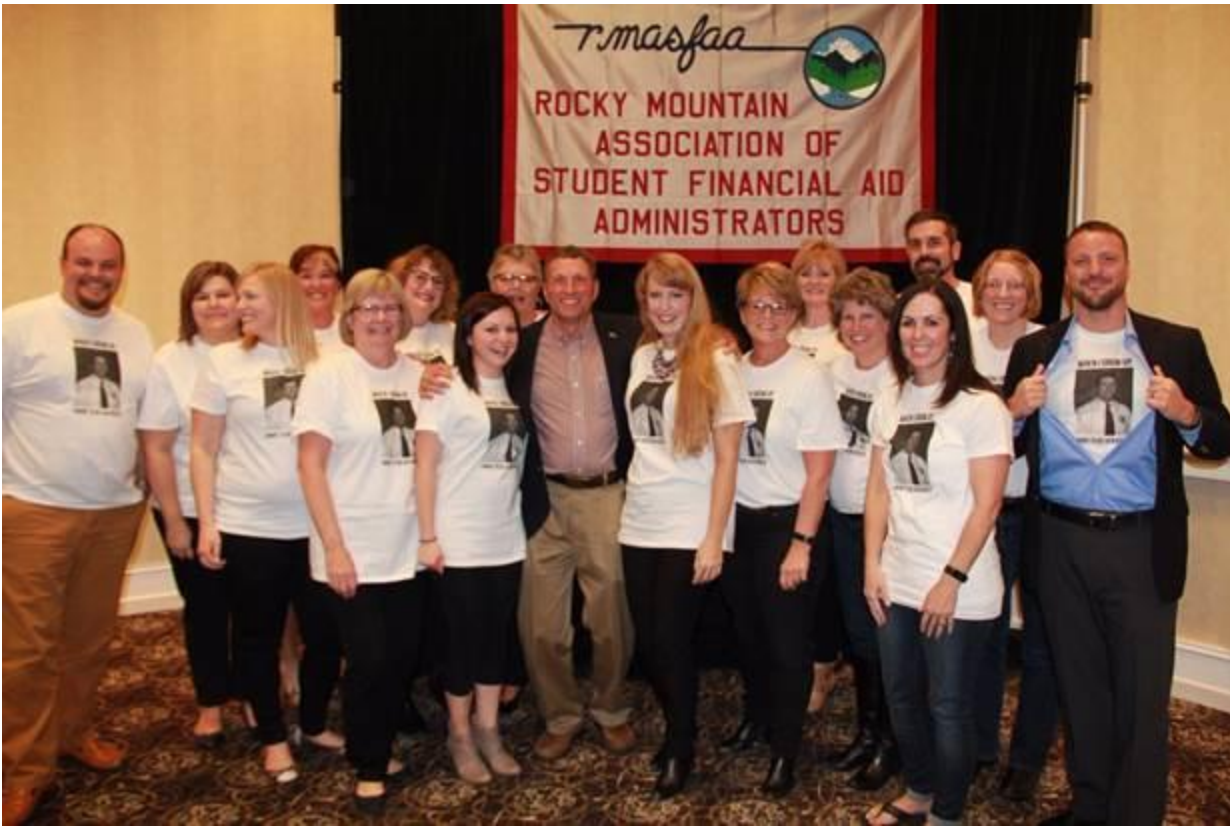
Coming up fast - Don't forget that the Decentralized Training Committee has put together a solid agenda for our event at the AmericInn of Chamberlain, Nov. 14th & 15th. Register and make your reservations now to attend the training, to participate in the NASFAA credential topic Consumer Information, to meet with your committees, and to network with your local colleagues. Hope to see you there!

Earlier this month - I attended the RMASFAA Annual Conference in Wichita on behalf of SDASFAA. At the conference, I participated in the final meeting of the 2016-17 RMASFAA Executive Board, attended two NASFAA credential topics (Application Processing and Verification), as well as the rest of the conference. Thank you for the opportunity to learn and to serve.

There were about a dozen SDASFAA members who attended the RMASFAA Conference, and I have to say, we took the place by storm. Below are the highlights, as well as some photos to help illustrate. Way to represent, people!!

Our very own Ken Kocer accepted the gavel and took his place as 2017-18 RMASFAA President...and an idea that started at the 2017 SDASFAA Spring Conference took the form of a t-shirt-clad cheering section, proclaiming: "When I grow up, I want to be Ken Kocer." We're all behind you, Ken!





The 2016-17 Leadership Pipeline graduating class, pictured below, included mentees Katie Nelson and Beth Vollan. The 2017-18 Leadership Pipeline mentees Micah Hansen and Carissa Koerner also attended the conference to begin their year-long program.



Sharon Kienow was the recipient of the 2017 RMASFAA Hall of Fame award (pictured below). This is the highest award made by RMASFAA and it is given to a person who has contributed significantly to the financial aid profession over a sustained period of years. In addition, Carolyn Halgerson was presented with the NASFAA Regional Leadership Award plaque that was announced at the NASFAA Annual Conference.



SDASFAA members were also found serving on the RMASFAA Executive Boards. The 2016-17 Board is pictured below and includes Erin Richards, Secretary; Ken Kocer, President-Elect; and Becky Pribyl, South Dakota rep. The 2017-18 Board includes Ken Kocer, President; Beth Vollan, South Dakota rep; and Carolyn Halgerson, Summer Institute.



SDASFAA people were vendors, presenters, committee members, etc, and in short, travelled a long way to make a big impact. Congratulations to all our honorees!

Next Up

- SDASFAA Executive Board Meeting: November 14, 2017
- SDASFAA Fall Decentralized Training: November 14-15, 2017
- SDASFAA Spring Conference: April 30-May 2, 2018



Have a Happy/Spooky/Sugary/Creepy/Safe Halloween!
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