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Director's Article - We need your help during the transition into our 25th year of service!



Gay Pustaver

At Money Management Counselors, we help residents of Door and Kewaunee counties deal with the financial fallout of many life transitions. These transitions can include everything from helping an aging parent deal with finances after the loss of a spouse to advising college students of all ages about student loan debt repayment options AND meeting with families and students to help them interpret their financial aid award letters. We also provide 30-50 educational presentations per year, including in local high schools!

At this time, I am asking for YOUR help with OUR transition! On October 8, we hired Leslie Boden to begin the process of taking and passing 8 certification tests and other training so that she will be able to take over the reins as Executive Director and certified consumer credit, housing and student loan debt counselor in 2019. This will take a total of 3-4 months and then the baton will be passed. The Board, myself, Melissa Kugel, our Administrative Assistant and Leslie are committed to making the transition as smooth as possible. We want to make sure that the trust and confidence people have in our organization remains intact and ready to grow. Leslie is a great fit for the job and is doing awesome on the certification tests so far. Please join us in welcoming her!

So, we need to raise enough funds by the end of 2018 to be able to train our new Director while also continuing to serve clients. That's where we can use YOUR help more than we ever have before.

Please help us meet our goal of raising \$2,500 or more from this newsletter by December 31. You are a great group of 700 + supporters. When we reach that goal, I will know that I am leaving the organization financially stable and in the hands of a wonderful new Executive Director. Thank you!

When I ran into Gay a few months ago I would never imagine that soon I would be sitting at a desk completing test four of six to acquire my counseling certification and preparing for my housing and student loan certificates. As a "native transplant" my Door County experience started with camping at Jellystone Park. Later, while my parents ran the family businesses, I ran the beaches of Fish Creek. I returned to Door County after college and set up businesses of my own. A life change actually brought me to my first encounter with Gay, yes as a client. I came to learn any unfortunate circumstance or experience does not define us and we only grow when seeking a solution or resolution hence giving us the tools to make better life choices down the road.



Leslie Boden

After a move and a career change later, I returned to Door County again to the nonprofit arena where I discovered another world outside of entrepreneurial business and experienced what dedicated volunteers can achieve in the true meaning of giving back to one's community. Then a single mother, balancing a career, daycare and home, I was given further insight and experience with our community's non-profit and outreach organizations. I developed many partnerships with fellow non-profits and also participated in the Leadership Door County Program, where my path crossed with Gay's again, as she facilitated the opening and closing retreats. Fast forward to taking care of aging parents, the downsizing, dealing with their changing needs both physically, emotionally and financially and I was to cross Gays path once more. Is it fate, luck, coincidence? I like to think life prepares us for any given situation even though we often cannot see it in the moment of conflict, life drama, or misfortune.

I have mentioned in past conversations it would be a challenge to fill Gay's shoes at Money Management Counselors. However, I also want you all to know that I come with the experience of having walked in many forms of your shoes. Gay, the Board and our supporters have built this organization. I am very fortunate to train under Gay's guidance and I am honored to bring my life and career experience to this position.

I look forward to continuing the confidential, non-judgmental counseling and education services that Money Management Counselors powered by FISC CCCS brings to our communities.

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Quick Facts!

**We have provided
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presentations
so far in 2018
reaching over 1241
students, and adults.**

**In 2018 so far 30% of
our clients are between
60-95 yrs of age.**

**49% of our clients are
A.L.I.C.E.-asset limited
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Eric Paulsen and Craig Asher

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Gay and Kay



Gay and Melissa



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