## Message from our Chapter President

Can you believe that 2015 is almost half over? Thank you for getting more involved this year. Committee membership has been growing, attendance has been increasing at our educational meetings and study groups, and there's been a lot of networking at our regional happy hours. This year we have had numerous NexGen events, engaging the younger generation. Collectively, we have volunteered hundreds of pro-bono hours for various organizations including JEVS human Services, Philadelphia Fight, Women Against Abuse, and the Youth Health Empowerment Project.

Thank you to those who participated in the FPA Advocacy Day in Harrisburg, and to those who will travel to DC later this month to advocate lawmakers on behalf of our profession.

There are still openings in many of our committees: Membership, NexGen, Marketing, Social Media, Education/Programing, Sponsorship, Pro Bono, Government Relations, Professional Alliances, and Career Development. Visit our website for each committee chair's contact information (www.fpaphilly.org).

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The dedication and energy of our board members and committee members make the Philadelphia Tri-State Chapter one of the premier chapters of the Financial Planning Association in the nation.

Looking forward to a great rest of 2015!

Rich Durso