Pro Bono Corner Landon Tymochko

I hope the first quarter of 2016 has been a great one for you. To all of you who have donated your time and efforts in a pro bono or volunteer capacity this year, we thank you! Offering pro bono services is an important aspect of growing the profession.

We have a few things to update you on:

First, the Rosemont Financial Literacy project has had 3 successful sessions covering Debt/Credit/Budgeting, Tax Planning, and Education Planning. Thank you to Dusty Hoetger, Scott Draper, Jenny Hood and Taylor Rios for providing great presentations. And thank you to Terry with the Rosemont Community Association for getting it off the ground! The fourth session is scheduled for Wednesday, April 28th, on Buying a Home & Mortgage Planning, presented by Launi Cooper (thank you!)

Second, if you are interested in helping students develop their career ambitions, there are a number of opportunities to volunteer with Junior Achievement. This is a great way to share your career journey and professional successes with teenagers who are trying to chart their own life paths. And we know our members have great stories to share with these kids! Contact Jenny Hood for details.

Third, we recently sent out a survey regarding Financial Planning Days. Thank you to those who completed them. Your feedback is appreciated and important, and will help the board decide how we should proceed with this important Pro Bono event.

Lastly, at the national level, the Foundation for Financial Planning (FFP) has started a relationship with the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) and local community libraries to provide financial literacy programs. They have already piloted this program in the bay area, are evaluating a similar program in the Sacramento region, and are interested in partnering with the financial planning professionals in our FPA chapter. Stay tuned for more information and potential opportunities to serve your community with your expertise.

As you can see, we are a busy bunch. There is a lot of great stuff happening in our chapter. And if you are planning to be part of any upcoming pro bono activities, <u>please let me know</u>. I want to make sure we all know about your good works. Thanks.