

## STARTING THE YEAR OFF RIGHT!

Hello everyone, 2016 is off to a wonderful start! We have had some great committee meetings and of course the TREPAC Fundraiser Event, Shaken Not Stirred, at the Winter Meeting in February. It was so great to see everyone and meet new friends. Thank you to everyone who attended the TREPAC Event. We sold out of tickets! The Governing Board Meeting was a bit intimidating but we all made it through and had some fun along the way while passing motions brought by the committees to make our Standing Rules better for our members.

We have most of the local chapter budgets for the Finance and Budget Committee to review and provide feedback. If you are not sure if we have received it, just give me a call and we can check on it. By now all of your Treasurers should have received a copy of the Local Chapter Budget Checklist. This will help to ensure that your budget is on track.

It has been quite a task getting my head wrapped around the ins and outs of the State Treasurer's duties but I THINK I have it down and am looking forward to an amazing year. I am enjoying the opportunity to learn more about Women's Council and myself. It is such an honor to be able to serve you.

I'd like to say 'thank you' to all of those who have supported me from when I was starting this journey in Women's Council until today. It has meant the world to me! Most of all, thank you for your sweet cards, texts, phone calls and prayers for my daughter, Tori. She is on the road to being a healthy and "normal" teenager again, if there is such a thing!

Thank you for your hard work and dedication to Women's Council. I am looking forward to seeing everyone in Galveston!