## September 2021 Professional Development Report Pat Brinkman (OH), VP for Professional Development

Have you checked out our pre-conference sessions for our Annual Conference? We are offering two interesting pre-conference sessions. Ritchie Harrison will be presenting "Values Driven Leadership and Working Towards a Vision for Common Good." Jenifer Strauss will be presenting "Turning Points: A Narrative Approach for Capturing, Writing, and Presenting Interesting Impact Statements."

"Values Driven Leadership" will provide you with an awareness for the influence your actions as leader have for shaping an improved vision for the future. Your knowledge and understanding of key leadership skills and values will be broaden, so you can empower others and yourself. Some key objectives include: learn effective strategies for working across differences; creating synergy between values, vision, and impact; and increasing inspiration, drive and enthusiasm.

Narrative Consultant and Storyteller Jenifer Strauss in "Turning Points:" will provide you with the brain science behind using a narrative approach or story approach, along with her "Turning Points Narrative Process." Storytelling is a powerful tool to making a point, leaving an impression, explaining a process, or gaining the support of stakeholders. Jenifer will provide a model and framework to help you include personal narrative in impact statements.

Be sure to register for a session when you complete your registration process.

Two In-Depth Sessions will be available to register to attend. More information on those to come.