

Titles	Workshop Program Descriptions Virtual State Convention, Spring 2021	Presenter(s)
Session 1	Saturday May 1st	12:30 – 1:15
A Pandemic of Misinformation: Teaching Digital Literacy	In this age of Covid-19, the rapid spread of misinformation may be as dangerous as the virus itself. We will examine why people believe and spread misinformation, and what educators and students can do to slow this. We will offer techniques and resources that help us recognize “red flags” of misinformation (“fake news”). We will direct special attention to Social Media.	Eileen Venezia and Emilie Stris, <i>Gamma Alpha</i>
Creating Successful Chapter Programs	Educational Excellence Committee Members Barbara Bostwick Quinn, <i>Beta</i> , Alison Brown, <i>Psi</i> , Jo Salo, <i>Rho</i> , and Pat Turner, <i>Alpha Theta</i> , share Chapter programs, ideas, and tips that make an impact.	Barbara Bostwick Quinn, <i>Beta</i>
Session 2	Saturday, May 1st	1:30 – 2:15
All Aboard... and see our Country!	Consider the train for a different vacation! You will learn about some of the advantages of rail travel, as well as finding out about a few places rail vacations are offered. Travel with the presenter to some of our National Parks!	Ginny Dudko, <i>Tau</i>
Mindful Resilience	During this time, attendees will learn a brief overview of how simple mindful steps can enhance the resilient heart, body, and mind. Mindfulness is accessible to all and requires nothing more than curiosity. Leave with science-based mindful strategies to implement in moments of struggle and/or joy so to relate to experiences with more resilience all the while priming the mind for more presence, courage, and grace.	Jenny Morrill- of 3 Marigolds Mindful Wellness
Session 3	Saturday, May 1st	2:30 – 3:15
Ten Strategies for Post COVID	DKG’s June Bowers, International Second VP, will present a workshop on Ten Strategies for Post COVID for DKG and suggestions for your chapters.	June Bowers, International Second VP
“V” is not for Vacuum	Chi Chapter works with Malawi Early Learning Team to provide books and teacher training in the northern area of Malawi, Africa. A three minute video sets the stage for the story. You will experience this past year, as they move from the tragedy of a fire, to triumph. We will share stories of building relationships that have been	Lynn Morgan, Heather White, and Andy Burns, <i>Chi Chapter</i>

	critical to our success. Yes, we will answer “V” is not for vacuum!	
Session 4	Saturday, May 1st	3:30 – 4:15
Growing Membership with “Commit-mint, Involve-mint, and Encourage-mint.”	Healthy chapters are committed to attracting, retaining, and reinstating members. Join us as we explore how you can help your chapter’s member grow.	Deb Bedard and NYSO Membership and Expansion Committee
Combine Travel and Study into one Great Experience!	This workshop will present an overview of the purpose of the Travel and Study Stipend, review the application process, and have a panel of previous recipients who will share their first-hand experiences of how they used the stipend.	Rosemary VanWart with Travel and Study Committee
Session 5	Sunday, May 2nd	10:45 – 11:30
Every teacher a teller: How to find the storyteller in you	In this highly interactive workshop, participants will explore resources from many countries and cultures finding folktales, learn to tell the story from images and coach each other on achieving a strong performance. The session will end with an optional mini-story performance by participants, time permitting.	Karen Glass, Beta Mu
Vaccines: History, Strategies, and Covid 19	People have known for a long time that if you get an infection, and don’t die, you will not get it again. The difficult part of it –if you don’t die-- has been effectively controlled with vaccines. Strategies for developing a vaccine started with the battle against smallpox, then to rabies with the work of Louis Pasteur. Early strategies in vaccine development are in widespread use, but we are seeing success against Covid-19 with both traditional approaches and the new technology of mRNA vaccines. What are the pros and cons of different vaccine strategies? What happens in your body when you get a vaccine? Why is a second shot needed with some vaccines and not others? How long does immunity last? Learn about these topics and more, and get your questions answered.	Kathleen Lavoie, PhD, Psi