

# Committee Reports

## Worker Safety Committee

*The purpose of the Worker Safety Committee (WSC) is to*

As I look back on the last two (2) years, I am amazed at everything we've learned and how we can still uplift each other. We made good use of our budget in light of the fact that we couldn't have a conference. We diverted funds into stocking up on swag that will serve us well going forward.

We've committed to ensuring our members receive black ribbons for Day of Mourning on April 28, as well as cards with resources to combat mental health issues. Kevin Fallis is leading the way in Steps for Safety. Please reach out to him and find out how you can help. He's passionate about this project and we would all like you to be inspired with us. COVID-19 has changed how we live, work and play. When we postponed our conference in 2020, none of us imagined we'd still be doing this. As a creative alternative, we decided, with the awesome assistance of Christine Miller, to source videos that can be accessed through the website. Since so many of us don't work from a desk, the idea of sitting at a computer for a day presents struggles for staying engaged. These videos will hopefully be a humorous look at different subjects. They will be short videos shown during the first week of May which is Mental Health Week. You can access when you have time.

Technology is a struggle for many of us but we mastered the Zoom meeting and were able to connect in the next best way. We have commissioned a florist from Outlook to create new wreaths for Day of Mourning. These wreaths will be distributed to the 3 offices to be used for ceremonies in those locations to being together.

As many of you might have noticed, the Stand for Safety that is included in the quarterly newsletter, is put out by the WSC. We hope they are helpful to all.

We said goodbye to Catherine Gendron as our staff support and welcomed Sinda Cathcart aboard.

Separately we can accomplish a lot—together we can accomplish everything.

In Solidarity,  
Maureen Colmin

**Committee Members:**

- Maureen Colmin
- Marj Markwart
- Tanya Sheppard
- Bev Sopczak
- Kevin Fallis
- Denise McConnell
- Janice Platzke (Ex Officio)

