

## WHY DAY OF MOURNING?

In 1991, eight years after the day of remembrance was launched by the Canadian Labour Congress, the Parliament of Canada passed the Workers Mourning Day Act making April 28 an official Day of Mourning. Today over 100 countries participate in events that remember fallen workers.

Unfortunately, the annual observance of this day has not made Canada safer for workers. Tragically in 2016, 31 Saskatchewan workers died because of their work. In Canada each year, approximately 1000 Canadians lose their lives as a direct result of their work. We know the numbers are higher because official figures only capture those who received workers' compensation benefits. Hundreds more die from under-reported illnesses and occupational diseases that go unrecognized in the compensation systems. According to the International Labour Organization (ILO), every 15 seconds around the world, a worker dies from a work-related accident or disease. Every 15 seconds, 153 workers have a work-related accident.

The International Day of Mourning is the day that workers and unions mourn for the dead and fight for the living. This day is about remembrance. It is important to never forget the ultimate sacrifice workers can pay. This day is also about hope—hope for a future with safer workplaces and no lost workers.



AN INJURY TO ONE.....  
.....IS AN INJURY TO ALL

# NATIONAL DAY OF MOURNING

## Remembrance Ceremony



*FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 2017*

*7:00 P.M.*

*MASONIC TEMPLE  
(1021 SASKATCHEWAN CRESCENT WEST)*

**HOSTED BY:**



**REMEMBERING THOSE WORKERS  
KILLED OR INJURED ON THE JOB**



**PROGRAM:**

**EMCEE:**

**DAVID McGRANE, EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER**  
*SASKATOON & DISTRICT LABOUR COUNCIL*

**MUSICAL TRIBUTE**  
*ROB MCFADYEN*

**HIS WORSHIP MAYOR CHARLIE CLARK**  
*CITY OF SASKATOON*

**CARA BAHR, CHAIR**  
*UNITED WAY OF SASKATOON & AREA  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS*

**LORI JOHB, SECRETARY TREASURER**  
*SASKATCHEWAN FEDERATION OF LABOUR*

**MARIE CLARKE WALKER, EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT**  
*CANADIAN LABOUR CONGRESS*

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER: DARRIN KRUGER, PRESIDENT**  
*UNITED STEELWORKERS LOCAL 7552*

**EXPLANATION OF PROTOCOL**

**CANDLELIGHT CEREMONY**

**MOMENT OF SILENCE**

**AMAZING GRACE**

**LAYING OF THE WREATHS**

**LAMENT**

**SOCIAL**

**PIPER:**  
***ROB MCFADYEN***

