

# Professional Services Saskatchewan Polytechnic

# Check in from your Campus Chairs 31 March 2020

Hello to all members,

Your professional services bargaining unit (PSBU) leadership team is wanting to try and find ways to keep connected during this pandemic crisis. We want to remind you that your union continues to support you; even while you are not 'at the office'.

Everyone was sent home and asked to work remotely as of March 19. It's been almost two weeks now, and we are wondering how you are doing. Are you able to get work done with resources that you have? Do you have the equipment/tools to work safely?

We want to hear from you! Tell us what is going on in your world that we can share with other members.

## Bonnie B has this story to share.....

On the weekend, my dog was barking as there were people standing outside of our fenced yard on the sidewalk. When I went outside to see what they were doing, I saw three neighbours (they don't live together) writing on the sidewalk with chalk. They were practicing social distancing from each other while drawing a "stay healthy" message and lots of hearts for my household. When my husband and I took the dog out for a walk later that day, we were able to see lots of messages that these three wonderful women wrote to try and bring cheer.

### Debra S shared this story.....

This past weekend my husband and I drove to visit our son. We had made cookies and dropped them off. We also took our lawn chairs and set up outside of his apartment on the lawn. We had a great visit with him as he sat on his balcony and enjoyed his treats.

If you have something you want to share, please send it to your local campus chair. We hope to send out something once/week.

Stay home – stay safe.

#### In solidarity,

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