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## **April 28 - Annual Day of Mourning**

April 28 is the Annual Day of Mourning for workers' who have been killed or injured on the job. This day of remembrance was founded in 1984 by the Canadian Labour Congress. The aim of the Day of Mourning is to publicly renew commitment to "fight for the living" as well as "mourn for the dead."

The Yukon Workers' Compensation Health and Safety Board is trying to raise awareness of the tragic consequences of workplace accidents by helping to publicize the Day of Mourning. According to the board's records, in the last five years there have been 10 workplace fatalities and close to 6,000 workplace injuries in the Yukon.

On Friday, the Yukon Federation of Labour will be hosting an Annual Day of Mourning ceremony at the Elijah Smith Building downtown at 12 noon. The public is invited to attend.

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