This is the 50th volume of WORK. It’s the number of years in a jubilee period and the golden wedding anniversary in a marriage. It is a time to celebrate!

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All of this growth has been a team effort. It truly requires the knowledge, skills and support of many people to publish a double blind peer reviewed journal with a global, interprofessional scientific and clinical focus. There are some many people to thank for their contributions. I will start with the Editorial Board. There are some board members such as Nancy MacRae, Linda Niemeyer, and Leonard Matheson who have been on the Board since the journal started. To all past and current Editorial Board members, thank you for your dedication to providing reviews in a timely manner that have been thorough, thoughtful and constructive. To Board members, Lynn Shaw and Phil Rumrill, thank you for your cutting edge columns which have provided a mechanism for translating knowledge, giving voice to people in transition, and to helping all of us to better understanding many aspects of research.

To authors who have published their manuscripts in WORK, we have strived to provide you will feedback in an informative, useful and kindly manner. We pride ourselves on being an author friendly journal. To future authors, we welcome your manuscripts and look forward to advancing the body of knowledge in your area of expertise.

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To our readers who are scholars, clinicians, educators, students, scientists, researchers among other roles, I hope WORK has assisted you in your own professional and personal growth and has helped you to provide best practice.

As always, I look forward to hearing from you.

Cheers,

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