I write this *From the Editor* during my observance of the Jewish holiday of Rosh Hashanah. For those unfamiliar with this holiday, the term means “head of the year” and marks the start of the year 5778 in the lunisolar Jewish calendar. As told in the book of Genesis, this is the number of years since the world was created. I attended services in observance of the holiday and was touched by the Rabbi’s discussion of the “lost-ness” many people are experiencing due to ongoing natural disasters, terrorism, political upheaval and an overall unrest in the world. It inspired me to use this forum to share a prayer for peace:

“May we see the day when war and bloodshed cease, When a great peace will embrace the whole world. The nation will not threaten nation. And humanity will not again know war. For all who live on earth shall realize We have not come into being to hate or to destroy. We have come into being To praise, to labor, and to love”…

(Adapted and translated from the Hebrew of Rabbi Nathan Sternhartz; 1780-1845)

As we approach the last few months of 2017, I hope you will plan to attend an upcoming *Learn at WORK* webinar. They are:

**Wednesday, December 20, 2017 1-2pmEST**
Title: Woman-to-woman rape and sexual assault, and its impact upon the occupation of work: victim/survivors’ life roles of worker or student as disruptive and preservative
Presenter: Dr. Bex (Rebecca) Twinley
https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3199989333958415107

If you missed any of the 2017 *Learn at WORK* webinars, you can find the recordings of these complimentary learning experiences at the *Learn at WORK* YouTube channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOJaICxvSg9iPHaFFs48PuQ

I am delighted to share the 2018 *Learn at WORK* webinars:

**Wednesday, January 31, 2018 1-2pmEST**
Title: Parental awareness of schoolbag carriage: A comparative study of Irish and United States parents
Presenters: Sara Dockrell & Karen Jacobs
https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1069191880491268866

**Wednesday, February 28, 2018 1-2pmEST**
Title: From the past to the future: integrating work experience into the design
Presenters: João Marcos Bittencourt, Pascal Béguin and Francisco Moura Duarte
https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7285376525477185537

**Wednesday, March 21, 2018 1-2pmEST**
Title: Workplace Violence and the Meaning of Work in Healthcare Workers: A phenomenological study
Presenter: Josianne Lamothe
https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6573904541339253762

**Wednesday, April 11, 2018 1-2pmEST**
Title: A case study detailing key considerations for implementing a telehealth approach to office ergonomics
Presenter: Linda Miller
https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3289959078106673923

**Wednesday, May 16, 2018 1-2pmEST**
Title: Use of Speech Generating Devices Can Improve Perception of Qualifications for Skilled Verbal, and Interactive Jobs
Presenter: Steven Stern
https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5676727242389189889

**Wednesday, June 13, 2018 1-2pmEST**
Title: Split-shift work in relation to stress, health and other psychosocial factors among bus drivers
Presenters: Jonas Ihlstrom, Goran Kecklund and Anna Anund
https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5910367965600248322

Wednesday, July 11, 2018 1-2pmEST
Title: A Workplace Modified Duty Program for Employees in an Oncology Center
Presenter: Elpidoforos S. Soteriades
https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7829754627924088323

Wednesday, September 19, 2018 1-2pmEST
Title: Psychosocial risks, burnout and intention to quit following the introduction of new software at work
Presenter: Mouna Knani
https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5356945280898533378

Wednesday, October 24, 2018 1-2pmEST
Title: Occupational therapists’ experience of workplace fatigue: Issues and action
Presenters: Cary A Brown, Jennifer Schell and Lisa M Pashniak
Link: TBA

Wednesday, November 28, 2018 1-2pmEST
Title: A scoping review on smart mobile devices and physical strain
Presenter: Patricia Tegtmeier
Link: TBA

You can view the complete schedule on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/WORKJournal2016/?fref=ts

As always, I welcome hearing from you.
Shanah tova u’metuka (may it be a good and sweet year).

All my best,
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