## Report of the Alternate GLBT Regional Coordinator

Since being elected A/GLBT coordinator in May it was a big push to get Victoria Pride representation organized. There were a number of challenges that were overcome to make our presence in Victoria's Pride a reality. The VI Human Rights Committee were the main impetus with support from the, Regional GLBT Coordinator, the Victoria Area Council and UNDE Local 1008. The small contingent of members marched with the Victoria District Labour Council with PSAC Banners and flags and plenty of balloons and other swag for the crowd. I plan to connect with the VDLC to make a Multi-Union Pride Float for next year. Unfortunately there was not a table at the festival to promote our "Think Public" campaign.

At the end of July I attended the North American OutGames Human Rights Conference. What an uplifting experience. The stories that were shared and the knowledge that was gained around HR issues were both inspirational and uplifting. To learn how others promote the furthering of HR initiatives on our continent and around the world was truly the source of courage and stamina to stride forward. It was great to be with all the PSAC regional GLBT representatives and to share in our experiences of the conference.

Respectfully submitted,

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