



***You are invited to attend a weekend of  
Education, Empowerment and Rejuvenation  
at the Radisson Hotel  
June 4th, 2016  
in Saskatoon, SK***

For 60 years, Saskatchewan Association for Community Living has been at the forefront of change. We have been connecting conference attendees to the latest information and resources, advancing the rights and opportunities of people with intellectual disabilities throughout Saskatchewan.

This year, we celebrate our 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary and we are excited to be offering the most outstanding presentations and performances, and a 60's theme dinner and dance on Saturday night! You can also look forward to a few surprises and special celebrations as we mark six decades of change!

***Inclusion...Anything is Possible***



Saskatchewan Association for  
Community Living



## Friday, June 3, 2016

- 1:00 - 6:00 p.m. Registration
- 3:30 - 6:00 p.m. SACL Board Meeting

## Saturday, June 4, 2016

*Breakfast on your own*

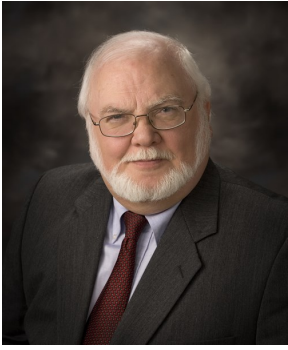
- 8:15 - 9:15 a.m. Registration
- 9:30 - 9:35 a.m. Welcome - *Kevin McTavish, Executive Director*
- Opening remarks - *Gloria Mahussier, President*
- 9:35 - 10:00 a.m. Greetings from Dignitaries
- 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. Keynote Speaker - *Dr. Gordon Porter*
- 11:00 - 11:15 a.m. *Break*
- 11:15 - 12:30 p.m. "Our Journey & the Road Ahead"
- 12:30 - 1:50 p.m. *Lunch on your own*
- 1:50 - 2:30 p.m. "Our Perspective - Our Story" - *Sibling Group*
- 2:30 - 3:00 p.m. "The Power of Inclusion" - *Lead by Self Advocates*
- 3:00 - 3:45 p.m. Entertainment - Hear the Music, Feel the Beat
- 3:45 - 4:00 p.m. Wrap-up and closing
- 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. *Family free time*
- 6:00 - 6:30 p.m. Cocktails
- 6:30 - 11:00 p.m. Dinner & Dance

## Sunday, June 5, 2016

*Breakfast for Voting Delegates only*

- 9:00 - 12:30 p.m. SACL Annual General Meeting
- 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. 2016/2017 SACL Board Meeting

## Keynote Speaker - Dr. Gordon Porter



**Gordon Porter** is the Director of Inclusive Education Canada. He was inducted into the Order of Canada in 2010 and the Order of New Brunswick in 2013. The Canadian Education Association presented him with the 2007 Whitworth Award, which has been presented to an illustrious group of researchers who have had a profound impact on education policy and practice in Canadian education since it was initiated in 1967.

Gordon Porter joined his local branch of what is now the New Brunswick Association for Community Living in January 1976. He became president of the group a few months later. The major work of the local group was running a segregated school. Gordon worked as a school principal in the public school system and later was given responsibility for special education. He went on to provide leadership in developing community based services in his community – in areas like vocational services, residential services and early intervention supports for parents of young children with disabilities.

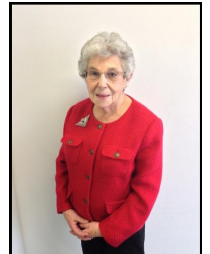
In the early 1980's he became president of the New Brunswick Association for Community Living and worked on policy and advocacy issues focused on closing institutions and supporting system reform in the province. In 1982 he became a vice-president of the Canadian Association for Community Living, took part in efforts to close institutions and chaired Task Force which developed Community Living 2000. That program was adopted in 1986 and provided the targets for the movement for many years to follow. In the meantime, Gordon became president of CACL in 1986 and served a three-year term. For the last three decades Gordon Porter has been recognized as a leader in developing inclusive education in New Brunswick, Canada and internationally. He was a Visiting Fellow at the Donald Beasley Institute at the University of Otago in New Zealand. He has taught courses at many universities in Canada and been a speaker and consultant in many countries. In the 1990's Gordon became the president of Inclusion Inter-Americana and worked with national family and parent associations across the Americas.

Inclusive education is not just about schooling. It is about providing our children with the experiences and engagement with their peers that prepare them for a meaningful life in the community. It is the necessary preparation for participating in our society as a citizen. It is about building social capital that will pay dividends in the years ahead. Gordon Porter will share his experience in building an inclusive school system. He will discuss the ways parents and educators can be partners in getting to the “tipping point” where schools can be both effective and inclusive.

## Our Journey & the Road Ahead



Take a journey with us to hear how our movement has grown and changed over the past 60 years. **Michael Bach**, Executive Vice President of the Canadian Association for Community Living, along with **June Avivi**, SACL Board Member, will share with you the history of Community Living. **Nich Fraser**, Director of Inclusion, will discuss the present movement towards inclusion. Looking to the future **Tracy Patterson**, a parent, will share with you her experience in working to create a new support mechanism for her son Brodie. Today parents like Tracy are working towards a person-centered future where their sons and daughters are included in their community and have choices in where they live and what they do.



## “Our Perspective - Our Story”

Come listen and learn from people who have a unique view of the joys and challenges of life with a person with an intellectual disability - their siblings. Facilitated by **Lynn Schaan**, the SACL's sibling group, featuring young people of all ages, will hold a panel discussion about their life's journey - how disability impacts their life at home, at school, their activities and their thoughts about their future and the future of their sibling. The stories you hear will be honest, personal and very real.

## The Power of Inclusion

Self-advocacy is a dynamic and all-encompassing endeavour. When people are provided with equal opportunities for inclusion within their chosen communities, personal potential is realized and our cities become meaningful, life-affirming places to live. Facilitated by **Dallas Tetarenko**, Community Inclusion Consultant, members of the SACL's Self-Advocacy Program will discuss their personal experiences in transitioning into their community to live inclusively and their ideas about making Saskatchewan the most vibrant and inspirational place in Canada. Inclusion is achievable; all we have to do is recognize the uniqueness in each of us to create meaningful change within our communities.

## Hear the music, Feel the beat

Please join our diverse performers for a showcase of their various skills and abilities. It will be an entertaining and engaging event for everyone to enjoy, and a great opportunity to mingle with some local talent!

# Saskatchewan Association for Community Living

## Conference Registration deadline May 26, 2016

(If you require accommodations, please note that there are a limited number of rooms being held. REGISTER EARLY)

3031 Louise Street Saskatoon, SK S7J 3L1 T.(306)955-3344 F.(306)373-3070

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Support Person (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Association/Organization (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Prov. \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Is this your first time attending SACL's Family Conference? Yes  No

### The SACL Family & Individual Conference Packages Includes 1 or 2 nights, Conference Fees, Dinner & Dance

Family 2 Night Package (Fri & Sat) \$ 295 \_\_\_\_\_

Individual 2 Night Package (Fri & Sat) \$ 250 \_\_\_\_\_

Family 1 Night Package (Fri  Sat  \$ 205 \_\_\_\_\_

Individual 1 Night Package (Fri  Sat  \$ 160 \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday Conference Only (Dinner & Dance Included) Individual \$ 75 \_\_\_\_\_

Family (Max 4 people) \$ 120 \_\_\_\_\_

Attending Sunday AGM Yes  No

#### Caregiving Registration

Please submit one form for each family member requiring care.

No. of participants: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$20 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Forms available at [www.sacl.org](http://www.sacl.org) or by calling 306-955-3344

#### Dinner & Dance

Family Dance tickets are included for registered family members.

No. of registered family members attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Extra tickets may be purchase for guests.

No. of additional adult tickets: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$20 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

No additional charge for minors under the age of 18

#### Payment Options

Total Cost: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Cheque payable to SACL

Visa  MasterCard

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Card No.

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Signature

**CONFERENCE GRANTS are available**

**If you have any questions, please contact**

**Kim Hague @ 306-955-3344**

\*\*\*\*PLEASE NOTE\*\*\*\*

**A 72 HOUR NOTICE OF**

**CANCELLATION IS REQUIRED**

Conference Hotel - Radisson Hotel- 405 20th St E, Saskatoon. A block of rooms has been reserved under the Saskatchewan Association for Community Living. **IMPORTANT** - Please note the hotel may request a credit card to hold your room and for any incidentals.

For assistance with the booking of your room, please contact Katherine at the SACL.