

Retirement Announcement

Bob Juby, Board Chair of SCEP CENTRE Society (Regina), announces the pending retirement of Patricia B. Clark. B.A., M.Ed., R.S.W., Executive Director of SCEP CENTRE Early Intervention and Training Services, effective this summer. Pat has worked as Executive Director since 1982 and at SCEP since the program's inception in 1968. She was away for periods of time doing graduate work at OISE, graduate Faculty of Education, University of Toronto.

SCEP CENTRE's philosophy and program was designed by Dr. Elisabeth P. Brandt, Ph.D. who received the Saskatchewan Order of Merit before her death in 1999, due in large part for her work designing and establishing SCEP CENTRE.

Pat was the first staff member to work in SCEP CENTRE's specialized therapeutic preschool program for children with communication and behavior problems, including those who have suffered trauma. She has worked to ensure the program's survival and growth as a small community based organization in spite of huge funding challenges and other obstacles. SCEP CENTRE has received professional respect and strong community support under Pat's leadership. SCEP is recognized for its' work with children with complex needs and their families, the sophistication and simplicity of its' approaches, training of others in SCEP methods and efforts to respond to the Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

Pat was trained by Dr. Brandt. After a period of training, they worked side by side as colleagues and friends for many years. Pat's graduate work was in educational psychology and early childhood with a strong interest in child psychotherapy. She designed and implemented SCEP's Day Care Friends program in 1993 as part of her graduate work. SCEP CENTRE continues to offer guidance and support to the child care community, receiving many requests each year for help.

The Board has established a search committee to secure a new Executive Director.