

COTF Monthly May 2019

1. COTF's Presence at the 2019 CAOT Conference:

COTF is delighted to announce a full presence at the 2019 CAOT Conference in Niagara Falls, which is now just weeks away! Please support COTF's fundraising efforts!

a. Fundraising Events:

- Silent and Live Auctions (COTF is accepting in-kind donations for the auctions. Please contact skamble@cotfcanada.org if you have an item to donate. Official income tax receipts can be issued with item's proof of value.)
- Sale of local mini box of balsamic vinegar and olive oil; and Canadian chocolates from *Aunt Sarah's*
- Locally made wine charm for sale, reserved tables and 50/50 Draw at CAOT social event
- Breakfast with a Scholar, Crystal Dieleman from Dalhousie University (ticketed event, where tickets can be purchased through CAOT's conference registration - <https://www.caot.ca/site/pd/confregfees?nav=sidebar>)
- Some of the confirmed items in the auction include:
 - A baby's quilt with rocket ships made and donated by Sandra Hobson
 - Pottery crafted and donated by Linda Petty
 - A jewelry set from Anne-Marie Chagnon, donated by Paulette Guitard
 - *More than 4 wheels*, authored and donated by Sheila Buck
 - Pearl necklace donated by Janna MacLachlan
 - Wine donated by Alison Douglas and Sandra Sahagian Whalen
 - Maple cutting board with soap stone inlay, donated by Kim McGrath
 - 2 tickets to *Come from Away* at the Elgin Theatre in Toronto by Adriana Vaduva

b. Other Events:

- Participation at the OTC Forum
- Announcement of COTF Award Recipients by the COTF President, Marjorie Hackett at the CAOT Awards Ceremony.
- Facilitation of a session on the importance of clinician-driven occupational therapy research, and the impact of research funded by COTF President, Marjorie Hackett and COTF Board Directors, Katie Churchill and Lynn Shaw.

2. 2019 COTF Research Grant Recipients:

COTF's 2019-2020 Research and Scholarship Committee met for the first time on April 24, 2019. COTF' Board of Directors approved the committee's recommendation to award the grants to the following recipients:

- Yolaine Bolduc, McMaster Legacy Grant in Honour of Bonny Jung (\$2,000) - L'ergothérapie la nuit : validation d'un outil de transfert de connaissances à l'intention des ergothérapeutes, concernant le sommeil chez les enfants présentant un retard global de développement ou une déficience intellectuelle – Occupational therapy at night: validation of a knowledge transfer tool for OTs regarding sleep patterns of children presenting an overall developmental delay or intellectual deficiency
- Dorothy Kessler, COTF Innovation Research Grant (\$5,000) - Usability of a mobile application to enhance clients' engagement in community-based therapy

- Alexandra Lecours, COTF Mental Health Research Grant (\$10,000) - Habiliter les travailleurs à préserver leur santé mentale et leur participation au travail : une analyse phénoménologique de l'expérience d'ergothérapeutes – Empower workers with tools to preserve their mental health and their participation at work: a phenomenological analysis based on the experience of OTs
- Sandra Moll, COTF Mental Health Research Grant (\$10,000) - Advancing the unique role of occupational therapists in the delivery of psychotherapy in Canada: A national study

Congratulations to all of the recipients! Thank you to the COTF Research and Scholarship Committee for its time and dedication.

3. COTF Blog:

The **2018 COTF Invacare Master's Scholarship** recipient, Maude Beaudoin explains the impact of COTF's funding on her research. Her article can be found here <https://cotfcanada.org/may-2019-blog-maude-beaudoin-2018-cotf-invacare-scholarship-recipient/>

4. Awards Database On-Line:

COTF has added searchable databases on the COTF web site (www.cotfcanada.org/awards/results/) to learn what projects COTF has funded over the years.

5. COTF Monthly:

Please be sure to share the COTF Monthly with your contacts. COTF would like to ensure that all OTs across the country have a chance to read it so that they are well informed about COTF's activities. The link is: <https://cotfcanada.org/news/>

6. Donate to COTF:

COTF is the only Foundation in Canada that exclusively supports occupational therapists. It is your Foundation! Donate to COTF by calling COTF at 613-319-6890, make a donation on-line at www.cotfcanada.org or mail a cheque to COTF/FCE, 64-2420 Bank Street, Ottawa, ON, K1V 8S1. Donations support COTF awards program, which is for occupational therapists in Canada.