

Newsletter, Issue #1, 2003

To launch the CSOS newsletter, we thought you might like to know:

- * what the CSOS has accomplished so far
 - * what we plan for the future
 - * and how you can become involved!

ACHIEVEMENTS TO DATE

Events

- May 2001: Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists (CAOT) 2001 Conference: “CSOS Inaugural Meeting” (Liz Townsend and Helene Polatajko)
- May 2002: First Canadian Occupational Science Symposium (Organizers: Brenda Beagan, Liz Townsend, and Tammy Coles)
- May 2002: CAOT 2002 Conference: “Canadian Perspectives on Occupational Science” (Liz Townsend, Helene Polatajko and Susan Street)
- October 2002: Launching of the CSOS listserv (Zofia Kumas-Tan)
- January 2003: Launching of CSOS-sponsored column in OTNow, “Sense of Doing” (Helene Polatajko and Jane Davis)
- April 2003: Launching of the CSOS website (Zofia Kumas-Tan)

Organization

- Incorporated with Canada Customs and Revenue Agency in August 2001, renewed in 2002
- Office space with CSOS sign on door, box with organized files
- Electronic space on Dalhousie’s School of Occupational Therapy computer network with complete CSOS files
- Up-to-date membership database

- Letterhead
- Brochure
- Draft of agreement with *Journal of Occupational Science* (Alison Wicks to present this to *JOS* and get back to us)

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **May 2003:** First meeting of CSOS Directors by teleconference
- **May 2003:** CAOT 2003 Conference: “What is occupational science, and why do we need it?” (Helene Polatajko and Liz Townsend)
- **September 2003** (not yet confirmed): OT Atlantic 2003 Conference: “Occupational science – What can it do for the practice of occupational therapy?” (submission made by Zofia Kumas-Tan and Liz Townsend)
- **2004:** Second Canadian Occupational Science Symposium (Organizers: Helene Polatajko and Thelma Sumsion)

WE NEED YOUR INPUT

- 1) Input for the CSOS-sponsored column in OTNow, “Sense of Doing”

Contact: Helene Polatajko (h.polatajko@utoronto.ca) or Jane Davis (ja.davis@utoronto.ca)

- 2) Input for the 2004 Canadian Occupational Science Symposium

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- 3) Input for CSOS website development

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- 4) Input for the CSOS Newsletter

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- 5) Input for CSOS fundraising possibilities

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