2000 Awards and Recognitions Recipients

AOTA Awards
Award of Merit
Mary Margaret Evert, ScD(hon.), MBA, OTR, FAOTA
Ann P. Grady, PhD, MA, OTR, FAOTA
Eleanor Clarke Slagle Lectureship
Winifred Wiese Dunn, OTR, FAOTA
Cordelia Myers Writers Award
Edward P. McAnanama
Recognition of Achievement
Jerry Bentley
Beverly Duvall-Riley
Cynthia Epstein
Sandra Fletchall
Glen Gillen
Letha Mosley
Roster of Honor
Kathleen Melin Eberhardt
Roster of Fellows
Susan J. Amundson
Ema Imperatore Blanche
Ann Burkhardt
Joanne C. Cassidy
Louise C. Fawcett
Lois E. Hickman
Stephen B. Kern
Barbara A. Larson
Dory Marken
Rebecca A. Parks
Anita Perr
Doris Pierce
Dianna D. Puccetti
Cordelia Hartwell Puttkammer
Gail Zehner Richert
Kathleen A. Sinclair
Deborah Yarett Slater
Gayle Green Smith
Perri Stern
Marcie Weinstein
Mary Jane Youngstrom

AOTF Awards
Meritorious Service Award
Jim Hinojosa, PhD, OTR, FAOTA

Certificate of Appreciation
Donald Lollar, EdD
Leadership Service Commendations
Virginia Dickie, PhD, OTR, FAOTA
Mary Beth Early, MS, OTR/L
Joyce Engle-Knowles, PhD, OTR/L, FAOTA
Kathleen Kannenberg, OTR/L
Lisette Kautzman, EdD, OTR/L, FAOTA
Heather McBride, OTR
Wendy Starnes, OTR/L
Perri Stern, EdD, OTR
Virginia Stoffel, MS, OTR, FAOTA

2000 Academy of Research
Craig Velozo, PhD, OTR
Mary J. Bridle First Research Award
Roxann Beauregard, MOT, OTR/L, MS, CCC-SLP

In Memoriam
Nancy Adams
Forestville, MD
Jaime Arias
Temple Terrace, Florida
Daniel Lee Bergeron
Argyle, Minnesota
Judith Brew
Watertown, New York
Theodore Benito Demnitz
Morristown, New Jersey
Shirley Hunt
Carruthers, North Carolina
Harriett Jewett
Venice, Florida
Judith Jones
Sugarland, Texas
John Keenen
Albuquerque, New Mexico
Alan J. Loalbo
Clinton, New Jersey
Susan McDonald
E. Wenatchee, Washington
Karina McMullen
Scarsdale, New York
Millah Nikkel
Petersk, Michigan
Henry Ralph
Orange City, Florida

Grant A. Schofield
Lavale, Maryland
Theresa Scholz
Sykesville, Maryland
Mindilu Scoville
Escondido, California
Mary Pauline Take
Chesterfield, MO
Richard Fichtner Wells
Marion, North Carolina
Beverly Smith Young
Pascagoula, Mississippi

Summary of Executive Board Minutes, January 20–22 and June 7–10, 2000
The Executive Board met at National Office on the above dates to exercise its management responsibility for the Association. Some of the actions and activities related to these meetings included:

• Executive Board shall receive a report from the Executive Director on a quarterly basis reflecting the number of FTEs, promotions, terminations, resignations, transfers, number of employees on flex schedules, etc. to allow for a formal record of the personnel statistics.
• AOTA shall initiate a pilot membership program with CMSA
• Approved the AOTA/AOTF Collaboration Task Force's recommendation concerning the service agreement between AOTA and AOTF
• Approved the Council on Continuing Competence in Occupational Therapy Standard Operating Procedure and approved the appointment of an Interim Chairperson of the Council pending a Bylaws Amendment and election of a Chairperson by the AOTA membership.
• Adopted revised “AJOT Objectives”
and Purpose Statement.

- Recommend to the 2000 RA that AOTA develop policies and procedures for submission to the 2001 RA to:
  - define an AOTA affiliate and the responsibilities of both entities;
  - examine the effectiveness of the current meeting structure of CSAP;
  - examine the roles of CSAP and the effectiveness of the current meeting system in fulfilling the purpose of CSAP as a Standing Committee of the Executive Board; and
  - define optimal channels to promote ongoing communication between and among affiliates, volunteer sector, AOTA, and National Office staff.

Approved Presidential Citation to be awarded to Elaine Viseltear at the annual conference in Seattle, Washington.

- Ratification of the consensus questions developed through the consensus conference as the basis for the research priorities of the Association and Foundation.
- Exploration of the feasibility of establishing a certification program for occupational therapists practicing in the area of ergonomics.
- Approved first product to be endorsed by AOTA, Inc. — Biofreeze.
- Established budgeting policy for the Association contingency fund to represent a minimum of 5% of each year's operating budget for AOTA.
- Developed and approved revised strategic goals and objectives for the years 2000–2003 that emphasize an increased member-centered focus and clarity of purpose so the AOTA's direction and vision can be understood by the various publics.

**AOTA 2000–2003 Strategic Plan Goals and Objectives**

To ensure a member-centered focus

- Respect and routinely monitor member needs and expectations.
- Develop broad-based membership recruitment and retention strategies.
- Foster opportunities for active member participation and leadership.

To advance excellence in practice, education and research

- Promote high professional standards and continuing competence.
- Foster success in both existing and emerging practice settings.
- Support transition to post-baccalaureate entry to the profession.
- Develop and promote application of evidence-based knowledge.

To represent and advocate for the profession

- Promote greater public understanding of occupational therapy.
- Heighten AOTA's influence with both public and private sector policymakers.
- Keep our members actively informed of issues and AOTA actions.
- Monitor and be proactive on emerging public policy.

To pursue strategic alliances

- Strengthen relationships with OT state associations.
- Develop and implement a strategic alliance action plan.
- Broaden relationships within OT and beyond both domestically and globally.

To remain a viable and financially sound organization

- Practice responsible resource management.
- Expand and diversify revenue streams.
- Monitor internal and environmental trends impacting operations.
- Carefully assess and manage risks.

To improve governance and management effectiveness

- Align resources, structures and actions with strategic goal outcomes.
- Streamline policy development and decision-making processes.
- Promote volunteer leadership excellence.
- Modified the Associate Membership Category and approved a new fee schedule to encourage greater usage of this category.

Robin Jones, COTA/L, ROH
AOTA Secretary