Hello OT students! We would like to introduce this new monthly newsletter brought to you by your OTAC delegates. The goal of OTAC flash is to bring awareness about OTAC and highlight what OTAC is doing for our profession RIGHT NOW!

CHECK OUT OTAC THEMED EPISODES OF OT TALK!

OT Talk is a new student run podcast about everything OT. Episodes 2 and 3 are all about conference experiences at the 2012 OTAC Conference. There are great interviews with researchers, vendors, OT students, and practitioners. Find the episodes at: [http://ot.usc.edu/news-and-events/ot-talk](http://ot.usc.edu/news-and-events/ot-talk) OR Just GOOGLE USC OT podcast!

OTAC offers so much to California’s OT community. The Advocacy Center on the OTAC Website ([www.otaonline.org](http://www.otaonline.org)) is a great place to learn how to connect with your elected officials as well as more information on current advocacy activities. For example, the Region 2 Legislative Reception on April 11th. Or check out the continuing education opportunities... LIKE the Spring Symposium this Feb 15th! Registration ends Feb 14th. So become a member of the Occupational Therapy Association of California today to take advantage of all of the great benefits and support your local OT community. You won’t regret it, but don’t take our word for it. See what your fellow classmates have to say...

HOW I FEEL ABOUT MY MEMBERSHIP

CARLY WASSERMAN
I am passionate about OTAC membership because it helps students learn how to advocate for our profession and create a sense of community amongst students and current practitioners.

ROB RUSSOW
There are two main reasons I joined OTAC: supporting our practice here in California, which is a leader in occupational therapy policy for the rest of the nation, and becoming a part of the OTAC network, essential to my growth in this profession. The people I met and the knowledge I gained attending my first OTAC conference are worth far more than the membership fee.

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The benefits I’ve experienced of being an OTAC member this year has been attending the OTAC Conference in Pasadena, where I met a lot of other students from California who will most likely be colleagues that I will work in close proximity with since I plan to stay in California. It was nice to start networking early as well as compare how our individual school programs work.

MEGAN CHEN
I appreciate my OTAC membership because it gives me the opportunity to attend conferences where I am able to learn more about the profession of OT and network with others at a reasonable cost!

Have any ideas? Want to be involved? Contact us at: [otac.usc@gmail.com](mailto:otac.usc@gmail.com) with OTAC FLASH in the subject line.