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Ability P & O Donates to the Dale Yasukawa Scholarship Fund

September 1, 2009 – Langhorne, Pennsylvania – Ability Prosthetics & Orthotics, based in Gettysburg, PA and its Founder Jeff Brandt, CPO recently contributed to the ongoing Dale Yasukawa Memorial Scholarship Fund, maintained by OPAF and The First Clinics. The scholarship was established in 2001 to honor Dale Yasukawa, CP, who had served as Director of Prosthetics for the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago (RIC). Jeff Brandt worked with Dale at RIC and wished to donate to the scholarship fund and pledged to fund the OPAF scholarship each year.

“I was the fortunate recipient of the Gunther Gehl-Northwestern Scholarship when I attended Northwestern University Prosthetic & Orthotic Center, so I understand the importance of the Dale Yasukawa Scholarship Fund. Dale was very near and dear to my heart and the money is always needed,” said Brandt who worked with Dale Yasukawa at Rehab Institute of Chicago for two years.

The Dale Yasukawa Memorial Scholarship was established for full time certificate candidates, pursuing O & P as their career choice at Northwestern. The chief purpose of the scholarship is to encourage student participation in their local annual meeting of the American Academy of Orthotists and Prosthetists (AAOP). It is expected that the award will be used specifically to defray meeting registration fees of their local AAOP meeting and assist in the purchasing of books, supplies, and equipment needed for ongoing studies at NUPOC. One \$500 scholarship is awarded each spring. The 2009 Dale Yasukawa Scholarship winner is Alex Trumper, CO of Chicago.

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