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(custom made) wheelchairs for daily use and active living customers. Made to measure products with RGK's industry leading ERGO Seating ensures the ultimate in postural support and performance!









Thank You Kevin Coleman, Later

With regret, Randy Willet, Cascade Designs Vice-President of Medical (VARILITE® Division), let us know that their long time Global Sales Manager has said, "catch you later, I have a family to spend more evenings with" ... Kevin tendered his resignation for May 24th, 2007, a decade after joining *VARILITE*® and playing a most significant role in growing the brand and sharing quality products with a world of customers! "We will miss Kevin tremendously," said Randy Willet, who went on to relay, "he has been a valuable member of the VARILITE® team and



deserves much of the credit for our sales growth and success. The friendships he has made and the respect he has earned in our industry is a testament to his commitment and passion for VARILITE®."

Kevin, the consummate professional, was cognizant of the feelings and beliefs of the people he worked with, "the thing about moose meat is that no two steaks taste the same," choked Kevin after eating some of the driest steak that I ever made, said Reg McClellan, President/CEO of RGK Wheelchairs, Inc. "Kevin did not have the best steak on his first trip to the Nations Capital a couple of years ago, but he soldiered on and despite the sub-par cooking, made it an enjoyable night for all!"

Kevin's future will likely be in and around the industry and he has asked to share his contact information and make sure everyone can stay in touch. Thank you very much for all the memories to date Kevin, and all the best in the future; our paths will cross again!

People-in-Motion June 1-2, 2007

People in Motion features 63,000 square feet of exhibits which include adapted vehicles, mobility aids, barrier-free design, rehabilitation services, home health care products, accessible travel, leisure activities, technical aids, employment information, corporate services and government programs. It is Canada's most comprehensive exhibition for people with disabilities of all ages, as well as their families and friends. We will be at this event again this year changing tires, tubes, and showing our products to end users while catching up with the dealers in the area that exhibit at the event.

Rugby Nationals a Success

For the second year in a row, the wheelchair rugby national championships had ten teams competing in two divisions for the much coveted national trophies, the Campbell Cup (Division I) and the Zbieranowski Cup (Division II). This year's event was hosted by Wheelchair Sports Alberta from May 4-6 at the Van Vilet Centre on the campus of the











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www.4RGK.com www.Varilite.ca www.Varilite.com www.RGKLife.com University of Alberta. Coloplast was the title sponsor and we were Gold Sponsors. The final results were as follows: Quebec "B" vs. Team Manitoba 23–28 Bronze DII and Gold for Ontario Lightning vs. BC Coast 37–36 Bronze Medal DI Ontario Thunder - Alberta Roughnecks 38–32 and Gold Medal went to Quebec Impact over BC Bandits 25–22. For information on the Coloplast 2007 Canadian Wheelchair Rugby Championships <u>www.cwsa.ca/nat-07.html</u>.

Congratulations to CWSA for a great tournament and for taking the opportunity to honour **Judith Zelman**, athlete, administrator, and long time supporter of the game who passed away February 3, 2007, at the age of 39 years, after a battle with breast cancer.

Basketball Nationals

In conjunction with the Canadian Wheelchair Basketball Association's (CWBA) Manitoba Branch (MWSA), we were proud sponsors of the Canadian Wheelchair Basketball Nationals event held in Winnipeg, MB from May 18-20, 2007. BC defeated the home province on the men's side (Manitoba) with Ontario settling for bronze over Quebec. The Edmonton Aurora Lights were too strong for all competition defeating Calgary Rocky Mountain Rollers in the final while the BC



Breakers rebounded from an early loss to the Zodiak from Quebec to take the bronze.

These sponsorships are made possible with the support of the brands we work with (**RGK Wheelchairs**, *VARILITE®* Seating Systems, *Kenda* Tires and Tubes, and **Spinergy** Wheels). We take this opportunity to thank them for

their support of what we know makes a significant difference in the lives of the participants who inevitably go on to give back 10 fold!



Great job on the logo's **Diana Lim** (Illustrations by Limonade)! More information on this event may be found at <u>www.cwba.ca</u>, the first national sport organization to have its own web site!

Bits and Bytes

- ECO Medical Show June 01 Edmonton, AB;
- People-in-Motion.com Show June 2-3 in Toronto, ON;
- MEDIChair Show June 5 Calgary, AB;
- Rolling Rampage June 16 Toronto, ON;
- Ontario Paralympic Summer Championships June 22-24, Sarnia, ON.

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If you have something that you think we should be expounding on, please contact the editor, Reg McClellan.