"If your work speaks for itself, don't interrupt".

# **People in Motion**

We look forward to attending the People in Motion Show again this year to catch up with end users, dealers, the non-profit sector, prescribing authorities, and others working or involved in our industry.



We will showcase the new **VARILOCK<sup>™</sup>** hardware from *VARILITE*<sup>®</sup>, the **ELITE** from RGK, and the **ROGUE** from Ki Mobility. We will also have the new SmartDrive System from Quart for people to check out and they will see an array of product and accessories that comes from Kenda, Spinergy, FrogLegs, Topolino, Glance, OutFront, American Airless, XCore, CEW, Sun Components, MBL, Deacon, Spintek, Blax, D's Locks, Freewheel, M2 Inc, Round Betty, Schwalbe, and goods from a host of other manufacturers.

The web site at <u>www.people-in-motion.com</u> says it all this way: "Canada's Premier Event for Persons with Disabilities, Seniors with Special Needs, and Professionals Working In Related Areas. The show set up is Thursday May 30<sup>th</sup> and the show runs from 10 AM – 5 PM Friday May 31<sup>st</sup> and Saturday June 1<sup>st</sup> at the Queen Elizabeth Building, Exhibition Place, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

# **Coffee Tables Sought**



**BESPOKE PLUS** 

We have had the good fortune of acquiring the last copies of the book entitled "Paralympics, Where Heroes Come!" This project was a passion for the project director and photographer, Bob Peterson, known as One Shot Bob and his wife, Cynthia J. Peterson, who coauthored the book with the then President of the IPC, Dr. Bob Steadward.

I thought I had met Bob Peterson first when he was introduced to me by Elaine Ell, (then Assistant Director of Communications with the Edmonton Oilers) as the photographer for the Edmonton Oilers, but when we got talking I found out he was doing photography work years earlier in and around sport for athletes with a disability and he already knew a lot of what I was about. I will never forget him giving me the signed print of one of his favourite shots of Wayne Gretzky.

This first-ever history of the Paralympic movement was a labour of love for both One Shot Bob and Cynthia. They spent months preparing, editing, and producing the 258 odd pages containing interviews of Paralympians, background information on the Games, and hundreds of photographs.

The introduction was written by Gary (Mother) McPherson. The forward, by then President of the IOC Juan Antonio Samaranch, came at a great time in history, likely cementing the spirit of the Paralympics in the mind of a person who was completely dedicated to the Olympics.

Our mission today is to find about 400 coffee tables where this book can be on display to showcase the life

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and times of many Paralympians and to honour the folks who brought this book into being. Thanks to a number of organizations and foundations, this book has already reached a world wide audience. The Franklin Foundation and Soldier On enabled a huge number of wounded Canadian soldiers returning from Afghanistan to get a copy.

We will provide a free copy to people who send us a written request for one to be displayed on their coffee table at home, at work, at a library or institution where it will have a chance of inspiring someone to be involved in sport for athletes with a disability. The individuals receiving a copy will be responsible for the shipping. Please send us an email at <u>info@49bespoke.com</u> to get your copy today!

#### **ROGUE on ADP**



The Ki Mobility Rogue is a rigid, adjustable manual Type 4 wheelchair that has received the Ontario Assistive Devices Program (ADP) reimbursement numbers. They are:

Adult WM0001043 Paediatric WM0001044

The Rogue is tested to 275 pounds believed to be the direction of the International Standards Organization (ISO) and it is available in sizes 12'' - 20'' wide and is also offered as an adjustable version. It is manufactured out of 7000 series aluminum and comes in at 10.6 pounds transport weight (without the rear wheels)!

### Smart Drive

RGK has entered into an agreement with Max Mobility to market and promote the Smart Drive system, a power-



assisted device that very simply clips onto the back of your chair. In Canada, the Smart Drive system is marketed and promoted by www.quarthealthcare.com and the manufacturer's site is:

www.Max-Mobility.com.

Come by the booth and meet Sven from Quart to check it out on a Rogue or a Hi-Lite.

# VARILITE® Tech

VARILITE<sup>®</sup> cushions come in widths from 12 to 24 inches and are tested to 750 pounds in the largest sizes. VARILITE<sup>®</sup> Products have "Air-Foam Floatation Technology" combining the best characteristics of air and foam for dynamically supportive high pressure relief. See



them on their You Tube channel with the ICON<sup>™</sup> Back System and all new **VARILOCK**<sup>™</sup> hardware.

# **Missing Ray Cohen**



It is with sadness that we will not see Ray Cohen's smiling face at People in Motion this year. The editor and publisher of *Abilities* magazine and founder and chief executive officer of the Canadian Abilities Foundation, passed away on Friday, March 22.

There will be a life celebration on Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2013 from 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm at the Ontario College of Art and Design (OCAD), 100 McCaul St., Toronto, Ontario, M5T 1W1 - Auditorium, Room 190. RSVP to Danielle Sinclair: <u>danielleasinclair@gmail.com</u> and note that you are welcome to bring your favourite plate of finger foods to share hot or cold, sweet, or savoury.

# **Bits and Bytes**

- People In Motion Show May 31 June 1, Toronto;
- GAOT Conference Victoria, BC May 29-June 1;
- Ki Mobility Grand Opening of New Facility June 13;
- Omni Home Health Care Expo in Picton, ON June 25;
- RGK 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations July 6;
- OSOT Conference September 27-28, London, ON!

**BESPOKE PLUS** helps to market and promote **RGK Wheelchairs**, **VARILITE**<sup>®</sup> Seating and Positioning Systems, **KENDA**, and **Ki Mobility** products, along with Spinergy, Glance, Frog Legs, Schwalbe, Sun, Spintek, MBL, Natural Fit, Blax, and other great products. **Please give us a call or contact the editor, Reg McClellan, if you have something that you think we should expound on.**