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**Benson**

Benson and his prosthetist, Dan Bastian with Progressive O & P in Albertson, NY are pictured. In late 2016 at age 33, Benson lost his leg in a transit train accident. Traversing the mental, physical and emotional trauma of limb loss, Benson met Dan, and began the path back to life and living again. Find his full story at: www.progoandp.com/hanging-on-a-hopeful-limb

Benson received his new limb from Limbs for Life earlier this year in partnership with the Progressive Clinic team.

Benson also shares, “As for me, I would like to lend my voice to advocacy for this community of humans and hopefully find ways to help those without limbs to at least get one – stand in it or raise up their hands and lift their arms again.”

His long-range goal is to cross the finish line at the New York City Marathon one day.

**Chalyn**

Chalyn is a former police officer who was preparing to pursue her law degree when she became ill. After two years of tests and treatment, she lost her left leg in January. Always active, a black belt candidate in Tae Kwon Do medaling at state and national competitions, she enjoys running and mountain hiking with her brothers in New Mexico. She has a servant heart and is committed to serving others through Family Law.

Chalyn was fitted for her limb in the midst of the pandemic. After some delay, she is now in physical therapy and says,

“*It’s so amazing to be back up on two feet! I’m able to go walking with my dogs again for the first time in almost two years. I loved Tae Kwon Do and was getting ready to test for my black belt before my amputation, and I was afraid that I would never be able to do it again. But after seeing all my progress so far, my physical therapist said that returning to my favorite sport and finally getting my black belt is totally within reach! I am so happy to be standing tall and finally taking my life back!*"
DIRECTOR’S CORNER

As Fall of 2020 approaches, we could all use a little good news. I’d like to share a Limbs for Life update of progress, hope and teamwork.

First, some statistics about Limbs for Life progress in 2019:

• 213 amputees received new limbs through our financial assistance program
• 344 amputees in the U.S. received donated parts from our warehouse
• 2,000+ requests for information and referrals were fulfilled
• 5,573 prosthetic parts were donated by 230 donors from 39 states
• 4,913 parts were distributed to amputees in 21 states and 15 countries across 5 continents
• In total, LFL served 2,788 amputees last year

More importantly, we changed people’s lives. When surveyed after receiving their new prosthesis, our clients reported that:

• 58% felt they could better maintain their independence
• 54% said their feelings of well-being had improved
• 46% were better able to care for their family

As for hope, Limbs for Life is prepared to assist more amputees in 2020 than in any previous year in our history.

That outlook for success is made possible through teamwork provided by prosthetic professionals, visionary donors and dedicated volunteers across the country and around the world.

Speaking of teamwork, I welcome our most recent partners - R.O.M.P. - Range of Motion Project, www.rompglobal.org. As we develop this collaboration in the weeks to come, both agencies expect to strengthen our ability to provide quality prosthetic care to amputees in need. Watch for more updates soon.

Stay healthy,

—Lucy Fraser

CLIENT PROFILE

Greg

Words are not enough to show my appreciation for what the organization has done for me. I truly believe I would have given up on life without this ability. Thank God for your kindness and understanding, it will never be taken for granted, nor forgotten.

Thank you so very much, Greg

Greg Norman with Brent White, Prosthetist at New Life Brace & Limb in Webster, Texas

See more client stories on our website.... www.limbsforlife.org/stories

PARTNER PROFILE

300+ Clinic Partners across the U.S. make it possible for LFL clients to receive care in their local area.

Progressive O & P
Albertson, NY

Progressive O&P understands that emotional health is a critical aspect of the recovery process. They address those aspects up front, often meeting with surgeons before the patient’s procedure.

Once the healing process begins, hope quickly follows. It’s not surprising that once patients connect with Progressive O&P… like a family, the emotional bond lasts a lifetime.

For more information, visit www.progoandp.com

IN MEMORIAM - We are grateful for gifts in memory of: Alice Alt, Susan Bergin, Ron Andrews, Paul A. Villano, and Russ Rhodes
Our 18th Annual LFL Golf Tournament for 2020 has been canceled. However, we are set for Monday, Oct. 18, 2021.

Mark the date on your calendar now. We are already anticipating a fabulous return to the golf course with all our friends and partners.

Don’t miss it!
Employee Giving Campaigns (workplace giving campaigns) are gearing up this fall. While some campaigns may look different this year with virtual elements, they are excellent ways to support your favorite charities throughout the year. Incremental donations through payroll contributions each pay period add up to a big impact for those we serve.

As a member of Community Health Charities, Limbs for Life participates in the Oklahoma State Employee Campaign, the Oklahoma City "Heart of the City" Campaign, Tulsa and Oklahoma City Public Schools, Continental Resources and many other municipal, county, private and corporate business employee giving programs. Ask your employer if you can support Limbs for Life through a payroll contribution to put amputees back on their feet.

You may also set up your own direct donations with your bank or financial institution. Recurring monthly or quarterly donations have a tremendous impact and may be scheduled on our website donor page. www.donatenow.networkforgood.org/limbsforlifefoundation