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Janet received her new limb through our partnership with Scott Sabolich Prosthetics.

Janet Wallace loves being active outdoors

The mother of three grown daughters, two fun-loving granddaughters, and one adorable new baby boy, Janet and her husband stay very busy with family activities and their business. Janet enjoys a dynamic lifestyle and being outdoors.

When multiple surgeries were not effective to correct a hereditary issue, Janet lost her left leg above the knee in November 2018. From the beginning, she was motivated to get back to spending time with her family and doing activities she loved, including river fishing, camping, golf and traveling.

Her prosthetists, Lauren Arnold and Geoff Hoffman at Scott Sabolich Prosthetics & Research knew Janet had great stamina and balance and would do well on her new limb.

Janet's motivation was enhanced by two events. First, she planned to participate in "Girls on the Run", a 5K event with her oldest granddaughter, Jayden. She also was anticipating the arrival of her first grandson, Jagger, last November. Janet continues to thrive on her new limb from Limbs for Life. She is currently in the process of some upgrades to give her even more mobility and independence which she definitely needs to keep pace with her middle grandchild, Nevaeh, who just turned two.

Nothing brightens our days more than stories like this from friends like Janet.





DIRECTOR'S CORNER

My first day as Director at Limbs for Life will forever be remembered as the day of the Boston Marathon bombing which left 17 amputee survivors.

As the country struggled to process this horrible act of terrorism, Limbs for Life was flooded with calls from people seeking ways to assist. One caller had been at the finish line when the bombs exploded and expressed his feelings of guilt because he had not been able to help. I found myself drawing on experiences from 1995 when our hometown of Oklahoma City endured the horrific bombing of the Murrah federal building. That experience enabled me to assure this young man that, like Oklahoma City, Boston would not only survive, but would stand stronger in its recovery.

Inadvertently, 1995 was also the year that the Limbs for Life Foundation was founded. Even as we face today's uncertain times, we invite you to celebrate our 25 years of assisting amputees in need. Since its inception, LFL has

- Provided financial assistance of \$6.25M in prosthetic care for new limbs to 2,700+ amputees across America
- Provided information and referral services to more than 7,500 amputees and family members
- Distributed thousands of donated parts to aid amputees in 30 countries on 5 continents

Thank you for your continued support of our mission to provide quality prosthetic care to amputees in need. We look forward to the day when we can gather together again to applaud all of our donors, clinic partners and clients. Happy 25th Anniversary, Limbs for Life!

Lucy Fraser

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CLIENT PROFILE



Quannah lives in Oklahoma City and has a 13 year old son. He suffered a broken foot which led to his limb loss in 2017. From the beginning, Quannah (50) was determined to return to work and continue to care for and support himself and his son.

With funding from a Telligen Community Initiative (TCI) grant to improve health outcomes for American Indian clients, Limbs for Life was able to fund his new limb in partnership with clinician, Osvaldo Melegatti.

Quannah is now working at Braum's and is pictured with LFL Board Member, John Shelton.

See more client stories on our website....

<http://limbsforlife.org/success-stories/>

PARTNER PROFILE

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

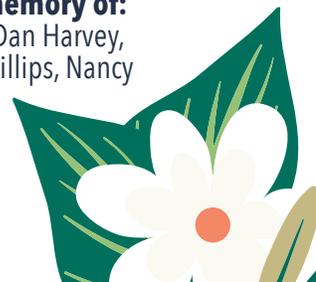
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LIMBS FOR LIFE 25th Anniversary

Serving amputees in need

For 25 years, Limbs for Life has successfully provided assistance to amputees in need. Even in these uncertain times, our mission is unwavering.

- Our team is adapting as needed. Though some of us are working remotely, phone calls are answered and returned; applications are being processed.
- The LEGacy Room warehouse is open several hours a day for local clinic partners; and we continue to fulfill long-distance orders supplying donated parts as requested.
- Our clinic partners continue operations and services for amputees, adjusting as needed to follow CDC guidelines

We are, indeed, all in this together. Be safe, stay well and be kind to one another. Though we are safer at a distance, it is our hope that we all use this time to grow closer as families, neighborhoods, and communities.

CARES Act - Three Big Changes

By Charles Schultz, President/CEO, Crescendo Interactive, Inc.

On March 27, 2020, the House and Senate passed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. There are three big changes that came out of the CARES Act that you should know:

Cash Gifts - Individuals may deduct \$300 above-the-line. This charitable deduction enables a taxpayer who takes the standard deduction to also benefit from his or her charitable gifts. The \$300 above-the-line deduction must be gifts of cash by a nonitemizer, and may not be to a donor advised fund or supporting organization.

100% Charitable Deduction Limit - The usual deduction limit for cash gifts to public charities is 60% of adjusted gross income (AGI). For 2020, gifts of cash to charity are deductible to 100% of AGI. The gift may be for any charitable purpose and is not limited to gifts for Coronavirus relief.

Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) Waiver - The RMD is waived for IRA and other qualified retirement plan owners for the year 2020. Loyal donors may still wish to use IRA funds to make a qualified charitable distribution (QCD). The QCD is available up to \$100,000 for individuals who are over age 70½.



SPONSORED EVENTS

Special events and fundraising activities are critical to our program. Most events have been delayed and we anticipate some occurring later this year. Our faithful repeat events like the **Doerre Middle School Color Run** and the **Joe Shanahan Memorial** event have provided significant revenue to fund prosthetic care. We recently received funds from the **Clarks "Get People Walking" Campaign**. Once again, Clarks associates and customers stepped up and generated over \$32,000 for Limbs for Life. Our friends at **FANDOM Running Club** selected LFL as the "Charity of the Month" for April and again brought tremendous visibility and support to our mission. <https://fandomrunning.org/>

Our thanks to all the amazing organizations, businesses and groups who work tirelessly on behalf of those we serve. We look forward to working with you again soon.

Save the Date!

18th Annual LFL Golf Tournament is scheduled for Monday, Oct. 19. Registration and Sponsorship Details are available on our website at limbsforlife.org.



OUR TEAM

We bid farewell to **Gayla Junk** and extend our sincere thanks for the incredible work she has done for Limbs for Life. Her attention to detail, integrity and professionalism served the Foundation well.

Thank You Gayla!

We welcome **Deborah Minard** to the LFL Team. Deborah comes to us with 20 years of nonprofit accounting and business management experience, most recently with Lyric Theatre and Senior Follies. Deborah enjoys quilting and her two canine companions, one of whom visits the office on occasion.

Welcome Deborah!



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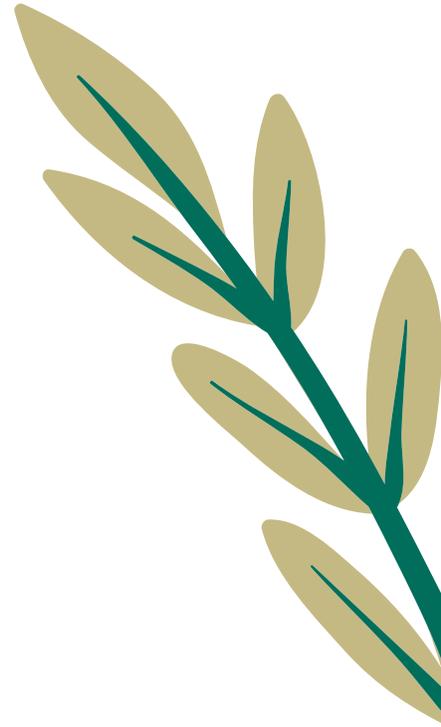
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Our donor, Elaine, has contributed \$25 per month for years, effectively funding several amputees by her cumulative generosity to Limbs for Life. Please consider making a recurring gift to Limbs for Life today.

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