From Our Members

Making life easier ...

“The One Touch™ Automatic Can Opener” works like a charm and can be purchased for around $28 by calling 800-742-2263 or online at www.haband.com.” Jane Dummer, Baltimore, Maryland (dummersings@hotmail.com)

“The UpLift Seat Assist” helps me get up from various chairs around the house. It uses a hydro-pneumatic mechanism; no electricity or batteries. I had to use it a while to have confidence in it. You can order it from Uplift Technologies, Inc., 11 Morris Drive, Unit 125, Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, B3B 1M2 Canada (www.up-lift.com; 800-387-0896).” Dan Hindle, Saint Louis, Missouri

Searching for ...

“I have people stopping me all the time asking where I got my arm supports. They were made for me at Warm Springs. Is there any place that makes a device like this today? If so, contact PHL.”
Jean Davis

“My husband and I both had polio. It is very difficult for him to transfer now, and I can’t help like I used to. We have installed a lift from SureHands® Lift & Care Systems, Pine Island, New York (www.surehands.com; 800-724-5305). Ours is from the HM 2500 series and is rather expensive, but we saved for this possibility.” Mary Ann Buckingham, Worth, Illinois

“Does anyone remember the Gordon Brock Belt? It has stays like a corset and laces up the back. In the front, an oval-shaped soft pad fits directly over the chest cavity, with the bottom over the diaphragm. It is spring-loaded on the front so that every time one inhales, this activates the spring, which then pushes on the diaphragm to help with exhaling.” Joe Roberts, Valley, Nebraska (lojorob@cox.net or 402-359-2446)