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From left: Sean Allen, John Szucs, Shelley Lalonde, Natalie Johnsen, Debbie Hatch, Brooke Artesi, Steven Pezzetta, and Baby Gio. PHOTOS COURTESY SUNSHINE PROSTHETICS AND ORTHOTICS



Brooke Artesi.

Apple Chase benefits medical foundation

Team Sunshine, representing Sunshine Prosthetics and Orthotics in Wayne, ran in the 21st Annual Apple Chase 5k/12k in Pequannock on Oct. 15, emphasizing their belief in the importance of being active and facing challenges.

The team leader, Brooke Artesi, owner of Sunshine P&O, has been an amputee since the age of 15 when she lost her

right leg in a train accident. She's an avid hiker and outdoor sports enthusiast and enjoys encouraging others to follow an active lifestyle.

"I love the challenge and the exhilaration at the finish, and I also love seeing people who never thought they could do it find that they are stronger than they thought. That's most exciting to me," says Artesi.

This year the Apple Chase 5k/12k raised money for the Chilton Medical Center Foundation, a not-for-profit dedicated to enhancing the quality of health care available to those they serve - funding clinical services, state-of-the-art technology, facility construction and modernization's (cancer center, mother baby center, total joint center, emergency department), com-

munity outreach initiatives and other vital programs.

Sunshine Prosthetics and Orthotics is located at 1700 Route 23 North, Suite 180, in Wayne, where they provide a full range of services for amputees and other physically challenged adults and children. For more information, call 973-696-8100 or visit www.SunshinePandO.com.