



VOTING FOR THE 2006 U.S. OLYMPIC SPIRIT AWARD DELIVERED BY DHL BEGINS THIS WEEKEND

TORINO, ITALY – February 9, 2006 – DHL, the world’s leading express delivery and logistics company and the Official Express Delivery and Logistics Provider of the 2006 United States Olympic and Paralympic Teams, announced today that voting for the winners of the *2006 U.S. Olympic Spirit Award Delivered by DHL* will open on February 11th, the first day of competition at the 2006 Olympic Winter Games in Torino, Italy.

The *2006 U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Spirit Award Delivered by DHL* will recognize U.S. Olympians, U.S. Paralympians, and U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Teams who best represent Olympic Spirit through their courage, commitment, performance, perseverance and vision, both in competition and in pursuit of their athletic dreams. The award honorees will be selected by consumers, media, U.S. alumni Olympians and fellow Team USA athletes through an online voting process during the 16 days of competition, from February 11th until February 26th, by visiting either: www.dhl-usa.com; or www.usolympicteam.com.

All consumer voters will automatically be entered into the DHL “Be a U.S. Olympian for a Day” sweepstakes offering a host of prizes including the chance to win a trip for two to the U.S. Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colo. The athlete recipients of the *2006 U.S. Olympic Spirit Awards Delivered by DHL* will be announced at the conclusion of the Olympic Winter Games.

During the primetime NBC broadcast of the Opening Ceremony of the 2006 Olympic Winter Games on February 10th, DHL will unveil a new :30 television spot featuring Gold-medal speedskater and two-time *U.S. Olympic Spirit Award* winner Dan Jansen. The commercial, which will air throughout the duration of the Olympic Winter Games on NBC and its affiliate networks, supports voting for the *U.S. Olympic Spirit Award Delivered by DHL* and encourages consumers to vote for the Olympian they feel best embodies the Olympic Spirit.

DHL will present a total of six awards, one each to a U.S. Olympic male and female athlete and team, as well as delivering awards to Paralympic male and female athletes and a team. Additionally, DHL will

provide a grant of \$5,000 in the name of each athlete or team to a qualified, Olympic or Paralympic-related non-profit organization of their choice.

The *U.S. Olympic Spirit Award* dates back to 1968, when it was created by the U.S. Olympic Committee to honor the extraordinary achievements of the United States' Olympic athletes. In 2000, the award was expanded to include the Paralympic athletes, recognizing the excellence and efforts of athletes with physical disabilities. Voting for the winners of the *2006 U.S. Paralympic Spirit Award Delivered by DHL* will take place from March 10th until March 19th, during competition at the 2006 Paralympic Winter Games in Torino, Italy.

Previous winners of the *U.S. Olympic Spirit Award* have demonstrated Olympic Spirit by succeeding in sport despite significant obstacles or adversity. Some recipients have inspired a nation with exemplary behavior and others have carried out an accomplishment, deed, performance or action that changes the face of an Olympic or Paralympic sport. Past *U.S. Olympic Spirit Award* winners include Team DHL members **Scott Hamilton** (figure skating, 1994), **Dan Jansen** (speedskating, 1988/1994), **Chris Klug** (snowboarding, 2002), **Vonetta Flowers** (bobsledding, 2002) and **Sarah Will** (Paralympic alpine skiing, 2002). Each member of Team DHL has been encouraging public participation in the voting process for this year's winners.

To vote, visit www.usolympicteam.com or www.dhl-usa.com/olympicspirit/.

About DHL

A supplier of the United States Olympic Committee (USOC), DHL is the Official Express Delivery and Logistics Provider of the 2006 United States Olympic and Paralympic Teams. DHL will provide express delivery and logistics services to fulfill the shipping needs of the U.S. Olympic Committee and Teams, including sporting and medical equipment and Team apparel, and is committed to delivering the Olympic Spirit all across America.

Information about DHL's Olympic Spirit Activation platform is available online at the DHL U.S. Olympic Spirit micro site (www.dhl-usa.com/olympicspirit/).

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