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**THREE EUROPEAN PHYSICIANS ARRIVING IN ROCKFORD FOR SPECIALIZED
ORTHOPEDIC TRAINING FROM LOCAL ORTHOPEDIC SURGEON**

ROCKFORD, IL June 17, 2009 ... **Scott W. Trenhaile, MD**, of Rockford Orthopedic Associates, Ltd. will be providing surgical and clinical preceptorship during the week of June 22, 2009 for three orthopedic surgeons from Poland. **Dr. Przemyslaw Lubiatowski** and **Dr. Robert Splawski** of Poznan, Poland, and **Dr. Piotr Kominiak** of Szczecin, Poland will spend the week under-going an extensive program with Trenhaile, including observing 10 or more surgeries and his clinical practice activities.

The visiting surgeons sought this opportunity to learn advance techniques for rotator cuff repair, shoulder instability, and biceps tenodesis from Trenhaile based on his expertise, his innovations in technique, and noted surgical skill. The visit was made possible through the *Surgeon to Surgeon Program* offered by Smith and Nephew (www.smith-nephew.com), a developer of advance medical devices. The *Surgeon to Surgeon Program* coordinates and provides surgeons from around the world with the opportunity to meet, observe and learn from leading orthopedic surgeons.

As a Board-Certified surgeon, Dr. Trenhaile's practice at Rockford Orthopedic Associates is focused on arthroscopic surgery of the shoulder, elbow, knee, and the treatment of sports or activity-related injuries. He serves as team physician for sports teams at the high school, college, and professional level, and as Clinical Assistant Professor and Adjunct Clinical Instructor for the University of Illinois College of Medicine, Rockford and Midwestern University, respectively.

He has spoken at numerous lectures and authored textbook chapters and journal articles on shoulders and elbow surgery. Dr. Trenhaile is actively involved in the development of surgical technique and device advances.

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Dr. Przemyslaw Lubiowski is a trained orthopedic surgeon and works in the Department of Traumatology, Orthopedics and Hand Surgery at the University of Medical Sciences in Poznan. His professional focus is on the upper extremity, primarily shoulder and elbow and is involved in research studies in addition to clinical work. He has previously trained at the Cleveland Clinic in Cleveland, Ohio, and University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, Scotland.

Dr. Robert Splawski is an orthopedic surgeon with a special interest in the shoulder. He currently works for three different medical organizations in Poznan: the Wiktor's Dega's 4th Clinical Hospital in Poznan; University School of Medical Sciences; and "Sensorium" SMO Private Clinical Practice.

Dr. Piotr Andrzej's practice focuses on shoulder and knee arthroscopic reconstructive surgery, knee and hip replacement, and traumatology. He performs over 550 surgeries annually for Sokolowski Regional Hospital, "Dom Lekarski" Hospital, and the Shepton Mallet Treatment Center in Szczecin.

Rockford Orthopedic Associates, Ltd. serves the Northern Illinois region in multi-specialty orthopedics and offers a full range of orthopedic care including the specialties of podiatry, physical medicine and rehabilitation, and rheumatology. Rockford Orthopedic offers the ancillary services of physical therapy, MRI, workers' compensation, and an out-patient surgery center. #