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Forest Riders Snowmobile Club donates to Hospice Care

PARK RAPIDS, MN (March 16, 2016) – Forest Riders Snowmobile Club held their 2nd Annual Ride for Hospice on behalf of CHI St. Joseph's Health Hospice Care.

The club coordinates this event to raise funds in honor or in memory of loved ones. The club hoped to raise more than last year's donations of \$1,000, this year the club raised \$3,005.00 to benefit CHI St. Joseph's Health Hospice Care.

These donations make a difference to patients, families and loved ones facing end-of-life issues. Community support ensures specialized quality hospice care close to home with an emphasis on comfort, dignity and helping hospice patients live every day to its fullest.

On January 23 and 24, Riders left the Two Inlets Country Store Saturday at noon on their snowmobiles riding the groomed trails to the Shooting Star Casino & Hotel in Mahnommen.

The club would like to thank everyone who rode either by snowmobile or drove support vehicles, and most importantly, the parties who donated to this great cause! Forest Riders Snowmobile Club is proud to support CHI St. Joseph Health Hospice Care and all they do for our community. We are looking forward to the 3rd Annual Ride for Hospice in 2017!

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Representing Forest Riders Snowmobile Club, Richard Ohm presents CHI St. Joseph's Health Hospice Care with a \$3,005 donation raised by area snowmobilers. Pictured from left are: Jessica Jensen, Patient Care Coordinator; Laurel Hed, Bereavement Coordinator, Social Worker; Richard Ohm and Jill Grimes, CHI St. Joseph's Health Hospice Care Director.

About CHI St. Joseph's Health

CHI St. Joseph's Health is a 25-bed critical access hospital serving communities in Hubbard, Becker, Cass and Wadena Counties since 1946. In recent years, CHI St. Joseph's Health's award-winning teams received several national honors including: The Joint Commission Top Performer on Key Quality Measures in surgery; Top 100 Critical Access Hospital, HealthStrong; WomenCertified's America's Best Hospitals Women's Choice Award in obstetrics; and the Studer Group Fire Starter Healthcare Organization of the Month among other national, regional and state recognitions.

About CHI

Catholic Health Initiatives, one of the nation's largest health systems, was formed in 1996 to strengthen the Catholic health ministry for the future. With deep roots in the tradition of expressing Christ's love by caring for those in need, Catholic Health Initiatives serves more than four million people each year through acute care hospitals; long-term care, assisted and residential-living facilities; community-based health services; home care; research and development; and reference laboratory services.

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