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CHI St. Joseph's Mammography Quilt Winner

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Mammography Quilt Goes to Breast Cancer Survivor

Mary Kay Seidl, (left) CHI St. Joseph's Health's Imaging Technologist, presents an excited Ardis Thompson of Shevlin with this year's mammography quilt. The Crazy Quilters of Park Rapids donate the handmade quilt annually as part of Breast Cancer Awareness and as a reminder to women that mammograms can catch changes in the breast that may be early signs of cancer but are too small to be felt. Ardis already knows this first hand, which is why she gets her mammography screening every year. In 1987, providers diagnosed Ardis with breast cancer after finding a tiny malignancy that would have gone undetected had she not had a mammogram. She is a smiling example of how early detection saves lives and is the best defense against breast cancer.

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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 took 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 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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