

APPLICATION FORM

Patient Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone Numbers _____

Email Address _____

Diagnosis and Date of Diagnosis _____

Physician Name _____

Treatment Location _____

- I wish to have the Christy Kinney Fund help with my bill related to my breast cancer diagnosis at Prairie Lakes Healthcare System (PLHS).
- I agree to allow PLHS staff to access my account in the event that my bill or portions of my bill may be paid by this fund.

Patient signature

Date

Mail completed form to:

Prairie Lakes Healthcare Foundation
401 9th Ave NW
P.O. Box 1210
Watertown, SD 57201-6210



The Watertown Breast Cancer Support Group provided laughter when times were rough, relieved the fear of the unknown treatment, and showed encouragement for a long and healthy life post-cancer!
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CHRISTY KINNEY "PAY IT FORWARD" FUND



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COMING TOGETHER TO HELP BREAST CANCER PATIENTS

The Watertown Breast Cancer Support Group (WBCSG) through the Prairie Lakes Healthcare Foundation supported the creation of the Christy Kinney "Pay it Forward" Fund. The inspiration for this fund came from members of the WBCSG who wished to "pay it forward" by assisting breast cancer patients in need of help paying toward their bills at Prairie Lakes Healthcare System and to carry on Christy Kinney's legacy.

As a breast cancer survivor, Christy positively impacted the lives of many people through her care, concern and compassion. The fund is designed to carry on her mission and support breast cancer patients in need.

Those interested in utilizing the aforementioned funds are encouraged to complete the application on inside this brochure and contact the Prairie Lakes Healthcare Foundation or the WBCSG with any questions. Applications are reviewed for approval by a select committee and are kept in strict confidence.

The Prairie Lakes Healthcare Foundation is a 501 (c)3 organization. It recognizes that healthcare is a vital component of a community's quality of life. The Prairie Lakes Healthcare Foundation exists to raise funds with which to support and advance the healthcare services through Prairie Lakes Healthcare System.

CHRISTY'S STORY

Christy Kinney survived a diagnosis of breast cancer in 1997 and because of her cancer journey, began to visit women to help them through their Breast Cancer Journey. As a result, she and a good friend began the WBCSG which has helped many women and families as they battle breast cancer.



Christy had a passion for helping others and was very determined in her effort to help any woman diagnosed. This determination was a gift she used, even in stores and with women she didn't know. If she saw a woman in a store wearing a head scarf and possibly looking like someone who may be undergoing chemotherapy, more often than not, she would approach this woman and inquire. Most of these impromptu visits led to a great conversation and always ended with Christy saying, "I'll pray for you."

Christy was diagnosed with metastatic breast cancer in June of 2017 and underwent many surgeries and chemo treatments. Her love and concern for all those around her, especially breast cancer patients, was evident even while in the hospital where she was a witness for Christ at every opportunity.

Christy lost her battle with cancer in November of 2018, but her legacy of helping others will live on with this Christy Kinney "Pay It Forward" Fund.

WATERTOWN BREAST CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

The WBCSG was started in October 2005 by Christy Kinney and Colita Remmers, two breast cancer survivors. In 2004, when Colita was first diagnosed, Christy was introduced to her and mentored her during her year long battle, which included surgeries and chemotherapy.

Through their experiences together, they learned first-hand how important it is to have a survivor walk beside you every step of the way while battling breast cancer. The questions, the uncertainty and the fear that one feels when diagnosed can only be understood by someone who has walked this journey. A newly diagnosed woman can look to a survivor with the hope of a future.

WBCSG started as a group that freely gave emotional support, but also realized the financial burden a diagnosis can cause. Supporters of our group enabled us to become a non-profit organization, giving the WBCSG the opportunity to offer financial assistance, in addition to emotional help.

Sponsors of fundraising events include HealthSource Chiropractic and KXLG.

Contact Colita Remmers at 605-881-9485 of the Watertown Breast Cancer Support Group to learn how they can help. They do not want anyone to go through breast cancer alone.

