

# IN HER OWN WORDS ...

**Deborah Buchanan, age 53**  
Mathis, Texas  
Breast Cancer Survivor



Deborah Buchanan has lived in the tight-knit community of Mathis, Texas, for more than two decades. The homemaker was this year's co-chair for the town's Relay for Life, the overnight walking fundraiser for the American Cancer Society. Under her guidance, the event raised more than \$9,000.

Deborah's ongoing commitment to ending the deadly disease is no surprise because she has her own extensive cancer journey.

It started in August 2015 when Deborah noticed discharge from her right nipple and a lump in her left breast. Several 2D mammograms and sonograms, along with lumpy bumpy breasts left her questioning a ductal ectasia diagnosis. Upon seeking a second opinion, her surgeon ordered new tests and a 3D mammogram for the left breast. But Deborah's symptoms led a Radiology Associates radiologist to order a 3D mammogram for the right breast, as well. The additional test provided the information Deborah's radiologist needed to diagnose her with early traces of invasive ductal carcinoma.

Now one year since her diagnosis, Deborah only sees cancer in her rear view mirror.

"I didn't have breast cancer in my family. Now, I share my story with everyone - even if I don't know them. I stress how important getting an annual mammogram is and the benefits of 3D. I encourage every woman to please, please, please make time. If you have lumpy, bumpy breasts, you owe yourself a 3D exam each and every year.

"And, don't let anyone tell you that you can't change companies to one that offers 3D. Radiology Associates makes it easy and will go and pick up your past records so that your entire health history is in one place.

"Living in Mathis was challenging, but the staff was wonderful. They put a rush on results and did everything in one day because I was traveling 50-plus miles each way so I wouldn't have to come back a second day. They even allowed my husband to be in the room when they did the needle biopsy. He was able to massage my feet to help me relax. I truly believe Dr. DeLancey found the cancer early and saved my life."

Deborah Buchanan

## NEWS

### Radiology Associates' Six Points Office Opens Its Doors!

Radiology Associates is proud to open their 14,000-square-foot facility in the Six Points area of Corpus Christi. Home to more than 100 employees, our new office offers state-of-the-art technology and services including:

- 3D and diagnostic mammography suites
- Nonsurgical breast biopsy and ultrasound suites
- Two MRI suites (one being open bore)
- Low-dose CT scanner
- Xray
- Fluoroscopy
- On-site radiologists



1812 S. Alameda St.  
(Corner of Clifford St. and S. Alameda)

# First Choice!

Radiology Associates LLP

Fall 2016

## Radiology Associates is Proud to Partner with First Friday as the Exclusive Provider of FREE Screening Mammograms

In order to create a healthier Coastal Bend, Radiology Associates has partnered with First Friday to help provide free or low-cost mammograms to women who qualify. Radiology Associates is now the exclusive provider of screening mammograms for this grassroots organization whose purpose is to knock out breast cancer through education, breast self-examination and free screening mammograms for women with limited financial resources.

Radiology Associates — and its five locations in the Coastal Bend — deliver state-of-the-art digital 3D mammography where it's convenient for patients ... closer to their homes.

### First Friday Screening Mammogram Locations:

**Southside Imaging Center**  
5742 Spohn Dr. - Corpus Christi

**Six Points Imaging Center**  
1812 S. Alameda St. - Corpus Christi

**Northwest Imaging Center**  
3929 River East Dr. - Calallen

**Portland Imaging Center**  
1776 Billy G. Webb Dr. - Portland

**Alice Imaging Center**  
(2D mammograms only)  
2000 Dr. N.W. Atkinson Blvd., Suite 801 - Alice

Every woman should get a mammogram regardless of her financial situation.



For more information about **FREE** First Friday mammograms, call (361) 985-5600

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# 31 Days of Pink!



## October 2016

Breast Cancer Awareness Month is chock full of ways to show your support in the fight against breast cancer. All funds benefit Making Strides Against Breast Cancer fundraising walk.

### Pink-A-Palooza Kickoff

Get beads, t-shirts and more! New this year ... personalized lawn hearts, too! (see below)  
**Saturday, October 1**  
10 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
La Palmera - Center Court Fountain



### 2nd Annual Mammo Disco Night

If you're "40-ish" or older and haven't had your first annual screening mammogram, now's your chance to get it done ... in style. Talk to your doctor and get your referral. Then, boogie on down and enjoy some food and wine while you jam to the greatest hits of the 70s!

**Thursday, October 13**  
6 - 9 p.m.  
Radiology Associates Southside Office  
5742 Spohn Dr., Corpus Christi  
Call 361-887-7000 to reserve your mammogram space. Space is limited.



### Operation Empty Pink Chair

During October, more than 200 empty pink chairs will be placed in unexpected locations throughout the Coastal Bend. They are each different - wooden, plastic, metal, upholstered - but all represent the comfortable, familiar spot where someone's mom, grandmother, aunt, sister or friend used to sit before breast cancer took them away. Don't have room for a chair? Show your support by proudly displaying a decal in the windows of your business or car.

**Decals On Sale Now!**  
Large \$25  
Small \$5  
Purchase at all Radiology Associates' five locations.



### "Chair-ity" Pink Painting Party

Join the "Operation Empty Pink Chair" phenomenon and create your very own empty chair to take home and put on your porch or in your office building. A professional artist will provide instruction and guidance to budding Picassos during this painting session to turn your pink chair into a masterpiece. Finished creations can be personalized. It's a great way to remember loved ones, support someone going through the battle, or highlight the importance of early detection!

**Thursday, October 6**  
5:30 p.m. - Reception (hors d'oeuvres/beverages)  
6 - 9 p.m. - Painting Time  
La Palmera Center Court

**\$50 - you supply the pink chair**  
**\$75 - we supply the pink chair**  
To register, contact calaniz@xraydocs.com or 361-561-3157



### Yards of Love

New this year ... surprise and honor the breast cancer survivor in your life with one - or many - personalized ... for her courage. Friends and family - get together and show her how much you care by filling her yard with love!  
**Purchase at all five Radiology Associates' locations**



### Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk

benefiting the American Cancer Society's local chapter  
**Saturday, October 15, 2016**  
9 a.m.  
Downtown Corpus Christi - Water Gardens  
1700 N. Chaparral Street  
www.makingstrides.acsevents.org



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