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***"A Diary of Healing" Exhibit comes to Yale***

**New Haven, Conn.** – "A Diary of Healing" will be on exhibit from February 1-14 at The Thomas E. Golden, Jr. Center at Saint Thomas More, The Catholic Chapel at Yale University, 258 Park Street, New Haven, CT. The Opening Reception featuring Mary Ann Wasil Nilan and photojournalist Christopher Capozziello will take place on Sunday, February 7th at 11am.

The 48-picture exhibition chronicles Mary Ann Wasil Nilan's personal breast cancer journey from home to hospital, through chemotherapy, bi-lateral mastectomy, and reconstruction.

Photojournalist Christopher Capozziello spent two years shadowing Mary Ann, who was frustrated with the lack of literature that could help her deal with the physical and emotional realities of breast cancer. His photographs of her have been described as "*honest, unflinching, and intimately poetic, communicating the stark reality of a life-threatening illness.*"

Mary Ann Wasil Nilan is the Executive Director & Founder of the Milford, CT based non-profit organization, The Get In Touch Foundation. Their cornerstone mission is the Get In Touch Girls' Program & Daisy Wheel, teaching girls in grades 5-12 the importance of, and how to do a breast self exam – *for life*. This program is offered at no cost to schools worldwide. (For more information visit <http://www.GetInTouchFoundation.org>.)

Mary Ann is currently featured in the February 2010 issue of The Oprah Magazine, one of four women to receive The Oprah Magazine CoverGirl "Giving Beautiful Back" Award.

The Thomas E. Golden Center is open to the public from Noon-10pm Sunday through Friday, and Noon-5pm on Saturday, for those that would like to visit the exhibition on their own. Admission is free.

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