

I would like to say that . . . you know the cancer has given me, . . . something that I have not had before . . . it's very difficult to describe, I have this need to do something -- not just for myself but for others . . . I feel like I've been given another chance in life and I appreciate every bit of it more so now than I ever have.



Candi Miller
[Haida]



Martha Red Willow
[Oglala Sioux]

I had two very young children, I believe my daughter was around eight years old and my son was ten or eleven, and that's the first thing that came to my mind was I have to get well, who's going to care for my children, who will take care of them if I'm gone. You don't have time for self-pity, because everybody else will pity you anyway . . .