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Kyle Longoria, one of the triplets in Karen Longoria's family, is greeted by the Concordia University men's basketball team and friends on Tuesday as the family learns that its home is being renovated. Karen is a mother of two children who were diagnosed with cerebral palsy at birth, and recently with another neuromuscular disorder called spinal muscular atrophy. Karen is fighting an aggressive form of breast cancer. James Kacmarcik, president of Kapco Inc., and Concordia University have formed "Hometown Heroes-Family Edition" with the help of Neil Willenson, who is renovating Longoria's home. More than 250 residents, supporters and potential donors surprised Longoria with a reception on Tuesday at the family's Grafton home.

SURPRISE OF A LIFETIME

Neil Willenson, Founder and CEO of One Heartland (formerly Camp Heartland), acknowledges members of Karen Longoria's family, including her triplets, Tyler (blue vest) Megan (yellow vest) and Kylie (right).

