

About The DAISY Foundation

The DAISY Foundation was established in 1999 by the family of J. Patrick Barnes who died of complications of the auto-immune disease Idiopathic Thrombocytopenia Purpura (ITP) at the age of 33. (DAISY is an acronym for diseases attacking the immune system.) During Pat's 8 week hospitalization, his family was awestruck by the care and compassion his nurses provided not only to Pat but to everyone in his family. So one of the goals they set in creating a Foundation in Pat's memory was to recognize extraordinary nurses everywhere who make an enormous difference in the lives of so many people by the super-human work they do every day.

What is The DAISY Award?

The **DAISY Award** is an international program that rewards and celebrates the extraordinary clinical skill and compassionate care given by nurses every day.

Atlantic General Hospital/Health System is proud to be a DAISY Award Partner, recognizing one of our nurses with this special honor each quarter.

To find out more about the program, including the growing list of Partners, please go to www.DAISYfoundation.org.



IN MEMORY OF J. PATRICK BARNES

Nominate a Nurse for the DAISY Award

SHARE YOUR STORY!

DAISY Award honorees personify Atlantic General Hospital/Health System's remarkable patient experience. These nurses consistently demonstrate excellence through their clinical expertise and extraordinary *compassionate* care. They are recognized as outstanding role models in our nursing community.



The DAISY Award for Extraordinary Nurses

Each DAISY Award Honoree will be recognized at a public ceremony in her/his unit and will receive: a beautiful certificate, a DAISY Award pin, and a hand-carved stone sculpture entitled A Healer's Touch. Additionally, everyone in the unit will celebrate with Cinnabon® cinnamon rolls – a favorite of Patrick's during his illness. The Barnes Family asks that whenever and wherever nurses smell that wonderful cinnamon aroma, they stop for a moment and think about how special they are.

How to Nominate an Extraordinary Nurse

Patients, visitors, nurses, physicians, and employees may nominate a deserving nurse by filling out this form and giving it to any associate. If you prefer, you can also submit your nomination from our website at www.atlanticgeneral.org. An electronic version for hospital employees is available on the AGH/HS Intranet.

Recognize a nurse who supports our **organizational values** and exemplifies any of the following

- Demonstrates empathy and compassion (**Trust, Respect and Kindness, Integrity, Honesty and Dignity**)
- Makes a special connection with the patient and family (**Service and Personalized Attention**)
- Includes patients and families in the planning of care (**Patient Safety**)
- Does an excellent job educating patients and their families (**Continued Learning and Improvement**)
- Works well with the healthcare team to meet or exceed patient and family needs (**Teamwork, Partnership and Communication**)
- Goes above and beyond to "make a difference" in the life of a patient (**Service and Personalized Attention**)

I would like to nominate _____ from the _____ unit/department as a deserving recipient of **The DAISY Award**.

Please tell us your story about why this nurse is so special:

Thank you for taking the time to nominate an extraordinary, compassionate nurse for this award. Please tell us about yourself, so that we may include you in the celebration of this award should the nurse you nominated be chosen.

Your Name _____

Unit _____ Phone _____

Email _____

I am (please check one): RN ___ MD ___

Patient ___ Family/Visitor ___ Staff ___

Volunteer ___

Date of nomination _____

Please give this form to one of our associates who will forward to Patient and Family Relations.

For Internal Use Only

Manager Approval

I acknowledge that this nurse is in good standing

Signed:

Date:
