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Cottage Hospital Honors Long Time Friend

Woodsville, NH – It is with great sorrow that Cottage Hospital says goodbye to long-time friend and colleague Jack M. Neary, CRNA, MS, FAAPM.

Jack Neary spent the past quarter of a century blazing a path for Nurse Anesthetists throughout the state and the country and bringing relief to the many patients here at Cottage Hospital through his work in Pain Management, which brings relief to chronic pain through various modalities. In his tenure at Cottage Hospital, Jack became a teacher and a mentor to physicians and nurses alike. His experience and dedication to Cottage Hospital was noteworthy not just because of his clinical expertise, but to the foundation he built for our prestigious Pain Clinic and his many efforts of involvement in other hospital activities.

Cottage Hospital had the honor of recognizing Jack on Saturday, January 17th, 2009 by hanging his portrait along side an elite group of individuals who have made significant contributions to Cottage Hospital. Jack was the first Nurse Anesthetist to be recognized with this honor.

Joined by his family, and small circle of friends and colleagues, various speeches were made regarding Jack's work and character, comments filled the celebration describing the impact that Jack made on the lives of so many patients and how his friendship shaped the culture of our hospital.

The suggestion for Jack's portrait to be hung in the halls of Cottage Hospital came from Board Chairman, Stephan Elliott, who stated that "the board voted unanimously for the resolution to honor such an outstanding member of our staff."

The portrait of Jack is a true depiction of the friend and colleague that we have worked beside for the past 23 years. It will serve as a constant reminder of the work he accomplished and the important role that anesthesia and pain management have in our facility and in healthcare.

Jack was a friend to everyone at Cottage Hospital and we will greatly miss his smile and laughter!

A scholarship has been set up in memory of Jack. If you are interested in making a donation please send to Jack Neary Scholarship Fund, AANA, 222 S. Prospect, Park Ridge, IL 60068

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