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### **A Daylily named Magic Jack**

Woodsville, NH – Pain is an awful feeling and it can be experienced in so many ways, perhaps the physical pain of migraine headaches or an old football injury or the emotional pain of losing someone close to us... For the community of Cottage Hospital we had a special man who eased that physical pain and unfortunately left us with the emotional pain of losing him.

One year after the loss of our longtime friend, Nurse Anesthetist Jack Neary, known by most as “Magic Jack”, the Cottage Hospital Pain Clinic received a gift, an exquisitely framed picture of a Daylily... the type of Daylily – A Magic Jack Daylily of course.

When local business owners of the Bethlehem Flower Farm, Scott & Michelle Schafer, were given a crossbred Daylily from their hybridizer, they decided that it should be named after Jack Neary, Scott Schafer explained that the flower was as unique and special as Jack and that flower was deserving of such a name. Papers were filed with the American Hemerocallis Society to register the special breed of flower, similar to how breed of dog is registered. The flower was approved and a limited edition of the Magic Jack Daylily was sold. One Cottage Hospital nurse was a lucky owner and she shared the flower with friend, Bonnie Trayhan, a patient of Jack Neary’s. Bonnie presented the staff with a picture of the Magic Jack Lily on January 26, 2010.

Bonnie describes that “the flower is as beautiful as Jack was. “ She continued by telling me her story of how she came to Jack and like so many others... How he changed her life through pain management.

A year later, colleagues of Jack continue his work at the Cottage Hospital Pain Management Clinic, remembering the important mission that meant so much to him, to ease the pain of others.

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