

Partners in UNITY

Hello Baby!

UnityPoint Health - Finley Hospital is excited to welcome the newest addition to the family—one made possible through the generosity of our community and dedicated supporters.

On March 12, the Family Birthing Suites' new C Section Suite officially opened, providing families with a fresh, modern space designed to enhance safety, comfort, and connection during childbirth. Located just steps from the labor and delivery suites, the expanded C Section Suite features a dedicated operating room for mother and baby, a streamlined layout for care teams, enhanced functionality, and upgraded equipment—all thoughtfully designed to support an exceptional birth experience.

This \$1.4 million renovation was fully funded through philanthropy. In partnership with generous individuals, families, foundations, grantors, and corporate partners, UnityPoint Health - Finley Health Foundation brought this vision to life. We extend our deepest gratitude to everyone whose support made this transformation possible for families across the tri state area.

Finley Hospital welcomed 578 births in 2025 alone. More than a hospital, Finley is a trusted choice for families—one that continues to invest in innovation, quality care, and meaningful moments that matter most.

"Providing an exceptional birthing experience is our goal for mother and baby. Innovative technology can play a significant role in that experience. A baby monitoring system now provides line of sight to the baby warmer in the suite. If the baby is not on the mother's chest, she will have a monitor right above her head for a full view, to assist in the crucial bonding experience at birth."

— Jennifer Scott, Manager of the Family Birthing Suites

Thanks to the generosity of the community, families now benefit from advanced technology that strengthens early bonding and enhances peace of mind during these precious first moments.

To learn more about the Family Birthing Suites, visit:
uph.link/Finley_BirthCenter



Honoring Leadership and Embracing the Future

Please join us in extending heartfelt thanks to Barbara Potts for her 13 years of exceptional leadership as Executive Director of the UnityPoint Health - Finley Health Foundation, and in wishing her every happiness in retirement.

Throughout her tenure, Barb was a passionate champion of philanthropy, helping to strengthen and sustain the missions of UnityPoint Health - Finley Hospital and the Dubuque Visiting Nurse Association. Her vision, dedication, and commitment made a lasting difference in the lives of patients, families, and the communities we serve. We are profoundly grateful for her service.

We also extend our sincere appreciation to you—our dedicated supporters. The transformational initiatives made possible during Barb's leadership were achieved through your generosity and partnership. Together, you have created an impact that will touch lives for years to come.

As we look ahead, we are pleased to announce the appointment of Amy Schauer, MAC, CFRE, as Interim Executive Director. Amy joined the Finley Health Foundation in September 2024 as Director of Development and has quickly demonstrated strong leadership and a thoughtful, strategic approach to

philanthropy and donor engagement. She brings more than 20 years of nonprofit experience and recently earned her Certified Fund Raising Executive (CFRE) credential. Amy is an active member of the local Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP) and serves on the City of Asbury Park Board.

Please be assured that stewarding your gifts and maintaining strong donor relationships remain top priorities during this transition. We welcome your questions and conversations at any time and encourage you to reach out to Amy Schauer, Interim Executive Director, or Tonya Reicher, Development Specialist.

Thank you for your continued trust and support of the Finley Health Foundation.



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RN Career Pathways - Investing in Aspiring Nurses Close to Home

Nurses are at the heart of health care. As expert care providers, they are voices of reassurance, steady hands and compassionate hearts, guiding loved ones and neighbors through some of life's most pivotal moments.

They celebrate milestones, offer comfort and bring calm when it matters most. Yet across the country and right here at home, the demand for skilled, compassionate nurses is outpacing the capacity of traditional education and workforce systems. Without action, the personalized, attentive care patients and families rely on could become out of reach. UnityPoint Health is creating a new path forward through RN Career Pathways. This program will be an additional way for those wanting to pursue nursing to apply for support.

RN Career Pathways is a philanthropic initiative supporting the RN Trainee - Career Pathways Program, a strategic workforce solution across UnityPoint Health designed to address the growing national shortage of registered nurses (RNs).

The program provides a structured internal pathway for these care team members to advance into RN roles. Philanthropic support helps remove financial barriers, offsets income disruption and ensures participants remain

embedded in their care teams and communities while earning licensure.

This program is a strategic investment in long-term workforce sustainability, patient care continuity and community well-being. By aligning philanthropy with workforce development, donors can directly impact lasting healthcare capacity and stronger local health systems. If you are interested in learning more about ways to invest in the future of nursing in our community, please reach out to Amy Schauer, Interim Executive Director, at (563) 589-2485.



Nursing Scholarships Awarded

UnityPoint Health - Finley Health Foundation is pleased to announce a total of \$29,200 was recently awarded to area students who are pursuing a nursing degree in higher education for the 2026-2027 academic school year. Scholarships were awarded during the annual Nursing Scholarship Luncheon at Dubuque Golf & Country Club in April.

Recipients are:

Isiah Aguayo, Dubuque, IA	<i>University of Dubuque</i>
Brooke Boettner, Forreston, IL	<i>University of Dubuque</i>
Salem Brown-Welu, Dubuque, IA	<i>Northeast Iowa Community College</i>
Katie Gee, Dubuque, IA	<i>Clarke University</i>
Zoe Joos, Cuba City, WI	<i>Northeast Iowa Community College</i>
Cameron Kent, Apple River, IL	<i>University of Dubuque</i>
Julia Kremer, Peosta, IA	<i>Truman State University</i>
Thomas Mahoney, Dubuque, IA	<i>University of Iowa</i>
Leah Mergen, Cuba City, WI	<i>Southwest Wisconsin Technical College</i>
Sophia Phelan, Asbury, IA	<i>Northeast Iowa Community College</i>
Katey Rausch, Peosta, IA	<i>Edgewood University</i>
Gwen Schroeder, Bellevue, IA	<i>Kirkwood Community College</i>
Zoe Schultz, Dubuque, IA	<i>Northeast Iowa Community College</i>
Mallory Sheppard, Lena, IL	<i>University of Dubuque</i>
KaShailya Wiest, Lancaster, WI	<i>Southwest Wisconsin Technical College</i>
Lydia Williams, Cresco, IA	<i>Northeast Iowa Community College</i>

Thank you to these generous investors who provide scholarship funding: Finley Hospital School of Nursing Alumni Association, the Edith Kritz Scholarship Endowment, the Dr. Peter J. Kearney Scholarship Endowment, the Colonel Fred and Ellen Phelps Scholarship Endowment, the Carole A. Smith-Miller Memorial Scholarship, the Dr. Edward Roy Bartels Legacy Scholarship, the Judi Butler Memorial Scholarship, the Jim and Judi Butler Memorial Scholarship, Lee Wiest Memorial Scholarship and the Vance Nursing Scholarship.

Since 2006, \$369,750.00 has been granted in nursing scholarships to area students.



"We are honored to carry on the tradition of offering scholarships that help advance the educational aspirations of future nursing leaders in our community."

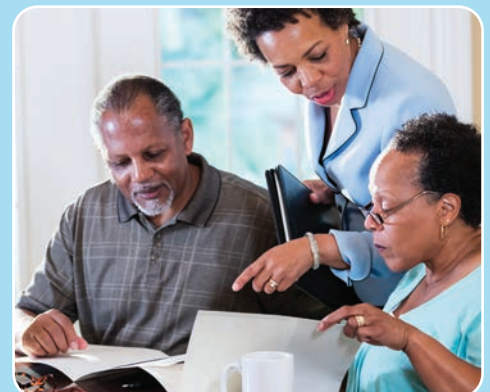
Karil Walther

Chief Nursing Officer of
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Leaving a Legacy

Planning the legacy you would like to leave is an important and personal journey. UnityPoint Health - Finley Health Foundation has many tools that can help guide these decisions. By visiting the new website on planned giving or scheduling an appointment with Thompson and Associates Values Based Estate Planning services, you can gain knowledge about opportunities to make an impact through your estate.

Visit plannedgiving.unitypoint.org/dubuque to learn more. Or, to schedule your free, confidential, professional estate planning meeting with Dr. Eddie Thompson, contact Tonya Reicher in the Finley Health Foundation at (563) 589-2572.



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Miracles

ON THE *Mississippi*

Join us at Diamond Jo Casino
Mississippi Moon Bar



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You're invited to the 2026 Miracles on the Mississippi. Your ticket includes refreshments, hors d'œuvres, live auction and Elton Rohn, North America's Premier Elton John Tribute, in concert. Funds raised at this year's event will support Radiology services through the expanded Images Through Innovation Campaign at UnityPoint Health - Finley Hospital.

Images Through Innovation will provide advanced 3D mammography and stereotactic breast biopsy equipment—cutting-edge technologies that enable earlier detection, greater accuracy, a more comfortable experience, and improved outcomes for patients facing breast health concerns.

In addition to investing in life-saving equipment, the campaign will assist in supporting a comprehensive renovation of the Radiology Department within Finley Hospital. When patients need imaging services, it can be an anxious and uncertain time. Through the support of donors like you, Finley Hospital will transform how patients move through their imaging journey. By bringing imaging services together in one coordinated environment, we can ensure greater privacy, smoother transitions, less distance to travel within the facility, and a calming environment—all adding to a more exceptional care experience for patients.

The 2,780 square foot renovation will consolidate all aspects of Radiology services in one patient-centered space. This transformation will not only improve the experience for those receiving care but will also empower providers with the tools and space they need to deliver the best care possible.

For Miracles on the Mississippi tickets and more information, scan the QR code or email the Foundation at tonya.reicher@unitypoint.org



**IMAGES
THROUGH
INNOVATION**

*Transforming
Breast Health Care*

2026 VNA Golf Outing



Thank you!

The 2026 VNA Golf Outing, held Monday, May 4, delivered an unforgettable day of energy, friendship, and excitement on the course! Guests soaked up perfect weather at the Dubuque Golf and Country Club, uniting in support of vital public health services across Dubuque and Clayton Counties.

Since 1910, the Dubuque Visiting Nurse Association (VNA) has worked to reduce the spread of infectious diseases, see that infants and children are properly immunized, educate people regarding healthy lifestyles, promote oral health, provide supportive services to elderly in their homes, offer parenting support, and so much more.

Every dollar raised during the VNA Golf Outing stays right here at home—fueling the critical programs and services that keep our communities healthy, strong, and thriving.

A special Thank You to our sponsors:

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Couldn't make it to the event this year?

You can still support critical public health services at the VNA by visiting uph.link/dbqive.





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The Finley Health Foundation is governed by a 17-member volunteer Board of Directors. Through the work of the Board and its Committees, the Board sets policies and oversees investments and the audit process. We thank the Board of Directors for their service and continued support of Finley Hospital and the Finley Health Foundation.

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