

Last night at the Bartow Relay For Life Kickoff for 2011 I was presented with the "Courage Award" for 2010 by Caellan Curtis, American Cancer Society, Florida Division, Bartow/Ft. Meade Unit. The award was bestowed upon me "In Recognition Of Courage, Determination And A Positive Attitude In Fighting Cancer."

I was told that I am the only recipient in Polk County and I am stunned and humbled to receive such a prestigious award. I have been totally committed to the fight against cancer for several years now and am willing to represent the cause with renewed fervor and great honor; however, I am not worthy of this personal recognition when so many are!

I wanted to share this award with you as I know that there are many who deserve it more than I do because of their personal battles with this dreaded disease but there are none who will fight harder than I will in this venue to raise awareness of our mission, educate the public in our efforts and raise funds in support of our cause.

I thank the American Cancer Society for this exceptional recognition and pledge to continue fighting cancer until there is a cure.

Priscilla Quina
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Bartow Relay For Life

