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**Benedictine Health Foundation Annual Gala Raises over \$135,000**

Kingston, N.Y. – Dec. 22, 2008 – The Benedictine Health Foundation held its 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Winter's Eve Gala on Friday, December 12<sup>th</sup> at the Mohonk Mountain House. More than 400 friends and supporters gathered to recognize three individuals who exemplify the core values of Benedictine Hospital: Hospitality, Community, Stewardship, Respect, Peace and Excellence.

Dr. Bruce B. Moor, Chairman of Benedictine Hospital's Radiology Department, co-owner and one of the founders of River Radiology, was recognized for his compassion and care of patients and his exceptional medical technical expertise. The family of Dr. Albert J. Gruner was recognized for their unwavering commitment to improve the quality of life for cancer patients and their families. Since 2004, the Gruner family's efforts have helped raise over \$400,000 for the Rosemary D. Gruner Memorial Cancer Fund at Benedictine Hospital, and have distributed over \$150,000 to Ulster County residents.

A special award was presented to the family of Neil S. Lieblich, M.D., honored posthumously for his devotion to medicine and care for the children of our community for over 25 years.

The event net over \$135,000 in support of the quality healthcare services provided by Benedictine Hospital. For further information on the Benedictine Health Foundation, contact Barbara Klassen, Executive Director, at (845) 334-3186.

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