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Anita Williams Peck honored with Sister Mary Charles Award

Kingston, N.Y. – October 2, 2013 – The Benedictine Health Foundation presented Anita Williams Peck with the Sister Mary Charles Award at their 25th annual Donor Reception held on September 19 at the Onteora Mountain House. The award is presented to acknowledge an individual's outstanding volunteer service and dedication to the Mission and Core Values of the Benedictine Health Foundation. Ms. Peck was joined by her family and over 100 guests to celebrate this special occasion.

Ms. Peck has had a long-time relationship and history of philanthropy with the Benedictine Health Foundation. Her children Ted V and Jennifer were both born at Benedictine Hospital in the late 1960's. Ms. Peck served on the Foundation Board from 1997 until 1999, and has been a generous supporter of the Foundation's work including the Bike for Cancer Care, the Rosemary D. Gruner Memorial Cancer Fund and the Capital Campaign to support the construction of the new Fern Feldman Anolick Center for Breast Health, which opened in 2011 at the Mary's Avenue Campus of HealthAlliance of the Hudson Valley.

Ms. Peck's is also well known in the Ulster County Community for her countless hours of volunteer service and support of many not for profit organizations including the Junior League of Kingston, Ulster County Community College, Stone Ridge Nursery School, Stone Ridge Library, Ulster County Historical Society, Rondout Valley Board of Education, Ulster County School Boards Association, Children's Home, the New Paltz, Rosendale, and Ulster Chambers of Commerce, the Esopus Chamber Orchestra, Friends of Historic Hudson, and Skal International Albany, the largest tour and travel organization in the world. In 2007, she received the "Heart of Ulster County Award."

Ms. Peck operated Williams Lake Hotel with her family from 1965 until 1987, and then independently from 1987 until 2007 at which time she purchased a tour company now named Hudson River Valley Tours.

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About Benedictine Health Foundation

The Mission of the Benedictine Health Foundation is to raise and distribute resources to support quality and compassionate health care that improves the physical, psychological, and spiritual well being of those who are vulnerable and underserved in Ulster County. The Foundation has supported the mission of the Benedictine Sisters and health care initiatives in Ulster County since 1977. For further information, contact Barbara Klassen, Executive Director, at (845) 334-3186.