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Rondout Savings Bank Employees Support Cancer Fund

Kingston, N.Y. – Feb 8, 2010 – The Benedictine Health Foundation was recently the recipient of a generous gift from Rondout Savings Bank’s “Charities of Choice” program to benefit the Rosemary D. Gruner Memorial Cancer Fund at Benedictine Hospital.

“Charities of Choice” are organizations the employees of Rondout Savings Bank select as recipients of their annual fund raising efforts. In 2009, The Rosemary D. Gruner Memorial Cancer Fund and the WGHQ Happy Christmas Fund were selected. Employees of Rondout Savings Bank held a variety of fund raising activities throughout the year including a yard sale, bake sales, a basketball-themed raffle, raffles for gift baskets, tickets to a Levon Helm concert, and employee-paid casual days. Proceeds were equally distributed at the end of the year with each charity receiving a gift in the amount of \$2,183.68.

The Rosemary D. Gruner Memorial Cancer Fund, in partnership with the Thomas A. Dee Cancer Center at Benedictine Hospital and the Benedictine Health Foundation, provides assistance to cancer patients receiving primary oncology treatment in Ulster County who are in financial need. The fund provides for products and services not covered by medical insurance, such as nutritional products, prostheses, and gift cards to purchase groceries and gas.

“Rondout Savings Bank hopes this donation will help provide The Rosemary D. Gruner Memorial Cancer Fund with the resources to continue providing vital assistance for cancer patients who are receiving treatment

in Ulster County, and to the many families who are facing challenges during cancer treatment,” said, Cheryl Bowers, Vice President of Rondout Savings.

The Benedictine Health Foundation supports the healthcare programs, services, and facilities of Benedictine Hospital, a member of HealthAlliance of the Hudson Valley[®]. For further information, contact Barbara Klassen, Executive Director, at (845) 334-3186.

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