St. John's Congratulates Our 2012 Physicians of the Year

St. John's Hospitals are proud to recognize our Physicians of the Year. Chosen by St. John's employees and volunteers, these physicians are honored for their excellence and commitment to our healing mission to improve the quality of life in the communities we serve.

Bennet Lipper, M.D. | St. John's Pleasant Valley Hospital

Dr. Bennet Lipper is Board certified in Internal Medicine, Pulmonary Medicine and Critical Care and has been a member of St. John's Medical Staff since 1996. Dr. Lipper's extensive education includes residency programs at UC Davis Medical Center in California and Bellevue University Hospital in New York. He did a pulmonary fellowship at Bellevue and a critical care medicine fellowship at Mt. Sinai Hospital in New York.

We honor and thank Dr. Lipper for his outstanding clinical skills, his dedication to and his caring and compassionate treatment of patients, his collaboration with nursing, and the respect and dignity with which he treats the entire healthcare team.

Witold Niesluchowski, M.D. | St. John's Regional Medical Center

Dr. Witold Niesluchowski, a cardiovascular/thoracic surgeon, has been Board certified in Surgery and Thoracic Surgery and a member of St. John's Medical Staff since 1983. Dr. Niesluchowski completed medical school in Warsaw, Poland. He did a general surgery residency at Cincinnati General Hospital in Ohio and at Highland Memorial Hospital in Columbia, South Carolina. He also completed a cardiovascular residency at Charlotte Memorial Hospital in North Carolina. Dr. Niesluchowski has served as Chair of the Department of Surgery as well as President of the Medical Staff.

We thank and honor Dr. Niesluchowski for his demonstration of St. John's core values of excellence, collaboration and dignity, for his untiring support of the hospital staff and his peers, and for his compassionate care to his patients.

WE CONGRATULATE THE 2012 HONOREES IN THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES:

ST. JOHN'S PLEASANT VALLEY HOSPITAL

Bennet Lipper, M.D.	Physician of the Year Award
Jihan Jorio, M.D.	Golden Pen Award
Keith Eilerman, M.D.	Stellar Stethoscope Award
Dean Black, M.D.	Art of Compassion Award

ST. JOHN'S REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Witold Niesluchowski, M.D.	Physician of the Year Award
Scott Smith, M.D.	Golden Pen Award
Raj Bhatia, M.D.	Stellar Stethoscope Award
Jasjot Kau, M.D.	Art of Compassion Award

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