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A Taste of Long Island Raises Funds for AALI

Ronkonkoma, N.Y. – The Woodlands at Woodbury was the site of a spectacular evening of great Long Island signature dishes, comedy and magnificent entertainment. Mickey B, Long Island radio personality, kept the evening exciting and upbeat as the Emcee for the evening. Brad Zimmerman provided local comedy, and Long Island's own "These Three Tenors," wowed the audience with a medley of songs including a sensational rendition of songs from the popular Broadway show, Phantom of the Opera, complete with costume. "These Three Tenors just brought the house down," says Mary Ann Malack-Ragona, AALI's Executive Director/CEO, "helping to raise much needed funds to support the programs and services offered through The Neuwirth Family Care Center.

The Woodlands called upon their sister restaurants to provide signature dishes for the evening. Guests enjoyed dishes from such fine eateries as The Mansions, H.R. Singleton's, Thom Thom and The Wreck. Guests were also treated to a "special" champagne cocktail called the "Purple Passion," created exclusively for the evening's event. "The reception was elegant, the dinner superb and the Viennese hour – everyone's fantasy," says Ms. Ragona. "We couldn't have asked for a more perfect evening."

The evening celebrated the work of The Neuwirth Family Care Center, which is housed in the Association's Chapter office. The Taste of Long Island was successful in raising funds to help ensure the continuation of the programs and services offered through the Center. These services include: professional Care & Consultation, Information & Referral, Education, Support Groups and the Association's National Safe Return Program.

The Alzheimer's Association is the nation's leading voluntary health organization dedicated to supporting families and caregivers by providing vital programs and services in local communities nationwide. The Association is the largest private funder of Alzheimer research, having committed \$160 million to date. Nearly 78 percent of every dollar raised by the Alzheimer's Association funds programs to promote research, find effective treatments, and improve the lives of those affected by Alzheimer's.

For more information about this event or the Alzheimer's Association, please contact Mary Ann Malack-Ragona, Executive Director/CEO at 1-800-272-3900 or visit our website at www.alzheimersli.org.