

Opera-Lytes

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OPERA-LYTES AND AMHERST COMMUNITY CHURCH PRESENT *COMFORT AND JOY*

November 6, 2009; AMHERST, NY- Opera-Lytes and Amherst Community Church will present the third annual evening of *Comfort and Joy* on Saturday, December 12, 2009. The evening will consist of a catered dinner served in the Fellowship Hall of Amherst Community Church, followed by a Christmas Concert sung by members of Opera-Lytes and the Amherst Community Church Chancel Choir. Dinner will be catered by Gwen Thomas with Chicken Celestine as the main course, served with Rice Pilaf, Green Beans Almandine, and a dinner salad. Dessert is also included. Dinner will be served at 6:30pm followed by the concert at 8:00pm.

Opera-Lytes is an Amherst theatre company that has been in existence for 16 years. The group specializes in performing Gilbert and Sullivan operettas, classic Broadway musicals, and also presents two choral concerts each season. The group has produced fully-staged productions in such notable western New York venues as the Lancaster Opera House, Alleyway Theatre, and Ujima TheatreLoft. Opera-Lytes was originally formed by members of the Amherst Community Church Choir, and the company continues to enjoy a fruitful partnership with the church.

The concert portion of the evening will be conducted by Ciaran Krueger, and accompanied by Daniel Schroeder. Selections to be featured on the program will include such popular holiday favorites as “Carol of the Bells”, “White Christmas”, music from “How the Grinch Stole Christmas”, as well as traditional Christmas music that will certainly put your family in the holiday spirit this season.

A ticket package is being offered for \$25, which includes the dinner and the concert. Cost of the concert alone is \$10. Reservations for the dinner can be made by calling 834-9700. Concert tickets can be purchased at the door the night of the event. Further information can be found at www.operalytes.com.