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A Scrumptious Evening of Food & Song was had at the 9th Annual Pasta & Puccini!

Saratoga Springs, NY (April 27, 2010) - Lake George Opera at Saratoga and The Friends of Lake George Opera hosted another fabulous evening of wine, food & song when they presented the 9th Annual Pasta & Puccini event on Sunday, April 25th at Prime at Saratoga National Golf Club.

The magical evening featured the tastes and sounds of Italy when marvelous food and drink was paired with beautiful music provided by the talented LGOpera at Saratoga artists. Guests were treated to their favorite tunes evoking the hills of Tuscany, the canals of Venice, the songs of Naples and the art and history of Florence and Rome.

Opera Artistic Director Curtis Tucker acted as the evening's emcee and introduced the 2010 Friends of Lake George Opera Vocal Scholarship winners. Alyssa Pyle a soprano from Niskayuna and Sarah Mele, also a soprano, from Loudonville delighted guests by taking the stage and singing arias from Rachmaninoff and Handel respectively. After these talented, young artists sang, Friends Board President Bob DeSio presented each winner with a scholarship check for \$500.

The Pasta & Puccini committee did a fabulous job transforming the Prime into a Mediterranean wonderland and a wonderful time was had by all. A special thanks goes to Pasta & Puccini co-chairs Karen Babin and Ellen Riley. Babin, who is relocating soon from Saratoga to New Orleans, will be greatly missed by everyone involved with the Opera. We wish her much success in her future endeavors.

Funds raised throughout the evening support the programs of both Lake George Opera at Saratoga & The Friends of Lake George Opera.

For additional information on the upcoming LGOpera at Saratoga season featuring *Carmen* and *Viva La Mamma*, call 518-584-6018 or visit the website at www.lakegeorgeopera.org.