

**The Gregory Kunde Chorale sings Wine, Women, & Song to ring in the New Year
(December 10 2005)**



100 YEARS OF MERRY WIDOW WALTZING

One hundred years ago, Franz Lehar wrote what would become one of the most performed and most beloved operettas. **The Merry Widow** has entertained audiences around the world for a century, with such familiar tunes as the *Merry Widow Waltz*, the folk song *Vilia*, and the rowdy *Girls, Girls, Girls*. All of which you can hear on January 8, 2006 with the Gregory Kunde Chorale for their annual holiday concert. This year marks one hundred years of laughter and dancing to Lehar's best.

The GREGORY KUNDE CHORALE requests the honor of your presence at its second program of the 2005-6 season, entitled "Wine, Women, & Song," featuring orchestra, soloists and the Chorale along with your favorite opera and operetta excerpts. The Chorale will perform on **Sunday, January 8th** at **Saint Anne's Church on Mount Hope Avenue** at **4:00PM**. Listeners will be treated to excerpts from Lehar's *The Merry Widow*, Verdi's *La Traviata*, Offenbach's *Tales of Hoffmann*, Mozart's *Abduction from the Seraglio*, Gounod's *Faust*, and much more. Don't miss this most enjoyable program and the opportunity to hear the Chorale's conductor and world renowned tenor Gregory Kunde.

Advance tickets for \$15 are available at Parkleigh (215 Park Avenue) and by calling the Chorale Information Line at **585.377.7568**. Tickets are \$20 at the door. Admission for children under 12 is free and students with ID will be admitted for \$8.