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Seventh Annual “World on the Square” Family Festival in Corydon Highlights Cultural Diversity in Southern Indiana

Enjoy international exhibits, see cultural performers, and sample ethnic foods at the seventh annual “World on the Square” Festival on Saturday, August 11 from 4 to 8 PM at the historic town square in Corydon, Indiana.

This annual family-oriented festival highlights the diverse heritage of the Kentuckiana region, which historically includes not only settlers from many European countries, but also the Native American and African-American presence. The festival also features the arrival of Spanish-speaking immigrants from Mexico and the rest of Central and South America, and newcomers from the Middle-East and Far East, such as Palestine, Egypt and Vietnam.

“World on the Square” is hosted each year by Community Unity, a community group that promotes respect and dignity for all people, the broadening of understanding among different population groups, and the peaceful resolution of conflict. The festival is free and co-sponsored by the Harrison County Convention and Visitors Bureau.

“We encourage cultural awareness and appreciation at the festival,” said Linda Runden, this year’s group moderator, “as our children will find themselves in a future America that is more multi-racial, multi-ethnic and culturally diverse than ever.”

Exhibit booths will include over 25 nations and cultures, and live entertainment will include music and dancers from all over the world. Children receive a festival “passport” which they can take to the many international exhibits, collecting answers to questions that will then earn them a prize. They can also participate in international games and art projects.

In case of unfavorable weather, the festival will be held at the Corydon Central High School, south of downtown Corydon. To get there, take Route 337 south from town square and turn east (left) on Country Club Road.

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