THE WEIRTON AREA MUSEUM & CULTURAL CENTER PRESENTS

7TH ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF NATIONS

WEIRTON MILLSOP COMMUNITY CENTER
March 21, 2015                11:00 am until 4:00 pm

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Dear Friends

Welcome to the 7th Annual Festival of Nations, a tradition revived by Weirton Area Museum & Cultural Center thanks largely to the efforts of Drs. Juginder & Dolly Luthra and the WAMCC festival committee. It is a time for all people of all nations to join together and have a good time, while we share traditions and customs of our native homelands. I thank all of you who have contributed to this cause. Let's celebrate our vast ethnic diversity here in this great melting pot called Weirton, West Virginia!

Sincerely

Dennis R. Jones

Juginder K. Luthra, M.D.
WAMCC Festival Committee Chairman
Weirton Area Museum & Cultural Center

The 7th Annual Festival of Nations once again brings various nationalities and groups together under one roof to celebrate one another’s dances, foods and culture.

I am going to quote a few lines that I took from an article published by our daughter, Rashmi Luthra, in the Weirton Daily Times in 1992. She is referring to the International Food and Art Festival which used to be held in Weirton for a number of years. Some of her impressions apply to the current Festival of Nations organized by Weirton Area Museum and Cultural Center.

"Of course, the food is one of the main highlights, but that is not all there is to the festival. There is joyous spirit which seems to take over as soon as you enter. The music and dancing on the stage, the little children running around, and the aroma of different ethnic foods, all add to the spirit of celebration. The Festival is unique to Weirton. It is a time for friends who haven't seen each other... Most of all, it is a time for all of Weirton to join together and celebrate..."

Similar feelings arise as we attend the 7th Annual Festival of Nations. After a long, snow filled winter, let us all enjoy the dances and music on the stage, try ethnic foods and stop at various display tables to learn about one another.

J K Luthra
The following two pages are provided to let you know those businesses, organizations, and volunteers who have contributed (many of them “behind the scenes” and otherwise unknown to the public) by volunteering time, effort, and materials to help the Weirton Area Museum bring you today’s Festival of Nations event.

Gabriel Arlia…………………………………….…..Tri-State Young Marine Color Guard Coordinator
City of Weirton…………………………………..Installing Flags of All Nations along Main Street
                                Festival Event Public Posting at Cove Road Entrance
Kevin Elias……………………………………….Help with Community Center and electronic display
Froggy 103.5 FM…………………………………..Announcement of Festival on radio
Mary H. Weir Public Library……………………Printing of large posters
Mayor George Kondik……………………………..Welcoming Address & Festival Support
Paper and Press, Ink……………………………..Discount on printing of envelopes, letters, and program books
Rick and Tina Smith……………………………..Production and editing of the video
Top of West Virginia CVB………………………Advertising on CVB Website
                                Financial help with performers
Wine and Beverage Merchants of West Virginia…….Nationality Stage Signs & Ethnic Vendor Table Signs
                                Printing of Large Outdoor Signs and Signs for Ethnic Tables
                                Water for Performers
WEIR Radio and 106.3 The River…………………..Talk Show Interview with Dr. J.K. Luthra & Despina Melonas
                                Announcements
Weirton Daily Times……………………………..Extensive newspaper coverage
WTOV Channel 9………………………………….Extensive Media Coverage
                                Advertising Festival on “What Would Deb Do?”
                                Posting Festival on Community Calendar & Website

DONATIONS FOR RAFFLE BASKETS
Baskets assembled by Pamela Makricosta, Peggy Makricostas, and Andrea Anderson

Andrea Anderson Eat’n Park
Fairfield Suites & Inn Marriot of Weirton George Kondik (P S Marketing)
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Weirton Area Museum & Cultural Center Weirton Rotary Club
This page shows an alphabetical list of those who were part of the 2015 Festival of Nations Committee and the part(s) they played as they volunteered their time to make festival possible.

Andrea Anderson …………………………….. Display Table Covers
Mary Ball………………………………………….. Cover of Festival Program Book
Barb Canterbury…………………………………Printing Large Posters at Mary H. Weir Public Library
Ed Giacchino……………………………………… Coordinator for Performers
Victor Greco and Dr. Maryann Ehle……………… Italian Display
Kalpana Gupta………………………………….. Designed and Composed Festival Program Book
                                             Designed and Composed Festival Flyers and letters
Dennis Jones…………………………………….. Designed Festival Program Book and Festival Flyers
                                             Updated Website and other News Publicity for Festival
                                             Designed and Produced 30 Second Festival Promo Video
                                             Posting of festival signs
Argiro Latousakis……………………………….. Designing of Stage Signs and Ethnic Vendor Table Signs
                                             Outdoor Signs
Dolly Luthra…………………………………….. MC and Stage Assistant
Juginder Luthra …………………………………… WAMCC’s Festival Chairman (2009 thru 2015)
Pamela Makricosta……………………………... Helped design Festival Logo for Flyers & Program Book, Stage Assistance
                                             Printing Large Posters at Mary H. Weir Public Library
Despina Melonas ……………………... Contacting food Vendors, Preparation of Changing Rooms, Radio Interview
Bob Shirer………………………………………… Greeter and Coordinator for Performers
Lea Shirer………………………………………… WAMCC Museum Gift Shop
                                             Selling Raffle Tickets and Program Books
Joe Stankiewicz………………………………… Stage Assistant
                                             Printing Letters, Flyers, Program Books
Paul B. Zuros, WAMCC Treasurer……………….. Festival Collections & Disbursements

We also wish to thank the performers, vendors, and other participants without whom there would be no festival.
AFRICAN AMERICAN/USA .................. Mount Olive Baptist Church
GREECE ..................................... Philoptochos Society of All Saints Greek Orthodox Church
INDIA ....................................... Taj Mahal Restaurant
ITALY ...................................... Antonio Meucci Lodge # 2506
ITALY ...................................... Italian Cookies, Bread and Coffee
                                           By: Nana’s Little Sweets
PHILIPPINE ................................. The Philippine-American Performing Arts of Greater Pittsburgh Group (PAPAGP)
USA .......................................... Bill Pendergrast
USA .......................................... Carter Bar-B-Que (Soul Food)
USA .......................................... Kettle Corn– Jeffery Schuetz

ADDITIONAL VENDORS & DISPLAY TABLES

American Jewelry ............................ Diane Camilletti
Bavarian Dress and German Dolls ........... Cindy Lucas
Belli-Italia .................................... Mary Belli Walters
China .......................................... Eve Barnhart, Peggy Wang
Frontier Persons ............................. Monte Pearson
Greece ........................................ Despina Melonas
India ......................................... Namita, Rohini, and Rashmi Luthra
                                         Dr. C. Nandra
International Student Exchange ............ Kelly Hannaoui
Italy ......................................... Victor Greco & Cindy Greco Lamp, and Dr. Ehle
Native Americans ........................... Dale Fryer, Chief Lenape Delaware
Philippine .................................... The Philippine-American Performing Arts of Greater Pittsburgh Group (PAPAGP)
Poland ........................................ Yvonne Tuchalski
Sequence of Program

Tri-State Young Marines Color Guard of Weirton & Follansbee, WV
CPL Norton Aliana and CPL Norton Niki

National Anthem............ Victoria Gerst
Remarks..................... Mayor George Kondik
Remarks..................... Dennis Jones, President WAMCC

Parade of Nations

Philippine..................... The Philippine-American Performing Arts of Greater Pittsburgh Group (PAPAGP)
India........................... Sanskruti School of Indian Dance and Music
Philippine..................... The Philippine-American Performing Arts of Greater Pittsburgh Group (PAPAGP)
Europe......................... Oglebay Institute Folk Dancers (Polish, Hungarian, and German)
Europe......................... Oglebay Institute Youth Folk Dancers (Norway, Switzerland, Germany, Russia, Bolivia, and Sweden)

Music Performance........ St. Joseph School Choir
Song......................... Sheena Chopra
Philippines................... Filipino American Association of Pittsburgh (FAAP)
Japan.......................... Japanese sword dance by Tadashi Kato
Italy........................... Italian American Cultural Club of Steubenville
Italy........................... Le Sorelle Di Bacco (The Di Bacco Sisters): Sofia-Teresa, Lucia, & Valentina

Scotland...................... Bag Pipes by Nila Boyd
India.......................... Nandanik Dance Academy
Indian Song................... Dr. J.K. Luthra and his Grandchildren
Ukraine....................... Kyiv Ukrainian Dance Ensemble
China........................... Yanlai Dance Academy
Song......................... Sheena Chopra
Song........................... Victoria Gerst
Scotland...................... Bag Pipes by Nila Boyd

MC......................... Dolly Luthra
Sound Engineer........... Earl Tuttle
Our Grandchildren: Amartya, Jaya, Amaya, Ilan, Arjan, and Shyam  
Submitted by Dolly & J. K. Luthra

Our WAMCC Board Members:  
Dennis Jones, Paul B. Zuros, Ed Giacchino  
Pam Makricosta, Kim Salter, Bob Shirer  
Joe Stankiewicz, Dr. Juginder Luthra, and Edmund DiBacco  
Submitted by WAMCC

In Memory of Okey Jackson Foutty our Father, Ruth A. McQuiston Foutty our Mom, Clara McQuiston Ault, and Tom Foutty our brother  
Submitted by Frances Caryl Foutty and Ruth Ann Foutty

Madeline Elaine Romino Greco  
Submitted by Dr. Ray Greco

Marjorie Greco  
Submitted by Victor Greco

Fran & Tom Czernek  
Submitted by Dennis R. Jones

Mary & Harry Jones  
Submitted by Dennis R. Jones

Our Parents Charles and Emily Warner  
Submitted by Jane Kraina

Father Rudy Kraina  
Submitted by Michael Kraina

Our Parents Kundan Lal & Vidyawati Luthra  
Our Mother Shielly Sachdev  
Submitted by Dolly & J.K. Luthra

Mario DiCarlo  
Submitted by Yvonne Tuchalski

John G. and Elma Pandelios  
Submitted by WAMCC
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Drs. J.K. and Dolly Luthra
Harold “Bubba” Miller, Candidate for Mayor
The Family of John G. and Elma A. Pandelios

Best Wishes for a Successful 2015 Festival of Nations
Drs. Rekha and Sunil Parulkar
Dr. Adie T. Tamboli (M.D. Inc.)
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For the Kindness of Dr. Luthra

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This Festival Program Book was composed by Kalpana Gupta, Dennis Jones, Mary Ball, and Pam Makricosta with help from Dr. J.K. Luthra

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