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The Alliance for Cultural and Ethnic Harmony:
Diversity, Unity, and Justice are the Heart of ACEH

The Alliance for Cultural and Ethnic Harmony (ACEH) was founded in Holland in 1999 to work for justice, equal opportunity, appreciation for diversity, and cross-cultural understanding. It is an all-volunteer, friendly, membership organization with an elected multicultural board. We work together to make West Michigan a place where all are welcomed and respected. ACEH provides a safe place to talk about prejudice and discrimination and to seek solutions, partners with local social justice and ethnic groups on events and activities, holds public meetings on various issues, hosts two community social gatherings each year, and funds a scholarship for an Upward Bound student. It publishes a monthly Newsletter and a weekly email listing of diversity and multicultural events titled "In the Community" that is currently sent to some 1,200 email addresses.

On Saturday, February 4, ACEH will hold its annual Heart2Heart Community Celebration from 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, 57 West 10th St., Holland. It's a potluck and cultural sharing party, with fun, fellowship, music, performances, family activities, great food, and a silent auction of goods and services. Please bring a dish to share from your cultural background and a non-perishable item for a local food bank; ACEH provides beverages and table service. The venue is handicap-accessible.

For more information or to join ACEH, please go to the website www.harmonyalliance.org. Email aceh@harmonyalliance.org if you wish to receive the publications. Call 396-2201 or 886-4758 if you want to talk in person. New members and friends are always welcome!



The Lakeshore Ethnic Diversity Alliance works to dismantle barriers to ensure people of all ethnic backgrounds have equal access and opportunity to participate fully in the life of the community.

Influenced by national dialogue and research on racial equity, LEDA forms a bridge between formal and informal leaders and individuals throughout our community and region. This model establishes credibility, expertise, and accountability; increases visibility and awareness; and fosters defined, sustainable initiatives and outcomes.

Today LEDA represents a broad cross-section of interests and cultures. Hundreds of volunteers and a growing staff work on initiatives throughout the region, alongside dozens of area CEOs and stakeholders engaged in moving forward a vision of racial equity.

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