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Orleans Summer Concert In the Park Series kicks off Saturday

ORLEANS -- The Orleans Chamber of Commerce, in partnership with Orange County REMC announces the kick off event for its 2007 Summer Concert in the Park series to be held in historic Congress Square (town park square) July 14 with a performance by the popular Corydon based musical group "Wapituli."

The free concert will begin at 7 p.m. (local time) in the southwest corner of the park.

Audiences at Bardstown's "Kentucky Bourbon Festival", Corydon, Indiana's "Art On The Square" and "Friday Night Band Concert Series", Palmyra, Indiana's Annual "Fish Fry", the "Fire Department Festival" in St. Anthony, Indiana, Turtle Run Winery in Lanesville, Indiana, Joe Huber's Family Farm and Restaurant in Starlight, Indiana, and several 'special events' at Caesar's Indiana, have delighted in Wapituli's enjoyable performances.

The group is no stranger to Orleans residents having performed to sold out enthusiastic crowds at both this year's Chamber Luau and the Orleans Alumni Banquet.

J.P. Mattingly and Dennis Hill formed Wapituli in 1999. Dennis and J.P.'s smooth voices and heartthrob styles harken back to the swingin' greats of earlier decades. Their versatile lead and back-up vocals combine to form a unique style with a natural flair. Using the latest midi and digital technology they create and produce the distinctive musical arrangements that accompany their stage performances. A talented keyboardist, J.P. foregoes the keys on stage, adding a conga beat to the duo's musical mix, while Dennis adds acoustic guitar.

A Wapituli performance treats you to many of the great songs of the past 50 years presented with a fresh vocal and musical interpretation that springs from a more sassy and compelling musical era. In many ways, it's the perfect resurrection of older standards, blended with more recent pop hits. A neat mix of the new with the nostalgic. Many songs are presented in medley form, while others are complete versions.

The Orleans Concert in the Park series, now entering its seventh year is simply an effort by the Orleans Chamber and its community partners like Orange County REMC to return musical and other special events like the "Movie in Park" event etc. to the town square area.

This is a chance for fans of live music to bring their friends and families to enjoy the beautiful town park grounds and enjoy a full evening of entertainment. The public is welcome to attend and encouraged to bring their lawn chairs or blankets, as setting is limited.

Upcoming offerings include:

(All concerts are on local time)

July 21: Crawford County Community Band, 6 p.m.

July 28: Bloomington Community Band, 7 p.m.

August 17: Marks the return of the famed 113th U.S. Army Band of Ft Knox, Kentucky, 7 p.m.

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