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Dear Friends,

July has been a most "hot" month for our country this year. One of the very "hot" topics undoubtedly has been, and still is, the recent ruling by the U.S. Supreme Court on same-sex marriage.

So I thought I would take this opportunity to let you know where WFWP stands on this topic. As it says in our Statement of Beliefs, number 3:

"We promote healthy and virtuous relationships within the family between husband and wife, parents and children, and extended-family members, and we educate and nurture young women to develop a character of internal and external excellence."

This is to note that we don't discriminate against or wish any ill towards homosexuals, who have often been treated shamefully, even by people of faith and in the name of religion. In fact, we affirm the dignity and value of every individual as a son or daughter of the Divine Origin.

It has been the core philosophy of our Founders that the family unit, consisting of one man and one woman who commit to one another for life, is the basis for a happy and peaceful society, nation, and world. This philosophy has been the basis for all of WFWP's programs, activities, and projects locally and internationally for the last 20-plus years. We also promote the key role that women play for peace in such families, and also in the "extended family"--that is, their communities and societies--by using their unique gifts and talents and their "mother's heart" to bring their reconciliatory voice and insights to the table.

WFWP's signature project, the Bridge of Peace, is one expression of women's efforts to pave the way to "live by the logic of love" and reconcile former enemies. These Bridge of Peace ceremonies continue regularly here in the United States (see below) and worldwide and have great impact.

Notwithstanding the great impact of the Bridge of Peace,



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however; WFWP's Founders' interracial and intercultural Marriage Blessing is of even greater significance. In the Marriage Blessing, men and women of former enemy nations come together in holy matrimony, which provides the real cement for healing former enemy relationships. It is quite a revolutionary and innovative approach to create not only lasting marriage relationships but also a substantial foundation for sustainable peace.

Leaving you with this "food for thought," I wish you happy reading of this month's edition of the *Logic of Love* and a Happy Summer!

Warmly,
Angelika

NEPAL Relief Update

By Ms. Kiyomi Schmidt

We were all very shocked to hear of the second detrimental earthquake in Nepal on May 12th, just days after the first. According to the United Nations, 500,000 to 600,000 homes and historical heritage sites of which the Nepalese economy relies on have been immensely damaged.

We would like to send a special thank you to all those who have supported Nepal financially and through your thoughts and prayers. Thanks to your donations, WFWP US sent a second wire to WFWP Nepal on June 16. The following describes the resulting 'tin roof project' distribution.



WFWP Nepal distributed 50 tin roof bundles to families in the villages of Gangate, Kapan, Alapot, Ramkot, Kharipati, Bageshwori, Chyamasing, and in the city of Bhaktapur. Each bundle consisted of 8 tin roof sheets, each sheet 9 x 2.7 feet in dimension. The sheets are built to last between five and ten years.

A few personal stories, reflections, and thank yous from recipients:

- Basanti Khada of Kapan was deeply thankful, and received her tin roof bundle in tears as she knows the rainy monsoon season is approaching. She had been living in a tent for the past two months.



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Basanti Khada's house

- Mr. and Mrs. Ram Hari Shrestha of Ramkot were buried alive in the rubble during the earthquake, and were finally rescued.
- Another family from Gangate was grateful to receive the bundle as they have been resorted to live in their family chicken coop.
- Mrs. Mandeshwori Nayava of Bhaktapur lost her house during the first earthquake on April 25th, and with it her financial livelihood and many happy memories.

[Read the rest of this Nepal update on our website.](#)

STATE REPORT: NEW JERSEY

A Bridge of Peace Connecting Two Koreas

By Mrs. Katarina Connery

On Saturday, July 11, the New Jersey chapter of WFWP held an inspiring program on "Peace at Last One Korea: Bridge of Peace Ceremony" at the Korean Community Center in Tenafly, New Jersey, attended by over 250 guests. The spirit of the event was perfectly encapsulated by the last song of the program by Mrs. Seiko Lee, internationally renowned soprano: a South Korean folksong entitled "Geuriun Kumgansan" (그리운금강산). Roughly translated, the title means "Yearning for Mt. Kumgang." Mt. Kumgang is historically one of the most well-known and culturally significant mountains on the Korean peninsula. However, it is located in North Korea and until very recently, access to the mountain for South Koreans was restricted.



Even in its title, this song of a longing heart for Mt. Kumgang reflects the longing heart of Koreans for their homeland to be reunited.

From the entertainment, to the beautiful flag ceremony, to the Bridge of Peace ceremony, one



Mrs. Seiko Lee

could feel the tremendous heart of support and awareness of this deep and critical issue. As Dr. Mark Barry, Senior Advisor for Universal Peace Federation Office of Peace and Security Affairs, pointed out, this year marks the 70th anniversary of the division of the Korean peninsula. However, North and South are still in a state of war; but throughout the program, one could see the tremendous possibilities for peace. Entertainment included North Korean singer Ms. Young Ah Mae, awarded beatboxer Mr. Sung Lee, a local group of Korean Youth Drummers, and Mrs. Seiko Lee who gave a beautiful rendition of several North and South Korean songs and shared some of her personal experiences performing for Kim Jong Il.



Ms. Young Ah Mae

During the Bridge of Peace, representatives from North Korea, South Korea, Japan, United States, Russia and China embraced across the Bridge. Symbolizing the nations which contributed to the division of Korea, the pairs demonstrated a commitment to going beyond past differences between these countries and to making unification a reality. As WFWP New Jersey chairwoman Denneze Nelson succinctly proclaimed: "Korea must unite peacefully!" According to WFWP co-founder, the late Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon, who has spoken extensively on reunification, unity will come about not by the military or by force, but through true love: "There must be South Koreans who love North Korea with a love greater than any South Korean for South Korea. Also, there must be North Koreans who love South Korea with a greater love

than any North Korean has for North Korea. There is no alternative, no solution other than this."

[Watch our video and read the rest of this article...](#)

FEATURE

WFWPI and the Beijing Process:

A New Advocacy and Methodology in the Settlement of Peace - "Familiarchy"

By Carolyn Handschin, Director, WFWPI UN Office

We are here today to celebrate the advances made towards the equality and empowerment of girls and women. We are also being asked to re-think ways of achieving these global goals.

There is no doubt that we are living in a turbulent time in world history. For example, bright young women from England and Canada are dropping out of universities and travelling to Iraq and Syria in

order to support fraudulent nation-building. Why? I believe it is because a deep human longing to contribute to justice and change is not being properly addressed in our educational curricula, our institutions and even in our families. As another example, some men are still convinced that it is justifiable to rape a young girl because she is out too late. We cannot accept that, but what can we do? What are we missing?



Mrs. Carolyn Handschin

As one answer to that question, I'd like to mention here a few conclusions of our report: "WFWPI and the Beijing Process."

Global Paradigm Change Is Needed to Utilize Women's Advocacy and Networking Skills

It is not only because we are more than 50% of humanity that we must be involved in decision-making. More critically it is because the basic building block of our world--the family--requires both a father and a mother as keys to creating peace. Peace in the community and world should rest upon the foundation of peace in the family.

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HEALTH TIPS

Unblock to Unlock

Contributed by Mrs. Juanita Pierre-Louis (Life Line Healing Ministries)

1. When you wake up in the morning complete the following statement and take a deep breath. My purpose is to _____ today.
2. Take a 10-30 minute walk every day. And while you walk, smile. It is the ultimate anti-depressant.
3. Sit in silence for at least 10 minutes each day. Buy a lock if you have to.
4. Live with the 3 E's - Energy, Enthusiasm, and Empathy.
5. Play more games and read more books than you did in 2014.
6. Make time to pray, meditate, praise God and another person each day. This will provide you with daily fuel for your busy life, and help you to recreate yourself.
7. Spend time with people over the age of 70 and under the age of 6.
8. Dream more while you are awake.
9. Try to make at least 3 people smile each day.
10. Clear clutter from your house, your car, your desk, and let new and flowing energy into your life.
11. Don't waste your precious energy on gossip, issues of the past, negative thoughts, or things you cannot control. Instead invest your energy in the positive present moment and another human being.
12. Smile and laugh more. It will uplift you and others. Every time you smile, you Bless a Child.
13. Make peace with your past, so it won't spoil the present.
14. Don't compare your life with others. You have no idea what their journey is all about.
15. No one is in charge of your happiness but you.
16. Get rid of anything that isn't useful, beautiful, or joyful.
17. Envy is a waste of time. You already have all you need.
18. No matter how you feel, get up, dress up, and show up.
19. Call your family often.
20. Forgive everyone, for everything!
21. As a leader, always be ready to acknowledge what you don't know. Leadership is a relationship. A leader does not control, but cultivates.

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FEATURE

"Believe in Yourself, and the Magic Will Happen:" Disability and Stress

By Mrs. Caryn Olsson

How do you handle stress? A lot of people have asked me this very question! It seems that quite often disability and stress go hand in hand. I would like to offer a different approach that has helped me to handle the ongoing stress that I deal with in relationship to not only our autistic child, but any type of situation that is stressful. I like to talk about it.

At first, I did not talk about it, and tried to keep it inside of me. I found that only created toxic emotions that boiled the anger with fear of the unknown inside me: What if? ... Why me? However, talking about the issue to God as well as to friends helped me realize that there are others who are suffering more deeply and there are others who have a more severe disability than autism. That put perspective on my situation.

During the school years, each child with a disability has something called an "Individualized Education Plan" or an IEP. This is a document that includes goals for each school subject as well as an individualized step by step process on how to achieve those goals. There is a lot of stress involved in making goals for the IEP. It really helps, once again, to talk about this with someone! The more informed one is about the rights that one has, and the child has, the greater the outcome of the IEP. There is a lot of information online about the IEP and how to become successful in creating one. Stress is, for me, either positive or negative. Lately, I try and turn it into a positive. With positive thinking, all things can be achieved!



Patrick checking out the bubble bottle

[Read the rest of this on our website.](#)

INSPIRATION

"The day will come when man will recognize woman as his peer, not only at the fireside, but in councils of the nation. Then, and not until then, will there be the perfect comradeship, the ideal union between the sexes that shall result in the highest development of the race."

Susan B. Anthony 1820-1906, American Social Reformer.

PENNSYLVANIA

Let Freedom Ring: Honoring Revolutionary War Women

By Mrs. Jizly Dohou

It is a great honor for the Pennsylvania Chapter of WFWP to be a locally registered women's organization here in Lansdowne, Pennsylvania; and every year WFWP participates as a team in the Fourth of July parade. As our chapter joins the parade and carries the banner of WFWP,



some women wear T-shirts with the WFWP logo, and others display T-shirts stamped with the cover of WFWP founder, Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon's, autobiography "A Peace-Loving Global Citizen."

Independence Day, also referred to as the Fourth of

July, is a federal holiday to commemorate the adoption of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania was one of the original thirteen colonies; and Independence Hall is regarded by many as the birthplace of the United States of America.

[Read the full article on our website](#)

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

Partnerships for Peace Help those in Need

By Mrs. Patricia Fleischmann

The San Francisco Bay Area chapter of WFWP has collaborated over the years with the United Nations Association to hold many events, including an annual Peace Forum. On May 16 of this year, WFWP held its annual Benefit for the Schools of Africa at a beautiful home in Oakland, California.



Drummer from Ghana

The emcee, Mrs. Patricia Fleischman, welcomed guests and introduced Mrs. Prabha Duneja, the local Chairwoman of the WFWP Schools of Africa Project. During her speech, Mrs. Duneja shared her experience of similar event meetings at the United Nations in New York, hosted by some of the Japanese WFWP members. Mrs. Duneja expressed her appreciation for the heart and dedication of the Japanese WFWP ladies, and how impressed she was with the wonderful results for all of the schools. President of the United Nations Association for the East Bay Chapter, Mr. Herb Berhstock, also gave his greetings and warm

praise for the work of WFWP and the Schools of Africa project.

The afternoon also welcomed Mrs. Jeanetta Arenott, president of Inner Wheel, a local women's service organization connected to the Rotary Club (www.innerwheelusa.com). Participants listened attentively to Mrs. Arenott's testimony of the Inner Wheel's work to provide clothing and personal items for rape victims, as well as prosthetic limbs for handicapped children. As a demonstration of WFWP's belief in partnerships for peace, WFWP makes a contribution to a local organization each year. This year the Inner Wheel has been chosen to receive a donation of 15% from the Schools of Africa benefit proceeds.

[Read the entire article and see more photos](#)

COLORADO

What is LINK?

By: Mrs. Shirley Chimes

North Korea, one of the most oppressive societies on Earth, has gained a great deal of media attention in recent years due to its confrontational stance on its nuclear weapon ambitions. However, there is a much deeper story behind commentaries on North Korean leadership: the daily plight of the country's citizens. To enlighten on these issues, on May 9, the WFWP Denver chapter collaborated with the Denver Family Church to host three young people from the Liberty in North Korea (LINK) organization to give a presentation about the organization's work.



Kristin Pulles presenting

LINK volunteers Kirstin Pulles, William Arnold and Travis Morse gave an engaging and informative presentation, which elicited many thought-provoking questions from the audience.

LINK has been able to help over 335 North Korean refugees reach freedom. The organization has also helped these refugees resettle in China, South Korea, the US, and other locations. During their presentation, they showed videos of North Korea, gave a brief history of the country, and spoke about LINK's work with the underground railroad.

[Read more and see more photos on our website.](#)

OHIO

Breaking Barriers on "Culture Day" Through Mexican Dance

By: Mrs. Annette Yamakawa

The Ohio Chapter of WFWP has frequently put up information tables at the annual Columbus International Festival. On one such occasion in 2012, Mrs. Janet Halters came to the table I was manning (or womanning). We spoke and she signed up for more information about WFWP.



Later that year, she had called me and invited me to give a presentation about Mexican Dance at one of her events. Since one of WFWP's main areas of focus is service to the community, I decided to use my skill in performing Mexican dance, honed in my youth, to serve the community. I was also given an opportunity to introduce the broader work of WFWP.

Mrs. Halters asked me to perform on the West Broad Elementary School's "Culture Day." As it would be a school performance, I decided to ask for student volunteers to dance and I would coach them. To my amazement, twenty students signed up to learn and perform.

On May 20, the West Broad auditorium was full of bright faces as Mrs. Halters introduced our Mexican Dance performance. Before we began the dance, I shared about WFWP's vision and mission and explained the efforts to achieve international and intercultural peace. I also explained the Ohio chapter's work as an advocate for healthy family living and volunteerism.

Then the girls filed in, took their spots, and got into pose on my cue. To the music, the girls began the "wave" part of the dance. They then went into the "train" phase and the "switch partner" part. The dance showed the beautiful spectrum of nationalities that surfaced in the dancing.

[Read the full article on our website](#)

PENNSYLVANIA

Heart of Gold for Nepal

By: Mrs. Jizly Dohou

The members of the Pennsylvania Chapter of WFWP aspire to be involved in national and international concerns through extending help and donations. Thus, a neighborhood health fair was organized as a show of compassion and solidarity for the lives lost in the recent earthquake in Nepal. Despite the rainy weather, WFWP rallied enthusiastically to host the program on May 26 in the newly inaugurated WFWP office in Aldan, Pennsylvania.



Mrs. Bonnee B. Bentum

The guest speaker was Mrs. Bonnee B. Bentum, a wife, mother, English teacher, and global education resource consultant. She is the founder, owner, and organizer of A Matter of Xpression, AMX, which, according to [their website](#) "is an international communication and educational organization promoting equitable access and resources, most notably for girls, but also for schoolchildren who most need our services. The AMX Team helps people take educational ideas from paper to action in parts of the US, Ghana, Kenya, and Tanzania."

Her speech brought both inspiration and edification to the attendees as she affirmed that women of this age can contribute to transforming the world through unity and cooperation as leaders, and make a prominent and promising future of peace for generations to come.

As Dr. Hak Ja Han, founder of WFWP has said, the key to that transformation is not politics, money, or religion. It is the logic of love that can unlock historic trauma of the past and bring lasting peace.

Whenever a disaster on the scale seen in Nepal occurs, WFWP Pennsylvania responds by holding programs to raise awareness as well as money for those afflicted by the disaster. In the spirit of community awareness and action, everyone enjoyed lively BINGO games, with the proceeds going to those in deep need in faraway Nepal. Participants revealed responsive hearts of gold, and brought encouragement to the community by opening their hearts and showing loving support. [See this article on our website](#)



!!CONGRATULATIONS!!

Welcome to the World: Baby Emily



WFWP USA offer our sincere congratulations to WFWP Ohio Chairwoman, Mrs. Nataliya Grishina and her family on the birth of their lovely baby girl, Emily Grishin, born on July 1, 2015 at 7 pounds 12 ounces (3 kg 5015 g)! Both are in good health and recovering from a difficult pregnancy.

Please enjoy the baby, your family and wishing you health and happiness!
With much much love!!!
Angelika and the WFWP USA team

EDITOR'S NOTE

As we go through the heat of the summer, let us cool ourselves with the heart of service and education to help all people realize that we are One Family Under God! It doesn't matter what we look like, eye color, hair texture, skin color, religion or lack of it, we are all brothers and sisters and we need to learn to act like it.

Let's see each other with new eyes and live for the sake of the generations to come. Not only thinking of what we can get from this world, but what we can give and how we can keep the earth healthy and life-sustaining.

As we go forward, send in your articles and photos to empower us all!

Let's continue to pray for the people of Nepal, and offer whatever donations we can [through the WFWP website.](#)

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