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### WFWP USA Logic of Love News for May 2015

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#### PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dear Friend,

"History is calling for reconciliation, service and sacrifice. Today's problems cannot be solved by the logic of power. Today's problems can only be solved by the Logic of Love."

These profound words of our Founder, Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon, have never rung more true than now.

As we honor our mothers during this month of May, we realize that a mother's heart is so desperately needed to address, heal and resolve the world's problems, be it to assist the victims of the earthquakes in Nepal, and recently again that in the Philippines, or taking our children off the streets and out of harm's way, as Mother Graham did her son during the Baltimore riots. Words cannot resolve situations like these, only actions, motivated and initiated straight from the heart.

Our founder is leading us with that kind of heart in all she is doing, such as responding immediately to the Nepal earthquake by sending \$1 million there for disaster relief. We thank her also for having given birth to 14 beautiful and accomplished children, each of whom she deeply cares for and loves. And yet her love has always gone far beyond her family, in caring and living for the sake of God and for the sake of all humankind.

We wish Dr. Ha Ja Han Moon and all mothers once again a very happy, happy Mother's Day and that they may continue the legacy of LIVING BY THE LOGIC OF LOVE.

Let your light and the warmth of your motherly heart be felt!

With love, Angelika



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### **FEATURE:**

### What are the Qualities of a True Mother?

How can we define her incomparable love for the family and world?

In honor of mothers all around the world, WFWP would like to share with you a section about our founder, Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon, from the words of her husband, and co-founder of WFWP, the late Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon's Autobiography, <u>As a Peace-Loving Global Citizen</u>, where he shares his experience of his wife's inner beauty.



An Incomparable Inner Beauty My wife has such a tremendous heart of love and care that she even gave her wedding ring to someone in need. When she sees someone in need of clothes, she buys that person clothes. When she comes across someone hungry, she buys the person a meal. There have been many times when we have received presents from others that she would give away to someone else without even opening them. Once we were touring the Netherlands and had a chance to visit a factory that processed diamonds. Wanting to express my heart of regret

toward my wife for all her sacrifices, I bought her a diamond ring. I didn't have much money, so I couldn't buy her a large one. I picked out one I liked and presented it to her. Later, she even gave away that ring. When I saw the ring wasn't on her finger, I asked her, "Where did the ring go?"

She answered, "You know by now I can't keep something like that when someone has a greater need."

Once I saw her pulling out a large wrapping cloth, and she was working quietly to pack some clothes. "What are you going to do with those clothes?" I asked her.

"I have a use for them," she said.

She filled several wrapping cloths with clothes without telling me what she planned to do with them. When she was finished, she told me she was getting ready to send the clothes to our missionaries working in foreign countries.

"This one's for Mongolia, this one's for Africa, and this one's for Paraguay," she said.

She had a slightly self-conscious smile that made her look so sweet when she told me. Still today, she takes it upon herself to look after our overseas missionaries.

My wife established the International Relief and Friendship Foundation in 1979. It has done service projects in numerous countries, such as Zaire, Senegal, and Ivory Coast. The foundation gives food to impoverished children, medicine to those who are sick, and clothing to those in need. In Korea, she created the Aewon charity organization in 1994. Its activities include managing a canteen serving free food to the poor and supporting low-wage earners, the



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handicapped, children taking care of families in place of parents, and others. It also provides aid to the North Korean people. My wife has also been active in women's organizations for some time. The Women's Federation for World Peace, which she established in 1992, has branches in some eighty countries and is in general consultative status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations as a nongovernmental organization.

Throughout history, women have been persecuted, but I predict this will change. The coming world will be one of reconciliation and peace based on women's maternal character, love, and sociability. The time is coming when the power of women will save the world.

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It would seem that my wife would be devastated each time she faced such difficult situations, but she always remained unshaken. Even in the most difficult and unbearable circumstances, my wife never lost her serene smile. She always crossed over life's most difficult peaks successfully. When church members ask my wife's advice on raising their own children, she tells them: "Be patient and wait. The period when children wander is only temporary. No matter what they do, embrace them, love them, and wait for them. Children will always return to the love of their parents."

I have never raised my voice toward my wife. This is not because of my character, but because my wife has never given me cause to do so. Throughout our life together, she has labored to care for me with complete, loving devotion. She is even the one to care for my hair. So this great saint of world affairs is also the best barber in the world. Now that I am old I make many new demands on her, and she always responds. If I ask her to cut my toenails, she will do it cheerfully. My toenails are mine, but I can't see them very well. She sees them perfectly well, though. It's a strange thing. The older I become, the more precious my wife is to me.

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# FEATURE Getting to Know Nepal

By Mrs. Katarina Connery

When news broke of the 7.8 magnitude earthquake in Nepal on April 25 and WFWP USA began a campaign to raise funds for the victims, I took stock of what I knew about the country and quickly realized that it wasn't much. I knew that it is a generally mountainous country nestled between India and China; and it is home to Mount Everest, the highest mountain on Earth.

What about the people, culture, and history? Had it been colonized .

by
the British Empire as
was the case with
many of its
neighbors? Is it
predominantly Muslim
like Pakistan and
Bangladesh,
predominantly Hindu
like India, or
something else?



A list of those who disappeared during the civil war

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Nepal Relief Fund

knew that Nepal had suffered from a long-standing civil war between the government and so-called "Maoist" rebel groups. However, was that a current situation or had that conflict ended? Since my educational background is in International Development, I also wondered about the state of poverty in Nepal and what are its major challenges to development. Though this article cannot explain all the intricate facets of a country such as Nepal, I hope to shed some light on the reality of its people.

While its neighbors, India and China, have been lauded for their tremendous economic development in recent years, Nepal is still lagging behind as one of the world's poorest nations. The country is still dealing with the aftermath of a decade long civil war, which officially ended only nine years ago, in 2006. Landlocked and with few natural resources, tourism could provide a tremendous boost to the economy-Nepal is home to 8 of the 10 tallest mountains in the world-but political instability has seriously impeded the development of the tourism industry.

For much of its history as a unified country, Nepal has been ruled by a monarchy. However, from the 1950s onward, the country has experienced a tumultuous history of struggle between the monarchy and forces calling for democracy. Following three decades of agitation from pro-democracy groups, in 1990, the king capitulated and formed a constitutional monarchy and multi-party system. However, the relative peace was fleeting. On February 13, 1994, the Communist Party of Nepal (Maoist) launched a "People's War" with the aim of abolishing the monarchy and establishing a "People's Republic." After ten years of civil war, the government and Maoist insurgents signed the Comprehensive Peace Accord in November 2006 and the 240 year old monarchy was abolished. The conflict claimed between 15,000 to 17,000 lives, mostly civilians, and 100,000 to displaced an estimated 150,000 people.

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# MASSACHUSETTS Women in Islam: The Freedom to Speak Out

By Ms. Katie Howe



On April 25th, WFWP partnered with CARP (the Collegiate Association for the Research of Principles), to host a panel discussion entitled: Women in Islam. Three Muslim women panelists and women of all ages

gathered together in the Commonwealth Salon at the Boston Public Library to explore the topic. The panelists began by introducing themselves and the environment where they grew up. After their introductions, they answered questions posed by the audience. The diverse backgrounds represented in this event created a vibrant and meaningful discussion between the panelists as well as with the audience.

The first panelist to speak was Ayesha Anwar. She is a junior at Wellesley College studying to become a doctor while majoring in History. Her story weaved through an explanation of each of the five Pillars of Islam and the meaning of each pillar to her and to her family. The five Pillars of Islam are the basic tenets of Islam. They include Shahadah (declaring that there is no god, but God and Muhammad is God's Messenger), Salat (prayer five times a day), Zakat (giving to the needy), Sawm (fasting during the month of Ramadan), and the Hajj (the once in a lifetime pilgrimage to the center of the faith in Mecca). Ayesha gave short little examples and vignettes from her life...

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### OREGON Non-Violence is a Choice

By Mrs. Katherine Cromwell

When I heard about, saw the photos, and heard the participant comments about the program at Mt. Hood Community College (MHCC) in Gresham, Oregon, I couldn't help but wish I had

participated. Denise Harris said, "The forgiveness we the heard at beginning of the conference from Kilong Ung was amazing. Also hearing from human trafficking survivor, Hestmark,



has brought us great understanding about how people get into this problem, and how we can get families back. It was very deep." And Ms. Christine Edwards summed it up nicely saying, "What I liked about this event is that all ages were represented, and there was continuation from the previous event when Gandhi's grandson visited at MHCC [Mount Hood Community College]. There was cosponsorship by three different non-profit organizations. It was a wonderful collaboration centered on peace."

An article called, "Leaders with experience with violence talk peace," by Mr. Hayden Hunter, in the Advocate (the independent student voice of Mt. Hood Community College), intrigued me and gives great insight into the different aspects that were covered that day. I was told by WFWP member, Mrs. Stephanie Herremans, that he had fully engrossed himself in as much of the day's activities as is humanly possible...

Read the rest of this article and see more photos!

# PARENTING Disability 101

By Mrs. Caryn Olsson

First of all, I am not perfect, and raising a family that includes an autistic teenager is no picnic, believe me! Due to the hardships involved in raising a child with a disability, one would think that the

school district is the place where help can be found. Most often, though, this is not the case. I have heard of exceptions to this; however, in my case, it has taken me many years to get Patrick (our autistic teenager) the services that he now has. I will try and reconstruct the journey, as I really want to help others acquire the

services that they need through the school and beyond.



Patrick at Horse Therapy

My first hurdle was getting over the denial that we had a child with a disability. After that, I contacted the appropriate department for children with disabilities-at the time it was called the Department for Retardation Mental Developmental Delays. I was actually in denial due to the word "Retardation." As I have always strongly disliked that word, when I was referred to that department, I had a negative reaction. However, it was something to deal with, and there was no choice but to do

SO.

Once I contacted the department, a case worker came out and opened up Patrick's case. That meant getting a thorough history of Patrick's birth and so on. Once that was finished, he was eligible for Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy and Speech. So, we had therapists coming into our home. Also, I was quite motivated to seek additional therapy. I found an amazing location that offered all three therapies. It was in a remodeled warehouse, in an industrial location. Among the first of its kind! So from 18 months until Pre-School started, I took him there.

Read the full article on our website.

#### CONNECTICUT

**Health Tips Begin**By Ms. Emily Cornier

On April 28 the Connecticut chapter gathered together at Leishas Bakeria for a monthly group wellness meeting. It started off with some light yoga followed by fresh green smoothies. Hanna Schmittat, WFWP member and aspiring naturopathic doctor currently studying at the University of Bridgeport, shared some clean holistic tips for women to relieve stress and gain lasting energy throughout the day.



Something we all crave.

Healthy exercising together

There are some simple steps we can do to conserve energy. One simple solution is to schedule time for relaxation during the day. This is critical because sometimes it can seem like the whole world is weighing down on you, so it's important to take time out and relax. You can feel the difference in energy when you take time to do something that you enjoy. Whatever helps you reflect and breathewhether it is yoga, meditation, prayer, or reading inspirational wordscan help your mental and physical health tremendously.

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#### **COLORADO**

### "Discover Chiropractic" and Nutrition

By Mrs. Shirley Chimes

On April 11th, Dr. Cameron Hall, Chiropractor at Discover Chiropractic, and WFWP partnered to present a nutrition program at Discover's offices in Westminster, Colorado. The event was rescheduled twice owing to bad weather, so we were happy to finally gather at Dr. Hall's offices.



Dr. Hall and WFWP Chairwoman Shirley Chimes

Dr. Hall graduated from the Palmer College of Chiropractic in Florida and from Concord University in West Virginia with a Bachelor of Science in Recombinant Gene Technology in 2011. He went to Honduras during the

summer of that year on a humanitarian trip with Doctors Without Borders to offer aid to the people.

As an emerging leader in the field of chiropractic and nutrition, he not only gives personal presentations on health and well-being, but also develops corporate wellness programs customized to fit the needs of the company at zero expense.

The program opened with Mrs. Shirley Chimes who introduced the Women's Federation by reading from the chapter in WFWP co-Founder Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon's autobiography entitled: "An Incomparable Inner Beauty:"

"My wife has been active in women's organizations for some time. The Women's Federation for World Peace, which she established in 1992, has branches in some 80 countries and is in general consultative status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations as a non-governmental organization. Throughout history, women have been persecuted, but I predict this will change. The coming world will be one of reconciliation and peace based on women's maternal character, love and sociability. The time is coming when the power of women will save the world.

### In Honor of Mrs. Laura Hornbeck

After more than a decade of leadership based on total service, heart and investment, our chairwoman in Texas, Mrs. Laura Hornbeck is moving on to other areas she is equally passionate about.

During many of the years she was the chairwoman for Texas, Laura also served as the editor of our WFWP online newsletter. Laura is a very gifted and talented writer and editor, and accomplished in working with the media.



Mrs. Laura Hornbeck

She assisted in creating materials for WFWP International for their work with the United Nations and for other international projects.

She is a most kind, gracious, and gifted lady and leader.

We love and congratulate her on her accomplishments over the years. We honor her investment in the Texas WFWP chapter and wish her many blessings and success for her future endeavors.

With deep appreciation, Angelika and WFWP USA

# **NEW JERSEY - Hackensack Guinea From a Mother's Heart**

By Mrs. Cynthia Nakai



Mrs. Hiroko Nitro

For a long time I have wanted to invite Mrs. Hiroko Nitro to share

experiences as a WFWP volunteer in Guinea, West Africa. Finally, on Sunday, April 26, Mrs. Nitro brought pictures and shared many wonderful memories and experiences teaching dental hygiene, taking care of leprosy victims, setting up schools, and teaching marriage values in a country rife with polygamy. Attendees were deeply impressed by her stories of working hard with

the other volunteers to love and educate the Guinean people. Below is Mrs. Nitro's inspiring testimony.

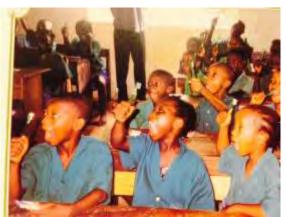
"Hello, my name is Hiroko Nitro; I'm a busy mom of 5 kids now. I became a WFWP volunteer for the Republic of Guinea for three years way back in 1994. Through the direction of Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon, WFWP's founder, 1600 Japanese WFWP members were chosen as volunteers to go to 160 nations, 10 for each nation.

When I arrived at the Guinea airport, the first thing I noticed were children begging on the streets. Then I saw their parents at the opposite side of the street guiding them on where to beg for foreigners. This meant that the parents allowed their children to beg from foreigners. It was so painful for my heart to see that.

In Guinea, they didn't have electricity for 24 hours; so we had to use candles every night. It was that kind of situation.

I would like to share with you our volunteer activities. First, we established a school and managed the school through a Foster Parenting Project. We held French and English classes. Guineans speak French, but there were many refugees from Sierra Leone who spoke English. In the beginning we were renting, but eventually we could purchase the land and build a school. This school is still operating today.

Second, we gave education for dental hygiene. Since most people used thin tree branches instead of tooth brushes, we taught how to brush your teeth and provided tooth brushes.



Learning to Use Toothbrushes

Third, we gave people knowledge on AIDS prevention. This was a tough issue because of the Guinean marriage system: one husband with many wives. Can you imagine that terrible situation? How can we see women's dignity?

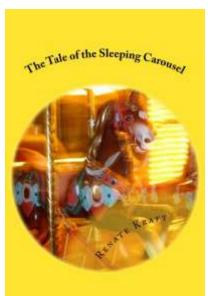
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#### **MICHIGAN**

### "The Tale of the Sleeping Carousel"

By Mrs. Sabine Kouassi

In September 2014 I published a translation of my late sister, Renate



Kraft's, children's book <u>The Tale</u> of the <u>Sleeping Carousel</u>, that had originally been written in German.

Because the main character in the book is a blind girl, I decided, in the name of WFWP, to offer \$1 of every copy sold to the Penrickton Center for Blind Children that I had previously visited. The children there are not just visually impaired, but have multiple handicaps. To learn more about the center, here is their website

address: http://penrickton.com/.

I have not yet had the opportunity to really market and advertise the book since its publication; however, I decided to go to the Center to introduce it, and bring the small "seed" donation to offer it to them. So on March 13, I took the book, the first donation, and WFWP leaflets and gave them to Ms. Becky Lowe, the Bookkeeper at the Center. I suggested that they use the book for their own fundraising events as well. I also let her know that the Sisterhood of Temple Beth El Braille Bindery Volunteers has made available a Braille copy of the book as well. This Bindery offers its translation services for a mere donation, and has created about 1500 different books in Braille.

My next step will be to reach out to schools and organizations for the visually impaired in the Detroit area. To get a copy of the book and give a donation to the Penrickton Center, here is the link on Amazon: <a href="http://www.amazon.com/Tale-Sleeping-Carousel-Renate-Kraft/dp/1479201928/ref=pd">http://www.amazon.com/Tale-Sleeping-Carousel-Renate-Kraft/dp/1479201928/ref=pd</a> rhf dp p img 2.

[Editor's Note: Additionally, if you buy it with Amazon Smile through the WFWP website, WFWP will also benefit from this lovely book.]



Illustration from the Book

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### **Editor's Note:**

May is the month of Mothers' Day so we have chosen to honor the mother's heart in this edition of the Logic of Love News.

Let us know how you like the changes in the newsletter and make sure that you forward it to your friends so they can get to know what WFWP is doing around the U.S.

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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