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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dear ladies, friends, and families,

What does the word "peace" mean to you?

Each year on September 21, the UN celebrates the International Day of Peace, yet we might wonder what there is to celebrate.

Even right here in the U.S., during this very month dedicated to peace, police shootings of black men continue, as in Charlotte, North Carolina, and Tulsa, Oklahoma, inflaming racial tensions regardless of whether the killings were justified or not.

However, whatever things may look like, the last thing to do now would be to give up on peace!

Earlier this month, I and my husband Bob attended radio talk show host Al Cole's annual "People of Distinction Humanitarian Awards" reception in the Rayburn House Office Building on Capitol Hill. He has been highlighting, uplifting, and endorsing "unsung heroes" in the community from all walks of life (see article below). That evening, his organization bestowed awards on 20 humanitarian leaders from small but effective organizations providing a wide variety of amazing services to people in need.

What Bob and I took away from Al's awards reception was hope in knowing that there is still so much good in the world, and here in the United States, that there are many "unsung heroes" who sacrifice and live for the sake of others, quietly and consistently, and ARE making an impact for the better!

A very stirring and moving moment also took place this month on September 17 when two mothers, representing black and white Americans, respectively, walked across the Bridge of Peace at the Washington Mall next to the U.S. Capitol building as a part of the "America and God's Will" 40th Anniversary celebration. One of the mothers, Elzabieta Byrne, lost her daughter due to murder but was able to forgive the perpetrator and even show compassion and understanding toward his parents.

Closing with inspirational quotes as food for thought:

"Peace cannot be kept by force; it can only be achieved by understanding."

- Albert Einstein



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"I offer you peace. I offer you love. I offer you friendship. I see your beauty. I hear your need. I feel your feelings."

- Mahatma Gandhi

What does "peace" mean to you?

Warmly, Angelika Selle

EMERGENCY DISASTER RELIEF



Help WFWP USA Send Winter Clothing to Children in North Korea

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Help Children Affected By Typhoon Lionrock By Kiyomi Schmidt

After hearing about Typhoon Lionrock in North Korea, the subsequent flooding, and the displacement of between 70,000 to 100,000 people, WFWP USA contacted WFWP in South Korea to see of their plans to support those affected.

Their response was: WFWP Korea is a member of the Korean Council for Reconciliation and Cooperation (KCRC), and will be working with them during this crisis. During the recent KCRC emergency meeting it was decided to collect monetary donations to buy winter clothes for children in North Korea at this time.

Our WFWP representative adds that it is already quite cold in Korea, and many children and families are suffering and in great need.

In order to support this initiative, WFWP USA will be collecting contributions through our 1% Love Share Program Fund, to be sent to our WFWP counterparts in Korea. This ongoing fund currently supports women, children, and disaster hit areas around the world.

If you would like to support the livelihood of children in North Korea as the winter season approaches, please



WFWP USA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY NEWS

A Look Behind the Scenes

By Kiyomi Schmidt and Katarina Connery

For this year's WFWP USA National Assembly we have been shaking things up! Teaming up with local New Jersey Chairwoman, Denneze Nelson, we have been pioneering new ideas and ways of getting things done.

A primary example of this is the expansion of our planning team from just our National Headquarters, to our community chairwomen all across the country. This year there are **seven different planning committees** covering various portions of the program, and each chairwoman decided which portion they were most passionate about contributing to. This way the Assembly has the spice and flavor of all of our awesome communities, and has the makings of a 'National' Assembly that we can all be proud of.

Who will speak at the Assembly? What are the planned innovations? Continue to the website to find out...





AMERICA AND GOD'S WILL

Keep the Fire Burning: Celebrating 40 Years of Founder's Relevant Message By Bob and Angelika Selle



Forty years ago, Co-Founder of Women's Federation for World Peace, the Reverend Dr. Sun Myung Moon stood at the foot of the Washington Monument, and gave a memorable speech entitled "America and God's Will," in celebration of America's bicentennial.

He declared in front of 300,000 people "The United States of America, transcending race and nationality, is already a model of the unified world. She must realize that the abundant blessings which God has been pouring upon this land are not just for America, but are for the children of God throughout the world."

He believed America had been singularly blessed by God to be a strong and moral country where God could dwell, and would lead the world through service. He expressed that "this is the time for awakening. America must accept her global responsibility... America must rise up."

To commemorate that "monumental" message delivered 40 years ago, two days of events took place in Washington, D.C. on September 16 and 17, with the theme "America and God's Will," to reconnect to its relevance for today. The events were organized and co-sponsored by several of the major organizations Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon founded, including the Women's Federation for World Peace.

Continue to the website to read on and see photos of WFWP's Bridge of Peace...

BANQUET REFLECTION

His Legacy Lives on in Others

By Ms. Dottie Chicquelo

I went to the America and God's Will Commemoration Banquet celebrating the 40th Anniversary held at the Washington Times Ballroom on September 16, 2016 in Washington, DC. I'd like to address the leadership of Rev. Sun Myung Moon that was highlighted during the event. The expressions of love for Rev. Moon during the event highlighted his everyday practice of respect for others. I am impressed that Rev. Moon was an enthusiastic person, which is still infectious. His efforts and collective traits continue to create goodwill and productive partnerships that have and continue to benefit, enrich, and enhance the quality of life for so many families and people worldwide. Having met him, I remember his joyful personality seen in his bright smile. I salute Rev. Moon as a true leader who practiced civility, compassion, and expecting us to live for the sake of others.

Dottie Chicquelo, Chair State of Maryland Community Outreach Coordinator Women's Federation for World Peace, Inc. Maryland Chapter



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FEATURE

There is Still Much Goodness in America

By Mrs. Angelika Selle

Al Cole's "People of Distinction Humanitarian Awards" reception took place on Tuesday, September 13 on Capitol Hill at the Rayburn House Office Building. Al Cole is a CBS radio talk show host, and he has made it his job to dig into various communities around America and unearth precious "diamonds" of sacrificial service who are hidden among all the attention-getting violence and

desperation, and who are true agents of peace!



The small conference room was bursting with 250 guests, awardees, and friends from all over the country to witness small snippets of stories of the 20 "unsung heroes" who were honored on that day for their extraordinary work for the human family.

WFWP USA and our sister

organization, the Universal Peace Federation, were represented well with a small delegation, as both organizations subscribe to the ideals of peace and "Living for the Sake of Others" that Al Cole is uplifting.

Twenty awards were presented to leaders of various organizations who were from a variety of culturally, socially, and politically different backgrounds, highlighting their sacrificial volunteer work of serving others. It was quite remarkable, and we were filled with hope and a renewed sense of how many "good people" there are in America!

Continue reading on the website to find out who received the awards!

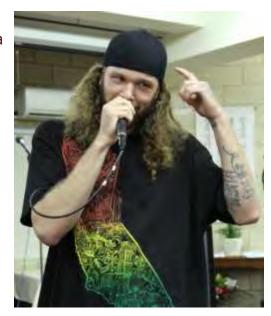
1% LOVE SHARE

Charity Events Don't Have to be Stuffy By Kiyomi Schmidt

It is so simple. I am not sure why it had not hit me until now. The magic formula in making an awesome event was boiled down to two ingredients: A good time, and a good cause.

Imagine going with your friends to a concert on Friday night, experiencing new sounds, people, food, and music. When you begin to immerse yourself in the music, it draws you in and plays with your emotions. The commendable techniques, talent, and unique rhythms set you in a trance state of discovery.

Each performer that steps on stage jolts you with the element of surprise as you make your assumptions as to what you are about to witness. As you let go of your assumptions and let the music take over, you are



elevated to a heightened sense of awareness and appreciation for the variety of music that has been brought into your life. Each band, performer, and group exemplifies a unique spectrum of self-expression through music. And when these diverse groups are showcased together, it makes for an enriching experience.

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ONE CHAIRWOMAN'S STORY

How Meeting Mother Teresa Changed My Life

By Mrs. Mary Hida, WFWP Chairwoman in Las Vegas, Nevada

August 26 was Mother Teresa's birthday; she was born in 1910. In a sense she helped change my life. That was in March of 1973. You may wonder how I ended up in India. As a child, I had grown up in Japan, where my parents served as Christian missionaries. By the time I was 23 I had returned to the US and was working for the Japanese Consulate, in Portland, Oregon, meeting people from all over the world. One of the people I met was a freelance journalist, who, in six

months of meeting regularly, taught me how I,

too, could travel, as she had. I visited the local library often and read through the latest National Geographic magazines as I planned out my journey. When I felt I had saved up enough money, I quit my job and bought a one way plane ticket to Calcutta, India, with plans to make multiple stops along the way, which I did. I spent eight months in Japan and traveled extensively, while teaching English and saving more money. My desire was to come to know the hearts of the people in Asia. My two years of travels took me to the far corners of Japan, Korea, Taiwan, Hong

Kong, The Philippines, Thailand, Malaysia, Singapore, Indonesia, Burma, India, and Nepal. By the time I reached India my heart had already been deeply touched.

Continue to the website and find out what happened...

FEATURED AUTUMN RECIPE

Pumpkin Spice Muffins: Fall's Delicious Treats

By Sarah Falconi

The fall season is here! Which not only means that the leaves are changing and the weather is getting cooler, but pumpkin spice flavored products are back. Pumpkin spice flavored latte, pumpkin spice cookies, yummy pumpkin pie, you name it. Here is a recipe taken from the Land o Lakes website: www.landolakes.com/recipe/19549/pumpkin-spice-muffins/ that will get you right into the pumpkin spice spirit and indulge your taste buds!

Preparation Time: 30 minutes

Total Time: 55 minutes

Quantity: Makes up to 12 muffins

Continue to the website for the recipe and preparation instructions...

PARENTS OF THE YEAR AWARD: An Introduction

Parents of the Year Award

By Katherine Cromwell

In 1994 President Bill Clinton signed into law a resolution adopted by the US Congress to establish

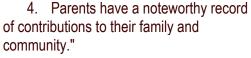
the fourth Sunday of every July as
Parents' Day. On Friday evening August 5,
Mr. Lowell and Mrs. America Callahan were
honored as the National Parents of the Year
at a banquet held at The Washington Times
Building. Click here to read an article by
Leticia Gutierrez about the Callahan couple.

The National Parents' Day Coalition was established by the Universal Peace Federation and has been asking for nominations from around the country to receive the Parents of the Year Award. Awards are given state-wide, and then the National Parents of the Year are chosen and presented the award.



According to the website, <u>www.parentsday.com</u>, "the criteria for consideration in the selection of Parents of the Year are:

- 1. Couple exemplifies qualities of sacrificial love.
- 2. Parents have overcome major obstacles (emotional, physical, financial, etc.) to provide for children's personal development and happiness.
- 3. The couple exhibits qualities of personal moral virtue and/or religious commitment.





"While recognizing that there are many successful parents in a variety of family arrangements and circumstances, the National Parents' Day Council strives to lift up the model of the two-parent family. Studies have consistently shown that this family model, having both a father and a mother, provides the best possible foundation for children's growth, security,

and lasting happiness. Candidates for National Parents' of the Year are therefore happily married couples."

The following article was written by the person who nominated the current National Parents of the Year. Above are the award recipients for 2016.

2016 PARENTS OF THE YEAR

Living By Heart

By Mrs. Maree Gauper, WFWP Chairwoman Wheatland, California

It seems self-evident to me that strong marriages and responsible parenting are crucial ingredients of a healthy society. Studies have repeatedly shown that a stable, loving family unit is more likely to result in positive social outcomes for children.

See www,acf.hhs,gov. Fortunately, our government and legislators are realizing this important

truth that faith traditions have taught for

centuries.

President Bill Clinton first signed into law the Congressional Resolution (USC §135) which established the fourth Sunday of every July as a day to recognize, uplift, and support the role of parents in raising children. Thus, National Parents' Day was born in 1994. Since its establishment, faith groups and other activists have initiated



activities such as essay-writing contests, family festivals, and parenting awards in order to mark the

In my village, a rural Northern California city of about 3500, my husband and I, with the help of two other families, have held an annual event since 2006 to recognize local couples for excellence in parenting. The event was consistently well-attended and involved food, music, and guest speakers along with the presentation of awards.

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CALIFORNIA -- SAN DIEGO

WFWP Belongs Everywhere: A Chapter Emerges

By Mrs. Toshiko Modesitt



I came to the US in 1983 from Japan. Since then I have been living and working in the US. I have always loved the activities of WFWP and have had a strong desire to establish WFWP where I live in San Diego, California. The closest chapter to us is very far away and difficult to go to. However, until now, it wasn't possible because I could not gather at least three

ladies to really begin WFWP activities where I live.

My friend Keiko Loew and I began praying and speaking together every day at 5 o'clock in the morning and continued for more than three months. Even though there were only two of us

during that time, we were so moved by reading about the vision and mission of WFWP, and Father and Mother Moon's words and desire to empower this movement of the Mother's Heart. We found another like-minded lady, Elisabeth Seidel, who became very close to us and shared the same desire to start WFWP in San Diego.

On April 3rd of this year, after the three of us had a breakfast meeting, we walked by the ocean and prayed, holding hands and asking for guidance on how to start WFWP. It was a bright sunny day and the ocean was very beautiful and inspiring. Amazingly, the three of us felt so much power and strength to take the next step and organize a small meeting.

Continue to the website to read how the San Diego Chapter emerged...

ARIZONA

Women's Rivalry Versus Teamwork

By Mrs. Rhia Clemente Nkulu

Glenda Lambert and I were invited by Naye Olvera, our radio talk show host contact and friend, to

participate in an online radio talk show. We had met through networking with Elizabeth Inganamort, WFWP member and owner of the Falcon's Guard Center. In addition, Naye was our very first supporter and partner during our Purse Project for the homeless this year.

She invited us to be on her show covering the topic Women's Rivalry on Labor Day September 5. It was a good thing that Glenda Lambert was available to come with me for the interview. Glenda shared with me that she feels that women's rivalry



is a very appropriate theme to discuss for this time. As she said, "This is the era of women where we will use our unique perspective, abilities, resources, energy, and experiences to stimulate a spirit of cooperation and the practice of true love."

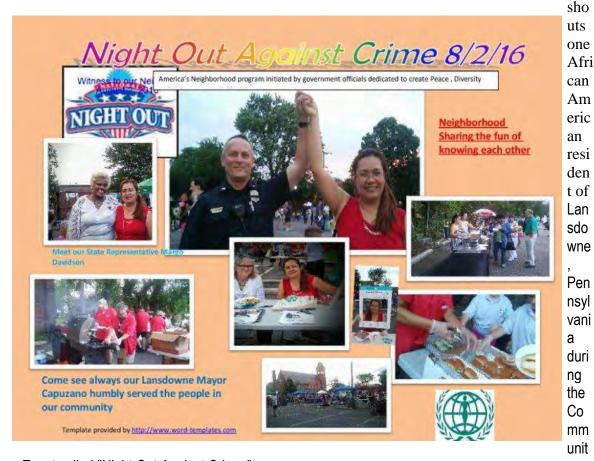
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PENNSYLVANIA

All Lives Matter

By Mrs. Jizly Dohou

"All lives matter, whether black, yellow, red, white, brown, or blue, ALL lives matter,"



y Event called "Night Out Against Crime."

On August 2nd of this year, more than 500 people came and joined this annual gathering. It is a partnership of government officials, business owners, and political and community

leaders; most especially with the police and fire departments to create understanding, unity, and peaceful cooperation within diversity. The Pennsylvania Chapter of WFWP had a display table at the event.

How can we unite and embrace the "other?" Why are we still calling people "others" instead of family? Do we make an effort to know who the different citizens in our community are? How can the people of today become more civic-minded?

Read more on our website...

NEVADA

Seven Steps to Harmony

By Mrs. Mary Hida

On August 21st, a hot sunny Las Vegas Sunday afternoon, 24 people gathered to hear Ms. Karen Ryce present "Seven Steps to Harmony." She is a certified teacher of the Nevada Registry and shared her method

and experience of teaching Montessori to parents and teachers on the

subject of "how to raise children in an atmosphere of mutual respect."

Among the group were three ladies, who work in Montessori, In-Home, and New Horizon Preschools. They were given 2 hours of childcare training credit for participating in the Ms. Ryce's program. The following is the website: www.nevadaregistry.org/.

After chatting for a while and with our tasty snacks in tow, we sat down to learn about "Positive Respect in Action." We each tried out some of the

steps we had just learned with a partner and found that two hours had gone by quickly.



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UPCOMING EVENTS AROUND THE COUNTRY

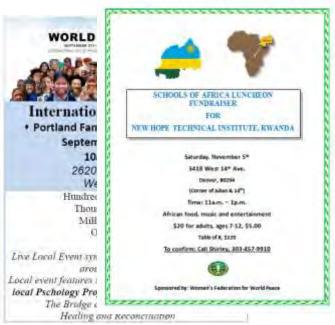
WFWP USA Happenings Around the Country

Schools of Africa: Boston, MA









Health Seminar: Washington, DC Bridge of Peace: Portland, OR Schools of Africa, Denver, CO

INTERNSHIPS STILL AVAILABLE WITH WFWP USA

Internship Opportunities Still Available!

Are you a passionate, creative individual seeking to apply your skills toward making the world a better place? Looking for hands-on experience working in an international non-profit organization?



Membership Assistant Intern

WFWP USA is seeking motivated, committed interns who are interested in WFWP's work and would like to get involved in a substantial way. Interns are an integral part of our operations and your contribution will have a direct impact on what we do and how we do it. The following internship positions are currently open:

Administrative Assistant Intern Graphic Design Intern Program Development Intern Public Relations Intern

For more information, including how to apply, or if you have any questions, please contact Katarina Connery at kconnery@wfwp.us. We would love to hear from you!

