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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dear Ladies, Friends, and Families,

It was a most memorable week in New York, as a huge snowstorm hit right at the beginning of the CSW 61 events!

WFWP welcomed a rather large delegation from around the world who had made their way to New York to also commemorate and celebrate the 25th Anniversary of WFWP International; the 20th Anniversary of its General Consultative Status (one of the highest), at a special Gala Banquet Dinner; and also to participate in other WFWPI related events, some of which were co-sponsored with WFWP USA. Most gratifying for me was to see the many young women who had come overseas through WFWP, participating in discussions, networking, learning, and contributing wherever they could!

In this issue we are highlighting some of the events briefly to give you just a taste; and more in depth next month.

Overall the one week I spent in New York on and off the UN premises. In one session, one of the participants noted that although women in most cases are the victims, they are also the very ones who have solutions; and therefore should be consulted more. It was also hopeful to see that this year even more men attended the sessions. This fact indicated to me that there is real hope for change.

Change for the better can only come about when both genders learn how to respect each other and assist one another.

Please, read especially about our 25th Anniversary Party in New York City where WFWP International and USA honored the wonderful pioneers and volunteers who, over the past two plus decades, made WFWP into the organization it is today!

Congratulations WFWP International! Congratulations, WFWP USA! Our official Founding Date, April 10th, is on the horizon!

With love,
Angelika



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Young students from Macademy Middle School in Brooklyn participate in the WFWPI UN Parallel Event "Women Fostering Peace and Co-prosperity: Intergenerational Collaboration Sans Arrogance"



CSW61, 25th Anniversary of WFWP: Highlights

By Angelika Selle, President WFWP USA

Overview of the week

This year's annual CSW61 (Commission on the Status of Women) event was indeed very special in that WFWP International also celebrated our 25th Anniversary (founded in 1992), and the 20th Anniversary of our General Consultative Status as an NGO at the UN!

The week from March 12- 19, therefore, was chock full of programs, events, activities, and also meetings. We were especially grateful and blessed to have our WFWP International President, Professor Yeon Ah Choi Moon present with us during that entire week!

The events were put together mostly by the WFWP UN office and team under the leadership of Mrs. Alexa Ward, in collaboration with WFWP USA national headquarters and local chapters and chairwomen in the New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania area. The main events were also greatly supported by Dr. Ki Hoon Kim, Continental Director (now International Vice-President) of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification (FFWPU), and Dr. Michael Balcomb, President of FFWPU USA and the Family Federation media team as well as the Apple Heaven USA band.



Altogether there were eight public events and about seven additional WFWP meetings and gatherings with Professor Choi Moon, and the International Vice Presidents (IVPs) as well as national leaders from abroad, to discuss internal matters, strategy, and planning for vision 2020. All programs and events were attended well, were rich in content, and provided opportunities for young women to be educated and exposed to the UN and WFWP International History and current vision and mission.

[Continue to the website to read about what happened each day of the CSW61 and enjoy the photos!](#)

HORIZON SUMMIT: Seminar for Younger Ladies

Peace Studies: Get Your Free Certification

By Kiyomi Schmidt

Editorial Comment: The following is a just a taste of what was given to young women during the Horizon Summit. Next month there will be more on Dr. Ward's presentation and guidance. The Thursday evening and Saturday

Horizon Summit was designed for younger women to receive inspiration and education on WFWP and how WFWP works in the UN as an NGO.



Dr. Thomas J. Ward presented on strategic planning and peace studies as part of the WFWP Horizon Summit on Thursday March 16th. He encouraged all representatives of WFWP to take the two following courses created by the United States Institute of Peace, to get a deeper understanding of the workings of peace, conflict, and negotiation. They are free, take an estimated total of six hours to complete, and include a resume building certificate upon completion. The courses are available at the links provided below:

Conflict Analysis Negotiation and Conflict Management

[Click here to go to the site.](#)

[Click here to see the course.](#)

During the Q&A session after the presentation, a question was asked about how to best care for interns. His response was to make it a turning point for them, to make sure they can walk away with something beneficial that will move them forward. A few examples include having them take these courses to boost their resume and making sure they know how to present their internship to others.

Instead of sharing the things that did not work, they should be able to **share about the purpose of the achievements they took part in**. He also emphasized that the intern should **be aware of the qualifications of those they worked with**. These details show the kinds of connections and experiences the person has made through the internship.

Dr. Thomas Ward is Co-Chair of the Research Institute for the Integration of World Thought, a member of the Executive Committee of the World University Federation, and Dean of the College of Public and International Affairs at the University of Bridgeport in Connecticut.

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WFWP INTERNATIONAL 25th Anniversary Celebration



A Big THANK YOU!

By Mrs. Angelika Selle

WFWP USA and WFWP International hosted a big celebration of the 25th Anniversary that took place on March 17th, 2017, with about 120 guests from the US and abroad. Our emcee, Katarina Connery, Vice President of WFWP USA, opened the program with her youthful and genuine spirit and briefly introduced the purpose of the evening, which was two-fold: to honor all international volunteers of the first 25 years of WFWP and then CELEBRATE!



WFWP USA President Angelika Selle shared a brief word of warm welcome, and recognized the international delegations, former and current leaders present from the United States, and the male representatives in the room.

International President Yeon Ah Moon then gave her special remarks thanking especially all men present for their support. She shared that "WFWP cannot fulfill our true role and mission without the help of our men, brothers, husbands and sons." She thanked the many volunteers who made WFWP successful over the last 25 years and wished all well for the next quarter of a century to be even more successful.

[Continue to the website to read more and see lots of photos of the celebration!](#)

NEVADA

WFWP's Unique Vision Spreading in Las Vegas

By Sera Hirano

Ms. Aimmee Kodachian, entrepreneur, professional speaker, internet TV hostess, and producer of three different shows; set up a complimentary promotional event at the International Peace Education Center, Las Vegas on March 21; to introduce WFWP.

Approximately 125 people attended the program, in addition to the 14 vendor tables that represented local non-profit groups and small businesses. Sixty-six guests heard about WFWP for the first time.

The program began with an hour of networking and conversation, followed by a traditional Korean dance that was performed by Mrs. Lee Hae Ju. Mrs. Hirano introduced the work and scope of the Women's Federation and highlighted the Bridge of Peace Ceremony.

Then Aimmee Kodachian spoke about her own war-torn experiences growing up in Lebanon, and the need for peace in the world. She also shared her passion for WFWP. The program ended with a Bridge of Peace ceremony as a path to world peace. Four different pairs crossed the bridge, each representing different wounds that needed healing and reconciliation.

All the vendors had contributed raffle prizes and a very lively raffle was held to complete the formal program.

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ARIZONA

25th Anniversary Celebration Taking Shape in Arizona

By Logic of Love Editorial Staff

Arizona Chairwoman Rhia Luz has been deeply inspired by Mother Moon's guidance that a parent is looking for a child who can do ten or twenty things beyond what the parent asks; and has embraced the spirit to take initiative in



creating activities that can fulfill a more peaceful world through "Vision 2020." Thus, she thought that celebrating WFWP's 25th anniversary this year would reach many people to educate them on Mother Moon's vision to inspire all women to work together. She brought her idea to local WFWP supporters who were deeply inspired and committed to work together on this event.

Several local Arizona beauty queens, their moms, and Naye Olvera, online radio hostess, were very inspired to join in creating, supporting, and promoting the 25th Anniversary celebration. Their enthusiasm is quite contagious and is spreading to many others. Naye enlisted her co-host, Irma Deihl, a popular radio and TV show host in Arizona's Latina community; to be the emcee for the event. WFWP member and supporter Elizabeth Inganamort also helped create connections in her community, scheduling aired promotions of their event through the local radio on three occasions up to the event. Rhia has served and invested her heart in her local communities, to embody the love of Father and Mother Moon that she has learned over the years.

[There's more on the website! Click here to read on...](#)



MICHIGAN

The Power of Prayer Prevails

By Mrs. Valerie Parham

On March 3 the Michigan Chapter of WFWP hosted, for the second year in a row, the Day of Prayer. The event was in collaboration with the Church Women United (CWU). Church Women United is a nationwide, well-established organization, which strives to go beyond the divisions caused by different denominations and religions. The dynamic members are consistently working on projects to help those with the most need.

The day was a most joyous event, filled with the powerful and spirit-filled songs from the choir of the shall Pathways to Christ Church of Detroit. After their singing, WFWP Co-Chairwoman Val Parham offered a spiritual called "Tell God My Troubles," that was well received. She then introduced a representative of, what she called, the parental religion, Judaism. She invited a woman rabbi, Rabbi Dorit Edut, to say the opening prayer. It was a very wonderful prayer filled with historical references and was greatly appreciated.



Pastor Harika D'Orazio gave a heartfelt testimony about wonderful answers to prayers. She had been in the hospital for three and a half months. During that time she had flat-lined and found herself with Jesus. He told her she had to do more in the physical world. He continued that her mission on the earth is not yet finished. She is a great Christian, and we could feel she is filled with the Holy Spirit.

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RECIPE FOR MARCH

Spinach Tortellini Soup Recipe

By Sarah Falconi

Although spring is just around the corner, winter is still around with the snowstorm we recently had in the northeast! So there is still time to cook some delicious winter meals, such as this spinach tortellini soup. It will keep you nice and warm, especially on a chilly day. This meal is best served with baguette bread on the side.



Ingredients

1 (10 ounce) package frozen chopped spinach or chop 10 ounces of fresh spinach
2 (14.5 ounce) cans chicken broth
1 (9 ounce) package cheese tortellini
1/4 tablespoon dried basil
1/4 tablespoon garlic powder
salt and pepper to taste

Total Prep Time: 20 mins

Directions

In a large pot over high heat, combine the spinach and chicken broth. Heat to boiling, then reduce heat to low. Stir in tortellini, and simmer for 10 to 15 minutes, or until the tortellini is cooked to desired tenderness. Season with basil, garlic powder, salt, and pepper.

[Mmmm...doesn't that sound tasty! Go to the website and "like" this recipe!](#)

FEATURE: SunHak Peace Prize

Sakena Yacobi receiving the SunHak Peace Prize from Dr. Moon.



We Must Use Our Voices for Good: Inspirations from the 2017 Sun Hak Peace Prize

By Irmgard Baynes

WFWP's Co-founder Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon established the Sun Hak Peace Foundation in 2014 in order to continue her husband, the late Dr. Sun Myung Moon's, legacy of peace. Together, they promoted the vision of "One Family under God," a world wherein all people live together as one global family, transcending barriers of race, religion, nationality, and culture.



The theme for the 2017 prize focused on the global refugee crisis. This is the first reason I was so excited and curious who would be chosen as recipients. Seeing so many people having to flee from Syria breaks our hearts and sheds light on the global crises of people being displaced. So on February 3rd, when the Award Ceremony was held in South Korea, I was glued to my TV. I had read up about both Laureates: Dr. Gina Strada who provides medical and surgical care to the victims of war and refugees around the world, and Dr. Sakena Yacobi who presents an innovative solution for refugee resettlement through education.

Most striking was the "radical" point of view both have in regards to their "why" for their work. Both are making a difference to people who are in a most desperate situation not of their own doing. Both dedicated their work to conflict areas torn apart by war or disaster. Both hold human rights in such high regard, that they had to take action.

[Continue to the website to read more about these amazing human beings!](#)



Gino Strada Receiving the SunHak Peace Prize from Dr. Moon.

CALIFORNIA: San Francisco Bay Area

Celebrating Womanhood

By Mrs. Pat Fleischman



On Saturday, March 4th, the San Francisco Bay Area Chapter of WFWP held a luncheon to celebrate the qualities of womanhood. About 20 women gathered at a beautiful home high in the hills of Oakland, with a breathtaking view of the Bay area. The meeting was opened by Chairwoman Pat Fleischman who gave a short overview of the mission, vision, and activities of WFWP. The women were then treated to a wonderful lunch and time to share with each other.

After lunch, the first speaker, Reiko Hankins, a long time WFWP core member, gave a very moving and beautiful testimony of her struggles as the mother of an autistic child. Many were moved to tears by her deep, beautiful heart and her realization that her situation is actually a blessing from God that enabled her to develop a much bigger and more compassionate heart.

[Continue to the website to read more, AND get excellent resources...](#)

ARIZONA

Women Leaders of Peace Honored

By Mrs. Glenda Lambert

The ladies of the Arizona Chapter of WFWP organized an International Women's Family Day on March 11. There are a few phenomenal women and organizations that have contributed unselfishly to the community and WFWP decided to honor them on that day. There was a good turnout of around 50 people there.

Since October 2016, Arizona has been blessed to have Fire Chief Kara Kalkbrenner and Police Chief Jeri Williams as the heads of their organizations and women leaders. We honored Chief Kara with a HerStory award. Chief Jeri will meet with us in April to receive her HerStory award.

The big event took place at the Daley Park right across from our Peace Embassy in Tempe, Arizona. The weather was perfect and the kids had a great time using the bouncing house, playing tug of war, competing in the egg spoon race and sack jumping race, enjoying music and dancing.



[There's more on the website with photos...click here to continue.](#)

ILLINOIS

Chicago Spring Welcomes WFWP Vice President

By Ms. Kathryn Davis



Unusual spring-like temperatures complete with bright blue skies and brilliant sunshine greeted Mrs. Katarina Connery, Vice President of WFWP USA, and her husband Michael upon their arrival in Chicago the weekend of February 18, 2017, to officiate and attend multiple activities. A Chicago Family Church youth remarked, "It's like the weather wants to embrace them too!" Fifteen young members and five adults received Mr. and Mrs. Connery upon their arrival. Together they shared a delicious Thai dinner, as a kick-off for the couple's weekend with WFWP and the Chicago Family Church.

During their visit, the church community anticipated a WFWP leadership transition ceremony, a special Sunday sermon prepared by Mrs. Connery, a community reception for the couple, and a presentation of the scope of WFWP's vision and goals for 2017. Chicago area WFWP associate members also looked forward to meet and greet opportunities with the Vice President.

Chicago Family Church touted their Sunday Worship Service and Reception as "WFWP Sunday" and the day didn't disappoint. Mrs.

Katarina Connery delivered a beautiful, often impassioned, sermon. She spoke about Mother Moon's caring heart towards those who are working to alleviate the suffering of those around them in this world. She concluded, "There is no way she gives as she does without being completely one with God's Heart of True Love, this Heart that gives and gives, and gives again forgetting that it has given."

[There's so much more to learn about on the website, click here to read and see many more photos...](#)



FEATURE: ARIZONA

Embracing Another's Situation As My Own: Singleton Moms Gala

By Ms. Karen Esguerra



Have you ever taken a moment to absorb your surroundings to capture them? In this broken generation that we find ourselves living in, it is often hard to be present among our peers in our communities. People are often blinded by things and activities that only will benefit them. If so, take heart, because Singleton Moms advocates for and works to correct some of what is wrong with their society.

On February 18, 2017 I attended the annual Singleton Giving Hands Gala. Celebrating at this gala recaps the significance of this charity organization. It captures the efforts and the unity established among the families and the organization within its borders.

Families come from across the country and join together to share the essence of this ceremony. Among us are heroes embodying the substance of kind gestures towards

one another that heal a community that needs love. Within this organization, a stranger exploring ways of devoting time to others discovers families who become their own. Offering oneself for another is a true act of love that our generation has mainly forgotten.

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EVENTS & HAPPENINGS AROUND THE U.S.A.

ARIZONA: 25th Anniversary Celebration: May 20, 2017

25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
*Igniting a Culture of Heart:
From Local to Global*

EMBASSY SUITES, 4400 S. RURAL RD., TEMPE, AZ 85282
SATURDAY, MAY 20, 2017, 9 AM-3 PM

The Arizona Chapter of Women's Federation for World Peace USA invites you to celebrate our 25th Anniversary!

INSPIRING SPEAKERS AND WOMEN'S EXPO

GLOBAL WOMEN PEACE NETWORK LUNCHEON

LUNCHEON AND ENTERTAINMENT

HERSTORY AWARD: HONORING OUTSTANDING WOMEN

MOTHER/DAUGHTER BRIDGE OF PEACE CEREMONY

NETWORKING

Register at Everbridge.com search word WFWP. (includes lunch)
Early Bird Discount available until April 20th, 2017.
WFWP Members: \$150. Become a Member today at <http://wfwpusa.com/membership/>
Individual: \$200
Group Rates: Table of Ten: \$1500

If you can make it to Arizona for this celebration, you will not be disappointed!

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA: Revving up for the 25th Anniversary Celebration

Around the US, look for anniversary celebrations like this one in Los Angeles, CA



Come & Celebrate with us
25 Years of Building Bridges!
Saturday, April 22, 2017
9:30 am—3:00 pm
Meet and Greet & Refreshments Start at 8:00 am
950 Holly Vista Dr., Pasadena, CA 91105

Keynote Speaker



Aquilino Soto, President of WFWP USA & Vice President of WFWP Int'l

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Send your check to: WFWP SoCal, 950 Holly Vista Drive, Pasadena, CA 91105
You may also pay via paypal at wfwpusa@paypal.com (make sure you include your info in the message section. Deadline for Pre-registration is April 17. Tickets at the door will be \$20.00.

"The Peace Library" of Nigeria

To be established in cooperation with the

**Family Federation for World Peace and Unification
Universal Peace Federation of Nigeria
The Gidgal Revival Faith Assembly in Nigeria
Women's Federation for World Peace SoCal**

We will be establishing "The Peace Library" in Masaka in the state of Nasarawa of Nigeria. The library will include a cybercafe and e-library facilities.

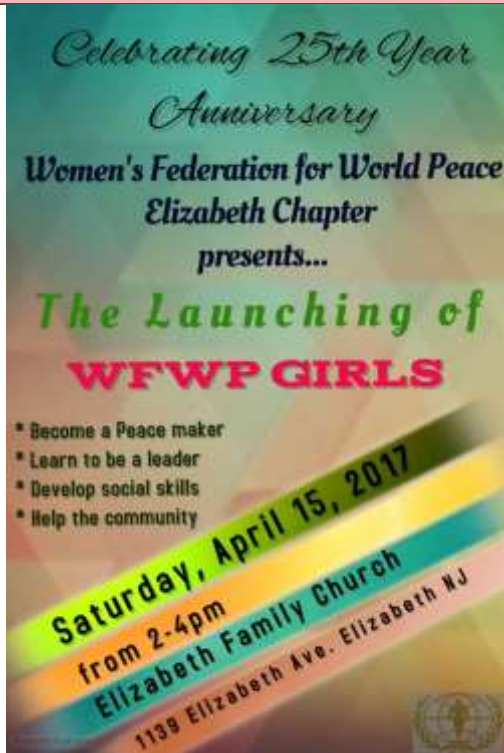
WFWP will assist in collecting books of all subjects and shipping them to Nigeria. For this purpose, we are asking you to donate all of your surplus books in decent condition. The goal is to send one container of books (approximately 20,000 books) by the beginning of summer. What we need to accomplish this:

- Books (all subjects)
- A storage space (the donation of storage space would be tax deductible)
- Cash donations for cost of shipping

Please contact us at wfwpusa@outlook.com to arrange pick-up or drop off of books. If you have storage space that you can donate for a period of 4-5 months, please contact us ASAP. You may also call Emma Reed at 213-608-2005.

And Service Projects like this one to create a Peace Library in Nigeria!

NEW JERSEY: Launching WFWP Girls, April 15



ALSO: WFWP NJ was invited to honor the 15 women at the church of our National Assembly honoree, Rev. Patricia Lofton on March 19. We look forward to hearing about it

Look for more amazing things to come out of New Jersey!

Expected Articles Coming in April from the Following Events & Projects

Claire Haider, NJ-Paterson Virginia Chapters spoke at the Empowerment Summit below

The Metro DC, Maryland & Virginia collaborated in a Women's Day Event March Food Drive in Virginia



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