

## WFP Carinthia Celebrates WFP's 30th Anniversary In Slovenia

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It was a beautiful and sunny Saturday morning when we drove from Carinthia to the Peace Embassy in Ljubljana, Slovenia. From there together with some leaders and other members and participants drove 10 minutes by car to the venue at the old castle of Manison Lisicje in Skofljica, Slovenia. The program started with an opening song "Slovenian Girl" by the folk singers TASCICE followed by a warm welcome.

We then had greetings from our dynamic program moderator Ms. Kristina Bacovnik. Then there were congratulatory remarks by a representative from the Municipality of Skofljica and also from WFP Slovenia President, Ms. Sonja Grcar. The presentation of gifts was made by Ms. Merle Blaschke of WFP Carinthia and a time for toast was introduced by the moderator of the program for the 30 years of WFP's successful work in Slovenia and around the world.



A melodious Korean lyric "Song of Wind" was sung beautifully by Ms. Sun Woo Irgl. Four speakers gave a talk about the topic of spreading the culture of heart:

1. Ms. Erna Kosmrlj - Personal growth of the heart.

2. Ms. Ljuba Jevtic - Caring for the wider community, local integration
3. Ales and Franci Bratkovic - Men and women working together for the common good
4. Ms. Slavica Elizabeta Navodnik (Awarded as an AFP) - The path to a happy future



Songs from the WFWP Slovenia Choir, such as "ZVEN MIRU" (Where time flies, Three Mountain flowers) was performed.

The WFWP Slovenia President, Ms. Sonia Grcar, led the jubilee awards ceremony, in which nine women received award certificates. Photo of the award winners was taken.

A Happy 30th Birthday song was sung by the attendees while the candles were lit and blown out by Ms. Kristina Bacovnik, Ms. Janine Waldmann and Ms. Sonja Grcar. The cake was enjoyed by all the attendees.

A joyful song was performed before the end of the program ( Alfred Waldmann - accordeon, Vida Lambert - solo). Afterward, we all drove back to the Peace Embassy in Ljubljana. A barbecue was prepared and accompanied by regional music. The celebration was extended till late afternoon.

It was really a beautiful event with a positive happy atmosphere. Thanks to the team of organizers who did really a wholehearted investment of love and dedication in the preparation for the event. We had a wonderful day spent with our dear brothers and sisters in Slovenia. We hope to continue to stay in touch in order to collaborate and work together in the future.

