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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dear Friends, Ladies, and Supporting Gentlemen,

A fresh new year is upon us, just like the white snow that blanketed a large part of the East Coast this month.

Looking back over our shoulder at 2015, we are grateful to see how much fruit has come of the many efforts and investments of our local chapters (see overview below). We are happy to say that most of our goals have been fulfilled based on last year's motto of "Growth: Uplift, Upgrade, Collaborate." As you can see in this issue of "Logic of Love News," last year ended with many acts of love, service, and appreciation, all of which are essential for peacemaking and positive change. We again also want to thank you, our supporters, for joining us in this vision and mission through your ongoing contributions!

The motto we chose for 2016 is "Compassionate, Sustainable Leadership." And what better way to begin this year than with the thoughts and wisdom of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., whose great life we commemorate in the first month of each year. About service he says:

"Everybody can be great, because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love."

On the same subject, Mother Teresa says,

"The fruit of silence is prayer. The fruit of prayer is faith. The fruit of faith is love.

The fruit of love is service. The fruit of service is peace."



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Thus, there is power in service and in "Living for the Sake of Others" (the life motto and lifestyle of our WFWP co-founders), as they naturally create a base for the sustainability of compassion, goodness, and so much more!

One more word on service comes to mind from Indian poet and philosopher Rabindranath Tagore:

"I slept and dreamt that life was joy. I awoke and saw that life was service. I acted, and behold, service was joy."

As we enter this New Year, we encourage and challenge ourselves and you to be a leader of peace through service. Anyone can do it. We just have to "DO IT!"

Have a happy and successful 2016!

With love,  
Angelika

## IN HONOR OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

"Hatred paralyzes life; love releases it.  
Hatred confuses life; love harmonizes it.  
Hatred darkens life; love illuminates it."

--Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. (1929-1968)



*"Let us all hope that the dark clouds of racial prejudice will soon pass away, and that in some not too distant tomorrow the radiant stars of love and brotherhood will shine over our great nation with all their scintillating beauty. ..."*

*"Nonviolence means avoiding not only external physical violence but also*

*internal violence of spirit. You not only refuse to shoot a man, but you refuse to hate him."* -- Dr. King

May these words enliven the goals, beliefs, and actions of all Americans, and

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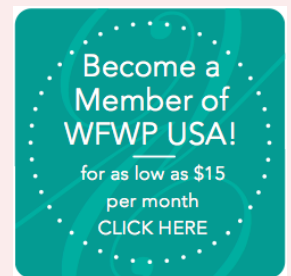
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that, with this spirit of love, righteousness, and beauty, we will work to transform the world.

-- WFWP USA President Angelika Selle



## 2015 ANNUAL REPORT FROM WFWP USA

### Women's Federation for World Peace (WFWP) USA 2015 Report

By Ms. Kiyomi Schmidt

We are proud to share the advances and significant impact made in the following five areas in 2015, with the help of our hardworking WFWP USA Staff, Board, Chairwomen, and Members and supporters like you!

Program:	Making an impact on
the:	
1. Educating Leaders of the Heart.....	(Individual Level)
2. Family Life Education.....	(Family Level)
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#### 1. EDUCATING LEADERS OF THE HEART:

Here at Women's Federation for World Peace USA, we are passionate about raising authentic, compassionate, and conscientious leaders who practice what we call "Leadership of the Heart." It is this maternal leadership that uplifts, heals wounded relationships, and searches for lasting solutions. Take a look at how we have been educating people in this style of leadership throughout 2015:

**"Women Leading the Way to Sustainable Peace" - 23<sup>rd</sup> National Assembly:** This year's National Assembly, with over 170 participants, was a treasure trove of insights on what women have to offer in leadership positions on all levels of society, including business, politics, and...

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## CALIFORNIA -- Wheatland

### "Love Changes Everything"

Mrs. Maree Gauper, WFWP Chairwoman in Wheatland, California, worked with other concerned



representatives from local churches to organize an event to honor the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Approximately 100 people attended this third annual MLK Day interdenominational event.

In Mrs. Gauper's welcoming remarks, she spoke about how her inspiration to organize the local MLK celebration came at a WFWP retreat in Savannah, Georgia, where she first heard from Ms. Carolyn Sampson, Chairwoman of the WFWP North Carolina Chapter, about the Dreamfest held to honor Dr. King in North Carolina.

She quoted the WFWP co-founder's statement that Dr. King was the most important American of the 20th century, a point that was enthusiastically received by the mostly black audience.

Also, in memory of Dr. King and his legacy, a local woman, Ms. Lisa Harris, 18 years ago founded an annual march across the Fifth Street Bridge from Yuba City to Marysville. The march has taken place each year since then, spurred on by Ms. Harris' courage, determination, and leadership. Since the WFWP HerStory Award is presented to women who have made a real difference in the lives of their community and have overcome obstacles and difficulties...

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## PENNSYLVANIA

### WFWP Chairwoman Receives Prestigious Award

On December 15, 2015, the Pennsylvania Chapter of WFWP was among the business owners, companies, individuals, and organizations that were honored at the annual 164 Points of Light Awards ceremony in Upper Darby, Pennsylvania. The award is given to those who "exemplify and show significant accomplishments and service to their communities."

The lavish dinner and ceremony was sponsored by Pennsylvania State Rep. Margo Davidson and District Ambassadors. Gov. Tom Wolf was the guest speaker.







Congratulations to WFWP

Pennsylvania and Chairwoman Jizly Dohou, who received the award with other esteemed leaders in Pennsylvania! Keep up the great work you are doing in Pennsylvania!



Rep. Margo Davidson & Mrs. Jizly Dohou

## CSW 60 ON THE HORIZON



### Women's Federation for World Peace International

The Women's Federation for World Peace International (WFWPI) is an NGO that seeks to empower women with the knowledge, skills, and support needed to realize genuine and sustainable peace. WFWPI promotes its mission through education, advocacy, service, and partnership, and pays special attention to the family as the essential unit of society and the fundamental building block for securing lasting peace. With chapters in 100 nations, WFWPI maintains 100 service projects in 50 countries, aiming to improve the lives of women and their families. Since 1997, WFWPI has been an NGO in general consultative status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, with UN offices in New York, Geneva, and Vienna.

### CSW 60 Parallel Event

WFWPI's parallel event will be held on Tuesday, March 15, 12:30-2 p.m., in the auditorium of the Salvation Army, with the theme, "Engaging Women in Sustainable Development: Family. Transformation. Co-Prosperity." Fulfillment of the SDGs will require greater participation by individuals around the world. WFWPI believes that this engagement will be led by women, as they create and maintain healthy families, as they transform themselves and their communities, and as they strive for a better life for the entire human family.

### Dinner

On Tuesday, March 15, WFWPI will host a lovely evening in Manhattan, at 4 West 43rd Street, with a reception and dinner beginning at 5 p.m. The evening will celebrate CSW 60, with a focus on young women.

## SCHOOLS OF AFRICA SPECIAL REPORT

### Providing Education for Low-Income Families in Ethiopia

Do you ever wonder how your Schools of Africa donations are being used?

Ms. Bisrat Gebre, project director for the One Hope Garden Primary Education School, sent WFWP USA a short report and a letter of thanks for our donation of \$2,200. The money was used to buy a photocopier machine, a DVD player, and other necessary items.

The Report: The One Hope Garden Primary School project is working as a non-formal educational program in Gulelle in the sub-city called Woreda 7 and 8. This project is designed to provide access to children from low-income families and also to build the capacity of poor household members and guardians. WFWP's project has been implemented and in place for the last several years, creating access to education for disadvantaged children by transferring them to government schools. The necessary finance will be solicited from donors to finance the project up to the project completion.



Twenty families and guardians are financially supported by the organization. Many of the students transfer every year to government schools, and are provided with uniforms and stationery materials. There is also an adult literacy program for women that started in 2014. The project provides a feeding program, library service, and classes in adult literacy skills (reading and writing). For parents, we provide classes in mathematics, family planning, sanitation, and basic business and life skills, and we have plans to sustain the project in the near future.

## COLORADO

### Peace on Earth, Goodwill Toward Men (and Women)

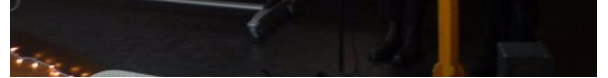
By Mrs. Gale Alves

On Saturday, December 19, the Denver Chapter of WFWP gathered participants from seven to 91 years of age to share in the spirit of the holiday tradition of Christmas. Friends and family together read aloud the ideals and vision of Women's Federation for World Peace. Amens and hallelujahs punctuated the stirring statements that inspired all of us as we celebrated the culmination of a year filled with service projects and events by the WFWP Denver Chapter.

The Chapter sponsored five young people to attend WFWP's annual National Assembly in Washington, D.C., this past October. Two of the participants, Ruta and Krista Smith, twins from Colorado, attend university in Connecticut at the University of Bridgeport. They were both so poised and articulate as they related their experiences and impressions of the National



Assembly. They were inspired by the professionalism of the women at the conference, and by their passion and dedication to bring substantial peace on the many levels of society. Ruta and Krista could see how their college courses in international studies, religion, political science, and philosophy can be useful in the realm of peacemaking. Krista recently accepted an internship at the WFWP UN office in New York next fall. Both sisters spoke of being empowered...



Krista and Ruta Smith

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## NEW JERSEY -- Paterson

### Coat Drive Explosion in Paterson

By Mrs. Elizabeth Yamada

Early in the month of September, realizing that winter is difficult for many families with tight incomes, the WFWP Paterson Chapter initiated a coat drive to supply people with coats. To collect as many coats as



possible, the chapter decided to propose collaboration with the New Jersey Chapter of the Korean Evangelical Association (KEA). We presented the idea to the representative, Mrs. Midori Kang, who was very inspired and wanted to participate with WFWP in this worthy cause. Fliers and announcements were made, and the first coats came from Rev. Lee of KEA. The coats he donated were in great condition, and his heart was so sincere, we knew that this was a wonderful starting point to kick off the drive.

Each of the ladies worked hard for three months. Mrs. Kang collected coats in KEA. Mrs. Elizabeth Yamada who has lived in her Fort Lee community for over 20 years has gotten to know many of the Japanese residents in the area while visiting their yard sales. This year, when she visited their yard sales during our coat drive, she handed out WFWP information as well as words from Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon along with the fliers for the drive. Many people she met were so moved that they...

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## FEATURE

### Explore, Dream, Discover!

Speech by Georgia State Sen. Donzella James to be given at the occasion of the WFWP USA 23rd National Assembly in Washington, D.C.

Hello and thank you for welcoming me here today. My name is Sen. Donzella James, and I represent the 35<sup>th</sup> Senate District of Georgia. I would like to thank the women leading the way to sustainable peace in this



organization for inviting me to speak with you.

Take a moment to look around at the powerful, bold women sitting around you, and acknowledge that you are a select group that shows strong signs of leadership. As women, you have all been empowered with the tools to leave a lasting legacy on the lives of those around you. You are all leaders and women of courage, strength, tenacity, and purpose.

One of the best pieces of advice I can offer about leadership is to lead by example. There are many types of leaders, but I believe the most effective ones are those who lead by their actions--and not always by their words.



Georgia Sen. Donzella James

A popular book called *Kisses from Katie* follows the life of a young woman who sacrifices everything for the sake of those around her. Here's a short excerpt that I hope will remind you never to despise small beginnings and know that impacting others' lives is a lifelong...

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## ANNOUNCEMENT

### CONGRATULATIONS!!

WFWP USA's very own webmaster, Mr. Michael Hentrich (also known affectionately as Pastor Mike in Denver), and his lovely wife, Pastor Adonia Hentrich are the proud parents of a beautiful baby girl, Annalise MoonHi Hentrich. She was born at 4:30 a.m. on January 9, weighing exactly 7 pounds.



They want us to know that they are very grateful and happy for the new addition to their expanding family of six!



## LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

Getting to Know You!



On Saturday, December 5, ladies from different backgrounds came together for a "Getting to Know You Potluck Brunch." The brunch was hosted by Ms. Sandy Kastel, founder and lead singer of Women in Music and Arts (WIMA), at her lovely home. Women from WIMA and the Las Vegas Chapter of WFWP came together in a joyful celebration with much laughter and deep-hearted sharing over a potluck luncheon.



Ms. Sandy Kastel, hostess

Many of the women who came had attended the successful November 19 International Masquerade Ball that WFWP Las Vegas Chapter and WIMA had co-sponsored to raise funds to send to the WFWP Schools of Africa Project. The very successful Masquerade Ball was featured in the December *Logic of Love News* for those who would like to know more about it. There is also a video on the website showing the highlights. If you would like to see it, follow this link:

<https://youtu.be/FAPZkaVCzww>.

What a great opportunity it was to meet again and get to know each other in a more intimate setting! Everyone was enthusiastic to continue to work together for a common purpose and often asked, "When is the next meeting?" With comments like that, 2016 promises to be an even more active and vibrant year for WFWP Las Vegas than 2015.



# WELCOME NEW CHAIRWOMEN!



Shirley and Gale



Mary and Kimiyo

## COLORADO

WFWP USA announces that **Mrs. Gale Alves** has stepped forward to take the leadership of the WFWP Chapter in Colorado, beginning January 1, 2016.

We thank **Mrs. Shirley Chimes** for her enthusiastic, creative, and dedicated leadership during the last two years! She will continue to mentor and be involved with the WFWP team in Denver.

Heartfelt thanks to the outgoing chairwomen; and congratulations to the incoming ladies in leadership!

## NEVADA

This is to announce that **Mrs. Mary Hida** has taken the position of state Chairwoman in Nevada, with a focus on Las Vegas, starting January 1, 2016.

We thank **Mrs. Kimiyo Anceney** for her wonderful leadership, sacrifice, and success in the Las Vegas Chapter during the last three years! All will continue to work together as a team!

## COLORADO

### Changing of the Guard in Colorado

By Mrs. Gale Alves and Mrs. Shirley Chimes

Shirley: "As I pass the baton to Gale Alves, I cannot completely close this chapter in my life, because the more I learn about this ever-growing organization, the more I want to know. WFWP has given me a chance to express my joy and be associated with progressive women and supporting men. I cherish the time I have spent being the Chairlady for the Colorado Chapter of WFWP. Best wishes to Gale Alves as she continues with forward-moving ideas and activities."

Gale: "Hi, my name is Gale Alves and I am a transplant from New York state who now resides in Colorado. I am not completely new to Colorado, because I lived in Boulder and Fort Collins in the 80s. Yet still the Mid-Hudson Valley and upstate New York continue to live in my heart."

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"I was a co-chairwoman alongside Catherine Ichinohe from 2011-2012 for the Denver chapter. So all of these lovely WFWP ladies are my friends, and we work so well together. We appreciate all that Shirley Chimes did during her leadership time, and we are happy she is still part of the team. Shirley brings great enthusiasm and foresight to our Chapter. She is very in tune with the young women who are on the cusp of transforming WFWP.

"My hobbies are reading, walking with our dog anywhere in nature, antiquing, visiting preserved older homes and mansions, watching old movies with my husband, and enjoying our children--which is not a hobby, but a way of life! I hope to continue steering our Denver chapter toward connecting with many types of people and working toward building many bridges of the heart. We all are enthusiastic about bringing new women into our organization."

## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

### Women Paving the Way to Sustainable Peace

By Ms. Elizabeth Aihe

The room was full of warm-hearted, smiling faces, on Saturday, December 19, truly mirroring the spirit of the holiday season and the end-of-the-year festivities about to begin.



Ms. Julie Randolph, the vibrant emcee, welcomed the attendees and asked them to pair up for an ice-breaker, and introduce themselves by asking each other questions. This was followed by Pastor Matthew Goldberg who gave the invocation. Elizabeth Aihe, Chairwoman of the WFWP DC Chapter, welcomed the participants and said, "Even though we cannot extend our hands to give, we need to think and take a moment to pray for those who have no family, no shelter, and are without food during this holiday season."



Mrs. Angelika Selle, president of WFWP, USA, gave an outstanding introduction to WFWP and, together with Ms. Randolph, proceeded to introduce and present the National HerStory Award to Ms. Valencia Mohammed. Ms. Mohammed is well known in the District of Columbia for her activism in support of mothers of murder victims.





Ms. Mohammed gave her testimony of the heartbreak of losing two of her sons to senseless violence. She shared with the audience her personal experiences as a mother who lost sons to gun violence, and how she used the pain to advocate for other mothers

suffering in silence. She said those mothers need more than...

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## ARIZONA

### We Made a Difference in Someone's Life

By Mrs. Glenda Lambert

The Ronald McDonald House is on the campus of Banner Health's Cardon Children's Medical Center in



Mesa, Arizona. This house provides a "home away from home" for children and their families who travel to "The Valley" to receive treatment for serious, often life-threatening illnesses. Families stay for days, weeks, or sometimes months at a time while their children receive care.

My husband, Max Lambert, has been volunteering in the Ronald McDonald homes since 1992. And when our children were old enough, he started bringing them to volunteer as well. They make small packages with toiletries such as shampoo, conditioner...

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## INSIGHT

### Hope and Disability: With God, All Things Are Possible

By Caryn Olsson



Each day is a new one, and this is a gift from God! No matter how tough the day is, I can always be comforted by knowing that the next day is going to come. In this year of 2016, how should we look at not only our children who have a disability, but all others who





children who have a disability, but all others who struggle daily with a disability? The answer I have may surprise you, yet it is one word: HOPE. I choose daily to have hope rather than despair. It is hard at times to see a hopeful outcome; however, when one puts on the glasses of LOVE, the situation appears so vastly

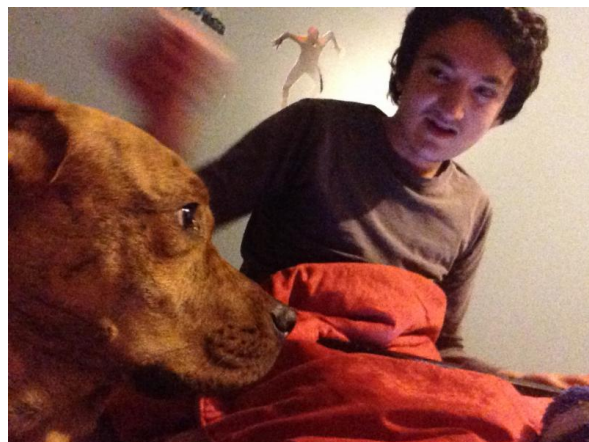
different.

One might ask, "How do you maintain hope?" My solution is by serving, mostly due to the fact that the one with the disability might not be able to do it for him or herself. Lately, I have been receiving help in developing a behavior plan for Patrick. It is also important to receive help for someone who has a disability. The truth is: one person can't do everything.

Hope doesn't occur naturally, I think. It is something that one develops and works on daily. It is easy to be fearful of the future, or what others might think. Yet I feel that there will be

future developments in science and healing that will let us feel more freedom when it comes to dealing with a disability. In the meantime, we have a unique opportunity to grow our spirit through the challenges of our life.

Let us work at putting on our glasses of LOVE, so we can really see things with different eyes! Let us work at serving our family members who have a disability, so that they can reach their potential.



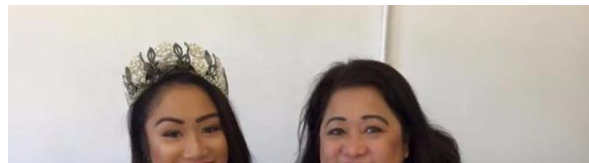
With God, all things are possible.

## ARIZONA

### Collecting Toys, Appreciating 2015, Anticipating 2016

By Mrs. Rhia Clemente Nkulu

On December 13, members of the Arizona Chapter of WFWP hosted a gathering to appreciate the support of all those who supported and helped them in 2015. At the same time, they wanted to reciprocate through supporting Ms. Elizabeth Inganamort of Falcon's Guard Center in a toy drive to send toys to needy children in Mexico. Three of the ladies who came, Ms. Elizabeth Inganamort, Ms. Dorada Basaca, and Ms. Veronica Sevilla Villalobos, had attended WFWP's 23rd National Assembly in Washington, D.C. in October.



Washington, D.C., in October.

A number of new members joined WFWP that day: the reigning Miss Earth Arizona, Miss Asia Espiritu Dising; her very supportive mother, Mrs. Grace Esoiritu Dising; Miss Lauren Casildo, Ms. Griselda Varela, and Ms. Jesus Molina. We are looking forward to...



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## NEW JERSEY

### Creating Awareness of the Needs of Others: Introducing the Cambodia Project to Students

By Mrs. Tomomi Ueda

On Saturday, December 5, members of WFWP, including Mrs. Deneeze Nelson, Mrs. Hiroko Nitro, and I went to the GO (God's Own) youth group to present the Cambodia Project to middle and



high school students. Thanks to this opportunity, we had a chance to explain and show them what our project is about and how they could help if they felt inclined.

The presentation explained some of the history behind Cambodia and showed pictures of the land, community, and people who live there. We explained how Cambodia was taken over by a communist revolution run by Pol Pot; and how in four years he wiped out all forms of education. Since there was no one to teach the new generation of students in Cambodia, it brought great turmoil. In addition, around 25 percent of Cambodia's population perished during this dark time in the country's

history. The pictures included in the presentation conveyed the troubling situations that many of the children and their families are experiencing even today.

The founders of WFWP have said countless times, "Live for the sake of others." We sincerely hope that these young people, our future leaders and citizens, will choose to follow this mantra by helping and sustaining this project. I am sure they will gain a lot from it. WFWP New Jersey will continue to contribute to Cambodian families until their situation improves.



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