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WOMEN'S FEDERATION FOR WORLD PEACE, USA

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER Dear Friend.

This year's CSW and WFWP International events in New York were a profound experience for me and many other participants of all ages.

What enriched my life the most was learning from the many women speakers -- and participants -- who shared not only their knowledge but their acquired wisdom, their deep insights, their suggestions for creative solutions to problems that seem unsolvable, and their inspirations for possible action steps toward those solutions.

The single greatest impact for me, however, during those two weeks was to get to know more about First Lady Eleonore Roosevelt. As a WFWP group, we visited her home, known as Val-kill, in Hyde Park, New York. From what I learned from her quotes, video footage, and documents displayed at the library there, Madame Roosevelt had a very painful childhood, but raised herself up to be a woman leader of compassionate heart, intelligence, and can-do mindset. During a challenging time in American and world history -- the Great Depression and World War II -- she had the courage to follow her inner passion and do what she could to make a difference. I was impressed by her humility, selflessness, and commitment to overcome painful and challenging circumstances with positivity, encouraging words, commitment, and personal action, always keeping the future and the next generation in mind!

She knew how to uplift and empower others, especially through her words, which were imbued with both deep wisdom and a sense of humor. She said, for example, "A woman is like a tea bag: You can't tell how strong she is until you put her in hot water." To me, such words are like a breath of fresh air, which can give you a chuckle and at the same time new motivation to keep on keepin' on.

For more of her unique and uplifting quotes, go to https://www.matchbookmag.com/daily/87-the-20best-eleanor-roosevelt-quotations.

I firmly believe and know that each of us women -mothers and daughters alike -- have this kind of strength in ourselves. And as we share it with one another and with others, it will became a force for goodness that cannot be stopped. So believe in yourself, and dare to shine!

With love, Angelika

WFWP AT THE CSW60



WFWP International President Yeon Ah Moon attended numerous CSW events and also met with WFWP USA leadership.

## HAPPY INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY



May we all truly be happy, joyful and proud to be a woman, mother, grandmother, sister or daughter to our families and to others.

In honor of International Women's Day, here are a few inspiring quotes regarding WFWP Co-founder Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon. Though she does not often speak about herself or her own life, we can learn what a truly inspiring woman she is through the one who knows her best, her husband the late Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon.

"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."...

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." - From "As a Peace Loving Global Citizen"

May we also keep a serene smile as we open many new doors for women and men around the world, with our innate wisdom, passion, and heart! Throughout the year, let us celebrate womanhood and each other!

Commission on the Status of Women: CSW 60



### CSW60 2016: Off to a Hopeful Start Personal Observations and Reflections By Angelika Selle

This is my fourth year in a row representing WFWP USA at the annual Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) events in New York City.

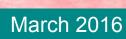
Each year it is quite an experience when thousands of women of all ages and ethnic backgrounds from around the world, representing their countries, organizations, and causes, descend on New York City and the UN to participate in discussions at CSW events.



As you might know, this year's annual topic is "Women Empowered to Implement the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG)." This title in and of itself gave me a lot of hope for actual progress in solving issues rather than just talking about them. And indeed there is a lot of evidence and hope that this will happen this year.

Continue reading on our website.

When You Train a Woman, You Train a Nation





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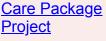
<u>Start</u> "The World of the Future is in Our Making: Tomorrow is Now"

Advocacy Unlocked Internship <u>Opportunities</u> Available!

#### Coming in April: Harlem Parallel <u>Event</u>

Creating a Bridge of Love to Those in Need

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"family" and "families." What are some helpful tips?

Train yourself to see where there are gaps-such as in the Sustainable

Development Goals-to identify places where your perspective is needed. Use your hand as a reminder of the 5 step elevator speech, which comes in handy when meeting speakers after an event. The steps are: first, introduce yourself, then give three convincing arguments for your case, and end with the following statement: "Because of all of this, you should

support this project to ensure that this change occurs." Assess your own skills and strengths, and work with others who fill in your weaknesses.

ANNOUNCING INTERNSHIPS AVAILABLE WITH WFWP USA

Internship Opportunities 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?

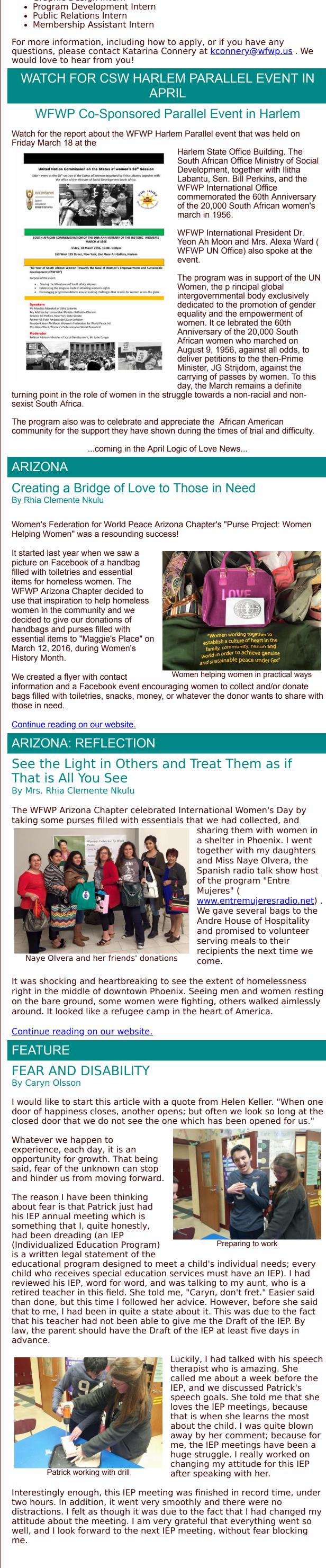
WFWP USA is seeking motivated, committed interns who are interested in WFWP's work and would like to get involved in a substantial way. Interns are an integral part of our operations and your contribution will have a direct impact on what we do and how we do it.

The following internship positions are



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

currently open:



WASHINGTON STATE Busy Bees Buzzing in Seattle

By Mrs. Sarah Nishioka



The Seattle, Washington Chapter of WFWP has been busy in February and March, collecting purses filled with soaps, toothbrushes, snacks, towels, and other essential items. They were then donated to the "Jubilee House Boutique." WFWP is very grateful to the good-hearted women who collected and filled these purses and who have a heart to use what they have to help those in desperate situations.

The Jubilee Women's Center supports women who are experiencing poverty to build stable and fulfilling futures, one extraordinary woman at a time. The center is guided by the principle that all women deserve respect and dignity. Jubilee's programs and services help women

make permanent life changes.

Then, in March, WFWP Seattle had a fundraiser to support another 501(c)3 organization: Liberty in North Korea (LiNK). LiNK is an organization that helps North Koreans safely exit China to find new homes in South Korea and the United States. These brave defectors are speaking out about the day to day situations of the people who live in North Korea. Through this important education, they are helping to lead the way to the re-unification of

North and South Korea. All the funds



collected are aiding LiNK's rescue and resettlement missions.

## CONNECTICUT

Black-tie Affair for the Schools of Africa By Hanabeta Deshotel

On Saturday evening, February 13th, 2016, the Connecticut Chapter of Women's



Federation for World Peace held their annual benefit for the Schools of Africa project. It was a sensational evening at the University of Bridgeport School of Art and Design. It was a black-tie affair and included a silent auction with something to delight everyone there. There were several performances including African dances courtesy of the University of Bridgeport African Student Association and several traditional African songs performed by

the children of Bridgeport Hope Elementary School.

Guests were also treated to a fashion show of many vibrantly beautiful African dresses and matching headdresses, modeled by the students of the African Student Association and Bridgeport HopeSchool.

Continue reading on our website and see more photos.



Celebrating Women in March By Jizly Dohou

Over 50 guests came on March 9 to Pennsylvania Chapter WFWP's celebration of International Women's Day which was held at the Huey Public School Welcome Resource Center, a resource center for parents. Women of all walks of life including professionals, educators, business women, actresses, story tellers, women of faith, students, and mothers joined in the evening to celebrate all that is woman.

The speakers included Philadelphia State Representative Vanessa Brown of the 190th district and Philadelphia's very own well-known healer, Queen Mother. They came and gave their insights and shared their life experiences and challenges, their public service work, and their leadership. Hearing their testimonies influences and inspires other women to contribute to and create a history of women's success.

In addition to the wonderful speeches, there was a vast variety of food and great performances of professional entertainers who came and performed in honor of women and to celebrate International Women's Day in Philadelphia.





Refreshments follow

WFWP Maine Chapter

UPCOMING EVENTS AROUND THE COUNTRY	
WFWP USA Happenings Around the Country	
April 3rd: WFWP Hackensack, New Jersey: Educational Meeting	Integrative Health Seminar Presenter: Peggy Brewster, RN Saturday, April 16, 2016 1:00pm - 3:00pm
April 8: WFWP Oregon: 3rd Annual "Non- Violence: A Choice" (see announcement following)	University of Southern Maine Wishcamper Center (next to Glickman Library) Shepard Lee Hall 34 Bedford St. Portland
April 16: WFWP Maine: Integrative Health Seminar	FREE ADMISSION

May 22: WFWP Hackensack, New Jersey: Heritage Diner, featuring Carol Pobanz trip to Africa, Art as a medium for healing

May 29: Southern California: Bridge of Peace Event

## **OREGON UPCOMING SEMINAR**

Non-Violence: A Choice Conference By Ms. Roseann Kennett

On April 8, 2016 the Oregon Chapter of WFWP will host the 3rd annual "Nonviolence: A Choice" conference with our partners Mt Hood Community College, Sufi School for Peace and Service, and the MHCC student government and Diversity Resource Center. The poster and the latest draft of the

upcoming one.



The event is now live on the internet at the following address: http://www.mhcc.edu/peaceconference Speakers will include: --WFWP Chairwoman: Laila Al-Amin - Keynote

agenda are on the website along with the

Powerpoint about the last 2 conferences and the

Address --Students on Peace

--Sheik Ally Peerbocus, PhD --Internal Peace - Miyuki Pollman

--Non-violent Communication - Fred Sly, PhD --Unconscious Bias - Melinda Bullen

donated to women in shelters

Drop Off Location: 47 Geneva St. Elizabeth, NJ

Elizabeth Coalition to House the Homeless, 118 Division St. Elizabeth, NJ

NEW JERSEY

Date: March 9 - 30, 2016

Soap

Follow this link to see the announcement on the WFWP website.

Across the United States of America, chapters of WFWP are working hard to take care of those less fortunate women and children and give them essential items to make their lives **Care Package Project** more livable. In honor of Women's History Month WFWP Elizabeth Chapter is collecting Arizona essentials and personal necessities to be

New Jersey, Elizabeth Chapter Maryland Virginia

California Washington State

Suggested Donations: Toothbrush Hand Sanitizer Toothpaste Scarves/Hats In upcoming Logic of Love Newsletters, there Gloves will be more articles about these service Sanitary Napkins ...and others projects with the theme: Women Helping **Beneficiary:** 

Women Initiative. Watch for them!

