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HONORING A GREAT PEACE LEADER OF THE 21ST CENTURY

I don't know any woman who has honored, adored, and celebrated her husband after his passing more than our founder, Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon. And, I would say, she has rightfully done so. This year marked the seventh year in a row that Mother Moon organized a series of international events surrounding the anniversary of the death of Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon, who also happens to be the co-founder of the Women's Federation for World Peace.

Divinely called and inspired during his 92 years of life, Father Moon initiated more than 40 peace organizations, projects, and initiatives. All these were based on the same vision and philosophy, namely, that peace starts from within the individual, from a relationship with the Creator, and a lifestyle of living for the sake of others -- and thence it expands to the family, nation, and world...

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2019 STRATEGIC WORKSHOP FOR INTERNATIONAL WFWP LEADERS IN KOREA

Twice a year, Women's Federation for World Peace International holds a strategic workshop for WFWP leaders to connect, regroup, deliberate, and plan for the future. The most recent gathering at the Seoul Olympic Park Hotel in Korea on August 15, 2019 brought together International Vice Presidents (IVPs) and Secretary Generals (SGs) representing various regions and nations throughout the world: Europe, the Middle East, Russia, Asia, Japan, Korea, South America, and Oceania. IVP Angelika Selle and SG Kiyomi Schmidt joined the conference representing the North America region. Also our two UN offices were represented by Mrs. Carolyn Handshin, Director of the UN office in Geneva, and Mrs. Alexa Ward, Deputy Director of the UN office in New York. Furthermore, several regional women leaders from Korea joined this important gathering as observers...

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HOW TO PLAN A SUCCESSFUL YARD SALE

Through strategic planning and adequate support, any WFWP chapter can run a successful yard sale fundraiser in their community. Here to share some best practices from their own experience is the WFWP Billings, Montana chapter, which recently put on a yard sale to benefit the Schools of Africa (SOA) that exceeded all expectations: "We got help from more people than anticipated, received donations of wonderful things, people's time and advertising, and made much more money for SOA than we expected!" said Marguerite Felig, WFWP Montana chapter representative.

It all started with picking the right date. In early June, Astrid Woods, one of the WFWP members in Billings, suggested that we put together a yard sale in July for the Schools of Africa. She's enjoyed going to yard sales for years, and has organized them herself. Our core WFWP team looked at dates, and we chose July 19 and 20. It was a time most of us would be available to help with the sale, there was enough time to acquire donations and there would be a combination Mexican Fiesta and a Classic Car Show in the park a block away from our yard sale...

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MY INTERNSHIP JOURNEY AT WFWP USA

As a part of my academic requirements, I recently completed a three-month internship with the Women's Federation for World Peace (WFWP) USA in the summer of 2019. Reflecting on the months I spent with WFWP USA, I have had one of the most fruitful summers, both professionally and personally.

I came to know about WFWP USA from one of my seniors when she recommended that I join the Horizon Summit in 2018. However, due to personal circumstances, I couldn't attend the summit at that time. Later, I explored the organization and the programs they offer...

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KNITTING TO SERVE: MEETING AT A SIKH GURDWARA IN TEXAS

Mrs. Pammi Cheema, a new member of WFWP who recently attended the launch of GWPN in Las Vegas, invited me to speak at her Sikh women's group and introduce them to WFWP. Pammi has been an active member of the Sikh community of Euless, Texas, which is close to DFW International Airport. I went to their gurdwara (house of worship) on Wednesday, August 14, 2019, and gave a presentation on WFWP and GWPN in the conference room. Justine Cherutich, chairwoman of the WFWP Texas chapter, offered her support and valuable input as well...

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STRENGTHEN YOUR EMOTIONAL MATURITY: LEADERSHIP OF THE HEART SEMINAR IN WESTCHESTER NY

With curiosity and enthusiasm, the ladies of the Westchester WFWP Chapter organized their first Leadership of the Heart seminar series in 2019. It was launched with a half-day session on Saturday May 19th, with the presentation of the first two parts, where the focus was discovering the leader within through understanding spirituality and self-value. Then on Sunday, August 11th in Tarrytown, New York, our leadership training continued with part three: 'Emotional Maturity'.

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NATIONAL PARENTS' DAY IN OREGON

While WFWP was instrumental in nominating the parents of the year in Washington, DC at the National Parents' Day event this July (read more here), WFWP chapters around the nation also supported local Parents' Day celebrations. In this article, Stephanie Herremans, representing the WFWP chapter in Cascade, Oregon, shares how she nominated one outstanding couple as parents of the year.

This year, my dear friends Sarita and Alex Ahmed received the Parents of the Year award at the 2019 National Parents' Day celebration in Oregon on August 13th. I first met Sarita and Alex at one of the auto repair shops they own and operate in the heart of Vancouver, Washington. I was inspired by their strong family values and soon became friends with the pair.

They have been married for 33 years and raised five children, who are all working adults now and yet maintain strong bonds with their parents. This loving couple practices faith-based living and helped their children understand that all religions are to be respected and appreciated...

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