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# Together *with* Holt





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Holt Dream Center provides 200 students with various after-school classes. Let's look at the significant outcome of Holt Dream Center's education project. (continued on Page 8)

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I hope all your hard work will bear abundant fruit as a farmer wishes for a rich harvest when he sees ripe grain in his golden field. Several overseas adoptees visited Korea this summer and had great opportunities to deeply understand the country where they were born and to look for their roots. This year was more special because the IKAA (International Korean Adoptee Association) Gathering was held at the Seoul Lotte Hotel from August 2nd to 7th. Many overseas adoptees visited Korea and had a meaningful time, getting acquainted with each other, finding their roots and truly understanding the country where they were born.

HCS maintains its utmost efforts to help single mothers, prevent child abuse and protect abused children. Given the increased number of child abuses, HCS has led the campaign to stop child abuse and operate shelters for abused children. HCS's Kumdongi Support Program supports 300 children from poor families. This year, the children went to Kumdongi Summer Camp at Korean Folk Village. HCS's 'Beautiful Youth' Award encourages young men and women to not give up their dreams even in dire circumstances. HCS has strengthened overseas projects to help impoverished children in Cambodia, Mongolia and Tanzania as well as Nepal. Giving orphans a loving home has always been the valuable mission of HCS. None of these is possible without the support and devotion of those who understand HCS's projects and do not hesitate to reach out to those in need. I want to give sincere gratitude for all this help. HCS will continue to do its utmost to help young men and women fulfill their dreams, orphans to grow up in loving families, single parents to raise their children in a decent environment, and impoverished children in overseas countries to grow up in a better world. May God bless all of you who share love with your neighbors. Thank you.



President Kim, Dae-yul

### Dear Friends and helpers:

We have just finished celebrating the Autumn Harvest Feast, (Chu Sok), when 37 million people traveled to visit their families or go on vacation over the 5 day holiday. Here at Ilsan Center our "Family", (Graduates of Ilsan who are orphans and have no families to visit), gathered for the holidays and had a grand time of feasting, games, and a trip to Im Jin Kak on the DMZ. We all oohed and ahed at the tall 'children', admired new babies, and ate lots of delicious food.

We are so sorry that many babies are being raised in orphanages now, since their mothers abandon them rather than put their names on the mothers' family register. We are thankful for the "Baby Box" where abandoned babies can be lovingly received and cared for, even though they can't be adopted. Dr. Cho and I attended the first showing of the movie "Baby Drop", which tells the story of Pastor Lee and how the work was started. Fewer babies are being adopted by Koreans since they must now be registered as adopted on family records. The number of babies adopted overseas depends upon the number of domestic adoptions.

We are thrilled to have overseas adoptees come and visit, especially to come to Ilsan Center where Dr. Cho and I live. Some we remember. We have been able to visit Holt USA several times this year as they celebrate their 60th anniversary, and met many more adoptees. Soon Dr. Cho and I will attend a meeting of MPAK, (Mission to Promote Adoption to Koreans), in Los Angeles (October 13th) with our "Voices of the Soul" (Holt's choir of disabled people), where we will meet many Korean adoptive families. Then we will all go to a Holt USA's auction (October 15th), to support special needs children in Portland, Oregon, before we return home.

I recently read the book of Revelation, such shocking things to come in this world! Yet such wonderful promises in the very last chapter! Rev.22:17 "The Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let him who hears say, "Come!" Whoever is thirsty, let him come: and whoever wishes, let him take the free gift of the water of life. "

My thanks to all of you in our Lord Jesus,  
Molly Holt, Chairperson



## Ji-ho's challenge and infinite love from his forever family



It was July 6th last year when I first met Ji-ho's adoptive family, all of whom visited Korea for their court hearing as a part of the final procedure for his international adoption. The first impression I got from them was "warmth", exuding love and happiness. Ji-ho was looking forward to meeting his adoptive parents, an older brother (11) and older sister (7). Yet he fell asleep just five minutes after he met his family as he usually takes a nap at that time. With tears in her eyes his adoptive mother, who flew over 14 hours only for this moment, told me "it's like my dream has come true, to hold Ji-ho."

Adoptive families usually return to their countries after the court hearing and then come back to Korea to pick up their child when all the adoption process is finalized. This family however, was very different in that they were going to stay here until all the processes were done in Korea. They wanted to get to know Ji-ho while staying here and to know Korea better where Ji-ho was born.

The adoptive family was already a big fan of Korean TV programs. In particular they like a program where Yu Jae-Seok, a famous Korean celebrity appears. They are also very interested in Korean culture and language. Ji-ho's adoptive parents also attended Korean language class for months and were capable of using basic Korean expressions, even slang words such as 'Hur', 'Daebak' making us laugh. About a month after they stayed in Korea, we were told that the "Infinite Challenge-Mu han do jeon" team would probably visit Holt Children's Services. Since all family members were so into Yu Jae Seok, they were thrilled with the news. While they were meeting with Ji-ho, they really met Yu Jae-Seok who came to the agency while shooting the "Infinite Challenge-Mu han do jeon". Then their story was aired on the program.

Their brief appearance on the program has helped to change the view of many Korean people about international adoption. Negative views are prevalent in Korea concerning international adoption and yet this program has helped to have a positive views on adoption. It showed how a child without a home can find his own loving parents and siblings. Especially since Ji-ho and Yu Jae-Seok's son have the same name, it was such a coincidence that Yu Jae-Seok had tears in his eyes. This touched everyone's hearts. Wherever they went, people recognized them and they were treated like celebrities. A couple in their 20s recognized them, asked to take a picture with them, and uploaded it on SNS, where an elderly woman expressed her thanks to them for adopting the child ; holding their hands firmly. This adoptive family said they will do everything they could to increase awareness of international adoption and to help children find their own homes, they explained it was a great joy.

At the end of August last year, Ji-ho immigrated to the U.S. with his family. In just a month, he was able to understand English and had his own favorite English song. According to his adoptive mom, his cheerful face and mischievous smile makes all family members laugh and smile all day long. He especially follows his older brother and he follows everything what his older brother



- 1 Ji-ho is having a very happy life in the U.S.
- 2 Ji-ho loves his big brother, following him everywhere and doing everything together.

does-play, behaviors, etc. His full time mom helps Ji-ho to remember his home country by cooking Gimbap and showing him pictures taken in Korea. His adoptive parents sent those pictures to us ; Ji-ho looks so happy and loved, and this puts a smile of the face of everyone who looks at the pictures. His adoptive parents said they can't imagine life without him. The adoption has made them closer and happier. We hope that other children like Ji-ho will find their adoptive parents, live in a loving family and grow up well. What about meeting Yu Jae-Seok again when he is grown up and visits Korea later?

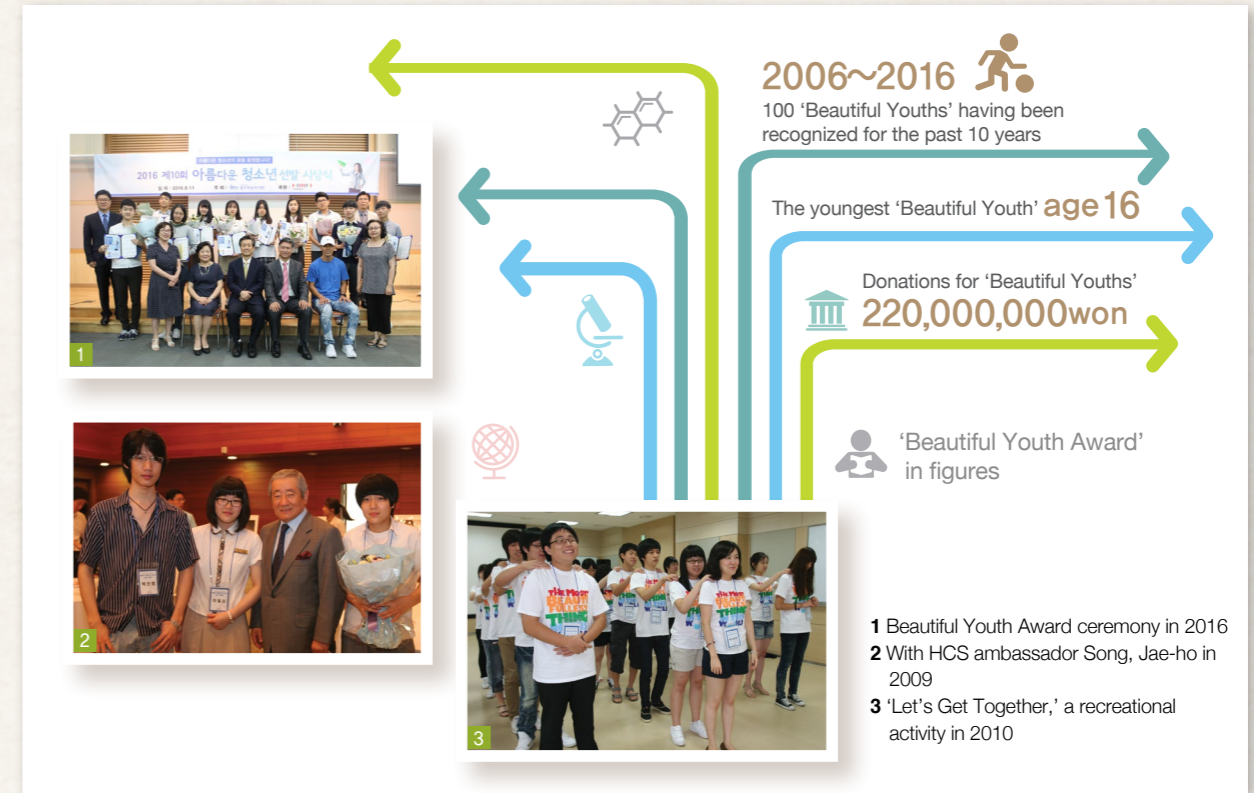
Ryu Min Hyeon from Overseas Team

# We Are Beautiful Youths!

It has been ten years since HCS started the Beautiful Youth Award program in the summer of 2006 with the help of many people who shared the same dream of making a better world. We invite you to this meaningful event meant to encourage youth who do not give up their dreams and hope even in dire circumstances, who perform good deeds, and who do not fear challenges.

## Your presence is a beautiful present for all of us

Many people gathered at the HCS auditorium to celebrate the 10th Beautiful Youth Award on August 11, 2016. This occasion was honored by the judges of the award: Executive Director Yoon, Seo-ho of DBEW(Design Beyond East & West), Hanssem's research foundation, Chairperson Lee, Hye-gyeong of Korea Foundation for Women and HCS ambassador Sean (rapper). Sean delivered a meaningful celebratory speech, saying "In English you reply 'Present!' when someone checks your attendance. Your presence is a beautiful present for all of us." The award was also graced with a beautiful piano performance by the 8th award winner, Park, Ji-hyeon as well as the presence of other prior winners who had come long distances to celebrate the new beautiful youths.



## From a beautiful teacher to a beautiful student

The 10th Beautiful Youth Award was far more meaningful due to a special karma between the 2nd winner Park, Ha-neul-saem who now is a teacher, and the 10th winner Kim, Gang-min. Ha-neul-saem said "Gang-min came to me and said he wanted to join the volunteer coal briquettes delivery program. I had had volunteering experiences there and had enjoyed it. As soon as I saw the announcement, I recommended Gang-min as a beautiful youth because I knew he really was one. As I shared my dream with him, I hope he will becomes a man who can share his."

A beautiful youth grew up to become a man who helps another beautiful youth fulfill his dream. HCS will continue making the effort to help those young men and women with beautiful dreams to make this world a beautiful place.

Woo Eunyong from Publicrelations Team



▶ 2nd winner Park, Ha-neul-saem (left) and 10th winner Kim, Gang-min with HCS ambassador Sean(center).

# Children find stepping stones toward their dreams at after-school classes at Holt Dream Center

Sron Bisna (age 12) is finding joy in studying. His dream is to become a doctor and cure his mother infected with HIV virus. HCS provides after-school classes for about 200 Cambodian children living difficult lives in poverty and ignorance. Let's look at the unnoticed but significant outcome of Holt Dream Center's education project which lays stepping stones of hope for the children.

▼ Sron Bisna studying hard, whose dream is to become a doctor



1 Children eating a meal prepared by Holt Dream Center 2 Painting after-school class  
3 Children's various activities 4 The dire circumstances of Trapeang Anchanh

## Children neglected in slum districts after school

Trapeang Anchanh on the outskirts of Phnom Penh, the capital of Cambodia, is a ghetto formed by people who were forced to mass-move in the process of inner city development. The children in this neighborhood are often neglected or forced to do hard work after school. HCS established Holt Dream Center in 2011 in Trapeang Anchanh in order to lower the retention and drop-out rates of elementary school students. Currently, Holt Dream Center provides 200 of the 837 students of Anchanh Elementary School with various after-school classes including English and extra-curricular activities. Sron Bisna is one of them. He was selected as one of the excellent students last year and visited Korea for five days. He particularly liked job shadowing during the trip. Wearing a doctors' gown and touching a stethoscope with his own hands, Sron wanted to become a doctor himself more than ever. According to Chusokin, a teacher at Holt Dream Center, he became an even more excellent student, taking the lead in studying and cleaning the classroom. HCS is planning to invite another six Cambodian children to Korea this autumn.

## Drop-out rates reduced to zero since the establishment of Holt Dream Center

Drop-out rates of the students of Trapeang Anchanh Elementary School were reduced to zero since the establishment of Holt Dream Center from 2011 to 2015. According to data published by U.S. Agency for International Development, the average drop-out rates of Cambodian elementary school students recorded 8.7% in 2013. Given such a situation, the reduced rates of Anchanh School's students are truly remarkable. The principal of the school says that Holt Dream Center had contributed a lot to this improvement and hopes Holt's help will continue. While maintaining the drop-out rates at zero, Holt will start classes for other students in collaboration with Anchanh School for the goal of reducing retention rates currently running at 8.61%. Holt is planning a school principals' forum to enhance the quality of education, strengthen the competence of elementary school teachers, and address education inequality between rich and poor in Cambodia.

Lee Philyoung from Overseas Outreach Team

\* The After-school class project is operated in partnership with Korea International Cooperation Agency.

## CAMBODIA

Cambodia is in the middle of rapid development. Shoppers bustle around at a gigantic downtown shopping mall. An hour away from the mall, children walk barefoot on the litter-strewn street to go to Holt Dream Center. The children know. They know that learning is the only way out of poverty. Holt intends to be there for these children so that they can hold on to their dreams.



## Speech from Jacob Nossell

Thank you for having all three of us today. I feel very grateful and honored to be back in the country where I was born nearly 29 years ago. I have stayed here in Seoul for a couple of days now, and the funny thing is that I feel a little bit more Korean there is a strange tie which I never have felt before. I usually consider myself Danish. My parents are Danish. I speak Danish. I love the Danish food. I live in Denmark. Danish, Danish, Danish. But when I am here. It is like I look at you and I see myself in you and your country. I feel a strange obligation to read and know as much as possible, now that I am here.

I also get confronted with the fact, if Harry Holt and Bertha Holt hadn't funded HOLT, I would not be standing here today. It is a really strange feeling for me. And I feel a gratefulness and thankfulness to them even though I never met them.

It is no secret that in Denmark we are discussing the ethical challenges of adoption and there are so many aspects of adoptions and I do not wish to hide that, but personally I feel thankful and grateful to my parents in Denmark, who has raised me for so many years. But I am also thankful to my Korean mother, which in my perspective - gave me up for a better life in Denmark. For me it was the greatest gift she could ever give me. I do not feel anger nor resentment towards my Korean mother, I feel only joy and a strong obligation to live my life fully and achieve something in my life. That is why I feel so proud to come "home" with a movie about my life and disability. And I do hope to some extent that she is happy and proud of me.

Finally, I want to thank Christian Sønnerby Jepsen for helping with making the movie. I also like to thank HOLT for supporting the trip making this amazing trip possible. Thank you!

Written by Jacob Yoon Egeskov Nossell



# I miss Ilsan Center!

For me, this was a journey that was a long time in the making, and too long overdue. It was a very special 5 weeks for me at Ilsan Center. It was a journey of completing the full-circle and of personal reconciliations.

I went not knowing exactly what to expect. Just that I needed to place myself there. It had been 50 years since I left Ilsan. I was 9 then, and had spent 2 years at the center before being adopted to the US. I had images of Ilsan in my mind from 1965 that were too many years old. Maybe at a deeper level, I needed to see again the place of the beginning. The week leading to my visit was a long week of anticipation, nervousness, and sleeplessness.



In my 5 weeks there, I often found myself up and walking around the Center at 5 and 6 am, just as the day was breaking. In that light, it was easiest for me to conjure the images of how I remembered Ilsan. The buildings of my memory were mostly gone, replaced by larger, modern buildings. But in the morning light I recognized the rise of the hills, the curve of the paths, certainly the stairs of the memorial. I could see where there were once the buildings that fed us, that housed us, and kept us warm and comforted. I could see the muddy path that took me from the chapel, past the animal pens, to my house- now it's a paved path that goes to the new school. I could see the north road just recently carved out of the hillside, and although I never met him, could almost imagine Harry on his earth-movers shaping the grounds of his new Ilsan Center with such determination.

Each volunteer has their very personal reasons for coming to Ilsan. For me it was admittedly more of a personal journey I needed to undertake. In that sense, my 5 weeks there gave me the answers, and the assurances that I was looking for. It also reaffirmed for me the goodness of people. I am in awe of the devotion and the sacrifices of the Holt family in those desperate early years to accomplish what they did for Korea, and the babies. On a very personal level, I am ever grateful to them for the lives they have touched, the lives they have enriched, and especially the lives they have literally saved. For me, and perhaps many others in that time, what they did opened paths and opportunities in our lives that I, for one, will always be grateful for. My visits and personal conversations with Molly on this trip were very important to me, and were central to what I came needing to do. Those conversations will stay with me.

I will always remember with respect, appreciation, and admiration Molly, Dr. Cho, and all the others at the Center who give themselves with selfless commitment and love for the caring of the residents. Particularly, I was touched by the genuine devotion of the House Mothers to their residents. I feel very fortunate to have made this journey, and returned home with a sense of reassurance, and a more humble man for my time there.

Now, a full month since my return home, I have not yet fully recovered from the journey. I know for certain I miss the people, and the life of Ilsan Center. This was my first experience working with people with disabilities, and know now that I was not fully prepared for Ilsan Center, and clearly out of my comfort zone. But fortunately there were other volunteers already there who saw this and helped me through my first days. I wish I had learned sooner to get past my discomfort, and got to know more residents on a closer level. I made special friends with many, but I know I could have done more and offered more of myself. I can see the faces of many of the residents I befriended, and I miss them. They taught me and enriched my life. I know I will go back soon, and I look forward to seeing them again.

Written by Jon Parshall



# The World's Most Beautiful Learning

Yang, Min-ha, Single-mother/Barista



If you give up learning because you are poor or from a poor family, it would make you a coward. Yang, Min-ha, Yeon-woo's mother, agrees. She is poor enough to be a recipient of basic living but never gives up her future. She never stops learning because she thinks there is no future if she does not learn.

No one's heart is without its own wounds. The difference lies only in how painful they are and whether one can find a way to deal with them. Min-ha is one of the strongest and bravest people despite her numerous wounds. Her heart had obviously been broken again and again but still she lives her life more bravely than anyone. She recollects, "My father used to beat me under the name of discipline. It was actually physical abuse. Besides, none of my step-mothers stayed with us long enough to make changes. One day I decided I cannot take it anymore and ran away from home. I went to a youth shelter where I met these nice older girls who actually listened to me. But I had to get out of there soon."

If a teenager gets into a shelter and has a guardian, the guardian must be informed. Min-ha was no exception. Whenever her father dragged her home, he stopped beating her for a while, although it did not last long before he beat her again. She tried as hard as she could, getting counseling and play

and art therapies again and again. But she could do nothing about the repressive attitude of her father who said that she might be the one who would change because he was her father, her senior. The only way this little girl could avoid violence was getting away from home.

"Run-away kids had nothing to do but just hang around at internet cafes or jjimjilbang, sneak thieving empty houses and cars, or riding bikes. I never missed school even after leaving home but later it became hard not to miss school. I wasn't such an enthusiastic student but whenever I saw students in school uniforms I was jealous of them. I didn't want



to waste my life, so I decided to take a school qualification examination. When I was 19, I started to take barista classes on a government scholarship while working at part-time jobs. I worked as a teaching assistant at a private institute thanks to the recommendation of the institute where I took classes. One day, my father reached me, offering me help. It was when I was 21 that I finally came back home. But since I had neglected studying for so many years, I almost failed. Then I decided to take full steps as long as I was trying and to take the College Scholastic Ability Test. That was how I got into the Cooking Industry Management School of Sejong Cyber University," Min-ha said.

Min-ha is now a 25 years old woman with six years of experience as a barista. She applied for a teaching job announced by the Office of Education and currently teaches junior school students professional coffee-making skills during free-learning semesters. She has never given up and really turned her life, hasn't she?

## Accepted by another family named Holt

Min-ha moved into a permanent rental apartment on July 27. She used to be depressed in her prior dire circumstances but these days she cannot stop smiling all the time in her new nest. She said, "I'm so happy to raise my child in a healthy environment. It was really hard for me to see my baby grow up in such poor surroundings." Her one-year-old baby, Yeon-woo (alias) does not have a father. Min-ha explained, "I lost contact with him right after I got pregnant. My baby is as good as fatherless. He was my junior school classmate. I met him again later when I was preparing the college exam. I contacted him to get some help with the exam. And I got pregnant before he'd complete his mandatory military service. I tried to see the situation positively and said to myself 'it's the baby of the man I love.' But he and my parents didn't agree. I still sometimes talk to him but Yeon-woo is my child, not his." Her family has not been there to help her raise her baby but



Holt has. She came to know HCS's single-parent support programs and was able to get some help. She said, "The first help I got from HCS was a 365 Baby Care Kit. After that, I was able to give my baby his one-year-old birth party sponsored by Lotteria. Now I get mental and financial support from HCS's self-help gathering for single parents."

Min-ha hopes that she and her baby can see and experience as many things as possible. She intends to participate in Barista Championship to be held in Italy next year. If she can make it through the finals in October, she can go with her baby on a fully-funded trip to Italy. These days Min-ha is happy just to think of it. She said, "I'm a naturally positive person, and I tried to be even more positive. I hope that others can go through their difficulties with a positive attitude, too. And I also hope they never give up their dreams. Then happiness will find a way to reach them." May God let the happiness radiant from her face spread the whole world.

Main Office

Haesung DS delivered a donation for education support



Haesung DS delivered a donation worth 25 million won on August 16, which will be used for education support for single parents and children put up for adoption.

Lotte Group's new employees volunteered for 'Dear Family Box'



Lotte Group's 670 new employees volunteered for 'Dear Family Box.' The dolls made by them will be delivered to low-income families as part of the 'Happy Mom Project.'

Jin, Gu delivered a donation



Jin, Gu (actor) delivered a donation at Seoul Arts Center on July 7. He donated the proceeds from his voice donation for 'Reuters Photo Exhibition' for abused children.

'Kumdongi Camp,' a dream-making project to support the dreams of children



'Kumdongi Camp' was held at the youth hostel of Korean Folk Village from August 4 to 5. Members of Top Leaders and HCS ambassador Sean (rapper) joined to support the children. Also, Glory World donated supplies.

'Srolan Holt(Voluntary service group)' Volunteers of College Students sent to Cambodia



Srolan Holt Volunteers of College Students held a starting ceremony sponsored by the Ministry of the Interior on July 26. The group of volunteers led by Professor Lee, Jong-ho of Korea Polytechnics visited Trapeang Anchanh in Cambodia for electric work and education.

Kangaroo Store's free market with Mapo Mom's Free Market

Kangaroo Store's free market in collaboration with Mapo Mom's Free Market was held at Sangam World Cup Stadium on May 17. Mapo Mom's Free Market delivered a donation and supplies for single parents.

Award ceremony of the '11th Adoption Day'

Chairperson Shin, Yong-un of Holt Han Sarang (Domestic Adoption) was awarded the Health and Welfare Minister prize and foster mother Gho, Gi-suk the Prime Minister prize at the '11th Adoption Day' ceremony under the theme of 'Adoption is Sharing Happiness' at Eoullim Theater in Goyang City on May 7.

Awards ceremony and exhibition of the pictures and video of adoptive families



Awards ceremony of the '10th Adoptive Family Picture-Video Contest' was held at Seoul Lotte Hotel at 2:00 p.m. on April 29 sponsored by the Health and Welfare Ministry and supported by Lotte Hotel. 60 guests including adoptive families honored the occasion. The exhibition was held at the gallery of Lotte Hotel till May 8.

Community News

Holt Ilsan Center signed an agreement with Ilsan Self-reliance Center for the Disabled



Holt Ilsan Center signed an agreement with Ilsan Self-reliance Center for the

Disabled on July 1, through which more of the disabled will hopefully live as members of the community.

Holt Special School awarded the special grand prize of 'Gyeonggi-do Youth Pipe Music Festival'



Holt Special School's Yegrina Orchestra performed Les Miserables and was awarded the special grand prize at the '11th Gyeonggi-do Youth Pipe Music Festival' held at Anyang Arts Center on June 11. The orchestra encountered various kinds of music and showed the music that they had practice hard for a long time.

'The 22th Goyang Mayor's Cup Holt National Basketball for Wheelchair Athletes'



'The 22th Goyang Mayor's Cup Holt National Basketball Games for Wheelchair Athletes' was held at Holt gymnasium for the disabled from April 17 to 20. Among the seven teams who fought hard for four days, the team from Jeju Special Self-Governing Province won and the team of Goyang City (Holt) came in third.

Mapo-gu Multicultural Family Support (Holt) Center operated

multicultural cooking teacher training program



Mapo-gu Multicultural Family Support Center operated multicultural cooking teacher training program. The completion ceremony of this program was held on July 20. Immigrants by marriage who completed this program will visit 20 day care centers in Mapo-gu and introduce various cuisine including Vietnamese and Chinese dishes.

Daegu Holt Psychological Therapy Center holds talk concerts about child-raising



Daegu Holt Psychological Therapy Center holds talk concerts about child-raising every fourth Monday of each month under various themes such as 'understanding my child's mind.' About 40 residents of the community earned much information about child-raising at July's concert.

Single parents of Daejeon Clover (Holt) had a family outing



Single parents of Daejeon Clover visited Daejeon Aquarium on June 21. The single parents who struggle to make time for their children were able to have some quality time with them.

The children of Jeonju Babies' Home enjoyed a picnic on a strawberry field



The children of Jeonju Babies' Home enjoyed a picnic on a strawberry field on May 3 with the help of the volunteers of Jeonbuk Maeummoa. The children had a wonderful time, picking, observing and tasting strawberries as well as making strawberry jam.

Goyang City Service Center (Holt) for the Disabled held the '11th Literature Festival of the Disabled'



On April 26, Goyang City Service Center for the Disabled held the '11th Literature Festival of the Disabled' intended to discover literary talent of the disabled and encourage their participation in the society. Among the 363 poems and 116 prose works, 24 works were awarded. The grand prize went to "Spring Rain" by Lee, Byeong-ha (severely vision-impaired).



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## Have you heard of Sponsorship for Single-Parent Families, HCS' social service project to spread seeds of love?



Among various HCS's social service projects, Sponsorship for Single-Parent Families encourages and supports single-parent families to achieve self-reliance. Its ultimate goal is to help children grow in a wholesome environment and eventually make the world brighter and happier. Here are the details of the project.

### Professional and trustworthy counseling

HCS provides single-parent families with consultations for psychological issues and child development

**To contact the Family Care Center for Single Parents**  
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### "Strong Mothers", a support program for childcare expenses

"Strong Mothers" is a Holt's program to provide financial support for self-reliance and child-raising of single-parent families according to the financial plans they submit to HCS.

### "365 Baby Care Kits" provides baby-care products

This program provides baby-care kits consisting of baby formula, diapers, hygiene wet wipes and other daily supplies. The recipients are supported at long-term or short-term bases according to their situations.

### "Residences Support Program" to provide warm places to live

According to Single Parents Support Act, Holt provides residences for single parents (qualified as a householder who does not own a residence).

### Group Homes for Single Mothers and Children

Holt operates six group homes across the country to provide room and board, medical service, psychological consultations, therapies and education for self-reliance so that single parents can lead independent lives and raise their children in a stable environment.

### Alternative schools to uphold the right to be educated

Holt established and operates alternative schools, Holt Goun School and Achimddeul (Morning Garden) School (Dae-jeon) for teenage single parents. Single parents can receive high school certificates when they finish one of these schools and prepare to enter into society.

### "Spreading and Sharing Love", a self-help gathering of single parents

This is a Holt program which provides education and cultural experiences once a month for single parents participating in programs by Family Care Center for Single Parents.

*“The happiness of the child”  
is the focus of welfare  
services of  
Holt Children’s Services, Inc.*

One shy girl is now confident enough to make a presentation.  
Cambodia Holt Dream Center brought confidence to this  
child through education.  
“Your support will make one child’s future bright”

