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Cover story

Bom La works at Kangaroo Store, a non-profit network of shops intended to help the independence of unwed mothers. Here is the wonderful story of Bom moving forward to lead an independent life as a woman, a mother and a decent member of the society. (Continued on page 4)

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Hot summer has gone and the season of harvest that everyone has been waiting for is around the corner. I wonder what kind of harvest is waiting for Holt Children's Services Inc. (HCS) this year.

We still have a few months until the end of the year, but looking back over the year reminds me of all the positive changes made by our efforts. We have had some difficulties as we all have our ups and downs and HCS is not an exception. However, everything is Gods' will no matter how good or bad it is and we can take any hardship as God's blessing for we have the strength to turn a crisis into an opportunity.

HCS started working in far-away Tanzania and had an opening ceremony of Tanzania Holt Dream Center in July. Baseball club SK Wyverns provided its games as wonderful opportunities to promote domestic adoption of Korean orphans in April. HCS helped overseas adoptees find their biological parents by holding various campaign events and programs. I am also honored to say that an overseas adoptee serving in US army in Korea was promoted to a colonel.

Upholding the bible verses saying "look after orphans and widows in their distress" (James 1:27), HCS has made utmost efforts to help children in need of love grow up in loving families, struggling unwed parents raise their children in healthy circumstances, young students from poor families pursuit their beautiful future, and children from low-income families hold on to their dreams.

HCS will make even greater efforts to help and support those in need help and attention with your positive encouragement, support and prayer.

May God bless us all.



HCS President Kim, Dae-yul

Dear Friends and helpers:



The weather here remains hot daytimes, but we have cooler evenings and mornings. Soon the trees will turn scarlet and golden for our lovely fall weather. Just now everyone is busy getting ready for Chusok, the harvest festival. We will have 10 days of vacation and will have a good time with lots to eat and gifts to share for everyone. This year we have 58 families and single people who have "graduated" from Ilsan Center came and have a good time here in our Memorial Hall dormitory. We have 17 couples who have married other graduates and others who married outside.

Our staff has been busy preparing plans to rebuild some of our buildings to meet changing government requirements and make our home more suitable for our residents. We are so fortunate to have sufficient "Capital" funds due to the sale of our farm land, about 1 kilometer north of our center. It has taken a long time to decide how to remodel the hillside to accommodate our needs, but finally the decision has been made and we hope to begin about next February. Government requirements state we must have institutions with only 30 residents, and we have 220 at present! We have 2 institutions at present, our "Town" and "Home", but will have one or two more in the new plans. We receive about 70% of our operating expenses from Goyang City funds and at least 20% of the rest from sponsors and donations. Having more institutions will increase staff and finances to some degree. The new facilities will be more comfortable and have more space for the residents.

Recently we welcomed 6 very special visitors to Holt. They were 2 primary school students each from our "Dream Centers" in Cambodia, Mongolia and Tanzania. The teachers accompanying them were able to tell them about us. Our programs are small but growing. Koreans are happy to be able to help other poor countries as others helped them in the difficult years of the past.

We are so thankful for all your assistance over these 60 years of our care to these disabled people who didn't get adopted.

Sincerely in our Lord Jesus. Molly Holt, Chairperson

"Let not the wise man boast of his wisdom or the strong man boast of his strength or the rich man boast of his riches. But let him who boasts boast about this: that he understands and knows me, that I am the Lord, who exercises kindness, justice and righteousness on earth, for in these I delight."

Declares the Lord. Jer.9:24.

# I'm a petite woman, but I'm a mother as bright and strong as a spring bud

## Bom La of Seoul Kangaroo Store

Bom La. Such a unique and beautiful name. Asked what it meant, Bom answered, "My father named me because I was born in the spring ('bom' means 'spring' in Korean) and he wanted his new-born child to be seen ('bom' means 'see' in Korean) and loved by many." He sometimes expresses his regret for the misfortune of his precious daughter, saying that her life does not live up to her name. Nevertheless, Bom is feeling the joy of life again. Now at Kangaroo Store, you will be greeted by Bom's bright and confident smile that fills the world with happiness.



Bom took a vacation with her father and her daughter Ra-hee a while ago. She had a wonderful time, although she could not keep her mother out of her mind all the while. Unlike her father who has always worried about her but eventually came to support her decision, her mother seems to still have a hard time bringing out the courage to acknowledge her daughter's decision and the existence of her granddaughter. Bom said, "My parents found out when I was seven months pregnant. I promised them I'd put the baby up for adoption and moved into the shelter for unwed mothers. But I couldn't give up the baby as I felt it grow and move inside me. When I told them I would keep the baby, my parents got really upset. My father worried that I'd end up giving up the baby if I'm too overwhelmed by raising the child by myself. But now he believes in me." Bom regrettably confessed that, as her father had worried, she actually thought about giving up her daughter once when she was nine months old. Raising the baby alone was just too much for her that she started to empathize with her mother's worries. She felt like in hell especially when the baby was ill. Ra-hee once got dangerously sick from a wrong kind of powdered formula which someone at the shelter accidentally fed her, she was carried to the hospital's intensive care unit and attached to a airway connector. She barely survived and was diagnosed with developmental delay due to hypoxic respiratory failure. The baby had to go through rehabilitation treatment and still has a weak respiratory system because her lungs suffered a lot during the crisis. But now Bom is happy and even laughs out loud about her healthy 18-month old baby girl who weighs about 32 pounds. She said, "Honestly, my daughter's not the most beautiful baby in the world but she's really really adorable, isn't she? I myself was such an ugly baby that my grandmother used to say that my philtra was pretty because she wasn't able to lie but had to say something nice about the new-born baby. Ha! Ha! Comparing to her mother, my daughter's just an angel." She does not stop bragging about her daughter, showing us her pictures all the while, like all mothers do.

### **Bom is building her life as Ra-hee's mother and as an independent woman.**

Bom is like a friend or a daughter to customers visiting Kangaroo Store. They often bring some snacks for her and items for Ra-hee and share useful tips for raising a baby, while Bom shares their concerns in life and troubles with



their spouses and gives them truthful advices as any faithful friend would do. The trust and intimacy Bom has built with the customers increased the store's sales and even got her a job offer at another store. What a competitive salesperson! Bom explained, "I have no special skills as I'm new to this sales job but I try as hard as I can to have the customers feel welcome. Actually I receive more than I give from the customers, many of whom even celebrated my daughter's first birthday at the party HCS gave and filled my heart with a very precious thing called courage." Even though complaining customers sometimes give her a hard time, Bom has never been as peaceful and bright as she is how she used to see a therapist to soothe her depressed mind after child-birth, but now she has regained self-confidence and hope for the future ever since starting to work at the Kangaroo Store. Bom said, "I think I have been affected by the bright spirit of a lot of people I have met, particularly HCS counselors. We're like a family here unlike many other places where I worked. People here truthfully share my concerns and never even forget to bring me some leftover snacks after a get-together I couldn't join. The HCS President often visits here and talks to me. He didn't seem to be approachable at first but turns out to be such a humorous person that I laugh a lot when I'm with him. I would be a very wicked person if I were still depressed in such bright circumstances. I want to work here as long as possible. These are my family." As Bom's time in Kangaroo Store is due to end, however, she decided to become a practical nurse. She made the decision not only for the livelihood of her child and herself but also for the independent life as a woman and as a member of the society. She is Ra-hee's mother and a woman in her 20s who has blossomed.

# Finding Biological Family of Overseas Adoptees with SK Wyverns



A special baseball game took place at Incheon SK Happy Dream Park on August 27 when the cool breeze hinting the start of autumn started to blow. Since April, Baseball club SK Wyverns has contributed to improving social awareness on adoption by joining HCS for the campaign to find new families for children put up for adoption. The club devoted the whole match against Hanhwa on August 27 to overseas adoptees looking for their biological families.

SK Wyverns players and staff members wore uniforms with the names of ten overseas adoptees looking for their biological families. When players took the mound, the adoptees' photographs, their names and where they were found appeared on the scoreboard. The spectators also rooted for the adoptees, holding campaign banners. Besides, two overseas adoptees currently living in Korea joined the campaign event before the game. They were Tim Walker adopted to a U.S. family and Jong Petitjean to a Belgian family. The event started with a video clip showing Tim's story made by SK, followed by Jong reciting his essay appealing for attention to the campaign with the background music 'Spring of Hometown' performed by Holt Special School's Yegrina Orchestra which deepened the impression. Tim and Jong also threw out and hit the ceremonial first balls. They sent HCS a message expressing their gratitude for the wonderful opportunity and saying that they had a meaningful and happy day regardless of whether or not they could find their biological families.

The campaign with SK Wyverns has brought hope for overseas adoptees having been abandoned with no records on their biological families and exhausted by long years of futile searching. The baseball game also provided an opportunity for overseas adoptees living in Korea to naturally integrate into Korean society. All this could not have happened without the help of SK Wyverns. You can find the stories of the overseas adoptees looking for their biological families if you search for '희망더하기' on the portal website Naver ([www.naver.com](http://www.naver.com)). We hope that this campaign will lead to many happy stories with your attention and support.



## [Plus] An essay appealing attention for the campaign for overseas adoptees looking for their biological families

Hello everyone, My name is Jang Ha Da.  
 Since 1954 more than 150 000 children were adopted,  
 I am one of them.  
 If I was born in the next house, I could be sitting there in that stadium,  
 but I wasn't and I am standing here.  
 For us adoption is a fact but it was not our choice.  
 Today, many of us are in Korea, it is a fact but it is now our choice.  
 Korean adoptees are Koreans  
 We are eating different food but we have the same blood.  
 We are seeing things with another angle but we have the same eyes.  
 We grew up in different homes but we have the same parents.

Today we are looking for our roots, birth family and identity. It is a long road full of hope, loneliness and despair and we need to be surrounded by wonderful people. Guess what? Koreans are wonderful! You are wonderful! You are smart but humble, sometimes poor but always generous, one eye looking at the future one eye respecting the past. This is all about us: with our humility and your generosity, we just want to understand our past to build a healthy future. Be our guides, our teachers, help us to find our families and make us feel "welcome back home", a few minutes for you but an entire life meaning for us. We have been living without you for many years outside our land, so many years, thanks to our adoptive family we could grow with love, education and passion. Adoption is not a disease and symbol of sadness, it is all about destiny. You are here to cheer your team because you believe in the cheering power? Right? I also believe in it. Thanks for cheering for us too. Thanks to SK Wyverns and Holt who gave us an opportunity of mixing us together, between Koreans.

Written by Joo-yeon, Kim (Post Adoption Service Center)

# Sing Hakuna Matata!

It takes over 16 hours of flight from Korea to Tanzania. The country of Serengeti, a vast meadow featured in the animation 'Lion King,' and spreading toward the Indian Ocean is often called a jewel in Africa. Nevertheless, the lives of Tanzanian people are extremely poor contrary to the rich and beautiful nature. HCS established Holt Dream Center in such a far-away place because Tanzanian children were in desperate need of help in such dire circumstances. These are the stories of the children who knocked the door of Holt Dream Center with a strong yearning for learning.



## Tanzania, a jewel in Africa

The population of Tanzania is about 52 million, similar to the population of Korea. Unlike Korea, however, Tanzania is a very young country as half of the population is under 15 years old and the average age is 17.6. The average age of women having their first child is only 19.6 and maternal and infant mortality rates are very high. As in many other African countries, the aggregate number of the HIV/AIDS population is as many as 1.4 million in Tanzania as of the end of 2016 according to 'The World Fact Book' by the CIA. Aside from a small number of powerful and wealthy elite, the absolute majority of the people live below the poverty line. Tanzanian children are suffering in such dreadful circumstances.

## Children sing Hakuna Matata!

Tanzania Holt Dream Center is on the campus of United Africa University of Tanzania spreading over about 126-hectares of land. It used to take a long, rough trip to get there only two years ago but now the newly-built bridge makes it much easier to get there. The university includes various schools and affiliated institutions working together. The help and support of Yongin Leading Church in Korea, which had already worked in Tanzania, created a safe and favorable condition for HCS to establish the Holt Dream Center. Currently, Holt Dream Center is operated in classrooms of the IVY Elementary School managed by the church.

One of the most common images of Africa outsiders have would be that African people have a natural talent for singing and dancing. When we arrived at Tanzania Holt Dream Center, the children were practicing the songs they would perform at the opening ceremony. As expected, they sang beautifully with a wonderful natural harmony and moved their bodies as if the rhythm was in their blood. Although we could not understand the lyrics in Swahili, our ears clearly caught the words Hakuna Matata. Hakuna means 'no' and Matata 'problem,' which makes Hakuna Matata 'no problems' or 'everything's OK.'

In fact, everything is not OK in Tanzania. When we visited the houses of the children, we found no water and sewage systems, electricity, toilets, nor household goods. A family of seven or eight lived together in a dark and small



1 Opening ceremony of Tanzania Holt Dream Center  
2 Together with children

hut. They had no kitchens so that they built a fire with the branches they picked at the yard in front of the hut and cooked ugali made of corn flour in boiling liquid. Yet the children still sing Hakuna Matata. And here we are who do not know how to appreciate all the things we have.

Sponsoring those children could free them from hard labor, getting pregnant at such an early age and dropping out of school. Ardently wishing for a miracle in Tanzania, we sing Hakuna Matata!

Written by D J YOU (Director of Overseas Outreach Team)

## My Experience as a Volunteer at Holt International: Ilsan



Volunteering at the Holt School in Ilsan was a life-changing experience to say the least. Taking the long, tedious, two-hour commute from the heart of Seoul to the

green fields in the town of Ilsan was exhausting. Standing in the cramped subways, sitting too close for comfort by two strangers, sprinting to the subway car but missing it by mere seconds, it was at first, lots and lots of work. However, after getting off of the 9703 bus, while walking onto the Holt School campus, i was always overwhelmed with a sense of excitement and positivity.

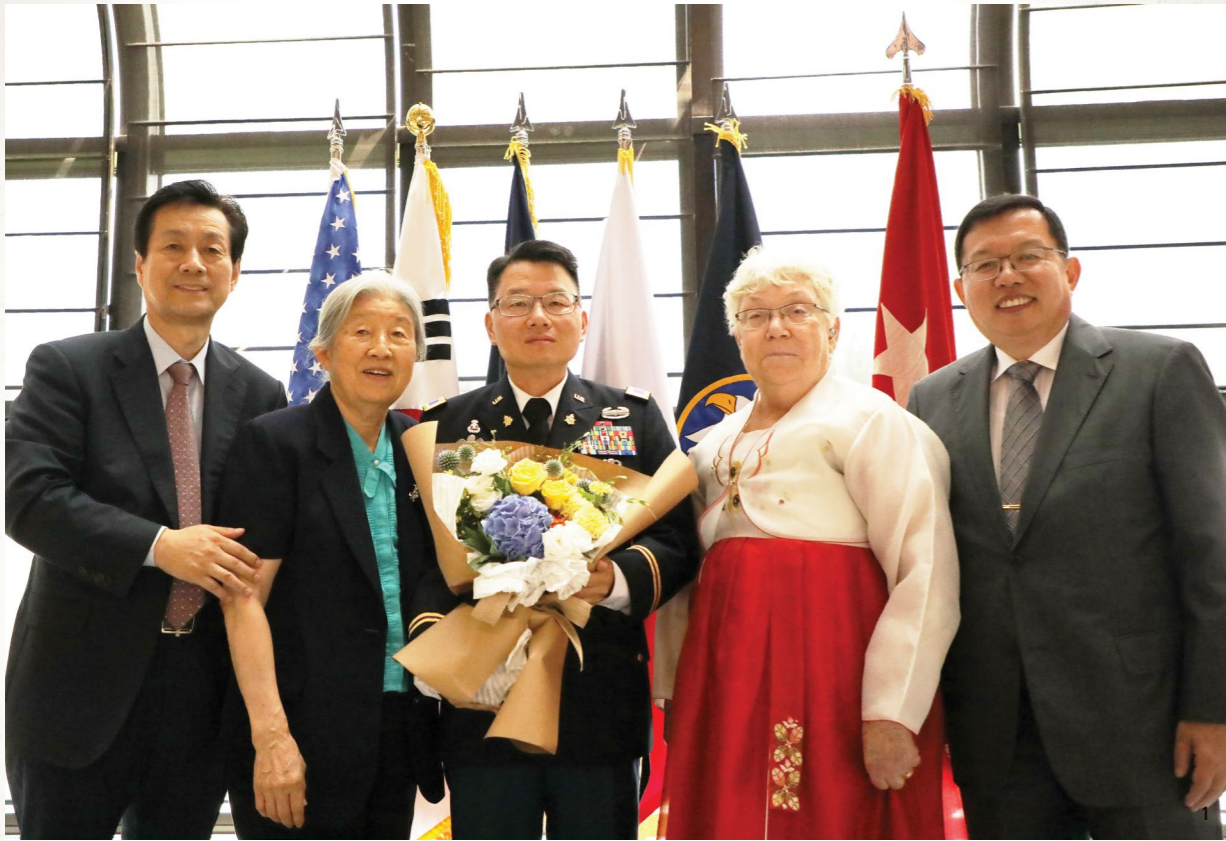
Residents walking to church, or residents taking an independent walk, would always greet me with such genuine, loving, and graceful energy. Those little gestures made the grueling times on the subway worth it. After stopping by the Molly House to drop off my backpack, I would walk over to the Love House, Hope House, Sharon House, etc., to start my day off. Holding two residents hands on each side, we would happily walk to the activity center, residents teeming with excitement to hang out with us. We would play games, play catch, take walks, eat ice cream, read books, make clay figures, color coloring books, go on the playground, and just laugh together while taking selfies. Sometimes residents would hug me out of nowhere, wrapping their arms around me saying that they love me. I went to Ilsan to volunteer, to help the residents, to encourage the residents, and to take care of them. Instead, they ended up changing me. Their kindness, selflessness, and ambitious personalities to persevere past their circumstances and differences empower me as an individual seeking approval from society.

I am beyond grateful for this experience, and will never forget the memories, bonds, and emotions that I developed throughout this short month. I hope to volunteer every year, as the Holt school holds a special place in my heart.



Written by Nadine

## Thanks to Holt!



One day in June, happy news came in the mailbox of HCS. It was from Cameron Song Sellers who attached a photograph of Chairperson Molly Holt, Honorary Director Cho, Byeong-guk of HCS's affiliated health clinic and himself taken at Holt Ilsan Center. He explained that he was found starved when he was a baby and stayed at Holt Ilsan Center until he was adopted by a family in the U.S. Then he invited Chairperson Holt and Honorary Director Cho to the ceremony where he would be promoted to a colonel.



Chairperson Molly and Honorary Director Cho answered that they would gladly accept his invitation for the meaningful occasion. On a sunny spring day, we joined the promotion ceremony of Colonel Cameron and we could not hide the excitement as the sun could not hide its light.

Currently, Colonel Cameron serves at Eighth Army of Deputy Director Army Reserve Engagement Team-Korea. The promotion ceremony took place at Dragon Hill Lodge inside the Eighth US Army's base and was attended by his family and friends, retired lieutenant generals and major generals.

Colonel Cameron explained in his speech the reason why he invited Chairperson Holt and Honorary Director Cho. He said, "Honorary Director Cho saved me and Chairperson Holt raised me. I wanted to let them know that I became a decent grown-up thanks to them and that their efforts for overseas adoption could be a blessing for many children. In the U.S. many people believe that we're all brothers and sisters in God's love even though we're not blood-related."

Colonel Cameron grew up to be a fine young soldier in the loving family and volunteered to serve in Korea. The moment he set his foot on Korean soil, he just fell in love with the country. He had always wanted to know more about his origin and it was incredible for him to feel so intimate with Korea that he even thought the country had been part of him all his life. He accepted the new situation and his new identity very naturally thanks to the support of his parents in the U.S. He said, "My parents have taken very good care of me. They have also encouraged and supported me to grow the identity as a Korean. I have never doubted I belong to my family. I couldn't even believe that I was born as a Korean when I first heard I had been adopted."

Colonel Cameron said that living in Korea is like an adventure. Even though it is unfortunate that he could not find his biological family yet, we truly hope that he can find them some day and fill the empty place on the map for his adventure.



# Global Festival for the Disabled 2018 PyeongChang Winter Paralympics



Paralympic Games are Olympics for the physically disabled. This rather narrowly-known event is one of the world's three Olympics for the disabled. The other two are Special Olympics for the intellectually disabled and Deaflympics for the hearing impaired. HCS has encouraged sports of the disabled under the collaboration with PyeongChang Organizing Committee for the 2018 Olympic & Paralympic Games agreed in June. Sports are essential for the treatment and rehabilitation of the disabled, but even more essential for their social participation and self-realization. With the 2018 PyeongChang Winter Paralympics soon to be held, it is time to look into sport activities of the disabled.

## From Seoul in 1988 to PyeongChang in 2018

The word 'Paralympic' was originally made of two words of 'paraplegic' meaning paralysis of lower half of body and 'Olympic.' As the meaning of disability had widened, the word 'parallel' was added to the current 'Paralympic.' It would be fair to say that the first Paralympic game was the archery championship intended to help the rehabilitation of the wounded soldiers in World War II. Since the Winter Paralympics had first been held in Örnsköldsvik, Sweden, in 1976, they have taken place every four years.

In fact, the 1988 Seoul Olympics played an important role in introducing Paralympics to Korean people. Koreana (best known for 'Hand in Hand,' the official song of the Seoul Olympics), Hodori (the official mascot of the Olympics) and the special torch were not the only things that made the Seoul games so special. It was the first time that Summer Olympics and Paralympics took place in the same city. Before that, the two had not been held at the same time in the same place. The 1988 Seoul Olympics and Paralympics shared opening and closing ceremonies and every facility as well as the sacred-torch relay for the first time.

## For an ideal society considerate to the disabled without prejudices

One of the positive results of the Seoul Paralympics was the improvement of the awareness of the society and the disabled themselves on disability. The registered number of the disabled in Korea increased from 90,000 to 0.5 million for the six months after the games. Changes of regulations regarding facilities for the disabled such as ramps and restrooms also improved the conveniences for the disabled. Although social awareness and support for the disabled is not yet enough, many improvements have

been made in social and legal terms thanks to the Seoul Paralympics. Nowadays, the disabled can use conveniences such as raised block for the blind and toilets for the disabled anywhere in the country. Now the Paralympics will soon be held in PyeongChang 30 years after the Seoul games. Yet the people's understanding of Paralympics is unduly insufficient despite their long history and tradition as well as the significance of challenging the disabilities and human limits. Only 25.4% of those surveyed by the Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism showed interest in PyeongChang Paralympic Games.

HCS and PyeongChang Organizing Committee hope that PyeongChang Paralympics can improve the social awareness on the disabled one step further. While 1988 Seoul Paralympics contributed to the changes of the circumstances for the disabled, 2018 PyeongChang Paralympics would be an opportunity to eliminate prejudices against the disabled and make a revolutionary improvement of social awareness. We hope PyeongChang Paralympics will be a global festival enjoyed and supported by all the people with or without disabilities.

\* Photographs and data provided by PyeongChang Organizing Committee for the 2018 Olympic & Paralympic Games



- 1 Yuna Kim, former figure skater and a two-time Olympic medallist of South Korea
- 2 The agreement ceremony for the collaboration between HCS and PyeongChang Organizing Committee for the 2018 Olympic & Paralympic Games
- 3 The official emblem incarnating a world filled with peace and hope beyond the differences of races, region and disabilities
- 4 Suho and Bandabi, the official mascots of the PyeongChang Games

Main Office

2017 Kumdonggi Leadership Camp



The Leadership Camp took place at Yongin Everland and Caribbean Bay from 18 to 19th of August for kumdonggis, the recipients of Dream & Hope project which supports education of children from families in crisis. The members of HCS's big donors' club Top Leaders and Holt ambassador Sean (rapper) joined the occasion to support the children.

The 11th Annual 'Beautiful Youth' Award Ceremony



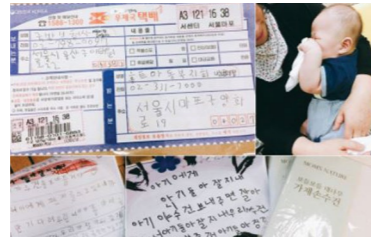
HCS held the 11th 'Beautiful Youth' Award ceremony on August 10. The award is intended to encourage promising young people moving forward toward their dreams. The eight selected 'beautiful youths' were granted 3 million won donations.

Award ceremony of foster mothers' photograph contest



Child Foster Team of HCS's Adoption Office held the award ceremony of foster mothers' photograph contest intended to honor the devotion and sacrifice of foster parents under the theme of 'You Are My Most Precious Memory.'

The Daycare Center of the Ministry of National Defense donated the profit from a bazaar



The Daycare Center of the Ministry of National Defense sent baby towels that the children at the center prepared with the help of their teachers for the babies fostered by HCS along with hand-written letters in July. This genuine gesture was very impressive.

Actress Park, Si-yeon appointed as HCS family



On May 29, actress Park, Si-yeon was appointed as the fifth Holt family following star lecturer Kim, Mi-gyeong, Ju, Yeong-hun (musician) and his wife Lee, Yun-mi (actress). Park said that she will work hard as an HCS family member and feel honored to be appointed.

Opening and signboard hanging ceremonies of Nepal Holt Dream Center



The opening and signboard hanging ceremonies of Holt Dream Center took place in Kalimati, Kathmandu, Nepal, on May 4, attended by Nepalese government officials, President Kim, Dae-yeol local residents and visitors of the center as well as the members of Angel Network, Suwon residents' volunteers' group.

KB Insurance agreed to collaborate with HCS for 365 Baby Care Kit



On May 2, KB Insurance agreed to collaborate with HCS for 365 Baby Care Kit, a project to provide single mothers with baby-caring necessities. KB Insurance donated 60 million won and the management and staff members volunteered to package the items for the project.

Community News

Holt Special School, Little concert with Richard Yongjae O'Neill and Dong Hyeok Lim

A little concert took place on May 23 to commemorate the appointment of violinist Richard Yongjae O'Neill and pianist Dong Hyeok Lim as Holt ambassadors for 'PyeongChang Special Music & Art Festival.' They beautifully performed with the choir and orchestra of Holt Special School.

Holt Ilsan Center's 'Love In Action' festival



'Love In Action' festival took place for raising rehabilitation fund and social awareness on June 23. Leading companies and volunteer groups participated in the special occasion with GS Retail donating its sales revenue at the festival as well as separate contribution. The festival's profit will all be used for the disabled.

Suyeong Community Service Center's 10th anniversary



Suyeong Community Service Center celebrated its 10th anniversary with about a thousand local residents and guests on July 27. The center promised to devote itself for the well-being of the residents and the community and changing the world for the better.

Mac Dental Hospital delivered its donation to Daegu Holt Community Service Center



Mac Dental Hospital delivered its fourth donation to be used as scholarship to the center on August 14. Director Cho, Yeong-jun of Mac Dental Hospital has donated 10 million won each year to support the education of young students.

Overseas adoptees in the U.S. visited Achimddeul



Overseas adoptees visiting Korea to search for their roots and biological families visited Achimddeul, the shelter for unwed mothers and their babies, on June 25. They experienced various Korean traditions and culture and had time to understand each other with the unwed mothers.

Guangju Clover's opening ceremony

Guangju Clover held its opening ceremony on May 25, attended by sponsors and heads of organizations in Guangju as well as about 80 local residents: Appreciation plaque was awarded; the big donors' club Top Leaders appointed new members; collaboration agreements were made with four entities including Eden Hospital; and various special performances took place.

Musical therapy program of Mapogu Service Center for Healthcare



The center operated musical therapy program intended to enhance creativity of children and communication between children and their parents until mid-June. The participants expressed themselves by playing various instruments and their great satisfaction with the program.

Jungdong Daycare Center's exhibition



The six-year-old children at the center exhibited their works for five weeks starting from July 15. Their works were themed as 'fairy tale characters' and 'making a book with family.' The parents could see their children demonstrate their creativity based on the books they had read.

Education for health teachers by Daegu Holt Psychological Therapy Center



The center held an intensive education program for health teachers of Korean Association for Children with Leukemia and Cancer (KACLC) on June 30 under the themes of 'parenting coaching, emotion coaching and communication skills.' They also had a special time reflecting 'my mother.'



## Welcome to Holt Guest House

We are open to :

- 1 Adoptees and their families visiting Korea.
- 2 Prospective adoptive parents visiting Holt.
- 3 Overseas and domestic pastors and missionaries.
- 4 sponsors and staff from overseas cooperative agencies

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 Twin : ₩70,000 / Family : ₩110,000  
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\*Holt tour Team can also make a hotel reservation for you

**Overseas Residents and foreign residents in Korea who would like to donate to Holt Children's Services can be a Holt sponsor through the methods below.**

### Via bank transfer

- **Bank** : SHINHAN BANK, SUHKYO-DON BRANCH  
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### For more information, contact Sponsorship Team

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\*Receipts and certificate are available but it is not possible to get an overseas tax benefit with those.

## 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**  
**Telephone: +82-2-331-7081/7082**

### "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.

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