



Thousands gather to commemorate late President Kim Il Sung at Pyongyang's Indoor Stadium.

## Nation celebrates Day of the Sun

PYONGYANG, April 14 (KCNA) -- A national meeting took place at the Pyongyang Indoor Stadium on Thursday to commemorate the 93rd birth anniversary of President Kim Il Sung. Present there were senior officials of the Party, the state and the army, chairpersons of the friendly parties, members of the Cabinet, servicepersons of the Korean People's Army, working people of all social strata in Pyongyang, delegations of overseas Koreans and other overseas Koreans in different regions.

Present on invitation were foreign diplomatic envoys, representatives of

international organizations here and foreign guests.

Kim Yong Nam, member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the Presidium of the Supreme People's Assembly of the DPRK, made a report at the meeting.

April 15, the birthday of Kim Il Sung, is the most significant and auspicious day when the dawn of liberation broke over Korea and a new era of Juche Korea opened up in the 5,000 year-long history of the nation and a holiday of the eternal sun as it brought a bright future and fortune to the life of the Korean people and progressive humankind, the reporter said, and went on:

Kim Il Sung was a genius of the revolution and construction who performed the undying feats for the era, the revolution, the country and

the people for a long period of 70 years with his outstanding ideas and leadership and through his dynamic revolutionary practices.

He discovered the principle of independence that one should make a revolution by believing in the strength of one's people and according to one's own view and founded the immortal Juche idea on this basis.

He developed and enriched the Juche idea with the fresh and profound ideological and theoretical treasures to establish the steadfast guiding idea of the era and, on its basis, clarified in an integral manner the theories, strategies and tactics concerning all stages and all sectors of the revolutionary struggle of the popular masses for independence and methodologies of the revolution.

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## KFA Website reaches 4 million hits monthly

The official website of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Korean Friendship Association, [www.korea-dpr.com](http://www.korea-dpr.com), is receiving more visitors than ever according to KFA International Counselor Bjornar Simonsen. In the month of April alone, the website generated 4,196,108 hits—an all-time

high for the first official DPRK website, which was unveiled in December of 2000.

The KFA has aimed to dispel myths about the DPRK and to confront the abundance of lies, misinformation and otherwise sensationalistic news stories produced by Western corporate

media. According to Simonsen, the surge in visits to the website reflects growing eagerness of people around the world to hear the DPRK side of things.

“The main motivation I think is to be as close to the ‘real thing’ as possible, to have the opportunity to have serious discussions with people

who really represent the DPRK,” said Simonsen.

Simonsen also pointed out that more people than ever are deciding to join the KFA, which “appeals to a large cross-section of societies because all we demand is that people respect other members and of course the country and the leaders.”

The result, said Simonsen, is a “forum of high-quality information and dedication” in which “any KFA member can expect to always receive help in obtaining information or even the possibility of traveling to the country and seeing with their own eyes what the society of the DPRK is like.”

“The Internet is central to our organization, since it is a fast, cheap and efficient way of staying in touch and exchanging information ranging from text, e-books, pictures and multimedia,” said Simonsen. Indeed, the KFA website provides an extensive database and wide assortment of resources for members and guests alike, including “an online forum, an e-Library and even a virtual Kim Il Sung e-university where people can take classes,” said Simonsen.

Advanced Internet technology is vital to sustaining the growing KFA by streamlining the administrative process and providing a space in which members from around the world can network, share ideas and plan activities.

“Our organizational structure, thanks to modern IT technology, is run like a professional multinational company, so members can be sure that they always get responses whenever they have questions by official delegates in their country,” said Simonsen.

For many individuals who do not yet have a KFA official delegation in their own native land, language is no barrier to discovering a wealth of information about the DPRK: the KFA website is now available in over 18 different languages.

## KFA-USA completes first medical shipment to DPRK

A shipment containing donations of medical supplies and pharmaceuticals sent by the KFA delegation in the US was received in Pyongyang on March 16.

According to Michel Watts, KFA-USA Official Delegate, the shipment was part of a medical relief program for the DPRK launched by the KFA-USA in an attempt both to alleviate the shortage of supplies and medicines experienced in the DPR of Korea, as well as to draw attention to the source of the shortages: ideologically motivated trade sanctions imposed by the US government.

US sanctions hamper not only the DPRK government’s efforts to provide adequate medical supplies for its people; they are also designed to prohibit US citizens from sending donations to the DPRK to help curb the effects of the sanctions. According to Watts, “shipping to the DPRK is difficult from the US due to sanctions,” and requires months of sorting through complicated bureaucratic procedures and paperwork in order to gain clearance from US authorities. In the end, however, the KFA-USA managed to cut through the red tape. “We overcame the obstacles and were able to successfully and legally ship the supplies to the DPRK,” said Watts.

According to Watts, the history of the KFA-USA medical relief program for the DPRK originated with the 2004 KFA Reunification March, when a physician from the US donated medicines and supplies to DPRK health officials in an effort to alleviate the shortage of materials faced by the DPRK medical system under harsh US sanctions.

In the year following the Reunification March, KFA-USA has



*“Make an unprecedented upsurge in production as in the period of the Great Chollima Upsurge!”*

The DPR of Korea is making tremendous strides toward revitalizing the nation’s economy in the era of Songun. Koreans today are laying the foundation for a new day of national prosperity after over a decade of hardships arising from the US government’s longstanding campaign to destabilize and destroy the DPRK’s socialist system.

While all Koreans are working hard to achieve an acceleration of national economic development in the spirit of the Great Chollima Upsurge of the 1950s, agricultural stabilization is vital to realizing Socialist Korea’s full economic potential. The Korean Friendship Association (KFA) is raising funds to supply fertilizers to the Kochang Cooperative Farm, Nampho Province, to assist in Korea’s agricultural recovery. For more information, visit:

[www.korea-dpr.com/donation.htm](http://www.korea-dpr.com/donation.htm)

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worked hard to gather the medical supplies and pharmaceuticals most needed in the DPRK. According to Watts, KFA-USA is constantly seeking donors and volunteers to ensure that relief shipments to the DPRK can continue. "We would definitely welcome any offers of medicines and/or medical books," said Watts. Those who do not have access to medicines can also donate money to the KFA-USA to help purchase medicines and supplies, or to cover the high costs of shipping. "A 55 lb box costs about 320 USD to ship to the DPRK," Watts pointed out.

While relief shipments play an important role in helping the Korean people cope with shortages of supplies, an actual end to the shortages can only be achieved when the US government revises its reckless and inhumane policies toward the DPRK. The KFA has called upon the US government to rescind its longstanding trade sanctions and other efforts aimed at destabilizing and damaging the DPRK socialist system so that the DPRK can fully realize its economic potential and put an end to the shortages once and for all.

Those interested in contributing to the KFA-USA medical relief program may write to [usa@korea-dpr.com](mailto:usa@korea-dpr.com).

## KFA unveils Galician website



KFA-Spain, under the direction of Zone Delegate David Culebras Sanchez-Biedma, has unveiled a Galician-language website providing information about the Korean Friendship Association and the DPR of Korea.

The website, accessible at <http://www.korea-dpr.com/users/galicia>, includes pages on Korean culture, politics,

economics, and history, among other topics.

## KFA president interviewed by south Korean press

Korean Friendship Association president Alejandro Cao de Benos was interviewed in April by Choi Sun-young, staff writer of the JoongAng Daily, a south Korean publication of the JoongAng Ilbo group. The article can be accessed at <http://joongangdaily.joins.com/pdf/pdfdata/2005/04/18/2005041808.pdf>

## Conference on Songun politics and Korean Reunification held in Barcelona



KFA President Alejandro Cao de Benos (third from left) speaking at the March 18 conference.

BARCELONA: A conference on Songun politics and Korean Reunification was held on March 18 under the sponsorship of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Spain at Barcelona's House of Asia. Attendance at the conference exceeded 50, with extensive press and broadcast coverage. Korean Friendship Association President and DPRK Special Delegate Alejandro Cao de Benos, as well as professors Kim Kang Chol and Pak Chon Song of the Foreign Languages University of Pyongyang, were present.

According to Cao de Benos, the conference was a "big success" and generated many questions regarding recent issues on the Korean peninsula as well as high interest in travel to the DPRK. The conference also succeeded in strengthening relations between the DPRK and Spain, and opened the door to cultural exchanges between the DPRK and Spain's Catalan region. "Visits of more DPRK language experts [to Catalan] are already scheduled," said Cao de Benos.

## Pyongyang Foreign Languages University to create Catalan language department

BARCELONA: The Foreign Languages University of Pyongyang will create the first Catalan language studies department in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK), an initiative that will enjoy the support of the Catalan government and the Autonomous University of Barcelona (UAB).

In recent declarations to the EFE News Agency, Alejandro Cao de Benos, Special Delegate of the DPRK government, explained that collaboration with Catalonia will be vital to achieving the pioneering project, as Catalonian authorities will provide Catalan language resources while financing instructors who will conduct courses in Pyongyang.

Cao de Benos, a native Catalan from Tarragona who was the first foreigner in DPRK history to serve as a Special Delegate of the DPRK government in foreign countries, emphasized the DPRK authorities' interest in "having cultural ties with Catalonia, one of the most important communities in Spain."

According to Cao de Benos, more than 2,000 individuals have attended the Pyongyang Foreign Languages University to learn Spanish. "I'm sure

that a university chair of the Catalan language will be very interesting for many students," he said.

Cooperation between the Foreign Languages University and the UAB commenced last semester when two professors from the university, Kim Kang Chol and Pak Chong Song, enjoyed an unprecedented stay in Barcelona to pursue their Hispanic Philology studies.

"The experience has been a success and we hope that in the future there will be more exchanges of Catalan and North Korean teachers," Pak Chon Song recently told the EFE news agency. Pak has also participated in Catalan language courses.

"The language, culture and history of Catalonia have been very interesting for us. We have compiled materials and when we return to North Korea we will pursue the creation of a university department of Catalan language studies in Pyongyang. Also, we want to bring North Korean teachers to Catalonia to learn the language of the country," said Pak.

## Preventive work against Bird Flu

PYONGYANG, April 8 (KCNA) -- Efforts to prevent bird flu are going on in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. Ro Tu Chol, chairman of the State Emergency Veterinary and Anti-Epizootic Committee, told KCNA that about 200 emergency committees have been formed and emergency vaccinations against bird flu applied to all poultry farms.

Chicken plants where bird flu broke out incinerated and buried affected chickens to suit the rules of the OIE, the France-based epizootic disease office.

Traffic around the plants is blocked up and outsiders are forbidden to enter the areas. And all

flocks of henhouses proved positive by elizakit are incinerated and buried. Fowls and processed fowls are quarantined thoroughly in the border areas and at harbors and airports.

Marketing of poultry and eggs is not allowed.

Posts have been installed to observe migrants coming into and staying in the country and excrements of birds examined in a veterinary way.

Veterinaries under the Ministry of Agriculture, in cooperation with experts dispatched to the country by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), have reexamined the chicken plants from April 4 on the basis of the standard serum, antigen and elizakit.

## Water resources conserved in DPRK

Pyongyang, March 21 (KCNA) -- Various activities are being conducted in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea on the occasion of the World Day of Water (March 22). Water is one of the crucial issues which draw public interest because they challenge humankind in the 21st century.

With the approach of this day, the Central Committee of the DPRK Natural Conservation Union has launched a campaign to inform people of the importance of water in human life and its conservation and management through mass media.

Some days ago, the union sponsored a joint seminar of the Water Protection Association and the Forest Conservation Association on measures and ways for scientific and rational management and effective utilization of the River Taedong basin. It was participated in by scientists, researchers, teachers, officials of administrative and economic bodies and relevant experts.

The DPRK adopted the Water

Resource Law long ago and has consistently adhered to the principle of letting no drop of water emptying into the sea without use.

Efforts are concentrated on river improvement projects during the period of general mobilization for land management in spring and autumn so as to make an effective use of all the water resources as drinking, industrial and irrigation water.

Man-made reservoirs and large and minor hydro-power stations have been built in different parts of the country to enrich the water resources of the country.

What is noteworthy in recent years is the construction of artificial rivers.

The self-running Kaechon-Lake Thaesong Waterway has brought 100-million cubic meters of water from the River Taedong as irrigation and industrial water over the last two years since its construction. And the Paekma-Cholsan Waterway project will soon be completed to irrigate fields in the northwestern part of the country.

## World Health Day observed in DPRK



DPRK medical workers perform house-calls.

PYONGYANG, April 8 (KCNA) -- A meeting for discussing issues related to the health of mothers and children was held at the People's Palace of Culture in Pyongyang on April 7, the World Health Day. The meeting fully showed that the mothers and children have enjoyed a

good medicare system in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

At the meeting, Vice-director of the Pyongyang Maternity Hospital Pak Song Suk said their health has been well protected under the free medicare system established by the DPRK government, and continued:

More than 500,000 mothers die of pregnancy-related diseases and 10.6 million children, 40 percent of them being babies, lose their lives in the world every year.

But in the DPRK, where the women have rights equal to men, women delivered of children enjoy special benefits.

Besides regular and supplementary vacations they have a maternity leave at state expense. During the leave they receive food, stable living conditions and maternity allowance equivalent to their monthly wages irrespective of the length of service.

The maternity hospitals in Pyongyang and provinces and the people's hospitals at all levels provide women with full medical service such as consultations on 22 occasions and delivery.

Since the Pyongyang Maternity Hospital was opened, leader Kim Jong Il has sent to it more than 90 installments of modern medical equipment, medicines and tonics needed for babies and their mothers.

Ri Hyon Ju, head of Kim Jong Suk Weekly Creche, spoke of the advantage of the socialist upbringing and education system of children established in the DPRK, saying that there are medical workers responsible for children's health at all nurseries, kindergartens and schools in all areas of the country including even remote mountainous and island villages.

She added that there are children's wards at all hospitals ranging from state hospitals to the ri people's hospitals and a nutrition supply system including children's nutritive foodstuff institutes and factories.

The government has paid a

primary attention to providing children with food good for their growth.

The participants in the meeting vowed to make the popular policies of the Workers' Party of Korea and the government further pay off and underscored the need to strengthen cooperation with the WHO in the efforts to finally solve the issue of mothers and children.

## Taeon Friendship Glass Factory under construction



Workers at the Taeon Friendship Glass Factory attend a rally.

PYONGYANG, March 16 (KCNA) -- The Taeon Friendship Glass Factory which is under construction amid the deep concern of the peoples and builders of the DPRK and China has begun to show its imposing appearance. Builders and technicians of the two countries have dynamically pushed forward the construction of the factory in a little more than eight months since the successful blasting involving one million cubic meters of earth.

As many as 1.2 million cubic meters of earth has been moved to bring into shape the building lot extending more than 200,000 square meters. And workshops of the factory have vied with each other in springing up.

The builders completed the assembling of the steel structures of the melting and moulding shops earlier than schedule. Then they wound up the assembling of the steel trusses of the moulding shop, and are

now speeding up the concrete tamping of the groundwork of the slow-cooling shop and goods stores at the final stage.

With the fast progress of the construction of the main production building, which may be called the heart of the factory, a definite prospect has opened for an earlier completion of the overall construction.

The builders in charge of the subsidiary system have completed in high quality the concrete tamping of the skeletons of the sand-screening system including the sediment basin, the circulating water pond and the silico-sand pumping station. They are now pushing ahead with the construction of the industrial water purification ground.

Soldier builders have set about the construction of the garnet and soda storehouses after successively winding up the concrete tamping of the skeleton of the sand-screening system and the building of the rail roadbed.

Going along with the construction of the factory are the building of roads in its compound and tree-planting. Thousands of trees of good species have already been planted and roads are stretching in and around the factory compound.

## Comprehensive DPRK tourist information webpage unveiled

The World Tourist Directory has launched a webpage featuring extensive information for those wishing to travel to the DPR of Korea. The webpage includes information on DPRK tourism agencies, outdoor and recreational opportunities, transportation options and links to Korean news sources.

The World Tourist Directory serves as "the world's most comprehensive tourism information

online directory for the international travel community and the traveling consumer," according to the [WorldTourismDirectory.com](http://WorldTourismDirectory.com).

## Measures for protecting rare animals undertaken in DPRK

PYONGYANG, March 10 (KCNA) -- The Democratic People's Republic of Korea has directed great efforts to protecting and increasing animals which are rare and in danger of becoming extinct. In recent years the government has taken various measures to reset reserves in the country and set up new reserves for the animals in danger of extinction.

Good conditions have been provided so as to protect and propagate some 200 species of rare animals including Korean tiger, sable, deer, moose, bear, *Tadorna cristata*, white-bellied black woodpecker, *Eumeces coreensis*, *Salamandrella keyserlingii* and *Salvelinus malma m. chonjiensis*.

Among the new ones is the natural reserve of Mt. Kwanmo (2,540 meters high above the sea level) in the northeastern part of the country for such rare animals living in the northern area as the Korean tiger, bear, goral and sable.

Researchers of the Central Zoo have made many achievements in the scientific research for proliferation of animals outside the habitats.

Typical of the animals are Korean tiger, bear and *Grus japonensis*.

The government has also taken concrete measures for protecting and propagating crane and spoonbill, each accounting for about 1,000 in East Asia.

All the good habitats on the way of the migratory birds have been set up as their reserves.

Deep attention has been paid to the proliferation of new ecological species of animals. Typical of them is

*Salvelinus malma m. chonjiensis*.

Ichthyologists of the country took fries of char to Lake Chon on Mt. Paektu from rivers to adapt them to the climatic and hydrological conditions and ecological environment of the lake and thus bred a new species of char.

The new one grows as big as over 85 centimeters, far larger than other species of char. It inhabits in the highest place (2,200 meters above the sea level) in the southern tip of the Eurasian continent.

A deep-going study is being conducted into *Salvelinus malma m. chonjiensis* as fish protected in the international biosphere reserves.

## Special: An "outpost of tyranny"?



North Korea's famed mass gymnastics displays embody the single-hearted unity of the Korean people.

## Bush accusations laughable

By James Hill

The lying Bush administration propaganda machine is entirely predictable in its relentless spread of fear among the American people and the people of other countries that have been subjugated and made dependant upon the wishes and commands of the Bush administration. This fear is reinforced

with a steady stream of invective, false claims and insults that are entirely reminiscent of propaganda tactics from other periods in Western history and has now become equally identifiable with the present administration of the US. These mind numbing tactics have rendered the reasoning powers of the average US citizen to be receptive to any negative proposition laid before them concerning the DPRK. A reminder of this cynical technique can be recalled from the recent seemingly endless mantra from Bush concerning "WMD's" and other lies that poured from his mouth to enable him and his "allies" to justify the invasion of Iraq on their way to other "axis of evil" conquests in Asia.

This unsustainable quest by Bush and his hangers-on, seeking global power and domination, is driven by the blind and foolish belief that happiness and the silence of their people can best be obtained by increasing the consumption of material goods and encouragement of gluttonous behavior. This outright bribe of excess for their people is at the cost of plundering other countries and squandering the world's reserves of raw materials and an attendant increase in global pollution and poverty. This self-inflicted floundering for a solution by the Bush administration is in turn supported by a complex information maze where at every turn the truth starved and dogma trapped American people are assuaged by frequent reference to "God," "God's" will, "prayer," "democracy and freedom," and supposed "atrocities" being committed in the DPRK. These include insults of a personal nature against the people and leadership of the DPRK.

Is it any surprise that the DPRK has had to equip itself with every means of defending itself from this ever-present threat of invasion by the US administration and their collaborators? This threat, along with

the imposition of sanctions, have existed for over 50 years and any researcher would be very hard pressed to find any similar threats being issued by the DPRK against any other nation during this same period.

A clear promise by the DPRK has been repeatedly issued to the US government over the years that it will defend its sovereign territory and right to exist and fight to the last man, woman and child against any attempt of invasion. Indeed, there is growing support for the Korean people's right of self-defense from every country in the world offering assistance to the DPRK during this current period of bullying and banal level of insults by the US.

In the event of an invasion by the US, there are many volunteers from these countries who will travel immediately to the DPRK to fight shoulder to shoulder with our brave friends and comrades. Volunteers will gladly forfeit their lives in defense of the DPRK and for the right of the brave Korean people to live their lives in freedom within a unified Korea and in accordance with their belief in a clean and moral lifestyle that has no match in the West. What we have to contend with is fighting a disease whose objective is global domination and suppression or extinction of the world's other cultures and beliefs. All in exchange for a tawdry, greedy, immoral and shallow way of life to facilitate the selfish gratification of a few power hungry and corrupt western leaders to whom the exercise of humanity in the consideration of others is an alien concept. Such bullies only understand the uncompromising language of a strong military retaliation and the certainty that there will be a crushing immediate response from the DPRK to any attempt at invasion of their sovereign country.

Therefore, the claim by Bush and his administration that the DPRK is "an outpost of tyranny" is laughable

in the extreme. Perhaps that should be our reply to them – bullies and liars do not like to be laughed at. Sensible discussions on equal terms may then be possible if a willingness to work together in a constructive manner is expressed by Bush and if he apologizes for his disturbing behavior.

## US policy on DPRK misguided

By Bjornar Simonsen

On the 10th of February, the Korean Central News Agency released a statement by the DPRK Ministry of Foreign Affairs about the "nuclear issue" and the serious situation created by the US hostile policy towards the DPRK.

I have followed the developments of this issue for several years and closely read all reports, both from the DPRK and western media. After analyzing all the information, it is clear that the US is severely misguided about the whole situation, and I can understand why the US policy has totally failed in all ways for years, except only to further escalate the crisis.

The DPRK decision to withdraw from the NPT because the US failed to deliver the two Light-Water Reactors (LWR) and other terms of the Agreed Framework from 1994 is the only just and logical decision, since the DPRK is a sovereign nation who has every right to re-start its own nuclear energy plant to provide energy for its people, who already endured in years patiently waiting for the US to fulfill its bargain, which it never did.

The US, however, has interpreted this move completely without evaluating its own responsibility in this case, since nowhere in US press releases does the US take any responsibility for creating this situation in the first place, by breaking the Agreed Framework and

failing to deliver the finished LWR's to the DPRK and nowhere is there any debate about the US role. The reason being:

*"The US government is convinced that its purpose is to seek 'regime change' in any and all countries it does not agree with, thus meddling with other countries' internal matters with violence to force people toward the US way of life."*

At the time the DPRK withdrew from the NPT, and the world wondered why this happened, the US created a hysteric wave of disinformation in the international community and made all sorts of false accusations against the DPRK, while the US ran away from its responsibility of trying to fix the problem, they cowardly badmouthed the DPRK as if the Agreed Framework never happened they way it did.

The US government is convinced that its purpose is to seek "regime change" in any and all countries it does not agree with, thus meddling with other countries' internal matters with violence to force people toward the US way of life. It is strange for a country like the US, which has so many problems within its own borders, with some of the highest crime rates of any country, with so many guns, drugs, violence and internal problems, seems so interested in trying to solve other countries' issues instead of their own. The US government should clean up its own home, and put soldiers in its own streets.

The DPRK is a sovereign nation that will not be enslaved by US invaders. The US is well advised to

stay away from DPR Korea, or the US will certainly march to their deaths. The US should instead promote peaceful relations with other countries after first solving all their own problems, which are the worst in the world.

The US has made accusations that the DPRK would spread nuclear weapons if it had nuclear weapons. Such a statement is laughable, spoken by a country which is the world's largest maker and proliferator of nuclear weapons. Also, the US did not protest when other, less stable countries, like India and Pakistan, obtained nuclear weapons. The DPRK is the most stable country in the whole world, having the most advanced democratic society in the world in terms of humanity and social values. Nowhere else in the world will you find such a friendly people who take so much care of each other.

The DPRK is not a hostile nation, nor has it ever invaded any another country in its history. The US cannot boast of accomplishing even one year of peace with the world without some of its soldiers in constant conflict in a foreign country. The US creates more problems than it solves. That has become even more apparent with the installment of the second Bush period.

The September 11 disaster was a tragedy for all mankind, and people from many nations died in the World Trade Center that morning. However, the world has not become a safer place; indeed there is no evidence that terrorism has been reduced. There is now more hatred towards the US in the world than ever before. This is proof that the US policy is wrong, and it hurts even the US people and its children for generations to come.

It is clear that the US needs to change its way of doing foreign relations so as to promote peace, not conflict, and try to have friendly relations with nations like the DPRK, who always have shown patience

towards the US, in spite of the horrible atrocities committed by the US in the past and in more recent years with war crimes being committed against the people of other nations.

The patience of DPR Korea shows that the spirit of the Korean People will survive every hardship, and no matter what happens, the Korean People will be victorious, and the reunification of the whole Korean peninsula will happen very soon. The further the US puts pressure on the DPRK, the more determined it gets in reaching its goal of peace, reunification and national independence at all costs. In South Korea, where growing awareness and the people's desire for reunification with their brothers and sisters in the North are increasing, the process of realizing reunification has already begun.

The courageous Korean people with their invincible army and single-hearted unity led by Comrade Kim Jong Il will remain independent at all costs. A commitment to preserving the sovereignty of the Korean nation is shared by every Korean soldier and citizen, as well as many of DPR Korea's friends around the world.



*"The Bush Administration has called the DPRK an 'outpost of tyranny.' What do you think?"*

The Bush administration calling the DPRK an "outpost of tyranny" is nothing but an expression of deep frustration. The DPRK stands firmly in the way of US imperialism and is leading the way for a better, more

peaceful world—not the world of wars created by the US.

**Brajesh Kumar Satya**  
South Korea

Today the US imperialists are working feverishly to impose the so-called "American way of Life" on the whole world and those countries which refuse to go along with this are branded as "outposts of tyranny." The DPRK bears the brunt of the latest propaganda offensive not only because of its determined and unbending stance over the "nuclear issue" but because it has its own independent Juche based socialism centered on the people and now guided by the Songun idea.

**Dermot Hudson**  
Official Delegate  
KFA-UK

For the Bush Administration, a tyranny is any country where the police can't cudgel the workers.

**Livio Schiano di Cola**  
KFA Italy

North Korea is a country where everybody can choose his own fortune, where the people under the wise leadership of the Great Leader Kim Il Sung and the Dear Leader Kim Jong Il have built a modern socialistic society. The Korean people are ready to defend their achievements and their freedom. It is enough to look into the happy faces of DPRK citizens to understand whether the DPRK is really an "outpost of tyranny."

**Alexander Shinkarevsky**  
Official Delegate  
KFA-Israel

In my opinion, the title "the last outpost of tyranny" best fits the United States Army in Iraq, and not the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

**Victor Degiovanni**  
KFA-Malta

The United States of America just needs to take one big long look in the mirror to realize that there is no larger outpost of tyranny than itself. I pity the US population and all those around the world who are fooled by Western media and cannot see the truth behind this goodwill show the US is performing.

**Eugene Martin**  
Cyprus

Isn't it rather odd that the people of a country that is supposed to have a tyrant for a leader and a food shortage are living so well? I think the only reason that the American president is focusing so much on the DPRK is because the situation at home is so bad and he is trying to change the subject. Bush is trying to have people stop looking at Iraq, a terrible mistake that it is, but toward North Korea as the next target—a target which Bush would never win.

**Sindri M Stephensen**  
Official Delegate  
KFA-Iceland

It's clear to me that the USA is an outpost of tyranny, not the DPRK.

**Voland**  
Official Delegate  
KFA-Russia

North Korea has as much right as the USA to name outposts of tyranny. North Korea does not invade sovereign nations for economic purposes. North Korea does not hold people in foreign nations in military prisons without trial.

**Paul Ness**  
KFA-UK

Obviously, calling the DPRK an "outpost of tyranny" is just another example of the Bush administration seeking to demonize North Korea through catchy name calling.

**Stefan Kenehan**  
KFA-USA

## DAY OF THE SUN Cont'd



Pyongyangites celebrate the Day of the Sun

In the early period of his revolutionary activities he taught truth that the army of the revolution provides a sure guarantee for realizing the national desire of the Korean people. He set out the idea and line on attaching importance to arms and, on its basis, created armed ranks and waged the anti-Japanese armed struggle, thus achieving the historic cause of the liberation of the country and establishing the brilliant revolutionary traditions of the WPK.

Under his wise guidance the army and people of the DPRK could win a historic victory in the Fatherland Liberation War hard fought against the invasion by the U.S. imperialist aggressors who boasted of being the "strongest" in the world, honorably defend the freedom and independence of the country and set a worldwide example in the anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. struggle.

He led to victory the two anti-imperialist revolutionary wars in a generation with the might of the army of Mt. Paektu under the banner of the Juche idea, liberating the country and firmly defending the freedom and independence of the country. These are the political and military miracles wrought by Kim Il Sung, a military genius and illustrious commander born of Heaven, on behalf of the era, the revolution, the country and the people.

He thoroughly applied the Juche-based revolutionary theories and line, successfully carried out the deep-going social revolution at the two stages and thus freed the Korean people from exploitation and oppression for good, achieved their socio-political independence and built socialism centered on the popular masses, independent in politics, self-supporting in economy and self-reliant in national defence, on this land where once centuries-old backwardness and poverty prevailed.

His revolutionary life is characterized by his total dedication as he devoted his indefatigable efforts to the uniform development of the nation and the cause of global independence.

He set out the idea and theory on global independence, encouraged the world progressive people to turn out in the struggle to build a new independent world by their concerted efforts against the domination and subjugation of the imperialists, thus opening a bright prospect of the revolutionary people struggling for independence.



Pyongyang decorated in celebration of the Day of the Sun

The revolutionary feats he performed in the annals of the Juche revolution are the results of his total dedication he made to the people, considering it as his maxim to believe in the people as in Heaven and a successful pyramid built by him in making a great history as he explored an untrodden path of revolution, pulling through all hardships with his strong faith and will of Juche.

His revolutionary cause is being successfully carried forward and developed by leader Kim Jong Il and the President's revolutionary history is given steady continuity under the leadership of the WPK.

Kim Jong Il made a profound analysis and review of the whole history of the development of the preceding revolutionary theories and, on this basis, formulated the revolutionary idea of the President as an integral system of the idea, theory and method of Juche and proclaimed it as the guiding idea of the revolution in the era of independence.

He has developed and enriched the revolutionary idea of the President with original ideological and theoretical treasures and successfully embodied it, thus putting the revolutionary cause of Juche on a higher stage.

He completed the Juche-based theory on socialism at a time when the imperialists and renegades were becoming all the more pronounced in their moves to abuse socialism and thus paved a wide avenue for building socialism centred on the popular masses. He provided the June 15 North-South Joint Declaration, thereby opening a watershed phase for an early accomplishment of the cause of national reunification, true to the behests of the President.

The reporter called upon all the Party members, servicepersons and people to hold the President in high esteem as the eternal sun of Juche, defend Kim Jong Il politically and ideologically and at the cost of their lives and firmly and become the Songun revolutionary comrades sharing the idea and intention and destiny with him on the road of the Songun revolution.

***“The motive power to bring the dawn of national reunification is our wisdom, will and strength.”***  
**Chairman Kim Jong Il**

## Kim Il Sung’s life: an example to follow

By Bjornar Simonsen



The late President Kim Il Sung was a faithful servant of the people

A famous painting depicts Kim Il Sung sitting and reading on a hill, gazing out towards the sea. On his lap is a book.

Indeed, Kim Il Sung was an idealist and revolutionary ever since his early years, and many people who were alive at the time could witness that the young Kim Il Sung was always reading something. Today, people visit his favorite tree in Mangyongdae, where he used to sit and study, and remember that the victory of the nation and the revolution against the Japanese and US Imperialists began right under that tree, with hard study.




The important lesson to derive from the life of Kim Il Sung is to pursue education through personal study. It is never too late to begin reading, and young people as well as old people should read many books on a wide range of subjects to broaden their horizons. Only through rigorous studies can an individual build a strong intellect, and intelligence is needed to heighten revolutionary awareness and build a strong defense against imperialism by providing a solid framework for

doing revolutionary work in one’s daily life.

The most important lesson of all which Kim Il Sung has taught us is that with your own two hands, you can accomplish anything. But Kim Il Sung also realized that the mind, just as the rest of the body, needs exercise. And so Kim Il Sung has taught us yet another valuable lesson in life—that reading and exercising one’s intellect will increase a person’s potential.

This man-centered philosophy is the foundation of the Juche ideology, which holds that a man by himself is a master of his own destiny, and that there is no limit to what a man can accomplish. Though a son of a poor family, born into the despair and suffering of a society in the hands of the Japanese imperialists, the young Kim Il Sung started fighting not with a sword, but with a book. He proved once and for all times until eternity that a positive mind conquers everything even amongst despair and loss.

  
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