



Women's Federation for World Peace

Austrian Chapter
2007
Annual Report

WOMEN'S FEDERATION FOR WORLD PEACE

A movement for women who wish to invest their talents for the realisation of peace and true love in their families, in the society and in the world.

The Association was founded on 2nd December 1992 as the official representative in Austria of the Women's Federation for World Peace International. The purpose of the association is to support women to win a new self consciousness of their original value, which is not less than that of man but indeed of a different nature. A healing of the individual self-confidence of women facilitates a healing of her relationship to man and thus a renewal of families and the society.

The methods to reach these goals are:

- Friendship and exchange among women, beyond barriers of culture, race, religion etc.
- Research and development of a new ethic, which makes the solution of problems on all levels possible – from the personal to the global.
- Service to neighbours, to produce the unity of theory and practice.
- Education and Training to face the challenges of, to understand and to actively contribute to the formation of the constantly changing world.

In March 1994 the Women's Federation for World Peace began with international sisterhood events for women to create a foundation for a common future in peace and harmony – The Bridge of Peace!

The problems of the world can only be solved by the logic of love. WFWP attained ECOSOC Advisory status and is active in United Nations NGO Committee, projects and activities.

Activities of the Women's Federation for World Peace

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- Regular discussion meetings – Health, English conversation,
- Establishment of Working Group: Dignity of Women
- Seminars e.g. „Zeit zum Wachsen“
- Intercultural Events - Japan, Kasachstan, Tibet, Palestine
- Participation in International Symposia and Congress - Korea, Geneva, Middle East
- Religious Youth Service (RYS) – Youth for Peace, Bridges to Bethlehem, Kenya Project
- United Nations

For further information see: www.herzundhand.at

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Women and men are of equal value but different in nature.

We see marriage as holy and the core family (Mother – Father – child/ren) as the ideal norm for a healthy society.

Purity in marriage and marital fidelity are a noble goal and aid our youth to live their lives constructively, healthily and more goal orientiert.

Families need to be educated in issues of parenthood, partnership.

Every woman has the right to recognition of her true value independent of her national or other origin.

We seek to overcome the barriers of intolerance to stand for a world of peace together with men.

Conflict resolution should begin with dialogue and reconciliation, then repentance and forgiveness instead of violence.

STATUTES

see www.herzundhand.at/statuten.htm

• Die Kontaktaufnahme und Zusammenarbeit mit Personen und Organisationen mit ähnlicher Zielsetzung.

§ 3. MITTEL ZUR ERREICHUNG DES VEREINSZWECKES:

(1) Der Vereinszweck soll durch die in Abs. 2 und 3 angeführten ideellen und materiellen Mittel erreicht werden.

(2) Als ideelle Mittel dienen:

(A) Vorträge, Veranstaltungen, Seminare, Diskussionen. Sammelaufrufe und Kundgebungen;

(B) Herausgabe von Publikationen wie z.B. Einer Zeitschrift und eines Mitteilungsblattes;

(C) Unterhalt und Ausbau einer Bibliothek und eines Archives;

(D) Veranstaltung von Bildungsreisen.

(3) Die erforderlichen materiellen Mittel sollen Aufgebracht werden durch:

(a) Beitrittsgebühren und Mitgliedsbeiträge;

(b) Erträge aus Veranstaltungen und Wohltätigkeitsbazaren;

(c) Spenden, Sammlungen, Vermächtnisse und sonstige Zuwendungen.

§ 5. ARTEN DER MITGLIEDSCHAFT:

(1) Die Mitglieder des Vereins gliedern sich in aktive, fördernde und Ehrenmitglieder.

(2) Aktive Mitglieder sind jene, die sich voll an der Vereinsarbeit beteiligen, sie haben das aktive und passive Wahlrecht. Fördernde Mitglieder sind solchen, die die Vereinstätigkeit vor allem durch Zahlung ihres Mitgliedsbeitrages fördern.

Ehrenmitglieder sind Personen, die hiezu wegen besonderer Verdienste um den Verein ernannt werden.

*Der Verein wurde am 2.12.1992 offiziell als Träger der Aktivitäten der internationalen WFWP (Women's Federation for World Peace International) in Österreich gegründet.



Women's Federation for World Peace Austria
Österreichische Frauenförderung für Weltfrieden

DECLARATION OF SUPPORT AND MEMBERSHIP

First name: Family name:

Address:

ZIP: City:

Telephone: e-mail:

Date of Birth: Nationality:

I support the activities of the WFWP-Austria,

which works towards the following goals (summary):

Die spezifischen Fähigkeiten als Frauen zu entwickeln um sie zur Heilung von Personen, unserer Familien, und in der Gesellschaft einsetzen zu können;

„Brücken des Friedens“ zu errichten, um durch Vergebung und Versöhnung zur Stabilisierung von Beziehungen unter Menschen verschiedener Nationen, Rassen,

Religionen und Kulturen etc. bei zu tragen;

Das Bewusstsein der „Weltfamilie“ zu fördern und in überschaubarem Rahmen karitativ tätig zu sein und Entwicklungshilfe zu leisten.

Förderung des harmonischen Zusammenlebens 3er Generationen.

Zu einer Umgebung beitragen, die es der Jugend möglich macht zu gesunden und

verantwortungsbewussten Menschen heran zu wachsen.

und im Jahr.

- Aktive Mitglieder 50 €,
- unterstützende Mitglieder 80€
- Studenten/Pensionisten 25 €
- Spende

I wish to contribute to the activities of the WFWP-Austria in the following ways:

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Place: Date:

Signatur:.....

UN ECOSOC/DPI/NGO General Consultative Status

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09.05.2007
"Eritrea" Information Evening with culinary delicacies



23.05.2007 Experiences of a medical doctor as the first Sikh in Austria since 1956. Report of the popular country doctor from Forchtenstein: Dr. med. Avtar Singh Seth

31.08.2007



Japanese Evening

13.06.2007
Peru –

Luis Luna De La Cruz Embassy of Peru. Musical contribution: Maestro Carlos Rivera Aguilar, piano & Polo Sadana – Marquez, Tenor. „The Inka Kingdom and its heritage for the future“, Dr. Uwe Christian Plachetka.



5.12.2007
Travel report: 730 women from 50 nations travelled South and North Korea to support the peaceful reunification process of North and South Korea.



SEMINARS



21-22.04.2007
Conference "Time to Grow"

08-10.06.2007
"Dignity of Women", European Women's Meeting Representatives of WFWPI and International Peace Ambassadors gathered in Seminar House Seebenstein.



19-21.10.2007 A second workshop on "Time to grow" was held in Seminar house Seebenstein in the Fall of 2007. Lecturers were Theologian Heinz Krcsek Dr (Med) Maria Riehl, Mag. Elisabeth Cook, Josef and Lilly Gundacker.



DIGNITY OF WOMEN

The Austrian Women's Federation for World Peace United Nations Representatives, participated in the VIENNA FORUM to fight HUMAN TRAFFICKING at the United Nations 13-15 February 2008 in Vienna.

Suzanne Mubarak, First Lady of Egypt made the keynote address on Wednesday 13th February followed by Actress Emma Thompson who spoke in her capacity as Chair of the Helen Bamber Foundation, elucidating an individual case to illustrate the necessity to work together.

The Women's Federation approach to the Trafficking issue is prophylactic. With a focus on promoting healthy individuals to build healthy families who contribute to a healthy society and wholesome world, WFWP sees its role as educational to prevent the occurrence of or need or possibility of trafficking.



Membership details

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WFWP AUSTRIA ACTIVITIES 2007

17.01.2007
From Heart to heart. Regular meetings in downtown Vienna in cosy meeting rooms overlooking the rooftops.



20.01.2007
Annual General Meeting of WFWP Austria each year in January.

Discussion meetings fortnightly.

21.11.2007 Rise up and overcome the trials of fate.



28.03.2007



„The Life of Jesus“,
Lecture and Discussion

25.04.2007
Shiatsu – an energetic healing method.



06.06.2007
A noted International gynaecologist addressed a small circle of women all fascinated by the topic of "Women over 50 - second youth or old age?" at the Inner City Meeting rooms of the Women's Federation in Down Town Vienna.



10.07.2007
Committee Meeting

26.09.2007
Ismakogie Mrs Margit Spruk – Ways to healthy movement with practical exercises..



10.10.2007



Victor Franks Theory of Logotherapie - Mrs Barbara Stiefsohn, Kindergarten Teacher, Advisor and training as Psychotherapist

24.10.2007
Education and Values Podiums Discussion Theme "The Role of Character Education and Communication Competence for the development of our children" with Ms Mag. Cortolezis-Schlager, Mr Dr Rudolf Gehring, Ms Mag. Caroline Klade, Mr Dr Dieter Seidl.



7.11.2007
„Habitat Eternity“ Lecture Series Part 1: „ Ways to Research the Spiritual World “
Lecturer: Mr Johannes Stampf, Institute for Unification Philosophy.

UNITED NATIONS Activities

WFWP participates in UN activities by supporting NGO Committees on Peace, Women, Drugs and Crime..



15.02.2007 UN – NGO Committee on the Status of Women (CSW)

25-28.06.2007 United Nations - 7th Global Forum - Building Trust in Government.



4.07.2007 Geneva, ECOSOC UN - AMR Fair.



10.07.2007



Building Bridges to Bethlehem - Palestinian Youth spent a day at the UN in Vienna and visited the Danube Tower.

01.08.2007 UN Tour „Japanese Volunteers



08.08.2007



Hiroshima Memorial Day in Vienna. Representatives of NGOs and members of the Vienna NGO Committee on Peace met together to commemorate the 62nd Anniversary of the Atomic Bomb drop on Hiroshima;



17-18.09.2007 CTBT (Comprehensive Nuclear Testban Treaty) moves world closer to being free of nuclear weapons. NGOs were invited to attend the CTBT conference in the

Imperial Palace, Vienna, 17-18 September 2007. Lilly Gundacker of WFWP presented the NGO Statement.

8-9.10.2007

Forum on Civil Society and Outer Space Where do we stand on using outer space for peaceful purposes?



26.11.2007 CEDAW Meeting

INTERNATIONALE TREFFEN

28.10-1.11.2007 International Women's Peace Conference in North and South Korea - 8th WFWP International Leaders Workshop & Women Leaders Convention Mt. Kungang/Cheonga



Camp (North Korea).

26-28.05.2007 Weimar, Seminar: „The Image of Woman from the Past to the Future“

18.11.2007 "Steps to Reconciliation" – Seebenstein Report on Women's Leadership in BUildig North South Unification and World Peace.



PUBLIC RELATIONS ACTIVITIES



8.03.2007 International Women's Day in the Austria Parliament.

20.03.2007 With Diplomatic Arab Women



12.10.2007



9th Austria Female Journalists Congress 2007

PROVINCIAL MEETINGS

Lower Austria



17.06.2007 Adjustment of diet to health and fitness

Steria

4.09.2007 Japanese Cultural afternoon

Salzburg

21.09.2007 Evening for Peace under the auspices of Mayor Dr. Heinz Schaden (Mayor for Peace)

Linz

14.04.2007 „Das Unternehmen Familie“ – Die Familie als Grundbaustein einer gesunden Gesellschaft. Vortrag und Diskussion.

8.11.2007 „The Heroism of Arab Woman in Folklore“, Nefertiti - Zenobia – Bilqis – Isis - Cleoptra

FAMILY ACTIVITIES

17.02.2007 Family Carneval

3.08.2007 Love Actually... Pure Love Graduates from Korea staged a demonstration in Vienna's Inner city.



16.08.2007 Lecture in Student centre, Vienna



19.09.2007 "Casual versus Committed" Lecture by Josef Gundacker, Familienforum

2.12.2007 True Family Award – Banquet Recognition of Families and Organisations, which have demonstrated support for Family Values.



CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

03.03.2007 Japanese Song Evening, A benefit concert for the WFWP 1% Sharing Project supporting children in North Korea



14.12.2007 Advent concert, benefit for North Korean School built and supported by WFWP

CULTURAL EXCHANGE

14.02.2007 Kasachstan – The Pearl of Central Asia. Sisters Aizhan and Mimi Beken introduced Kasachish culture with music, tales and pictures. Violin: Aizhan Beken, Piano: Mimi Beken.



28.02.2007 Experiences from a trip through Africa. Report of a trip by a doctor about the situation of women and children in South Africa, Namibia and Mali. Dr. med. Beatice Jirak receives Peace



Ambassador Award.

11.04.2007 Tibetan Women and their Traditions



13.04.2007 in Vienna and 25.04.2007 in Salzburg – Life behind the wall. The consequences on school and education. Mrs Amaneh is a teacher in Bethlehem,



01.05.2007 Austrian - Slovenian Friendship Meeting - Tainach bei Klagenfurt