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# Grand Celebrations of the 105th Birth Anniversary of President Kim Il Sung

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**FRONT COVER:** Military parade and public procession of Pyongyang citizens held in celebration of the 105th anniversary of the birth of President Kim Il Sung

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A national meeting took place in Pyongyang on April 14 to celebrate the 105th birth anniversary of President Kim Il Sung, founder of socialist Korea and eternal President of the DPRK.

Kim Jong Un, Chairman of the Workers' Party of Korea, Chairman of the State Affairs Commission of the DPRK and Supreme Commander of the Korean People's Army, attended the national meeting. He was welcomed by enthusiastic cheers from the participants in the meeting.

Kim Yong Nam, member of the Presidium 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, delivered a speech, "Immortal revolutionary career and achievements of President Kim Il Sung are a precious wealth for Juche Korea's eternal victory and prosperity."

The speaker said that April 15, Juche 1 (1912) when Kim Il Sung was born, was the day of the greatest fortune in the Korean nation's history and a great revolutionary auspicious day when the nation greeted a peerlessly great man. Along with the day when he was born as the sun of mankind, a new history of modern Korea shining with the Juche era began and the era of great changes was opened in the history of revolutionary movement of the masses of the people for independence.

Saying that during the Japanese colonial rule the Korean people were eagerly awaiting the arrival of the saviour of the nation in distress and its leader, he noted that the President was born into the Mangyongdae family, revolutionary and patriotic down through generations, and embarked on the road of the revolution in his teens with the great aim of saving the destiny of the country and the nation.

The speaker continued:

The President, while opening up the bloody path of the Korean revolution, cherished the Juche-oriented faith that the revolutionaries should believe only their strength and laid foundations for achieving lasting victory and prosperity of the country and the nation. Since he weighed the anchor of the Juche revolution, the Korean revolution began its glorious history of advancing along the invariable tracks of independence, Songun and socialism. And in this course the invincible unity and cohesion of the revolutionary ranks and the revolutionary traditions of Paektu to be handed down through centuries were provided, and solid cornerstones for the dignified Workers' Party of Korea, state, army and socialist system laid.

Regarding the national reunification as the greatest patriotic cause and the supreme task of the nation, he put forth reasonable proposals, including the three principles for national reunification, the plan of founding the Democratic Federal Republic of Korea and the ten-point programme for the great unity of the whole nation, and devoted his all to achieving the independent reunification of the country until the last moments of his revolutionary life.

Through his energetic external activities, he remarkably exalted position and influence of the Republic in the international arena and further expanded its foreign relations. He gave sincere assistance to the peoples of different countries struggling for anti-imperialist independence and socialism and led the struggle for accomplishing the cause of global independence.

His greatest exploit is that he gave satisfactory solution to the problem of inheriting the revolutionary cause and thus provided a sure guarantee for carrying forward and accomplishing the cause of the Juche revolution.

Imperishable revolutionary exploits the President performed in starting the Korean revolution and laying a lasting cornerstone for accomplishing the cause of the Juche revolution will shine forever.

The revolutionary cause pioneered on Mt Paektu by the President made a steady advance thanks to General Kim Jong Il and now it is at a new, historic turning point under the guidance of Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un.

Today we are faced with important tasks of advancing the Korean revolution onto a higher stage and carrying through the socialist cause with the ideology and exploits of Kim Il Sung as the eternal cornerstone, the speaker stressed.

He called on the entire Korean nation to strive for final victory of the cause of the Juche revolution, the cause of socialism, pioneered on Mt Paektu, following Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un.

All the participants in the national meeting made a firm pledge to hold great leaders President Kim Il Sung and General Kim Jong Il forever as the sun of Juche and achieve final victory in the building of a thriving socialist country under the leadership of the respected Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un.

*Article: Kim Thae Hyon*



## National Meeting Celebrates

## President Kim Il Sung's Birthday

# Military Parade and Public Procession Highlight President Kim Il Sung's Birth Anniversary

In the stirring period when the DPRK is rushing forward like blizzards to achieve the final victory in the building of a thriving socialist country, celebrating unheard-of victories and great

events in all sectors, a military parade and public procession of Pyongyang citizens took place in Pyongyang on April 15 in celebration of the 105th anniversary of the birth of President Kim Il Sung.

Kim Il Sung Square where the military parade and public procession were to be held overflowed with the ardent yearning and boundless reverence for President Kim Il Sung who created the immortal Juche idea, Songun idea, founded the Workers' Party of Korea, the army and the state, and laid a lasting foundation for the cause of the Juche revolution pioneered on Mt Paektu to win victory after victory along the road of independence, Songun and socialism.

Kim Jong Un, Chairman of the Workers' Party of Korea, Chairman of the State Affairs Commission of the DPRK and Supreme Commander of the Korean People's Army, arrived at the square.

The guard of honour of the Army, Navy, Air and Anti-aircraft forces of the Korean People's Army and the Worker-Peasant Red Guards welcomed him with ceremony.

Amid the playing of welcome music, Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un appeared on the



Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un salutes the military columns [April Juche 106 (2017)]

platform.

Thunderous cheers of hurrah and shouts of "Kim Jong Un" and "Defence unto death" burst

out, and numerous balloons flew high up in the sky, adding to the festive mood.

The guard of honour and general military band

of the KPA held a rite to signal the start, and the flags of the DPRK and the WPK were hoisted amid the solemn playing of the national anthem *Patriotic*



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Columns of the KPA ground, naval, air and anti-aircraft, strategic forces and special operations corps, large combined units and infantry divisions at the first echelon of frontline army corps, and military schools at all levels, march in fine array, flying high the colours permeated with proud feats performed in national defence and anti-imperialist, anti-US showdowns.



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*Song and Fly High, Our Party Flag.*

Then the bugle call reverberated through the square, and the immortal revolutionary hymns *Song of General Kim Il Sung* and *Song of General Kim Jong Il* were played with the firing of 21-gun salute.

Choe Ryong Hae, member of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee, vice-chairman of the State Affairs Commission of the DPRK and vice-chairman of the Central Committee of the WPK, delivered a congratulatory speech.

He referred to the large-scale military parade and public procession as a proud report of loyalty the descendants of Kim Il Sung and the soldiers and disciples of Kim Jong Il present to the great leaders while carrying on their sacred revolutionary cause without an inch of deflection. He also stressed that no force in the world can check the grand advance of Juche Korea invariably rushing straight forward along the road of independence, Songun and socialism and that a country of socialism, an ideal society for the people, would be built on this land.



Nuclear weapons and strike means which are small, precise and varied fully demonstrate the unyielding spirit of the Korean People's Army to annihilate at a stroke on the ground, in the air, at sea and even under the sea, and reduce to ashes the enemy's strongholds of aggression and provocations if they dare violate national sovereignty and the right to existence of the DPRK.

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With the solemn playing of the song *The Leader and the General Are Together* the flags bearing the beaming images of the great leaders entered the square, escorted by KPA generals and officers. The guard of honour and all the participants in the military parade paid the noblest respect to the flags.

As the military parade started amid the playing of the song *Long Live Generalissimo Kim Il Sung*, the columns representing the periods of the anti-Japanese armed struggle, the building of the regular armed forces and the Fatherland Liberation War marched past in fine array.

Also marched past the square the columns of the guards units, the KPA ground, naval, air and anti-aircraft and strategic forces, special operations corps, large combined units and infantry divisions at the first echelon of frontline army corps, military schools including Kim Il Sung Military University, Kim Il Sung University of Politics, Kim Jong Il Academy of Military Science, Kim Jong Suk Naval University, and others named after the anti-Japanese war veterans.

Those of revolutionary schools including Mangyongdae Revolutionary School, Kang Pan Sok Revolutionary School and Nampho Revolutionary School followed in high spirit, demonstrating their firm will to carry forward the cause of the Songun revolution creditably.

The Supreme Leader raised his hand in salute as the paraders strode past, shouting "Hurrah!"

The columns of the Worker-Peasant Red Guards of Pyongyang and all other provinces,



Young Red Guards and such universities as Kim Il Sung University marched past with a firm determination to fully demonstrate their heroic mettle in national defence and the building of a powerful socialist country.

Military aircraft flew past the air above the square forming the shape of "105" representing the birth anniversary of President Kim Il Sung, and setting off fireworks.

Amid the playing of *Let's Support Our Supreme Commander with Arms* came the columns of motorized units flexing the muscles of the powerful revolutionary army of Paektusan.

Tanks and other armoured vehicles, artillery and rockets of the services entered the square, followed by the rocket columns of the KPA Strategic Force



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Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un warmly acknowledges the cheering crowds [April Juche 106 (2017)]

demonstrating its might as a nuclear power in the East, a rocket power in Asia, possessed of nukes and nuclear strike means that are miniaturized, precise and varied.

The military parade culminated with the lively procession of the military band forming the Korean letters "Defence" and the flight of combat flying corps leaving coloured vapour trails behind.

It was followed by the public procession of Pyongyang citizens.

Amid the playing of the immortal revolutionary songs the column of standard-bearers with the statues of the great leaders in the middle entered the square.

Pyongyang citizens of all social strata marched through the plaza, reflecting the Korean service personnel and people's pride and glory of celebrating the greatest national holiday and the course of Juche Korea adorned with epoch-making changes unprecedented in history created at every stage of revolution under the guidance of the great leaders. They also fully demonstrated their determination to build a thriving socialist country with the spirit of self-reliance and self-development

as the dynamic force, closely rallied behind the Supreme Leader.

The general military band of the KPA formed the emblem and flag of the WPK to the tune of the immortal revolutionary song *Ode to General Kim Jong Un*, at the end of the public procession.

After the demonstration was over, thunderous cheers rocked heaven and earth once again.

The Supreme Leader went out to the balcony of the platform to acknowledge the cheers of the crowds.

That day participants in the military parade passed through the streets of Pyongyang, warmly welcomed by citizens.

The military parade and public procession of Pyongyang citizens held in celebration



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of the 105th birth anniversary of President Kim Il Sung demonstrated to the world the invincible military strength of the DPRK as well as the might of single-hearted unity of the Korean army and people who are staunchly defending the immortal ideas and exploits of President Kim Il Sung and General Kim Jong Il and adding eternal lustre to them, and rushing forward like a storm towards the final victory of the Juche revolution, firmly united around the respected Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un.

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Pyongyang citizens in public procession manifest the unshakeable will of all the Korean army and people to closely rally behind the respected Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un and dash towards the final victory of the Juche revolution.





Pyongyang citizens give enthusiastic welcome to the participants in the military parade passing through the streets.



Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un enjoys the performance of the State Merited Chorus given in honour of the participants in the military parade held to celebrate the 105th birth anniversary of President Kim Il Sung [April Juche 106(2017)]

The State Merited Chorus, winner of Kim Il Sung Prize, gave a congratulatory performance on April 16 in honour of the participants in the military parade held to mark the 105th anniversary of the birth of President Kim Il Sung.

Kim Jong Un, Chairman of the Workers' Party of Korea, Chairman of the State Affairs Commission of the DPRK and Supreme Commander of the Korean People's Army, appeared in the auditorium and warmly acknowledged the thunderous cheers of the entertainers and participants in the military parade.

Put on the stage were the songs that reverberated throughout the country demonstrating the mightiness and invincibility of Juche Korea and eulogizing the people-centred socialism of the Korean style.

The performance began with the solemn music of *Patriotic Song*, representing the gallant mettle of the powerful Juche country rushing forward to lead the world by dint of the Mallima spirit. The entertainers sang of the greatest honour of the Korean service personnel and people who are ushering in a golden age of the great Paektusan nation, holding in high esteem President Kim Il Sung and General Kim Jong Il as the eternal Sun of Juche and following the ever-victorious Workers' Party of Korea.

The performance reached its climax when a male solo and chorus *Peace Is Guaranteed by Force of Our Arms* and male chorus *Our Revolutionary Armed Forces Support the Marshal's Leadership Only* were presented. The entertainers fully manifested the unshakeable faith and will of the powerful revolutionary army of Mt Paektu to firmly guarantee the rosy future of prosperous Sun's Korea on the strength of the greatest national power based on independent nuclear forces under the leadership of Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un, incarnation of the prestige and invincibility of socialist Korea.

After the performance the thunderous cheers of hurrah burst forth again, and Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un waved backed to the cheering crowds and congratulated the entertainers on their successful performance.

The performance made deep impression on the audience, as it demonstrated through solemn and militant revolutionary songs the iron truth that heroic Korea powerful by dint of single-hearted unity and self-development would emit its brilliance for ever along with the ideas and august names of the great leaders.

Article: Kim Hyon  
Photo: By courtesy of the KCNA



## Resounding Songs of Great Victory



An evening gala of youth and students *We Will Glorify the Great Sun's Korea For Ever* was held at Kim Il Sung Square in Pyongyang on April 15 in celebration of the 105th birth anniversary of President Kim Il Sung.

Amid the playing of *Let's Sing of the Day of the Sun*, the participants formed a beautiful floral basket on the square out of the ardent wish for the immortality of the President.

They went on dancing to the tune of the songs *Let Us Sing of Our Dear General* and *We Will Hold Our General in High Esteem* with the deep reverence for General Kim Jong Il who made painstaking efforts for the prosperity of the country, the most important legacy bequeathed by the President.

Acrobatic pieces were performed and wonderful display of fireworks lit up the sky over the square amid the playing of *Sea of Apple Trees at the Foot of Chol Pass* and *Song of Good Haul in the Sea*, reflecting the excitement and joy of the young people to be blessed with the great leaders generation after generation.

Overseas Korean compatriots and foreigners who visited Pyongyang to celebrate the Day of the Sun as a grand holiday common to mankind joined the dance.

The gala displayed the heroic mettle of young vanguard to demonstrate the invincible might of the great youth power of Mt Paektu, closely rallied behind the respected Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un under the unfurled banner of Kimilsungist-Kimjongilist Youth League. It ended with the chorus *We Will Defend Our General Kim Jong Un with Our Lives*.

The celebration event manifested the rock-firm faith of Korean youth to add eternal lustre to the immortal exploits performed by the President and the General for the building of a youth power and hasten the final victory of the cause of the Juche revolution in faithful support of the Supreme Leader.

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Photo: Ri Kwang Song



## Evening Gala of Youth and Students *We Will Glorify the Great Sun's Korea For Ever*



## Songs of Boundless Yearnings Reverberate across the Country

An artistic performance *With a Single Heart* was given at the Rungna People's Recreation Ground in celebration of the 105th birth anniversary of President Kim Il Sung.

The performance reflected the ennobling loyalty and will of the Korean army and people to hold up Kim Il Sung, father of socialist Korea and great saint of revolution, as the eternal Sun of Juche for all ages.

Such pieces as narration and chorus *Our Leader* and male duet and chorus *We Started from Scratch* praised the immortal exploits performed by the President who devoted his all to the

prosperity of the country and happiness of the people.

Enjoying the songs of yearning and loyalty, the audience expressed their ardent admiration for the great leaders President Kim Il Sung and General Kim Jong Il who laid lasting foundations for the eternal prosperity of the country, and made a firm resolve to hasten the final victory of the cause of the Juche revolution in faithful support of Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un.

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Photo: Pak Chang Bok





A march-past of service members of the ground, naval and air and anti-aircraft forces of the KPA, cadets from military academies at all levels and students from revolutionary schools.

## The Korean People's Army Service Personnel Pledge Loyalty to Great Leaders

On the occasion of the Day of the Sun, officers and men of the Army, Navy and Air and Anti-Aircraft Force of the Korean People's Army gathered at the plaza of the Kumsusan Palace of the Sun on April 10 to pay homage to the great Generalissimos Kim Il Sung and Kim Jong Il and pledge loyalty to Supreme Commander Kim Jong Un.

The service personnel of the KPA, cadets from military academies at all levels and students from revolutionary schools formed fine columns at the plaza, their faces reflecting the strong will to faithfully support the historic cause of building a powerful socialist country, lifetime intentions and desires of the great Generalissimos, following the Songun-based revolutionary leadership of the Supreme Commander.

Amid the playing of song *The Leader and the General Are Together*, the KPA Military Band performed a rite.

All the participants paid their highest tribute to the beaming images of the great leaders.

A 21 gun-salute was fired with the solemn playing of *Song of General Kim Il Sung* and *Song of General Kim Jong Il*.

A speech was made to extend the highest tribute to Kim Il Sung and Kim Jong Il and pledge loyalty to Kim Jong Un.

It was followed by a march-past of service members of the ground, naval and air and anti-aircraft forces of the KPA, cadets from military academies at all levels and students from revolutionary schools, flying high the colours of the Supreme Commander, incarnation of the mightiness of the heroic KPA and the eternal banner of victory for Kim Il Sung's nation and Kim Jong Il's Korea.

The columns marching in fine array demonstrated the iron will of the powerful revolutionary army of Mt Paektu to advance

straight ahead along the road of independence, the road of Songun and the road of socialism as indicated by the great Generalissimos.

The ceremony of the KPA service personnel ended with the playing of *We Will Defend General*

*Kim Jong Un with Our Lives*.

Through the event the KPA service personnel demonstrated their unshakeable faith and will to add eternal lustre to the undying exploits Generalissimos Kim Il Sung and

Kim Jong Il performed in starting the Korean revolution and laying a lasting cornerstone for the accomplishment of the cause of the Juche revolution and glorify the future of Korea on the strength of the arms of Paektusan,

closely rallied around Supreme Commander Kim Jong Un.

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The KPA service personnel pay their highest tribute to Generalissimos Kim Il Sung and Kim Jong Il and firmly pledge to perform their mission and duty as the main force and standard-bearers of the Songun revolution in hastening the final victory of the cause of the Juche revolution following Supreme Commander Kim Jong Un.



## The 19th Kimilsungia Festival Praises Great Person

The birth of President Kim Il Sung as the Sun of Juche brought about the great fortune unprecedented in the 5 000-year history of the Korean nation and a bright future for the cause of global independence.

Boundless reverence of the Korean people for the President, founder of socialist Korea and benevolent father of the nation, as well as that of progressive mankind is reflected in the festival of Kimilsungia, an immortal flower named after the great person, held in grand style every year as the flower festival in praise of him and in ardent desire for his immortality.

The 19th Kimilsungia Festival took place in Pyongyang, on the theme "Kimilsungia in full bloom in the new era of the national prosperity."

The festival exhibited tens of thousands of potted Kimilsungias presented

by more than 80 units from the armed forces, ministries and national agencies, and service personnel, people from all walks of life, youth and students.

Also on display were Kimilsungias presented by General Association of Korean Residents in Japan and overseas Korean organizations and individuals, foreign embassies and missions of international organizations in the DPRK, and friendship and solidarity organizations and personages from different countries.

The venue of the Kimilsungia festival overflowed with the great yearnings of the Korean and other peoples of the world for the President who performed immortal exploits in the political history of the world by means of his profound theories and gigantic revolutionary practice and their ardent desire to

celebrate the President's 105th birth anniversary as the greatest holiday of the Kim Il Sung's nation and the grand event of mankind.

The festival of immortal flower was the grand political festival which proved the immutable truth that President Kim Il Sung will always be with the Korean people and the progressive mankind. It also fully demonstrated the mettle of invincibility cherished by all the service personnel and people in their effort to usher in the golden age of the building of a thriving socialist country true to the cause of the great leaders.

Article: Kim Son Gyong  
Photo: An Chol Ryong





*Bloom by the General.* Through them they sang highly of the undying exploits of the great leaders who established the powerful socialist country that is independent, self-sufficient and self-reliant in national defence, defended the country, the people and socialism by holding aloft the banner of Songun, and laid a lasting foundation for the prosperous Sun's Korea.

Male vocal solo *World of Humane Affection*, violin solo and chorus *To the End of the Earth* and other pieces reflected the great delight of the Korean people blessed with the leaders and generals generation after generation, as well as the boundless trust in Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un who is translating his people's beautiful dreams and ideals into reality and opening up a new age of making epochal changes in the spirit of Mallima.

Magic pieces were given at the Magic Theatre of the National Acrobatic Troupe.

The Fifth April Spring People's Art Festival instilled in the service personnel and all other people across the country the belief that President Kim Il Sung will always be with them and greatly inspired them to turn out in the grand advance to hasten the final victory of the cause of the Juche revolution, firmly rallied behind Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un.

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 Photo: Kim Yun Hyok,  
 Hong Kwang Nam, An Chol Ryong



Performance of the art troupes, art squads and amateur magicians.

## The Fifth April Spring People's Art Festival

The Fifth April Spring People's Art Festival was held in Pyongyang, capital of the DPRK, in celebration of the 105th birth anniversary of President Kim Il Sung.

The art festival brought together more than 1 500 artistes and working people of over 40 organizations selected in the capital and local areas.

It was divided into categories of art troupes, art squads, mobile artistic motivational teams and art groups, and also a magic festival was included.

Performances were given at the East Pyongyang Grand Theatre, Pyongyang Grand Theatre, Ponghwa Art Theatre and other theatres and halls of culture in Pyongyang.

The participants in the art festival represented the revolutionary mettle and optimism of all the Korean service personnel and people to invariably hold in high esteem the great leaders Kim Il Sung and Kim Jong Il as the Sun of Juche.

They staged such pieces as male quintet *Our Leader*, dance *On the Yonbaek Plain Visited by the Leader*, male quartet *That's Thanks to Leader's Care*, female vocal solo *The Leader Will Always Be with Us*, male vocal solo *Thought of the General*, and mixed duet *Thanks to Songun Brought in Full*



The people's art festival highly praises the undying exploits of the peerlessly great persons of Mt Paektu and fully demonstrates the Juche-oriented art which develops in a comprehensive way.



A national photo exhibition in celebration of the 105th birth anniversary of President Kim Il Sung.



A national fine art show in celebration of the 105th birth anniversary of President Kim Il Sung.

## With Boundless Yearnings for Great Person

The Korean army and people, who are hastening the final victory in the building of a thriving socialist country, closely rallied behind the Workers' Party of Korea, celebrated the 105th anniversary of the birth of President Kim Il Sung as a grand event with boundless feelings of joy and excitement.

On the occasion of the Day of the Sun, the service personnel and people visited the Kumsusan Palace of the Sun, the supreme sanctuary of Juche, with great yearnings for President Kim Il Sung and General Kim Jong Il and paid the highest tribute to the leaders, the eternal image of the great Paektusan nation, before their smiling portraits.

The service personnel, working people from all walks of life, and youth and students visited the statues of the great leaders on Mansu Hill and their

smiling portraits in Pyongyang and other parts of the country to pay homage to them.

On April 14 a national meeting took place in Pyongyang to celebrate the 105th anniversary of the birth of President Kim Il Sung, founder of socialist Korea and eternal President of the DPRK, and similar meetings took place in all provinces, cities, counties and industrial complexes on the same day.

A national photo exhibition held to mark the day showed the sacred revolutionary career of the President who ushered in the era of independence and added glory to it with his profound ideas and theories, uncommon leadership ability and gigantic revolutionary practice and performed imperishable exploits for his country and people and the cause of global independence. It also displayed the brilliant history of epoch-making changes made in the DPRK that

advanced along the road of prosperity under the leadership of the President. A film week, Songhwa art exhibition, national industrial design exhibition, joint national meeting of the Korean Children's Union organizations, the Mangyongdae Prize national martial arts championships, the 22nd round of cooking festival and other colourful events took place.

Provincial-level artistic groups gave their performances in celebration of the Day of the Sun in Chongjin, Sariwon, Kanggye and other parts of the country. The national holiday was also highlighted by celebration performances given by working people and youth and students across the country with a firm determination of loyalty to discharge their duty as the descendants of President Kim Il Sung and soldiers and disciples of General Kim Jong Il.

All the service personnel and people in the country celebrated the Day of the Sun as the greatest national holiday with a firm conviction to build without fail the most powerful country in which patriotic wishes of the great leaders would be realized, following the respected Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un and by dint of single-hearted unity and the great spirit of self-reliance and self-development.

Article: Kim Son Gyong

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A joint national meeting of the Korean Children's Union organizations.



Poem recital and singing event *Song of Mangyongdae* given by officials and members of the women's union.



A national industrial design exhibition held to mark the Day of the Sun.



The second sweets sculpture exhibition.



The 28th Mangyongdae Prize International Marathon.

# Ryomyong Street, Monumental Structure in the Era of the Workers' Party

In the run-up to the 105th anniversary of the birth of President Kim Il Sung Ryomyong Street has risen up in the area of the Kumsusan Palace of the Sun, supreme sanctuary of Juche.

The street that reflects the powerful stamina of socialist Korea was a gift dedicated to the great leaders President Kim Il Sung and General Kim Jong Il by the Korean service personnel and people.

The inaugural ceremony of Ryomyong Street, a monumental edifice in the era of the Workers' Party, was held in splendour on April 13 in the presence of Kim Jong Un, Chairman of the Workers' Party of Korea, Chairman of the State Affairs Commission of the DPRK and Supreme Commander of the

Korean People's Army.

When the Supreme Leader arrived at the venue of the ceremony amid the playing of welcome music, thunderous cheers of the participants burst forth, and military and civilian builders and a woman scientist presented bouquets of fragrant flowers to him.

*Patriotic Song* was played and the inaugural address was delivered by Premier Pak Pong Ju.

When Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un cut the tape to inaugurate the new street amid the playing of welcome music, the participants raised cheers, rending heaven and earth, and thousands of colourful balloons soared into the



The respected Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un cuts the tape to inaugurate Ryomyong Street [April Juche 106 (2017)]



sky.

The Supreme Leader acknowledged the enthusiastic cheers of the participants.

After the ceremony was over, senior Party, government and military officials and other participants looked round the street.

Ryomyong Street is an everlasting monument to the ennobling love for the people cherished by the Workers' Party of Korea to make the people enjoy the highest quality and standard of civilization.

In March last year the Supreme Leader visited the site to declare the construction project of a new street, naming it Ryomyong Street which means the dawn of the Korean revolution breaks at the Kumsusan Palace of the Sun where the great leaders are preserved in their lifetime appearances and Ryongnam Hill on which General Kim Jong Il made a historic determination to add glory to Korea. Then he inspired the entire Party, army and people to turn out in the construction.

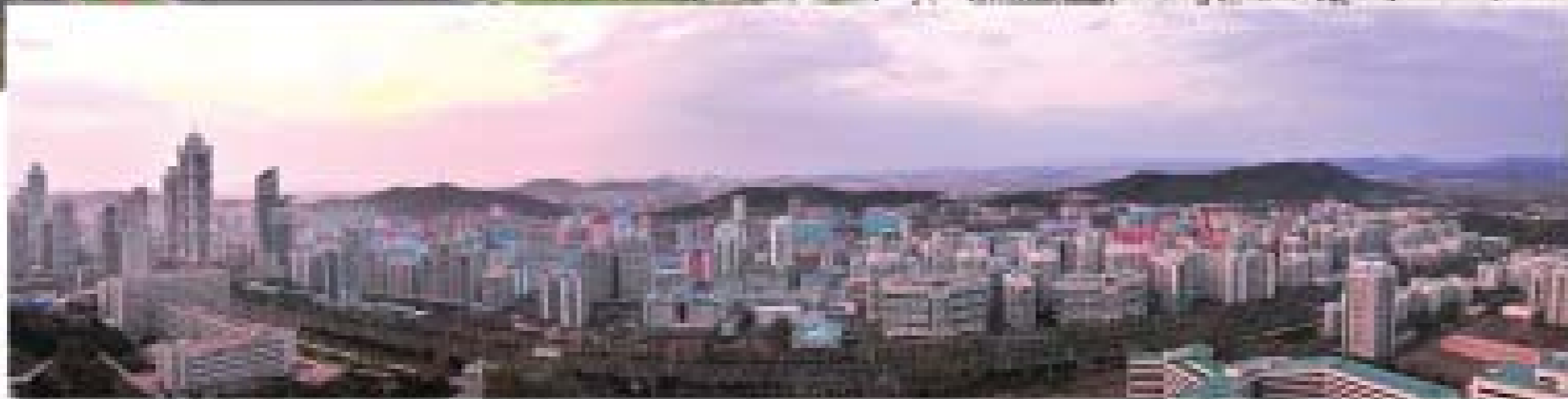
In hearty response to the Supreme Leader's appeal, the KPA service personnel, builders and volunteers from all parts of the country waged a campaign to build the street whose scale and workload were two times far more than those of Mirae Scientists Street in a matter of a year while carrying on the enormous reconstruction project for the flood-stricken northern areas.

As Ryomyong Street was built as befits an ideal street for the people, the mightiness of Juche Korea and its inexhaustible potentials for development as well as the invincible mettle of the heroic Korean people rushing forward along the broad avenue to socialism were fully demonstrated.

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The KPA service personnel and civilian builders completed in one year the construction of high-rises, including 70-, 55-storey and multi-storey apartment buildings, public buildings and welfare service establishments that are excellent in formative and artistic representation and introduced with energy-saving and greening techniques.





Lecturers and researchers at Kim Il Sung University and former residents are the first to move into the new flats.







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