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# *The Howl*



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I'm so proud of our students and their journeys. As the editor of *The Howl*, I'm excited to share their stories with you. Stories are what connect us to each other.

## ABOUT THE HOWL

The *Howl* is a magazine that is planned, researched, written, photographed and designed by Otterbein University's ESL and international students. The first *Intro to Journalism* class named the magazine "The Howl" to signify the struggle to have a voice in their writing (in English). The magazine serves to give students a safe space to share their cultures, experiences and lives. If you are interested in submitting to the *Howl*, please e-mail your writing or photography to [gderosa@otterbein.edu](mailto:gderosa@otterbein.edu). Enjoy Otterbein ESL's contribution to the Otterbein community's literary scene.

# Meet the Writers



**My name is Hyun Jin Cho and I am from South Korea. I like to play and listen to classical music. Walking outside is what I do for fun.**



**Hi! My name is Rongrong Yan. I am from Anhui, China. This is my second year studying at Otterbein. I really enjoy my time here. My major is International Business. I enjoy quiet, peaceful environments and making Chinese food!**



**Boo! My name is Tris. I am from Xiamen, China. I will stay at Otterbein for the entire year because I am currently in an exchange program. My major is film and music! I am super into movie, music and travel!! And basically anything related to art. I love all kinds of movies and music styles, but I do need to mention that my favorite director is Joe Wright. So feel free to contact me on WeChat or Instagram (tris\_xwx).**



**Hello! My name is Jerusa Cadorin Rovai. I am from Santa Catarina, Brazil. I love to dance, read, travel and enjoy my life with my family!!! I am grateful to be able to study at Otterbein. Here, I learn every day to open my mind to the world to be a better person.**

## What Is The Difference Between The U.S and South Korea?

HYUN JIN CHO

What are some of the common things that people usually think are differences between U.S and Korea? Territory or economy size, or race? After coming to U.S, there are three things that occurred to me: Environment, school and village. It could not be easy to understand why they come to mind first. They seem to be related to the position of a Korean mother who is raising a child in the U.S.

Firstly, I can't help mentioning the environment. Sometimes I wonder if Americans know how precious the air is that they are breathing every day. They probably would not know it. As you can imagine, air is a very critical issue in Korea. As time goes by, the air is getting worse. There could be many reasons to cause this problem such as exhaust gases from factories and cars. Anyway, it looks like it is not easy to solve.

I have never felt ever that air is not fresh in U.S. Children in Korea are living with sore throat. Furthermore, they need to wear mask to protect from getting virus when they go out. When I was in Korea, my daughter got a cold twice a month. So she had to be absent from school very often to go to hospital. Below pictures here that show the air quality in the two countries are completely opposite. It goes without saying that which one is Korea.

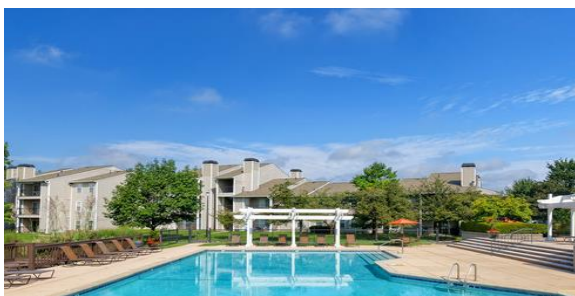


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Secondly, I could see a difference in school. Teachers usually force students just to memorize what they learn whether they understand fully or not. It is completely different from U.S, which considers active discussion as the first priority. This difference in education has been affecting lack of diversity and mutual respect in various fields of Korea. The reason why Korean students is good at math is that they exercise only the way to get answers. Understanding of how the formula is working is secondary. I have never seen any discussion in class of math when I went to school in Korea.

Thirdly, the towns of Korea consist of at least fifteen story apartments having thousands of houses as opposed to U.S town that each house has different shape located one by one. Due to this difference, community life is more important in Korea for children than U.S which tries to allow private and family life as much as possible. It is the picture of apartments in Korea.



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These three things a typical difference that I could mention between two countries. Of course, there could be advantages in Korea compared to U.S. But in the aspect of educational and living environment, there still exist this kind of characteristics even though Korea has achieved phenomenal economic development over the last fifty years.

# A Silver Doughnut

By Tris

As I've grown older, I have spent less and less time with my parents. In July, I decided I should have a special experience with them. So I used my scholarship to pay everything and told my parents the day. Then we set off.

I only chose three places in Philippines, because I didn't want to have a rush trip. In order to see the whale sharks, we had to go to Obslob, three hours away from the hotel. So we got up very early in the morning. After three hours of bumpy and crowded driving, we finally reached the waters with whale sharks.



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I put on my life jacket and went to sea in a canoe, I was shocked. I swam in front of the largest fish in the world, I felt so small. When they were fed, I swam beside them and then their mouth opened, swimming towards me, it seemed like they can easily swallow my whole body. I accidentally drank a mouthful of water. The sea water is very fishy because of their feed. From my perspective they seem so comfortable, well-fed. In fact, they should not be semi-captive. Watching whale sharks has become an important feature of the local tourism industry, and it is unlikely that this activity will be end. Philippine tourism practitioners can make whale sharks stay in the area because of their food, which is equivalent to captivity. Half-captivity means feeding them regularly and returning

to the deep sea within half an hour when they are full, but in fact whale sharks should be kept in the sea. Their skin seems to have been scratched in several places. It is estimated that they were accidentally scratched every day when they were looking for food in these tourist canoes. No wonder when I want to approach one of them a little bit, he can feel my existence without looking at it, and naturally avoid it, which seems to be scared. But in general, this experience made me more awed of nature and amazed for creating such wonderful creatures.

When I was in Lapu-lapu, I was able to deep dive at last. I was afraid at first. It felt like an abyss because you could not see the bottom at all. When diving, I felt like I was going to fall. But in fact, under the pressure of the water, you just need to manage your equipment and master the time of the aerobic cylinder, then you'll be perfectly safe. I could see the sardines near the sea. The feeling is unforgettable. Usually when you dive, the sunlight is shining from the top later will penetrate deeper into the water below. This time it is really a silver cloud hovered overhead. When something jumped out of the water, it breaks the silence and frightens the fish, all the fish around the object run away and make a whole circle. If it's you in the middle then you'll be like surrounded by a huge silver doughnut.



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This trip made me more aware of nature, when you're in underwater, you can only hear your own heartbeat and your scuba diving breathing. At that moment, your world is quiet. All the shitty things in your life don't matter anymore. Right in that moment, like meditating underwater, it's all about you and the whole nature.

The oceans cover 70 percent of the earth's surface, so don't just focus on the beauty of the land. If you have the chance, be sure to experience the underwater world. Once you did, I can guarantee you'll be amazed by her beauty. Without the bothered by daily trifles. I had a lot of time to be with my parents. If I had the chance, I would definite want to go back to the Philippines.

After all, there still are many places in this thousand island country waiting for me to explore.



At that moment, your world is quiet.

# *A New Experience*

By Jerusa Cadorin Rovai

Many are the questions and decisions when we are teenagers, especially as a student finishing high school. At this time, I needed to make choices about my future: What I would like to do and where should I be living.

In Brazil, when some students finish high school, they are still living with their parents and go to the college. Others, like me, who lived in small towns, need to live alone, near the university. I was afraid of the unknown, but also very excited that my parents would support me to decide to live in another city. My choice was the UFSC- Federal University of Santa Catarina, located in Florianopolis the southern part of Brazil.



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Most tourists who visit my country travel to Rio de Janeiro or Sao Paulo, which are big cities. Okay, these cities are fascinating... Just a 40 minutes fly from them you will find southern Brazil, which is composed by three beautiful states. They were colonized by Europeans, such as Germans, Portuguese and Italians. The cities have a special architecture and are safer than the larger centers.

The capital of Santa Catarina is Florianopolis that was colonized by the Portuguese from Azores; It has an island and a continental portion. You will find 42 beaches; I have visited almost all of them along the 10 years I have lived there. It is a beautiful island with lovely scenery, beautiful people and lots of nature. There are many marine species, dunes, lagoons, beaches, and excellent tourist infrastructure for people who enjoy staying in the city, as well as those who love nature. Known as "Island of Magic", Florianopolis is one of the most beautiful areas of the state.



Photo: <https://www.kayak.com/flight-routes/United-States-US0/Florianopolis-Hercilio-Luz-FLN>

But the real life, living alone, was not easy, even though I knew it would be for my personal and professional development. On the other hand, having had the opportunity to live a new experience in a city as charming as Florianopolis was a gift to my life. As a student, I was able to enjoy the beauties of the Island of Magic, keeping in touch with nature and at the same time fighting for my successful in the university. And you, what are you waiting? Come to visit the south of Brazil?

# Traveling in Europe

By Rongrong

Europe is a dramatic place that I always wanted to visit. Last year, I went to some parts of Europe with several friends. I spent almost twelve days there and experience an exciting trip.

It's a long journey for us to go to Europe from China. It has to be taken more than 9 hours. We couldn't get a direct flight, we need to transfer in Jeddah. I spent almost 15 hours on the way to Europe. We all felt hungry and exhausted. What I really missed at that time was my bed at home.



Switzerland is one of the most beautiful places in the earth which has become a dream destination for everyone including me. The climate there is largely responsible for making the country such a popular tourist destination. The climate is continental, and the temperature is modified by winds off the Atlantic Ocean. Winters are cold, while summer tend to be hot and sunny.

Before we enter through the city, we had to across the Alps first. There are many mountains surrounded by the trees. Maybe almost over 60% of the country is mountains and a quarter of it is covered in forests. The blue sky and the flower clouds are steam that made me feel like I was under the clouds which in the world of fairy tales. I couldn't think anything at that

current moment and just did a massage for my brain through whole body. Could you image that scenario?

And also, I really enjoy the architecture in Swiss. Some located near mountains, some down near the path. People living in a peaceful life and I extremely like the living environment in Swiss. I hope to have a house there and enjoy my retirement life. The reason why I like Switzerland the most. Not only it have a good view, but also safe. I have been to several countries in Europe, everytime I was scared about my wallet and passport. I always hear someone's bag was stolen. What's even more horrible is that the driver wallet has been stolen in the hotel, he was Italian and lost his wallet and passport. He hasn't eaten a few times and in bad mood for those days. But in Switzerland this situation never gonna happened.



Travel is a good means of broadening one's perspective. It makes us come into contact with different cultures, meet people of different region and go through peculiar rites. Traveling more, we will not only enrich knowledge and experiences but also be aware of the vastness of nature. It is exciting to visit different places. I love traveling a lot!

Photo credit: Rongrong

# A Delicious Treat for Breakfast

By Jerusa Cadorin Rovai

The racial and cultural diversity we have in Brazil is due to colonization and this has been reflected in our cuisine with the mixture of indigenous, European and African ingredients. With this our food meets various palates for its variety and flavor. Our breakfast is full of cakes, breads, jams and cheeses. I love to enjoy and discover new flavors in meals. As breakfast is my favorite meal, I would like to share my experience about one of the tastiest and smelling breads we own in our bakeries. Do you want to know who is it?

It is a typical recipe from the state of Minas Gerais, Brazil. The Pão de queijo (pronounced pow-du-KEHjo, sort of) or Cheese Bread came about because at that time, wheat flour was very expensive, it was imported from Portugal, so the cooks used polvilho (gum made from cassava- is root, similar to yuca) instead of wheat. As the region of Minas Gerais is also known for producing cheese, sometimes the cheeses hardened and, to take advantage of them, they were added to the bread, giving rise to the cheese bread.



Photo:<https://www.thespruceeats.com/pao-de-queijo-brazilian-cheese-bread-3028981>

Many recipes were created with this stick, it has the shape of a small or medium ball and most recipes are baked, there are some fried versions. The most used cheeses for its production are parmesan, mozzarella and specific cheeses from the region of Minas Gerais. They can be stuffed with chicken,

pepperoni, catupiry, dulce de leche, guava among other ingredients. Also, mini sandwiches can be prepared with toasted cheese bread. The cheese bread is eaten warm and can be served at breakfast and some restaurants offer small cheese rolls as a starter for lunch and dinner. It's a healthy recipe as it contains no gluten allowing some people with food restriction or who are avoiding flour to eat it freely.



Photo: <https://foodnetwork.com.br/receita/sanduiche-de-pao-de-queijo-com-carne/>

This delicacy won our taste and became famous franchises in Brazil. Among the best known are the Casa do Pao de Queijo, Cheirin Bao and Rei do Mate. Cheese bread was also well accepted worldwide and countries such as Japan, Europe and the United States began to import this hotness.

Here in Columbus I have already found the Forno de Minas brand Cheese Bread that is pre-baked and put in the oven for 5 minutes to be ready. Other type is frozen cheese bread which must be baked for 40 minutes. It can be found at the Brazilian store called Estilo Brazil and is located on 5818, Columbus Square Columbus-OH. Usually the last one type is even found in many Brazilian coffees. Although both are industrialized, they are very tasty.

The cheese bread is a simple, healthy and delicious recipe. When you try it, you will wonder how a single little bread like this can be so fragrant and tasty?

# My Truth about China

by Tris Xu

Why do many people say: when you go abroad, regardless of one's former attitude towards your own country, you will love your country more than before. When you stay in your own country, it's a state, but when you go out of the borders, you're the citizen. Every time people throw this question: "where are you from?" It's a question that makes you reevaluate and define yourself.

After I watched CNN and The New York Times host the fourth 2019 democratic presidential debate at Otterbein on October 15. I had a deep discussion with my host grandfather about culture. I begin to wonder about the relationship between China and the United States, and what kind of stereotypes people have toward China.

Many people may misunderstand the political party in our country. Many western media always advocate our Chinese government because other political parties are not strong enough. They think that our country is a one-party dictatorship, and the dictatorship is reflected in party elections. Cultural and informational control, and patriotic education. I will explain this areas one by one, but before I do, I want the reader to think, if the people and media in China are really controlled by the government, don't all the people realize it? The whole nation are all fools?



In terms of party elections, our country has the largest population in the world, 1.3 billion people. If we allow everyone vote, let's face the practical difficulties. How can we manage to let everybody vote? Plus the level of the voting also depend on the level of education of voters, I know it is everyone's personal right to vote, but what if those people who don't know much about the politics choose a bad President? (Because we have 1.3 billion people this could happened.) It would cause more damage to the whole country. So actually we come up with a way that is more productive and efficient which is in each county, each area has its own representative voting, by the election year, those people will come to Beijing represents the local people's vote.

Secondly, in terms of cultural information--instead of using America's network system--we have our own network system. Some people would say there is some information and news can't be delivered due to the block of internet. But we set up this to protect our system so it is not invaded by other countries. If we want to saw the news or we want to use YouTube, Instagram or snapchat various of platforms, we just need to download one more thing called VPN which is an app to go over the invisible net wall and lets it in. So we actually can enjoy both sides

of the news and apps. So stop saying our news has been controlled by the government, because not only do we know the actual truth about how things happen in China, but also we know what the Western news say about those current events. Remind you, for the current events that happen in China, we are the ones who truly are experiencing it right now. So I hope that everyone don't really trust everything that is said on the news.

As for patriotism education, every country would have this kind of education. Some people think we grew up by the education tell us that the communist party is the best, but the United States education, since the childhood, always tells you that the United States is the best country in the world> Basically for any occasion, even if there is no other country present, Americans still need to play and sing the national anthem. So stop judging China's communism patriotism education for a second, and see it another way. China has been developing rapidly in the past 30 years. Especially in the past 10 years, China's infrastructure, economy and science and technology have been developing continuously. From this perspective, at least the communist party must do something right. Why wouldn't we like the political party if they did something right?

As a Chinese citizen, from the beginning, I didn't view America through rose colored glasses. But in other way around, I am not sure of the Americans are able to do that. Some people disagree because they think they're being fair and just. But tell you what, the difference is my intentions to evaluate the whole relationship is good. Initially, I love US, no matter the good side or the bad side, regardless of factors such as economy,

science and technology, culture. It is because of the ethnic mix that there will be many contradictions, and contradictions will want to have a solution. People will appeal for their problems, and the state will become more humane in these appeals. Let what makes it different than the country in the rest of the world. There's no other country would able to do that, not because they don't want to, but because they aren't able to do that due to the historical and geographical experience. This would have to give the credit to the immigrants. (So please understand and, for some people, stop hating those immigrants, who are looking at it from a different perspective and angle). Because under such conditions, the legal system will be more perfect than that of other countries. So respect that diversity, because that diversity is what makes America unique.

There are more and more people who travel to China, to see the reality, and witness the real shape of this ancient country. These travelers see, not through the news and internet platform, but with their own eyes. Then they would probably realize: "We were misled by western media for many years", "China really completely marketers and imagination", "China really let a person feel incredible". If you sum up the most common words in these messages, they are: amazing, beautiful, cutting edge, incredible.

Last but not least, the United States has launched a trade war against China. For this matter, as a person who has lived in both countries, I want to provide this point of view. Both countries are beautiful and have its own strength and weakness. Instead of fighting against each other, let's work together, so we can welcome a whole bright future.

# A Film Review Of “Fang Hua”

By Rongrong

The film "Fang Hua" is directed by a famous Chinese director, Feng Xiaogang, screenwriter, Yan Geling. The main actor is Huang Xuan. The main actress is Miao Miao. Based on Yan's novel of the same name, the film (set in the 1970s to 1990s) tells the story of a group of young people. They are part of an art troupe and they are full of ideals and passions. The art troupe uses a variety of songs and dances to entertain the frontline troops. A group of young people in the movie, experience the growth of love and variables of the fate of life.



<http://movie.xunlei.com/reviews/104248>

Liu Feng was played by Huang Xuan who is the main character in the film. He is helpful and kind-hearted. He is from the countryside repeatedly discriminated against by his troupe friends. He fell in love with a girl and was seen by others when he hugged her. She felt shamed and kept a distance from him. So the story begins. And another main female character He Xiaoping, was excluded by the female soldiers of the art troupe. He Xiaoping left the romantic and comfortable art troupe. She became involved in a brutal war as a

nurse period. She continued to grow during the blood-stained Fang Hua.

They feel the pain and warmth of collective life, the separation and reunion, and the change of the times, each person's vulnerability and powerlessness. And the art troupes in the background of the great era, each person's fate is very different, with an unexpected challenge of life.



<https://www.jianshu.com/p/ba1d7b0a0b27>

In my opinion, "Fang Hua" is an excellent domestic film, I hardly ever watch Chinese film in the theater but except this. The film combined youth and the cruelty of war together. The theme which has the impact of the audience is also very profound. But any movie that the audience remembers and enjoys is excellent. And "Fang Hua" undoubtedly did.

"Fang Hua", reflects the historical reality of the time. The most impressive part for me is that the country's soldiers obey the needs of war, and the revolutionary heroism is vividly

displayed. He Xiaoping because of slow play main character was demoted to the field hospital, and Xiao Suzi was temporarily left to the front line as a war journalist. They all have no complaints, resolutely obey orders, fully reflects the military's vocation and carry forward the military's integrity. This is the most worth of the spirit to carry forward, and also the most brilliant part.

The time of youth goes by so quickly. Everyone should appreciate this time. And the military is great and deserves to be cherished by the whole nation.



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## *Movie Review of JSA (Joint Security Area)*

By HYUN JIN CHO

What images pop in your mind when you think about Korea? As you may know, there are two separated Koreas: South and North Korea. Due to North Korea's dictator Jeongeun Kim, who is very aggressive, especially toward the U.S. making continuous trouble with it, so these days people are getting to know the two countries more and more. What are the characteristics in the two Koreas that is not easy to find out in other countries? I think the film JSA show it well.

JSA (Join Security Area) is where soldiers of the south and north are working together in border, which is usually used for meeting if needed. As soldiers are fully armed, there is always deep tension in silence. In below picture, front is area of South Korea and back is North Korea. The horizontal line in the middle distinguishes the two countries. There have been conflicts which caused casualties several times so far and it is really hard to imagine soldiers building relationships in this situation.



But in the movie, the soldiers from the two countries make an unexpected friendship by meeting secretly at each post at night and sharing about their personal lives, while getting away from the political ideology of democracy and communism.



Which do you think is the end of JSA, happy or unhappy? Would JSA be similar to most movies that begins comedy but eventually end tragedy? Watching this movie, actually Koreans had some expectation of them keeping good relationship as I think it came from longing for peace. Briefly explaining the end, everything goes back to where they should have been like an instant dream and they have to hate without knowing the reason to do that.



This film is narrating really sensitive issues in a way that makes humorous situation that is not possible in real world. In fact, the Korean War hasn't finished yet and is still under way in the name of ceasefire. How could anyone imagine the soldiers playing in the area of border traveling back and forth?

I could feel how sad the current situation of Korea is. We are aiming guns at same ethnicity for the last about 70 years even if we could get along with like in the movie. The U.S is also not free from this problem as almost 40,000 U.S military soldiers are serving in South Korea right now to prevent war that could threaten peace even worldwide. What way is it that we have to go forward for peace? I wonder how hard it is as much as there hasn't been any meaningful progress so far between the two countries.

# Two Koreas: History at a glance



# *How did Coffee Conquer the World*

By Jerusa Cadorin Rovai

Coffee means feeling! I remember my childhood, when every morning the smell of my mother's coffee would wake me up, it would overtake the walls and doors of the house and make me feel that the day was starting. Today, every morning in my house the smell of coffee is also present as it brings me good memories of love, welcome, security and energy to start the day with happiness and gratitude. In Brazilian culture there is always a moment for coffee and a good exchange of ideas, whether at breakfast or during the day, at work meetings, with friends or family.

In the article "MADE ON EARTH", David Robson describes the process of growing coffee, how it has spread around the world and the big problem about climate change. Coffee is an original fruit of the *Coffea Arabica* plant, its fruits look like cherries from which the seeds are extracted and dried.



Photo:<http://www.portalagronoticias.com.br/noticia/3501/cafece-pea-colheita-de-arabica-201819-termina-no-brasil>

The Oromo people, native inhabitants of Eastern Africa, were the first to notice the stimulating effects of these grains. Some records suggest that the Lemem Sufis were the first drinkers outside Africa in the Middle Ages because for them roasting was analogous to soul transcendence and caffeine helped to continue their mystical rituals until late at night. Then the coffee spread throughout the Middle East, Ottoman Empire and returning to the country of origin in the seventeenth century to the West.

## **Benefits**

Early drinkers believed in its medicinal properties for the stomach, heart, digestion and stimulation of the spirit. These beliefs have been highlighted in current research. Each cup of coffee a day is associated with a 6% reduction in the risk of type 2 diabetes, and regular coffee drinkers have at least a 20% chance of dying from heart disease.

The European coffee shops have become popular meeting places for businessmen. London's Lloyds insurance company started at the Lloydes Coffee Shop in the 18th century, where sailors and merchants met to discuss business.

The European settlers introduced the plants into their colonies, where the sale of coffee was used by the slave trade. Portugal took the coffee to Brazil, France to Vietnam and Spain to Colombia. Today Brazil, Vietnam and Colombia are the three largest producers of raw coffee and the United States, Germany and France are the largest importers.

## Cultivation

The taste of coffee depends on the conditions of the crop. Their plant, especially those that produce arabica coffee beans (aromatic type) are difficult to cultivate, they are very sensitive to the climate and proper in a range of 15 to 24 Celsius (59 to 75 F) and a lot of rain. The state of Minas Gerais in Brazil offers almost perfect conditions.

## Espresso

Italy is famous for its espresso machines that produce a more concentrated and creamy coffee with a caramel-colored surface foam. Howard Schultz, manager of a small Seattle coffee shop, went to Milan on a business trip and fell in love with Italian espresso and the way they savored the drink. After a few years he bought the cafeteria where he worked and launched the aggressive campaign to expand one of the most recognized coffee makers in the world, Starbucks. He noted that unlike a pub, the cafe represented a third place, between home and work. It was a suitable meeting place at any time of day and for every age group, and a way to connect with other people. Schutz wanted to recreate the Italian experience where besides the local people worry about the origin of the drink.

Asian countries, where tea predominates in their culture, are also enjoying artisan coffee in specialty coffee shops. In the last 25 years there has been a 6% annual growth in coffee demand in Asia, notably Sally Wu, founder of Seesaw Coffee, with 22 specialty coffee shops in Asia.

Today coffee is considered a social currency and symbol of hospitality. It unites people, this view and attitude is due to the beginning of the history of coffee where the Sufis in the Middle East used it as a fundamental piece in social rituals



Photo: <https://www.larepublica.net/noticia/sin-planes-el-fin-de-semana-visite-el-festival-viva-el-cafe-en-san-ramon>

## The Future

This delicious drink is increasingly appreciated and demanded in the world, and with the increase of demand also arises the concern of the market and farmers about climate change because it directly affects the cultivation of the Arabica plant. Global warming and climate are already affecting the results of coffee planting.

Research predicts that Brazil will lose about 25% of its land suitable for Arabica cultivation by 2050. Some countries such as Ethiopia, areas that are currently inadequate due to low temperatures, will in future become ideal for coffee farms due to changes. Temperature and thus will cause interruptions in cultivation due to this.

Given these changes, there is a clear need for farmers to adjust and study other, more resilient coffee species that may perform better in unstable climates and be attractive to the taste of coffee lovers.

Can you imagine the impact on people's lives and the world economy that the lack of coffee will have? And we, who enjoy the environment every day, what are we doing about the sustainability of the planet?

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# A silent wailing

By Tris Xu

When I was island hopping in the Philippines and Thailand, I had the chance to see the dolphins. When we were driving in the sea, they would jump up and greet us. At that moment you could feel their freedom, happiness and joy. I believe that not every reader has had the chance to experience a dolphin leap, but at least in the aquarium dolphins left a good memory of your childhood. (Although dolphin acrobatics is inhuman). Such a smart, beautiful creatures in nature, how can you possibly think of any terrible future they might facing?

What does this have to do with whaling conservation, you might ask? But what I am about to tell is an actual news. With 100% facts. According to "Marine Creatures" by mono magazine, the fishing village of Taiji, in the whaling season, which runs from September to February, is also when dolphins are killed. Within a conservative estimate 32,000 dolphin, only a particularly clever dolphin could fetch up to 100,000 pounce and be picked out to perform in the aquarium, the rest of them only have one fate--- be slaughtered.

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Documentary director Louis Peaceho use made this annual tragedy into a movie called The Cove, which won the best documentary Oscar in 2010.

## PART ONE: AN EXPERNATION---TRADITION OR CRUELTY

"I felt like 007." Mr. Peacehouse quipped. When they making this film the most difficult part is how to do everything possible to avoid the police shadowing." With more visits, the local police began to target the "old faces". Mr. Peacehouse had to figure out how to deal with them -- first parking his regular car on a corner, then switching to another car, driven by a Japanese friend, to evade the police. Which means the local people, residents, government know what they are doing wasn't right, it is inhuman, otherwise they don't need to hide it. But what's their motive? Why do they keep doing this?

Many viewers said the most impressive scene in the movie was the blood-red waters of Taiji bay. At the Tokyo film festival, local fishermen in Taiji "kept in touch" with the Japanese government to try to block the film's release. When watching "The Cove", few views said it was made without permission and is an "insult" to a town that has been hunting and fishing dolphins for 400 years. History and heritage can explain dolphin hunting, but I think the hunting as a tradition is immoral from the very beginning. In ancient times, the local people could only catch dolphins as an inheritance for survival, but actually, this killing is cruel, although it was necessary at that time. However, in today's era, it is the time to change, dolphin hunting has become a thing they want to do, and whether they can keep up with The Times?

Nowadays, in Taiji town, most of the local people's dolphin hunting is mainly for profit. They are the world's first dolphin supplier, and they are infatuated with the huge benefits brought by dolphins. They could have found other ways to live without killing these lovely creatures. It's really quite stupid when people go into pretend sleep. The local scenery is quite good, and tourism is a good choice. And most importantly, scientist detected the dolphin meat contains mercury that is more than safety limit. There is no need to carry out cruel activities against the criticism of the world.



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#### **PART TWO: DOLPHIN SMILE IS THE BIGGEST MISUNDERSTANDING IN THE WORLD**

Every breath a dolphin takes is conscious. When life becomes unbearable, the dolphin chooses not to breathe again to end its life. Sometimes love is a really strange word. We think we love, but we don't know the harm we've done to others. If everyone knew that cheering is torture for a dolphin's keen sense of hearing, and that there is despair behind a dolphin's smile, seaworld would no longer be synonymous with dreamland."



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#### **END: YOU WILL NEVER WAKE UP A PERSON WHO PRETEND TO SLEEP**

I am a sensitive person, but I believe many people will feel the same discomfort as I did after watching The Cove. The movie may be subjective, but the truth is that even with the movie, the dolphin situation in the area has not improved much, and the dolphin hunting is likely to continue. The Oscar Award could not save the dolphin, which shows the real situation of public opinion in the face of interests, which is related to the life of the local people and the direction of the local government. As long as dolphins can provide them with huge profits and improve their quality of life, the local people who make a living from dolphins will not give up this practice and the hunting will not stop.

Everyone knows that no sale, no killing. Every country is trumpeting this value, none stop. Such propaganda can make a difference and can get people to act. But the reality is cruel, because you can never wake up a person who pretend to sleep. So don't laugh at those who keep defending the nature. They fight all the way, not to change the world, but not to let the world change themselves. Only when we strive to be strong can we be able to protect what we love.

# China's 70 anniversary celebration

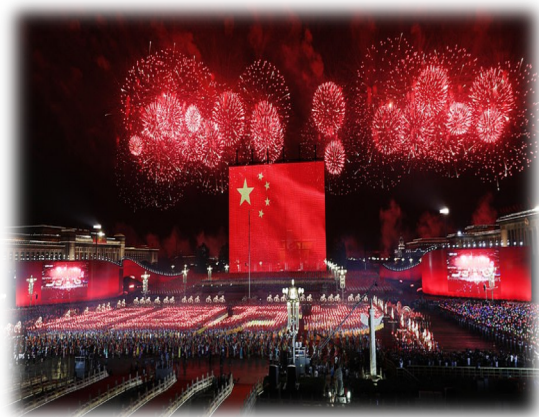
By Rongrong

In "China's 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration is bittersweet," Pankaj Mishra talks about October 1st, 2019, the Chinese Communist Party held a military parade in Beijing's Tiananmen Square to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China. National leader Xi Jinping hopes to show national strength and confidence to the people of the country and even the whole world. Since the long-standing humiliation of Western powers, the Chinese people have achieved the pursuit of national wealth and power. Now, the Chinese people have fulfilled the promise of Mao Zedong when he founded China on October 1, 1949. The Chinese people stood up. Over 30 years ago, China was still a desperate and backward country, and now it is a global economic power. Even US President Trump has made persistent and conceited efforts to punish China. China also poses a deeper challenge to the West.



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Compared with the history of the Chinese nation, which went up and down over the last 5,000 years, 70 years is just a snap. This short 70 years has not only changed China, but also changed my family.



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I heard my grandmother's stories of growing up. On the tenth day after the founding of the People's Republic of China, my grandmother was born. China ushered in a new dawn, and Grandma has also endured her hard life. At the age of studying, she did not have the ability to enter the school. She held her brother on her left hand and her sister on her right hand. Even at the young age, she was under pressure to make a living. When she got married, my grandmother was pregnant with a third child. Grandpa could only lie on bed all the time because of serious injuries. Whenever she mentioned her young age, "it was a difficult one," said my rough grandmother. Now, when the family persuaded her grandmother not to eat leftovers, her answer is: "Those who have experienced natural disasters for three years will not waste any food!" She

witnessed the familiarity of the people who were hungry and swollen, and eventually passed away.

Shortly after the reform and opening up, my father was born. The Communist Party of China led the people of the country to a new era, and dad also ushered in his hard work. When he was not in school, my family worked hard to hand over the "grain food" and the rations were running low. Dad said that the biggest wish at that time was not to borrow food from neighbors. When he went to elementary school, when it was raining, his friend was hiding at home to enjoy the leisure time, but dad was guilty of not having enough pots to pick up the water at home. It is also in a difficult environment that he made up his mind: "Be sure to study hard and go out from this ravine!" Every time I talk about my experience in school, my father will habitually sum up a few words: "In our time, we could have a college entrance examination and let you continue to study. It is the opportunity given by the state, that is, the progress of the times. Of course, we must seize Time, if you are tired, you must stick to it.

As a citizen of China, I have personal feeling about this historic celebration. In the 21st century, I was born. China's economy continues to develop at a high speed, and the people's living standards continue to improve. Our family has truly lived a happy life. In the morning, I had a bed and a steaming breakfast was on the table. I really want to read the book "Sophie's World". The next day, a new book was lay on my desk, which is the convenience brought by the new technology of online shopping! It's not just food to reach out to the mouth, but even environmental protection, energy conservation, and sustainable development have entered our lives. Today's feelings of happiness are flowing in the bits and pieces of life.

The 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration emerged in my mind ever. It reminds me that our life is inseparable from the leadership of the Communist Party and the hard work of the people of the country. Now, China is standing up. We have to cherish the wonderful life and make China stronger.



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# Are Time-Outs Effective?

HYUN JIN CHO

In "Giving children time-outs won't harm them," Breaking News English reports about time-outs, which is one form of punishment. This means let children leave alone in some room or space when they have done something wrong. It is easy to think punishment would be physical thing whether through deed or word.



Quite contrary, time-out is not related to what people usually imagine regarding it. The article is also saying time-outs would be a more effective disciplines method for the children ranged two to eight years old than any other else.

The reason why time-outs should be used is that there is no harm to mental status of children and relationship between parents and them. This is based on research conducted by University of Michigan. It would be possible by not blaming children directly and even would not make another dispute. In my opinion, I completely agree there would need to be some punishment for wrong doing and time-out is better way not to make unnecessary misunderstanding or falling-out that could harm. But for me the disadvantage of time-outs looks bigger than the advantage. Does it really not cause any harm just letting children alone? I can't stop thinking that result is natural as there is nothing for parents or teacher to do directly. Time-out is just the same that parents do not try anything to let children know what is wrong. It is true that other research insists time-outs don't make any difference whether it is applied or not and it could make children's behavior and relationship with parents worse in some way. When people say punishing children is hard and need to find out some other way for better lesson without making negative effect, it is verifying we have to approach in more delicate way. How delicate do you think timeout is? This is simply example

that we hear every day. Like this good discipline has been concern that people wanted to get but is not easy all the time.

If time-out is the best way we can try, it goes without saying that better communication skills such as listening carefully, keeping eye contact, showing we are fixated on conversation and sharing their thoughts more are not necessary in making good human relationship. If there is some problem, we can just leave them rather than keep taking care of it to come up with better solution. How could letting children alone be the effective way to teach them their fault. It is really irresponsible. I also wonder if children aged two to eight have the ability to reflect on what they have done as researchers are saying. This age just enjoys and feels whatever around them. It is not right to expect that behavior from children from the beginning. Even time out could make more harm to emotion and mind of children. Indifference and loneliness are the first thing to get away from the most. Children under age of eight are not ready to deal with it. I think emotional approach with continuous conversation is more important even if it sometime would make trouble.



Punishing children is really difficult and sensitive approach. We have to blame loved one knowing well doing that would hurt their mind. Nevertheless, why are we repeating this spinning cycles of getting mad at children and regretting what we did? It is possible because we are family that could understand everything. I think it is the process of parents and children getting to know each other. How about trying to keep communicating with children whatever situation we are under?

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# Woman's Power

By Tris

In the matrilineal society, women's status was higher than men's, because the wild fruits (equivalent to the current money) were mainly collected by women; in the patriarchal society, men's status was higher than women's, because the tools had been improved, and they could hunt, while men were better at hunting, so the game (equivalent to the current money) they hit was mainly collected by women. Men come to get it. So can we say that the inequality of status rights is caused by the inequality of economic capacity? That is to say, whoever has strong economic capacity has more right to speak. In fact, the inequality brought by economic capacity is inseparable from countries, shareholders and families. Therefore, if women make more money than men in the society, they will naturally be equal to men and women, and even women will be higher than men.

Women can be weaker than men in physical strength, but they must not lack independent consciousness. Although the general history books are full of male power's pressure and derogation on women, modern women can prove that their brains and talents can surpass most men. Men and women's intellectual starting point is basically the same, even on the level of patience, care and language talent, women should surpass men.

So what are the main reasons for gender differences? - the problem is the expansion of life pattern. Most women will stop at a certain stage, subconsciously they add a kind of restriction to themselves: woman's efforts are enough to maintain the basic needs of

life, and then just dress up, wait for the pursuit of men, get married and have children, and sit and enjoy their achievements. Social customs, including women's genetic weaknesses, will push her in this direction. In particular, when a girl with a certain beauty gains benefits from the behavior of showing sexual advantages, such as "cute", she will use this method to survive. Because of the driving force of testosterone and the requirement of social standard, men will strive for social status to gain more resource advantages. In contrast, a man with more wealth and resources will dress himself up with a woman. This time, women are not equal partners for him, but living accessories that show status, cause same-sex jealousy and worship.



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From the perspective of instinct and custom, this difference is inevitable, but from the perspective of human rationality. When a person realizes her defects, she will correct herself to seek a better and sustainable way of life, instead of staying in the instinctive show off and mindless existence with the purpose of the principle of happiness.

After I was born, in fact, my mother also quit the original high-paying job, for a slightly easier, simple job to take care of me. In fact, motherhood is a completely challenging job that involves more work than people think. Unless they have a servant to help them cook, clean and pick up the kids, they can't get away from these chores and have no interest in doing anything else. Of course, more and more fathers are taking responsibility in both eastern and western societies. (even then, fathers don't get praise because people say wow, dad is taking care of the baby, and women don't get praise when they're taking care of the baby.) But it's always easier to do these things together in a marriage. My dad has been cleaning our apartment and doing the laundry every day for as long as I can remember. Three meals a day by two people in turn, the first home who cooked.



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The independent consciousness is not only to say, it requires a woman to have a high degree of self-consciousness of her own life, and a consciousness of independent living. This kind of independent consciousness fundamentally depends on the orientation of values. Her vision needs to focus on the realization of individual values and the responsibility of social functions, rather than putting herself in a cage of emotional relations.

When it comes to marriage, with the development of The Times, not only in the west, but also in the east, fewer and fewer people get married and have children. It's



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like 'Sampo Generation' has been born into our Generation - no children, no marriage, no relationship. During the census, we are often asked, 'are you married or unmarried?' This has led to resentment among young people, as if the word unmarried is a transitional state, implying that the day will come sooner or later. Makes marriage is the ultimate goal and the only two options in life. In this way, for a time, the network appeared a new word, not married, meaning not married state.

If we want to be feminists, first of all, we must have high requirements for women groups and ourselves. Instead of standing on the opposite side of men and demanding power with bare hands. The economic foundation determines the superstructure, and the inequality between men and women is the result of the social and economic development stage. Agricultural civilized men occupy the leading position in all aspects of society because of their physical strength. However, in the industrial society and the era of science and technology, social development is more dependent on mental labor, and there is no significant difference between men and

women in intelligence, so women's social status is bound to improve, and then gender equality, which is the inevitable law of social development.

However, no historical trend and social change can be achieved overnight. What we see now is just a wave of change, and we are faced with turbulence and rocks everywhere. You can't think that all the efforts made by the people who are in it are ridiculous because not every change can succeed, and the society that fails to change in time is eliminated by history.



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The same is true of gender equality. If you really think of equality, you are naive and young. Rights have not been granted by the strong, but by the weak. When the weak have the ability to resist the strong and re

divide the interest circle, it means that the weak become stronger. In other words, power is directly proportional to strength. It can never be achieved by any doctrine or movement.

In other words, is there absolute equality exist? Yes! I think the equality is the equality of the right to exist, that is, I was born in the world to allow me to live freely. Not because I'm a black, homo or woman then got deprived of my freedom of life. Women's rights movement always pursues "the opportunity of fair competition standing on the same line with men". You have to give women the same education, the same employment, the same job to earn the same money, the same political and business opportunities, the same promotion opportunities, the same election and election opportunities, so that women can have a foundation to go. "Making as much money as men" makes it possible to achieve gender equality. It's true that "ability comes first then right comes later". However, since so many excellent women and relevant researches have proved that women are capable in various disciplines such as society, economy and science? Why don't women get corresponding rights? Why are there so many rules and regulations? You can't blame women for not fighting while you're obstructing them from making money at work. This "right to fair struggle" is what the feminist movement is striving for.

# Do you want to be a CEO?

By Hyunjin Cho

Have you ever imagined being a CEO of a big or small company? Do you think it is challenging or it requires special talents to get there? In the past, I also had that thought, which made me hesitate to try something that is currently uncertain but eventually could be a great achievement and value in the future. But I did that. I established real company and became a CEO.

When I was 30, 10 years ago, I was running music service company. As you may know, my major is violin and acted as professional violinist in several famous classic orchestras in South Korea. Additionally sometimes, I would play in some events with my colleagues, such as company, wedding or festival. What I was paid was good, but I recalled there was a big commission that went to person who managed events. Along the way, something occurred to me. How about getting to be a CEO by myself to do in my own way without interference from other people?

Actually I had some complaint about how the events was going on including choice of songs, its order, and waiting time whatever. At the beginning everything was new to me. Even I didn't know how to start. My husband who has two MBAs and a long experience in business gave me a lot of help for me to go forward step by step. Finally we registered company whose name was 'YEUM' to public office. It was really hard but rewarding that we had to go through and prepare all. Taking responsibility for what we do was a burden as every decision was made by me.

Over almost one year things had been going well, making some money and increasing in all of the fields like revenue and the number of events that we do. This great active time stopped when I got pregnant my daughter Clara and she popped out. I was going to come back since I raised her by one year. But as time went by, the role as mother made me live with her at home to take care of as much as I can. Looking back that period, it would be a lie if I don't have any regret. But I think the time I have been spending with Clara is the thing that I would not change with anything even if I could be back CEO.

Life looks like a combination of moments that have to choose something in the unclear situation. That choice may be right or not. But what I want to say is not to worry, not to be shy as much as even you could not try. Just let yourself to follow your feelings. Such is life.



# Opportunities

Jerusa Cadorin Rovai

Have you ever been through a situation in your life that needed a change, and did you close your eyes and make a wish on the universe? I believe that we attract what we think or desire fervently. This is a spiritualist view in which the energy we emanate can indeed change some routes in our lives. I also believe that everything has a bigger motive: "why" they happen.

There was a moment in my life when I deeply wanted to leave the city I was living. Also, I thought that I needed to learn English quickly because I was looking for a job. Then, as a flash came the idea that this would only happen if I lived and study in the US. I thought: this idea was interesting, but unfeasible for the moment, and I continued to live my life in Brazil with my family.

After a year, you cannot believe, we were arriving in Ohio to learn about Columbus and find a college for me to study English as a second language. We visited some colleges and the one that I identified most was the charming Otterbein University. During visit, we met Gwen, a very attentive teacher, who came to talk with me and my husband. I did not speak a word of English.

At that moment I was worried about how Gwen sees me, then I realized that my identity was being brokered by my husband and that situation bothered me a lot. Although my husband would like to help me, I am not being able to express my ideas caused me great shame. I was very nervous, and I wanted to run out of that room. I could understand almost nothing of what they said, only that I needed to take a test.



Gwen and I walked for 5 minutes to her office for me to take the test. That time was the longest 5 minutes of my life. I would like to say something to break the ice, but my brain was constantly looping, looking for words to say. I was feeling frustrated. My inability to communicate generated a face-treating.

In that moment of difficulty, a force made me want to learn English, to dedicate myself. My thought and will have begun a new trajectory in my *life* which requires patience, wisdom and determination in learning this new language. Today, I am challenging myself to write and to think in English, trying to understand the American culture, but also to demonstrate a little my identity that is directly linked to the Brazilian culture. Making mistakes and learning every day, but never failing to try.

I am grateful to all the people who support me and help me up this learning ladder. Remember when the opportunity arises in our lives, we have two options: grabbing it and doing our best or letting it go and missing the chance.

**Start where you are.  
Use what you have.  
Do what you can.**





