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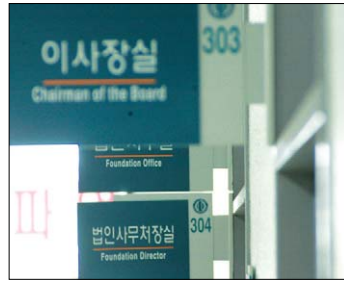
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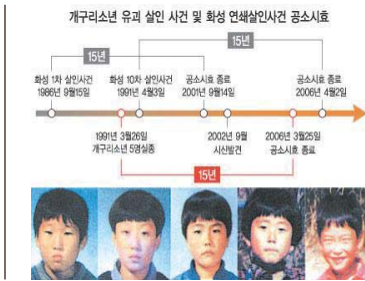
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Diversify views on affair



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## Concerns about long-term strike

By Lee Jin-woo  
Associate Editor of Theory&critique Section

On April 6, the labour union in HUFSS called a strike. The union members argued that an unfair layoff of five temporary workers and the refusal of collective negotiations by the school could justify its strike. However, the school said that the labour union's claim was untrue. The school just refused the extended contract because the contract period had expired. In fact, the school said the labour union decided the strike abruptly when the collective negotiations were under way.

The labour union did not agree with the claim. It said that the strike has progressed by the legal process because the Seoul Labour Regional Committee declared the suspension of the bargaining between the school and the labour union. Lee Jeong-chul, the chairman of the labour union in HUFSS, said, "The school has been demanding that 48 employers within the range of employers should be expelled from the labour union before the agreement, but they do not have the rights as employers and the labour union want the school to discuss this issue in the negotiation table."

However, Ong Il-whan (E-97) expressed



Labor union is showing determination to lead strike to victory.

his opposition of the strike by saying that the decision to strike was too hasty and apparently was lacking in sufficient reason. He emphasized that the strike is only used as a method to maintain their vested interests by taking the students as hostages and that the staff of the school have already been guaranteed enough salary and welfare benefits. He agreed with the school, "Now their demands seem to be unreasonable. It is time to make a structural reform of the school personnel to change the wrong

procedures and advance the school." He said, "Frankly speaking, the reform of the professors have been also progressed. The GSC cannot agree with the labour union worker's claim that they were victims. He asserted that the GSC can't watch the strike go on any longer because it is violating the studying rights of HUFSSans. He said that this issue is not just the problem between an employer and an employee but an issue closely related to the students, so the role of GSC is to represent the students' rights.

Cho Myung-hoon (E-99), the representative of All Together in HUFSS, emphasized that the school should take original responsibility for the current strike and that the organization disagreed with the GSC position. He said that the workers have the three kinds of rights guaranteed by the Constitution. The right to organize, bargain and strike belong to their rights. He said that therefore, their demand and strike is justified and the labour union strike met the constitutional standard. He worried that the denial of workers' rights could lead to the denial of the student rights and the school power has been too strong. He wanted the students to understand that their work conditions need to be improved fundamentally for the students to receive better service from them.

After 6th negotiation were broken off a few days ago, it has showed the signs of the long-term strike which could affect HUFSS in the worst way. It is time to be presented the agreeable decision by both sides. A public hearing participated in by the school, the labour union and the GSC in both campuses would be the best strategy to reach a consensus on the strike issue.

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## HUFSSans = Sportsholic



With sports, the students who are tired of studying can get the chance of taking a break. In HUFSS, there are many sports events and clubs, classes in HUFSS, which can provide the joyful opportunities for HUFSSans. However, some problems are also getting in the way of giving the students better chances to have the joyful time. By taking a look at their real story, HUFSSans can feel the situations related to sports.

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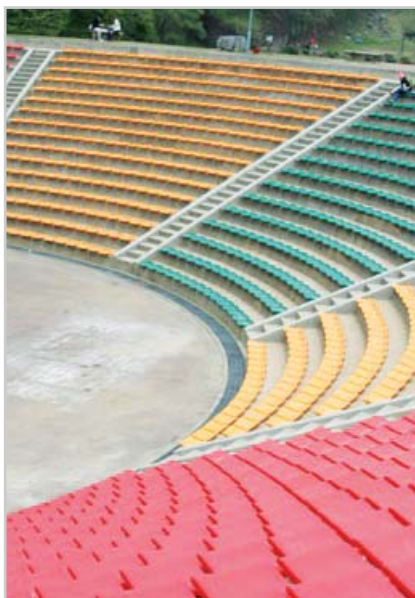
## Improvements for HUFSSans



Lee Sung-hee / The Argus

**Imun** Minerva grass garden, once a car park, open between the Audio-Visual Education Center and the Student Center on 20 April. Minerva garden is located where the Administrative Offices were previously, rousing nostalgia for the old days.

**Wangsan** Last April, Open Air Theatre of second remodeling was completed. The seats for the audience was set by plastic covers. So the students expressed great pleasure to remodeling of Open Air Theatre completed. Both the 26th and 27th Wangsan GSC have endeavored to complete their project.



Amur / The Argus

## No more increase tuition fee

By Park Min-sik  
Editorial Consultant

University Students came out to be against skyrocketing tuition fee and actualize 5 main demands for resolving education disputes. On April 29, thousands of students from across the country held a rally at Daehakro asking for having talks with the vice minister of the Education Ministry over tuition fee issue.

Kim Dae-hyung, president of the General Students Council of Joseon University as well as host, stated "Soaring tuition fee became a social problem and the public support out demonstration. Only education ministry keeps avoiding our inquiry despite of 33-day long fast rally." The student group made a statement



Park Min-sik / The Argus

criticizing current education policy that deepens polarization and deprives the poor of right to take education due to tuition fee reaching 10 million won a year. While political parties announce some countermeasures.

To solve the problem, they suggested that the government secure education budget accounting for 6percent of GDP, reexamine discriminative support such as

BK 21 project and enlarge normal finance aid equally.

Besides the tuition fee, they requested other 4 suggestions to normalize education; reexamine forced reorganization of universities, revise private school law democratically, stop and reexamine opening education market, and establish pan-national council which is composed of professors, students, education ministry, political parties, and civic groups to negotiate and solve educational issues.

After statement, the youth marched for Education Ministry office in Gwanghwamoon. Because of the police line at Jonggak Station, protesters couldn't move forward. Afterwards, the protesters dismissed voluntarily and no accidents happened at all.

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## 22th HUFSS FBS



# Singing

# Competition

Chance once in a life time

## Preliminary Contest

When : May 13 Saturday 1:00 p.m.

Where : Wangsan Campus Welfare Building at 4th floor

## Contest

When : May 23 Tuesday 6:00 p.m.

Where : Wangsan Campus Open Air Theater

Hosted by : Wangsan FBS

Editorial

# Never ending conflict

During South Korea's maritime police practice training, a flag combined with red and yellow was waved in Pohang, the northern-east coast of the Korean Peninsula. This emergency training was held to prepare for a protest against Japan's declaration, estimating and examining hydrography including Dokdo island, which violates the EEZ line. The flag is an international sign to the ship that intrudes into a country's territory. It signals that the intruder ship is violating rules or taking illegal actions, and that all actions are to be stopped. The flag has not been waved in a real situation due to an agreement between Korea and Japan. However, the dispute on whose territory Dokdo is still remains high in tension.

In the recent agreement, three treaties were set but one treaty- registration of Korean geographical designation in the international record- was not set. Korea academic experts say that the Korea government did not enforce this important treaty and yielded one step to find a better chance next time, because in international grounds Japan is on the superiority and its domination on disputed regions is recognized more than that of Korea. The three successful treaties don't make any real or positive changes to Korea. The government looks as if it has succeeded in compromising effectively in the agreement. However, Korea didn't gain anything and Japan didn't lose anything. Japan was able to make the Korea government to delay its schedule on registration of the Korean name for the underwater zone by using one declaration and sending two Japanese Coastal Guard survey ships. It didn't even have to threaten Korea by doing the research.

This incident has caused president Roh to change his previous policy, a moderate relationship, to a rigid one. Recently, he announced a special statement, "Dokdo is a symbol of the complete recovery of sovereignty. It will be reviewed in the context of rectifying the historical record between Korea and Japan, building historical awareness, a model of self-reliance and independence, and the safeguarding of our sovereignty." To the Koreans living on the east coasts, engaged in the fishery industry, Dokdo was and is a vital way of living. The island has been ours and given from generations to generations. For decades Japan is not giving up her obstinacy in announcing Dokdo to be her territory. Japan's absurd and disruptive act to take over the islet is very upsetting. This issue on Dokdo is important to the residents and fishermen in the region and to most Koreans people who want to safe guard our land. Whenever this issue is surfaced, it stimulates patriotism, appealing to people to come together. Koreans are working hard to keep its territory safe we have documents to prove that Dokdo was and is Korea's territory. Nevertheless, Korea doesn't have much power on the international grounds to claim what is ours.

One way to prevent anymore disputes for the current issue on the naming is to go for an alternative on a geographical name for the official record. However, the main focus of these arguments doesn't seem to be on the naming. The Dokdo problem usually occurs when an election is close by. For a Korean government party, Dokdo is a good method to provoke patriotism and appeal to its citizens. For the Japanese government party, it is a good tool to show its power in taking over something and making it theirs.

Currently, the Japanese Chief Cabinet Secretary, Shinzo, a strong candidate for the next Prime Minister, represents the hawk's side. He plays a big role in the international related decisions. Still, he needs more attention and approval from the Japanese people. Dokdo is a promising topic to get attention. Similarly in Korea, there will be regional elections at the end of this month and this is related to the ruling party and the next presidential election. The Dokdo issue can appeal to the Koreans and win more votes.

# Have multiplied myself with illumination

By Anna  
Reporter of Campus Section

Lee Bong-wha (J-79), a senior of HUFSS, is the director-general of audit & inspection in the Seoul Metropolitan Government. She has been a vice-chairman of the women's alumni association and was selected as "A proud look at HUFSSans." in 2006. Let's give an ear to the words of an auditor and a female leader.

**Reporter: You entered university late in your life. Did you have any problems in your school life? What was the reason for choosing Japanese as your major?**

**Lee Bong-wha:** I had so many difficulties because I was already pregnant with my second child, so I had to be careful physically. I had to be extremely careful in the physical training course for cultural studies. I also had problems in preparation for the lessons. I didn't have enough time to prepare for lessons because I worked during the day, studied at school in the evening, and did housework after school.

I chose Japanese without any hesitation. My mother graduated university in Japan and naturally, I was greatly influenced by her.

**Reporter: What felt good to you about being back in school?**

**Lee:** Because of family circumstances, I was not able to go to college right after high school. So entering the HUFSS itself made me happy. I always wished to enter the university. What I liked the most about being back in school was that I could study what I want. Though it was tough for me to work during the day time and study in the evening,



Ms. Lee is sitting at her office desk in Seoul City Hall

I loved studying. I think that I studied with firm resolve those days.

**Reporter: You worked as a public servant for a long time and have been in various departments doing diverse work. What hardship did you face as a woman?**

**Lee:** There were fundamental discriminations just because you are a woman in the past. Relationship with men as colleagues was limited. Women had to do "women's work" which was usually trivial, and grouped only with women. We also had very few opportunities for promotion. I worked mainly in the field of social welfare, always had the phrase, "the first by woman" following my name. Now the words make my heart full. I am doing my best to be a model for women.

**Reporter: What is your job like? And what are your values and philosophy at work?**

**Lee:** I am concerned in investigating official and private affairs. I watch public employees and see how they carry out their administration. By and large, an auditor's work is to evaluate business. Moreover, auditors supervise public employees to cut out irregularities and corruption, and tighten discipline. I always try to work strictly and be fair. I stick to the principles and always try to consider matters in all kind of aspects. Though I work in a firm attitude, I always try to be in the other people's shoes by thinking of what I would do if I were them.

**Reporter: Lately, public service is the most popular job in society because of**

stability, what do you think of this situation?

**Lee:** I think it is a matter of course. The public service is actually equitable job in various aspects. The public servant's working environment is very fair to everybody because it evaluates people on their exact working progress. It seems like there is no bias in evaluating workers. This is why there is a tendency of women applying for the job.

**Reporter: Do you have any words for the female leaders of the future?**

**Lee:** It is said that the 21st century is an information-oriented society and the era of women. Women have a lot of merits, such as tolerance, understanding, and patience. These are the virtue that women have more than men. However women tend to think things in alternatives ways though they can gain the capability to handle both. These are the weak points that many women have. Though most women think that sexual discrimination should be eliminated, many of them choose marriage as a means to escape their failure. This is a kind of dualism that many women have. I want to tell young female leaders to improve their skills, physical fitness, and mind power constantly. I hope they contribute to our society through it.

Lee Bong-wha says that she has been improving herself by studying constantly. She says that she will constantly work hard to keep improving herself in the future. She tells us and shows us what self-confidence is. Let's make her our example and become more challenging and ambitious.

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## Blue Print

# Why is the dream of an educational reform necessary?



Prof. Park Eun-jung

When we look back the history of the way of life in the United States, human beings have sought their own dreams. So it is natural that American Indian had followed game, as their ancestors had for thousands of years, along the Siberian coast and then across the land bridge. Perhaps the most affluent of the pre-Columbian American Indians lived in the Pacific northwest, the opulence of their "potlatch" gatherings remains a standard for extravagance and festivity probably unmatched in early American history. Indian society in North America was closely tied to the land. Identification with nature and the elements was integral to religious beliefs. Indian life was essentially clan-oriented and

communal, with children allowed more freedom and tolerance than was the European custom of the day.

However, when most European emigrants had come the United States, they had followed food and freedom. They left their homelands to have their dreams to escape political oppression, to seek the freedom to practice their religion, or for adventure and opportunities denied them at home. Between 1620 and 1635, economic difficulties swept England. Many people could not find work. Even skilled artisans could earn little more than a bare living. Poor crop yields added to the distress. In addition, the Industrial Revolution had created a burgeoning textile industry, which demanded an ever-increasing supply of wool to keep the looms running. Landlords enclosed farmlands and evicted the peasants in favor of sheep cultivation. Colonial expansion became an outlet for this displaced peasant population.

In the 1960s Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. had a dream that one day this United States would rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: "We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men are created equal." He had a dream that his descendants would one day live in a nation where they would not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character.

Today I have a dream just like American Indian thousand years ago, the first European people in the 1600s, and Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. in the 1960s had done. With a faith we Koreans will be able to go forwards that the 21st Korean Brain Power will transform the jangling discords of our Education system into a wonderful symphony of the Global Leader Education. With this faith we will be able to work together, to pray together, to struggle together, to go to teach and learn together, to stand up for Korean Global Leaders together, knowing that we will reach one day. It's our ability to consider those effects, and to turn our dreams into reality. It means achieving our full potential. It means using our intelligence to grasp the lessons of multi-discipline in the past and apply them to the future of integrated interdisciplinary education. We have our past Education system. We can't change it. It's part of what we had earned from it. Even though we are not satisfied with the teacher directed lessons and the less interactions between teachers and students, we can learn from them to extend our knowledge contents balanced between humanities and science and the strategy of how to teach. In order to give our students a guideline to be global leaders, they should be accustomed to student-directed learning, problem based

learning, and integrated thinking with interdisciplinary knowledge. A global leader can not satisfied to one professional knowledge any more in the future where many complex problems are asunder. We have our futures, we sing our dreams of a better future for ourselves and our students. You hear it calling you in your dreams at night, urging you, moving to you to your greatness. And when you say "yes" to the dream that you carry, there will be no doubt in your heart that you are that place where the dreams shall be made visible.

Correction: In our April, 2006 No. 397, The Argus put the wrong article of BLUE PRINT firstly drafted by Prof. Eun Jung Park, but she intended to put her another final version. We apologize to prof. Park and readers. To all our apology, we put her another article on his issue.

(Institute of British & American Studies, HUFSS)

## Letter to The Argus



### Facilities of HUFSS

Recently, the university is in the midst of a construction. The workers lay down a land in grass and plant the trees. And then it's almost done and it looks pretty good. They prepared the benches and grasses we can rest so we have a pleasant environment and everyone in this university will use the garden with a glad heart. However the workers make the exterior of a building beautiful, the inside establishment do not progress favorably. The equipment all students use have been remodeled yet. Without the audio-visual building, almost all building's toilets are deteriorated. A waste basket is always full to the brim of the toilet paper and garbages, but no one put away wastes. So everytime the wastes slip down and make the floor unclean. And we can't find the toilet paper anywhere. They have not a new toilet paper, just have a paper that has already been used and thrown away to the toilet

basket. The next one is faucet. Everytime one of all three of the faucets breaks down. One day I spilled the drink on my hand so rushed to the toilet, but all the faucets are out of order. Therefore I went to find the other toilet.

However that's not whole things. Many students felt uncomfortable with desks. Some of them are worn-out furniture so they make a strange noise like creaking sound. The desk continually kept swaying and because of this, students couldn't take down a lecture. They tried out changing the desk, but that's no good, because the other desk has similarly condition. I understand everything what the HUFSS think that make the university wonderful. But I hope that the university recognizes that the inside facilities are as important as the external appearance. If they understand the position we are in a little more, I'm sure they come at a true knowledge of student's inconvenience.

Choi Ju-eun(S-05)



### Compromise on strike needed

Now the strike of staff-members has been going on for three weeks, no doubt students are the ones who suffer the most. It is not a matter of who is to blame. The labor union and the president, Park Chul, had better seek a point of compromise as soon as possible so that the suffering the students are now facing can be resolved.

Another thing that I feel thoroughly sorry for is the conflict between students; the chief student council and the groups which supports the strike such as Democratic Labor Party and All Together.

There are various placards and papers on the walls accusing the chief student council of using violence and acting as though they are bought off by the president.

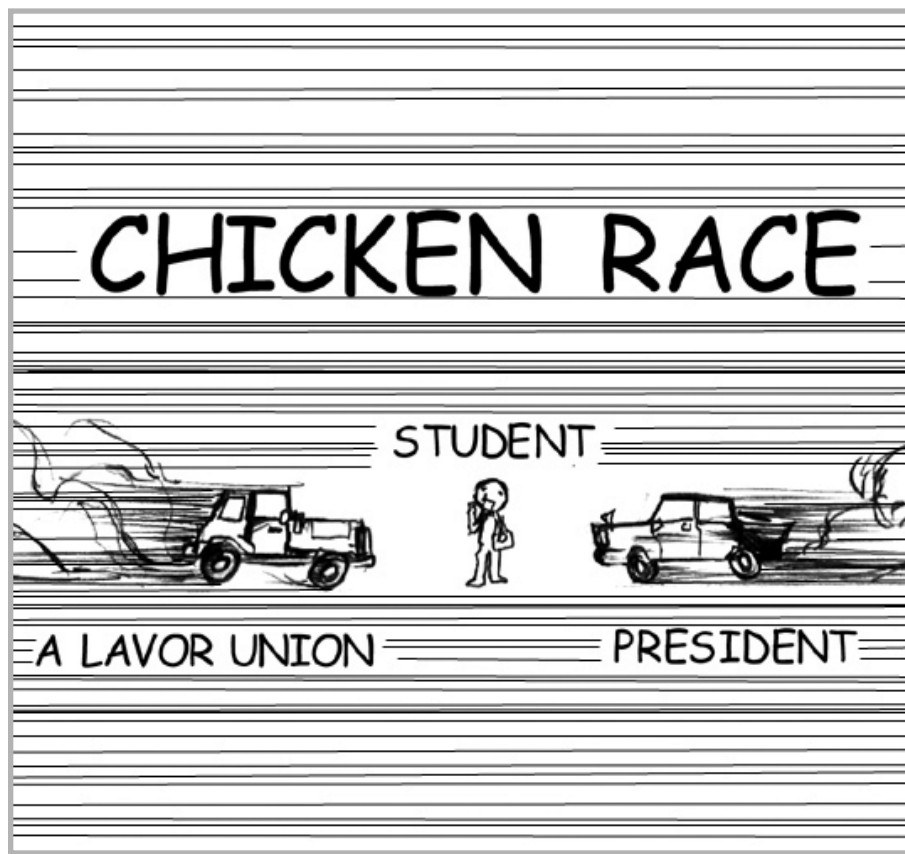
At the same time the student council insists that the strike must be stopped and the students' right to learn must be ensured also criticizing those groups that support the strike. They are supposed to represent the

students; their role is not fighting with other students.

In my opinion, at this critical moment of strike, compromising and understanding is needed between students, labor union and the president. I really hope the strike is ended in the near future and thus all the operations are on the way including the library. Thanks to the Argus for giving me an opportunity to write.

Seo Min-jeong(EC-05)

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# Conflicts between trustees and professors conference

## Problems of definition that trustees of revenue contribution having

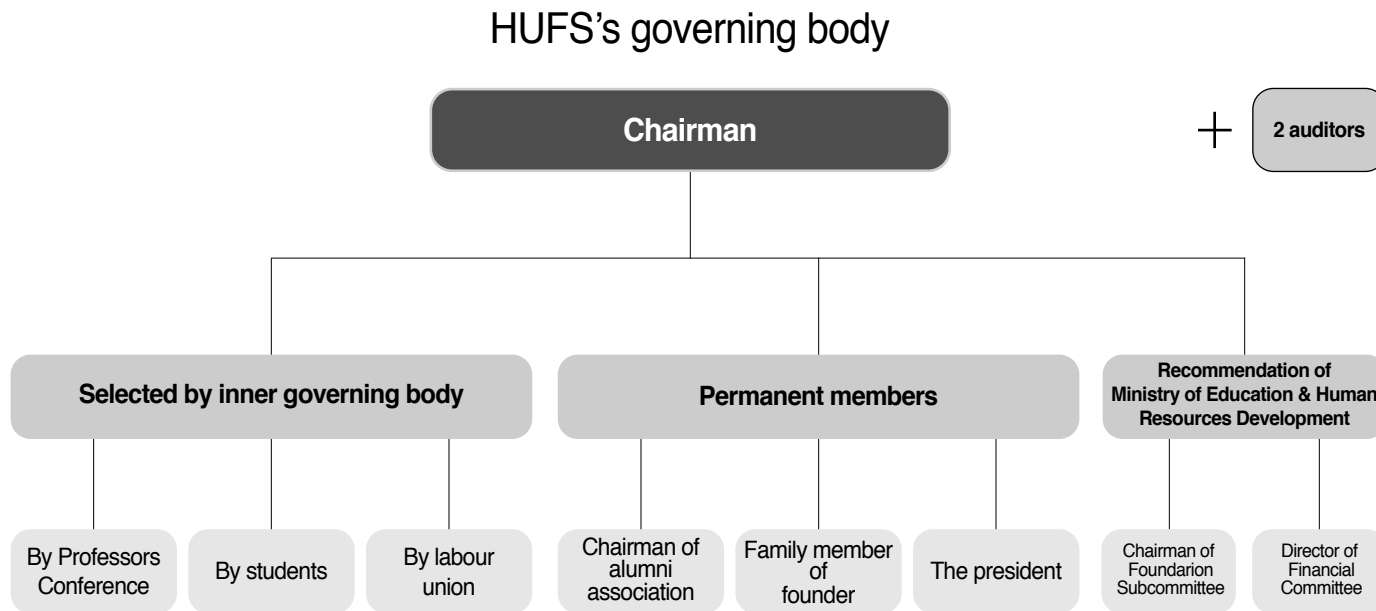
By Anna  
Reporter of Campus Section

Hankuk University of Foreign Studies (HUFS) is based on a juridical foundation; the Dong-won Scholarship Foundation, which is an organization consisted of a chief director, eight directors and two auditors. Four of the directors are the chairman of the alumni association, a family member of the founder, the chairman of the Foundation Subcommittee, and a director of the financial subcommittee. The other three members are recommended by the labor union, the students association and the professors. The two directors, the chairman of the foundation subcommittee and the chairman of the financial subcommittee, are the directors who made financial contributions and this appointment is the cause of controversy between the board of directors and the Professors Conference (PC).

The PC seemed to act in an unreserved way by filing a lawsuit in the first place. However, the board of directors came up with a few suggestion through a meeting held between the Chancellor, the PC, and the board of directors on April 14. The PC asked the board to consider that fact that the PC is opposed to the reappointment and urged to take appropriate measures. The PC is now waiting for a formal response from the board. Let's look into the causes of the discord and the difference between the different point of views. There must be some way to settle the situation.

### The progress of the event

Through the Dong-won Scholarship Foundation director appointment decision on January 20, the two directors of the Foundation, the chairman of the foundation subcommittee and the chairman of the financial subcommittee whose term of office had expired on March 29 were reappointed. The PC, regarding the decision, made a request to the Ministry of Education and Human Resources Development (MEHRD) to reject the reappointment of the directors last February 10. They insisted that the board



Since the start of the new trustee structure the nine trustees should have been empowered by due process. Trustees reappoint themselves without external input.

didn't ask for the agreement from the PC about the reappointment decision and that such decision is in contrast with articles of the association supplementary provision. The conflict between the PC and the board is still being continued.

The board insisted that they did not have any problems in the process according to the board's articles of association. Kim Ho-jung, the head official said "the board rests on the Article 24.4. that the assignment of the directors have to be discussed two months prior to the termination of their terms of office and ask the MEHRD for inauguration approval one month prior to the beginning of the official term. So the board elected new directors before January 29, 2006 and requested inauguration approval to the MEHRD. According to the additional rule of the board's articles of association, the board needs to hear from the PC on their opinion, so they demanded that the PC recommend two persons that give financial support to the HUFS. However, the PC did not recommend anyone to the board until January 20, 2006 so the board decided to reappoint the existing two directors."

In contrast to the insistence of the board,

what the PC says is different. Kim Joong-ryeol, the chief of the PC said, "The board suggested a preposterous proposal that the PC will have to come up with the holograph of the candidates who will contribute financially about 5 billions. That is an indirect refusal to directors recommended by the PC. However the existing directors of the financial subcommittee, who are still occupying their position, don't contribute anything and don't show any clear desire for providing the contribution. We contacted five persons so far for the positions but everything was interrupted due to reappointment decision. There is nobody who wants to donate more than 5 billion won and become a director. Everybody knows it. The board's countermeasure just isn't right."

### The factors of the conflict

The first thing that caused the disagreement is the phrase "Considerable financial assistance", ambiguously elucidated in Article 3 of the additional rule of the board. There is no specific standard indicating what the "considerable financial assistance" means. Since there are not

standards to specify what financial contribution is and how it is done, it is possible for the board and the PC to interpret it differently.

The second thing that can be pointed out as a factor for the dispute is that the board's election of directors is done exclusively. When the board selects the directors, the existing members of directors, except for the directors whose terms expired, come together and vote for a new appointment or reappointment. The problem of this kind of decision process is that the directors can reappoint directors alternately from the board. Despite the outstanding merit of the system of selection of the directors, nobody is pointing it out. This way, the selection process will remain controversial.

### Solution to the conflict

Specific standards on the phrase, "financial contribution" and "directors who provide considerable financial assistance," should be established as soon as possible. The specific information that states the requirements for being a director of financial contribution should stipulate the following in details: how much the candidate should

donate, specific plans on what kind of business is being operated, and whether if the candidate should be in a famous enough for the students to take pride in as HUFSSans.

The existing system on directorial election which allows directors with a little bit too much authority should be improved. Participating in the directorial election by recommending candidates, and giving opinions on it, the professors the students' association, and the labor union need to have their recommendation and proposition procedures more legally guaranteed.

### The importance of setting up a direction

The directors of financial contribution are important members for the school and

students. Generous contributors may lessen the students' tuition burdens. The Dong-won Scholarship Foundation is a public management foundation and its administration must be transparent. Together with its systematic transparency, the board should be more open to the other members and eliminate the exclusive aspects of election. In addition, the appointment of the directors of the financial contribution should be based on more concrete conditions since the decision will effect everyone in HUFS.

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## Dating on Sunday

### Strength at the helm



Kim Jeong-eun / The Argus

By Kim Jeong-eun  
Reporter of National Section

These days, the title of "youth CEO" is a very popular social trend. Do Jung-min is now a celebrity in HUFS because he was on the air last March as a hero of CEOs, whose total sales in a year was three billion won. We made an appointment with him and he appeared in a decent suit, represented his title expectedly.

He is an honorary president and technological research executive of the home-networking system company. It was difficult to believe that he is merely an 18-year-old boy, as he also seems to possess incredible skill and intelligence. He began to use computers when he was four years old, and he has also received various honorary prizes in science and engineering also very impressive. The reporter questioned him about his momentum for starting his business: "When I was in middle school, it was a trend among many children to wear a necklace with their address carved on it. By this, burglary was prevalent as those children became victims. After realizing such problems, I decided to develop a system to settle this matter."

However, at that time, research and development about home network system was not active. Most people were stunned by Mr. Do's creative power. Due to his challenging character, he won the gold prize in the National Students Scientific Inventions Contest, and he began to start his own firm using this technology.

He possessed a strong will towards technological development - he almost gave up on receiving high school education - and he also found some difficulty in running a business. "I did not intend to start an enterprise. At first, I wanted to invest my technology in the market. When I started that, I lead a busy life to investment incentive because at that time, I did not form the basis for enterprises. Moreover, it was hard to feel the connection with the employees because of the age gap."

He decided to enter the university to learn about management as well as technology, given that he had raised his company on a solid foundation, as opposed to the more difficult early years. The reason he chose HUFS was because of its goal to cultivate global leaders armed with various languages. "I don't regret entering this university. I am satisfied not only with HUFS's curriculum of Business Administration but also with the atmosphere of the courses. I'm planning to make inroads into the world market. I thought this university would also be helpful in reaching that goal. I received the aid of many fellow graduates of HUFS already since I've been accepted into the university."

He smiled gently at questions such as "Aren't you busy, being not only a businessman but also a student?" To this he responded "mostly, I manage my business by internet by using a messenger or by email. Unless it is an urgent occasion, I usually go to work on weekends. I want to enjoy the university life as much as possible. So I participate in freshmen orientation and regular general meetings."

As a HUFSSan, he also mentioned his desire to become a professor in the future. "Enterprise is a matter beyond the imagination. I have also had a chance to experience tutoring a highschool student. At that time, I was fascinated in the matter of teaching!" We should applaud his passion as a student, a leader of business and even a future professor.

He was a modest managing director. He also regarded "individual character" as a necessary quality in a CEO. "I think that respect to others is the most important factor. Owing to this respect, it is possible to run a business ethically. When I saw discrimination to foreign workers or people without any school education, I felt anxious." Whether guided by such faith or not, he joined a volunteer group. He began participating in the volunteering club to take direct actions regarding people who have been maltreated. He fostered the idea that real work and assistance is more valuable than a donation.

Lastly, he made a valuable quote for HUFSSans. "The status as a CEO is not always splendid like the image shown in the media. I think this position is lonely. I want HUFSSans to take aim at CEOs who can contribute to the national industrial development with realistic and passionate minds rather than relying on the title of their position." Mr. Do, who wants to have fun as a university student, is also expected to play an active part in his business.

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About four weeks into the general strike by unionized workers of HUFS, the school authorities has still failed to come to a conclusion with the unionized workers. Students of HUFS are being afflicted by considerable inconvenience while studying. Under these circumstances, the striking workers who entered the walkout seem to pretty much achieve their goal as the students are suffering as much as expected. However, the workers should know that many students' anger is extreme against them, not at the school authorities that were unsuccessful for coping appropriately with the emergency of the school affairs.

The strike this time is producing active debates about the administering of the university. So, this occasion should serve as a important opportunity to root out repetitive and exhausting controversy. The proper countermeasure should be arranged within the principle and common sense. In this regard, it is natural that the GSC said, We won't look on unconcernedly at the union of workers that are consistent in silence about the students' continuous demand while only sticking to their own demand. It is seen as desirable that the GSC insists on students' right to receive the service of education because it represents the 8,100 students of HUFS.

The unionized workers of HUFS, as laborers, have a legitimate right to go on strike. However, it is hard to say that they have enough justification to enter the walkout. The fundamental purpose of establishing labor unions is to protect the justifiable right and interest of the laborers

who are placed in relatively poor conditions by the collective action. As a matter of fact, most of the recently released statistics indicates that the workers of HUFS were placed in a comparatively better working environment and received higher wages than workers at many other universities. So, it would not be too farfetched for the other members to regard this strike as not constructive action but very conservative one.

The prolonged strike arouses another concern among some students. The questions on whether or not the GSC used organized violence while carrying out a protest demonstration is gradually spreading out now. The Seoul branch of the Democratic Labor Party also intruded itself into the controversy, releasing a statement denouncing the GSC. On campus, some students joining "Altogether", a group that is opposed to war, capitalism and supports laborers, and are especially hostile toward the GSC. As they have recently

questioned the legitimacy of the GSC's damage of posters, they are tensely facing each other.

Still the momentum of the strike seems not to be losing force. Two of the school authorities and the unionized workers haven't taken a solid negotiation for terminating the walkout yet. How long do they think that the students will stand the imminent discomfort? As there is no way for students to escape being inconvenienced by the strike, they should come to a conclusion quickly. The disorder should be tied up by efforts to make the unionized workers return to our university.

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## Wangsan succeeded in unifying student's voice

The 27th General Student Council (GSC) of Wangsan held the regular general meeting of the first half of 2006 on April 5. The meeting began with academic performance, and about 800 HUFSSans came to the watch it.

The president of the GSC, Kim June-sik (H-99) and the vice-president Lee Se-ho (ES-03) reported students on excessive tuition that was raised by 11.4% points by showing related images. After the presentation, they showed strong volition that they will lower the raised tuition.

The day of the regular general meeting was the same day that the labor union proclaimed sudden general strike. The GSC declared that they would not let any obstruction happen to the students stemming from the strike. They also apologized for not preventing it. The president of GSC, Kim June-sik (H-99) and the vice-president of Lee Se-ho (ES-03) shaved their hair. The vice-president Lee Se-ho (ES-03) said that

"We are shaving our hair, simply to show our strong will to work hard for the students, not to stir the sense of incongruity or because we burn with combativeness."

Jeong Jae-hyun (IB-02) said "The students did not pay attention to what the GSC said. The atmosphere was disturbing through the whole meeting. It seemed that the regular general meeting is gradually losing its meaning, of students discussing matters together."



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HUFS World Cup

Imun World Cup

HUFS is unique since it has majors in many different languages. Due to the variety of language majors, there is something eccentric about HUFS concerning the World Cup. Other universities also have soccer games, however, HUFS World Cup is different from them. For one, it resembles the real World Cup. A soccer team that majors in a certain language wears the uniform of its country. For example, a HUFSan who majors in Dutch wears an orange uniform as a real Netherlands soccer player does. The color of Spanish uniform is red and yellow. Like this, a HUFSan soccer players wears a uniform according to his or her major's country.

HUFS World Cup has been held for 25 years. This event has managed HUFS soccer club since 1976. They stay together in a camp for HUFS World Cup for two weeks. This event is one of three big HUFS festivals which prepare students of their own accord. Lee Seung-hyun (H-01) said that even though a preparation of World Cup is laborious, it is worthwhile.

Prof. Lee Hyung-taek (T-91), a graduate of HUFS, said that he would want to play HUFS World Cup again. Even though he had injured himself while playing before, he felt excited at the prospect of playing again. In the past, HUFS World Cup was a much more popular festival for HUFSans than now.

The 2006 HUFS World Cup was finished successfully. This year, the winning team was a team of Business Administration Majors. The second prize was given to a team from the Department of Japanese. Notably, a Business Administration Majors team won two consecutive games and the Department of Japanese advanced to the final round.

Last year, four teams received a seed. The seed is a chance to have a position according to their ranking until the semifinal round. The four teams are Business Administration, English Education, Department of Spanish and the Department of English. Among them, only the Business Administration team entered the semifinal this year. It was a surprising result.

Champion and runner up list of HUFS World Cup

Year	Champion (Dept.)	Runner up (Dept.)
1981	Spanish	English
1983	English	French
1984	Arabic	Journalism & Media
1985	French	Scandinavian
1986	Chinese	International Economics and Law
1987	Business Administration	Malay-Indonesian
1988	Spanish	English
1989	Arabic	Turkish
1990	Arabic	Law
1991	Law	Hindi
1992	Russian	Law
1993	Law	International Economics and Law
1994	Economic	Business Administration
1995	Economic	Russian
1996	Chinese	English
1997	Law	French
1998	English	Journalism & Media
1999	Journalism & Media	Business Administration
2000	English	Chinese
2001	Hindi	Chinese
2002	Chinese	Business Administration
2003	English	Spanish
2004	English	Spanish
2005	Business Administration	Spanish
2006	Business Administration	Japanese

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Rowing for harmony

Rowing competition is held annually between the Oxford and Cambridge universities on the Thames River in England every April. This sport is very popular in Europe and the U.S., but not yet in Korea. However, it is interesting to know that there has been a rowing club in HUFS since 1964. Surprisingly, they have a long distinguished history and have received many awards. In Seoul, only five universities have a rowing club. These are Seoul National University, Yonsei University, Korea University, Korea National Sports University and HUFS.



Rowing is a sports using a boat. According to the number of players, there are various kinds of rowing game. The HUFS rowing team has a boat for nine participants. In the boat, nine rowers participate in the challenge. It has eight players, four players each at one side, and a cox. This game is called “eight” because the number of players totals eight. The total length of the course that they row is 2,000 metres, and the team that crosses the final line wins the game. In the game, a rower called “cox” is an important person in rowing. He keeps the balance of the boat and instructs other players how to row more effectively. To control the boat in rowing is difficult

because four players row on each side. One cannot row both sides at the same time, which makes maintaining a team balance difficult. Therefore, teamwork among players is an important factor in rowing.

Kim Won-ho (EC-05), a captain of the HUFS rowing team, explained that rowing is good exercise for the whole body. People think it is a sport that targets only the arms, however, rowing requires the strength of the legs and in fact the entire body.

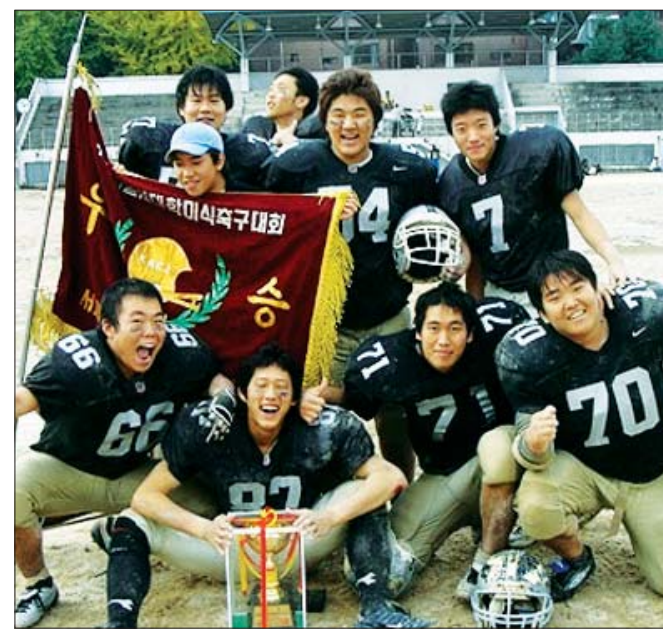
Every summer, the HUFS rowing team participates in a rowing competition which is held under the Republic of Korea Naval Academy. To be prepared for the contest, players exercise together for ten days. Subsequently, this extensive training results in many prizes.

Some HUFSan asked the members of the rowing team whether they could row boats or not. The HUFS rowing team told that they have only two boats which they use for exercise rowing. Due to the fact that the price of the boat is expensive, many people cannot enjoy participate in the sport of rowing. If a HUFSan becomes a member of the HUFS rowing team, then he or she would be able to row a boat. Kim also added, “If you want to know more about rowing, feel free to ask about it. The HUFS rowing team will be always open to you.”

Strongly, manly, powerfully

This April, Hines Ward who received super ball MVP in American Football league, came to Korea in order to see his hometown. In Korea, football is a relatively unfamiliar sport. After Hines Ward was recognized as a successful Korean, many Koreans began to take an interest in football games. Accordingly, HUFS has a football team named the Black Knights.

Last year, the Black Knights, won the championship in the Seoul football league. It is the first time since the Black Knights was organized in 1992 that this has occurred. It was a great result despite the fact that their training environment was not adequate. Every year in autumn, the Seoul University American Football League begins its season. The previous champion play against the winner of the business team. So this month, Black Knights will play a game against the champion business team in Seoul. Consequently, the Black Knights will then travel to Japan in order to play against a successful Japanese university team.



“Players of the Black Knights exercise every Tuesday and Thursday. Even though equipment for football is insufficient compared with other athletic clubs, our passion cannot be compared.”

American Football game can be dangerous because of the aggressive nature of the game itself. In spite of this fact, players enjoy the game and become avid fans of it. Nam Hyeong-yoon (E-01) said that only those who play the game know its excitement. Also, having an excellent player cannot make an American Football team win, because the most important factor is based upon teamwork, not on one excellent player. So each season, the result of a game depends on their teamwork, which can be different in each game in America. Because of this, American football offers a significant attraction to competitive spectators.

Before they play the game, players chant this slogan, “Not everyone can play football, and we are the lucky ones.” This motto shows that they have much pride and passion in American Football.

Ra Hee-se (D-01), a captain of the Black Knights, said that

Persian Culture Expedition

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- \* Estimated Cost: 1,300,000 won (included round-trip flight and accommodation)
- \* Target people: Anyone both HUFSans and the public who are interested in Persian culture.

- (1) It isn't decided whether expedition include Turkey. If so, the expedition will be extended to about 14 day-long and cost 400,000 won more.
- (2) Please apply for the expedition as soon as possible to get issued visa
- (3) It is subjected to schedule

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Experience in sky

Fostering spirits



“Skylove” dongari is a paragliding club that was created 21 years ago. It has lots of equipment for paragliding, such as safety devices and fuselages to go paragliding. Smoothly ascending while paragliding is fun, but what is also as fun as the paragliding itself is to climb mountains in order to paraglide. The whole process is an amusement and helps you increase your body strength.

Paragliding has much to do with weather. Good weather for paragliding is the weather with no or little wind. If the weather is so good, just get equipped with the safety devices, and observe the guidelines and there would be nothing to worry about.

Cha Min-ku (DIE-04) the chairman of skylove dongari says “Anybody can learn paragliding. All it need is just some practice. Since women have little body strength than men, it might be a little bit tough for them. However the process is simple, learning paragliding is never difficult.”

He added that to describe what it is like to fly through the sky is beyond the description of words. “Just try it” is what he says.



The Taekgyun dongari “Keobalhan” was established in 2001. Taekgyun is traditional military art. It's original form is Soobak (roughly translated; hands attacking), which existed in the ancient times.

Taekgyun almost disappeared during the era of Japanese imperialism due to the nation liquidation policy. However, the last and the only successor Song Duck-gi succeeded it to his descendants, and the military art was able to be handed down from generation to generation.

The positions of Taekgyun are soft, compared to other military arts, so practicing it repeatedly increases physical flexibility. Since it brings down body fat, it is good for diet as well. Kwon Hyuck (HS-01) says “The strength of Taekgyun is the philosophy it has which is about being considerate of others. Practicing Taekgyun not only trains your body, but also trains your personality and cultivate your mind.”

Keobalhan actively practices Taekgyun twice a week in the dongari practice room and in the in the suburbs.

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## Wangsan World Cup

Wangsan World Cup is sponsored by main soccer dongari, Hermes, and the vice present of Wangsan campus. This event has held annually in September since 1997. It doesn't have a long history but because it was held annually, it became famous and has popularities among students from all departments of campus.

The purpose of having Wangsan World Cup is to cultivate mutual friendship among different departments. Participating in World Cup in any case is not obligation because of participant fees. To participate in Wangsan World Cup, you just have to give notice to Hermes after you pick out the entry of your players. Then representatives meet together at Hermes and draw lots to decide who is playing who. The method of contest is similar to ordinary World Cup as league match. The participating students could be received a report of absence with leave.

Hermes awards the winning team of first, second and third ranking for a prize with trophy and prize money. The best player who scores the most also gets awarded.

The chairman of Hermes, Kim Do-gun, said "The school or General Students Council (GSC) didn't give any support to Wangsan World Cup, so every year we were in the red. I hope that The Wangsan World Cup is approved as formal event of HUFS as inspiring friendship as among students."



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Classes

## Various physical education courses



In HUFS, there are various physical education courses such as in-line skating, the art of self-defense and water skiing. Let's see some lectures on sports which are popular with many students.

### Water skiing

The course of water skiing which is only given in the first term, is one of famous course with students. This lesson is consisted of four theoretical studies in campus and once camp training. In summer vacation, students become staying together in a two-three camp for intensive training. This course has merit to experience water skiing which is quiet highclass sports with a moderate price. In this class, it is possible not only to take a ski lesson but also to ride in water sleigh or the boat what is called "nut boat." With the HUFS's characteristics that there are lots of students who are major in various languages, this course is being spotlighted because it is able to interchange information in many countries and their language actively.

### Camping and leadership

It attracts students' interest by unique name of subject "camping and leadership."

In this class, group activities and attendance are given much weight in the total estimate. So it is needed to cooperate with group members and show their leadership.

During camping program in May and October, students able to experience various recreations such as entertainment prize, dance sports and cooking test.

### In-line skating

In case of in-line skating, that has received a prize in international inline skate tournament, it is maintaining student's popularity not only mania classes but a beginner. This course is progressed six weeks in campus and then actual loading in like Han River fourth in one semester. Students are taking part in international in-line skating tournament at the end of every May. And if an entrant runs the whole distance of a race, they could get high point in practical test. It is being evaluated mostly by participation degree. This in-line skating lesson serves a double purpose prize as well as course.

### Art of self-defense

The lesson of the art of self-defense is done in campus completely. This program is being progressed quite tightly taking aim at putting lots of knowledge to practical use. According to professor's curriculum, there are simulation course for women students. It is being supported by lots of students.

As remarked above, the purpose of most physical education of cultural studies is improving student's health and various experiences. However, out of relative estimation, there are many students who are ardently attached to getting point rather than original aim. Students should persevere in their efforts to enjoy and participate actively as most lessons have "participation" as their object.



## Key factors to hinder progress of sports activities

Most students can easily come up with soccer, basketball, baseball and volleyball club, but only a few students know that American football club, Black Knights, which seems to be unfamiliar, also exist in HUFS. This club won the Seoul association league last year. However, it needs more school funding.

One million won are given to the club per year. seniors can not help using their private money to manage the club. Also, the school has not enough sports facilities. The club can not host the competition among the teams in Seoul because the school has no official field for American football.

HUFS World Cup in Imun Campus is hosted by HUFS Soccer Team, so looking for sponsorship from sports companies is the most difficult problem to get funding even though the General Students Council provide the support. Also, they did not get a report of absence because HUFS World Cup is not hosted by the school. However, they have no choice but to stay in a camp for preparing for the competition for two weeks.

In Wangsan Campus, Wangsan World Cup hosted by Hermes, the soccer club in Wangsan, is held like Imun Campus to win a trophy by the vice-president. However, the school do not provide any support. Therefore, the soccer club members have no choice but to take care of all the things related to World Cup by themselves without the help from the schools.

Frankly speaking, the soccer club can not get visible profits and advantages. They are being required to shoulder too much responsibilities. They emphasize that the school should consider Wangsan World Cup as one of the main school events. The soccer games is playing a positive role in the campus by promoting friendship among the students.

There are some sports classes to meet the demand of a variety of students. However, there are a few problems to disappoint the students who are expecting new and striking classes. Above all, the school has not enough facilities which are suitable for each sports class. For example, Yoga, Pilates and the art of self-defense classes are done in the health room in Audio-Visual Education Center. The safety of the health room can not be guaranteed and too small to run the classes and to follow the fashion.

It is difficult to make new classes for the students which are gaining in popularity because of the lack of support from the school. The students are also required to grasp what kind of classes are and how classes are done. There are some sports classes the students must pay their private money to take.

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# Bulletin boards become an issue

## Regulations not suppressing advantages of internet anonymity

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From April 7, the site called NAVER (www.naver.com) took steps to limit the number of replies to 10 per person. It is an extreme measure to eliminate replies called *akple*, which means something badly or rudely written as replies on the bulletin boards. The "replying trend" which refers to the new wave of notice boards, is prolific with aspect to offering space to the public in order to exchange opinions or criticize. However, lately it is becoming a serious matter, as some users of the notice boards have a social tendency of distrust or attack others maliciously. In this respect, problems such as circulating false reports is becoming a social concern.

According to the survey made by the Daum Communication on 1,120,000 people who wrote replies on a Daum news board in February, people of aged 19-30 scored the highest (36.9%). Also, people over the age of 40 were the second highest (12.8%). This survey shows that cyberculture messaging has become a big part in Korea, having no relation to age.

Finally, as problems increase, the authority takes legal steps and applies them to *akplers*. At the same time, internet operators are conducting a campaign for cyber purification.



Rampant "Daet Geul" on bulletin boards are causing confusion.

### Increasing damage by cyber violence

This rapid settlement of the replying culture has side-effects that are especially prominent in Korea. The most serious problems are violating one's private life and defamation of character. The damage caused by cyber violence is increasing. Last year, Lim Su-kyung, who was called the "flower of unification," lodged a complaint against some netizens who have made malicious remarks related to the death of her son. From this incident, the prosecutory authorities caught the persons responsible. Moreover, the public was shocked by the fact that most of the people who committed the slander were 30-60 years old, and among them were professors and executives of large corporation.

This is not the only problem. According to a last year's survey by the Korea Information Safety Commission (KISCOM), the number of consultations for cyber violence was 8,406, compared with 1,054 in 2001. Problems like malicious invasions of privacy or defamation of character are the most serious aspects that are becoming an issue in the cyberculture

messaging world.

Also, it acts as an obstacle for the public to make an objective judgment. This means that online information can be distorted or manipulated as much as to create part-time jobs for netizens replying to what they view as favorable interests. What is more, the intentionally favorable reply is being used in political circles and in the marketing of culture industry, which can also have a negative impact.

### Side effects of anonymity

The source of the trouble is the "anonymity" in the online world. Although this anonymity is ideal with respect to freedom of expression, it becomes an issue due to immature netizens who make poor use of this freedom. Also, these problems are partially originated from our history. As the Korean nation was given freedom of expression and speech after the pro-democracy movement, internet space has subsequently begun to expand rapidly.

Spreading individualism is another concern. Since individualism has deepened in modern society, many people prefer indirect communication rather than face-to-face mutual understanding. This has become widespread due to the easy accessibility of the internet.

### Rigid enforcement and surveillance of bulletin boards

According to Han Myung-ho, the head of a policy planning committee in KISCOM, Ministry of Information and Communication and the prosecutory authorities including KISCOM are maintaining strict control over bulletin boards.

In case of "*akple*," KISCOM is requesting measures such as striking a person's name off a board. And they also working with NGO's to encourage abuses on bulletin boards. And they are promoting various activities like Cyber conscience forum and the national e-clean campaign.

### Regulation must be held, not breaking up the intrinsic attribute

To settle these problems, it is necessary for netizens to expand their consciousness. Concealing one's identity can be brought up as a social issue. To help encourage improvement, various education systems and campaigns will inevitably arise.

Recently, the movement of portal sites themselves to settle many problems of the replying culture has appeared. Beginning with the policy of NAVER (which is mentioned above), not only are systems of user's recommendations being searched, but also back-tracking services. The Recommendation System of Online Users is a method to arrange replies using direct recommendations from the users. This service is in place in order to create a level of responsibility on notice boards by making users carry their replies into their blogs or homepages.

As earlier described, the government is also getting involved. However, one of its policies, the "Internet Real Name System", is unreasonable. This policy has a possibility to be abused for the convenience of government control and if abused, could suppress advantages of internet anonymity. Therefore, it could be restricted through a number of procedures, such as identification, when people visit different sites. Also, it is necessary to severely punish those who circulate false facts, and consequently, the government should come to realize the severity of such problems.

### Bulletin boards are needed to be a space for voicing decent public opinion

As the society advances swiftly, cultural lag can also be a factor. Many problems caused by online discussion boards are included in this phenomenon.

Increasingly nowadays, online comments in discussion space is coming into question as courts decide. So many trials to cleanup distorted bulletin boards are being conducted.

However, it is necessary to take a prudent attitude in regulating or enforcing this system. Regulation must be held, not breaking up the freedom of anonymity to bring together netizens, including the government authorities and corporations into actively finding a solution.

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## Diplomatic Archives opened

The long-cherished desire of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MOFAT) came true. It opened the Diplomatic Archives, displaying a wealth of historical materials in Korean diplomacy since opening in 1876, so that the public can see diplomatic history at a glance.

"The Diplomatic Archives will pave the road for advanced diplomacy by preserving historical materials scientifically and systematically. It will also hand down historic lessons to our descendants and lead better ways for fluctuating international relation in 21st century," Ban Ki-moon, the Minister of MOFAT, spoke during the opening ceremony on April 27.

Lee Hee-chul, the director of Diplomatic Archives Division, said "The archives will be turning point in record management, because we transformed former diplomatic museum to up-to-date with newly invented display techniques. It will be very helpful to those who study diplomatic history."

The archives hold some critical records in Korean history; the Eulsa Treaty, which Japan forced upon Joseon dynasty to deprive her of diplomatic rights (1905), Treaty of the Japanese Annexation of Korea (1910), Korean War Armistice Agreement and provisional supplementary document (1953), etc.

The visitors can use a provided reading room to look and search through diplomatic records on microfilm, and from those make hard copies. For youth dreaming of global leadership in the future, this will be of great assistance and motivation. The Diplomatic Archives are located in the Institute of Foreign Affairs & National Security near the Yangjae Station. It opens to the public from 10 a.m. to 16 p.m. during weekdays. For more details, call (02)3497-8700 or visit <http://www.mofat.go.kr>

By Park Min-shik / The Argus



Digitaries are cutting ribbon at ceremony.



## Open discussion for youth's political faith

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During the 1980's, the key word of the decade for college students was arguably "conflict"; in contrast, current average college students' key word is "employment." As the youth unemployment rate increases, many college level students are spending more of their time preparing for employment from earlier and earlier grades. Subsequently, their interest towards politics has declined. Can it be said that the political awareness of most college level students who regard themselves as middle-of-the-road is based on reasonable thinking? It might just be apathy over politics. Nevertheless, there is an assembly named "Seojeongryun" whose members discuss their political creed by conducting routine seminars or debate classes. A reporter attended the 129th seminar held on April 8 at Korea University.

Initially, "Seojeongryun" was an abbreviation for the "Union of the Department of Political Science and Diplomacy in Seoul." But since the year 2000, many students' interest toward this group and with respect to their participation, it has been revealed that the original name of the Political Science and Diplomacy major wasn't fulfilling the function that its name implies; moreover, it was even pointed out to have provoked hostility among students. Thus the original name has been changed from the "Union of the Department of Political Science and Diplomacy in Seoul" to "Academic Society of Seoul Regional Union of Politics." Members of this academic meeting are holding regular seminars in many universities.

The reporter met a representative of Sejoengryun, Won Ho-yeon, who is a student of Korea University in the department of Political Science and Diplomacy. He said that he has been interested in politics, and so started to participate in this union by surfing the internet. As the third representative of Sejoengryun, he finds its worth his time participating in this activity, particularly when he sees newcomers in the seminar



Members of Sejoengryun are debating lively.

Kim Jeong-eun / The Argus

increasing their concern with politics. However, he describes that sometimes he realizes the limitations of the seminars because most of the members of this group are yet immature college-level students: "In fact, there are merits and demerits because it is a union constituted mostly of students. Students have more time than people who have jobs, and they are also able to speak of administrative sides freely. But there are frequent absences because it is scheduled mostly on Saturdays. Many students spend their weekends resting, and they tend to regard weekends as time for recharging."

The reporter was told that he is taking his biggest aim at self-examination through activities in Sejoengryun: "The most attractive aspect is that it is possible to actually listen to political concerns of various people through such seminars and debates. And by participating in those events, we can establish a foundation to self-development from others' experiences."

In addition to Sejoengryun, there are many unions of university students related to politics such as UNIVOTERS and 20 politics. Compared with these groups, Sejoengryun takes pride in themselves for

their regular seminars. "I don't want to limit the students of the politics major only as colleagues. I think that Sejoengryun could be a proper ground for cultivating an individual's thinking capacity only if they have the urge. What we want to put great emphasis on is the regularly held seminars and open discussions," says Mr. Won.

He regarded the political apathy of university students as the biggest problem towards current social issues. He also said, "I think political apathy has come to a serious level. But it would be hard to settle this problem only by campaign. Because political apathy of students comes from the basic social and economic structure. It's true that it is hard to express liberal views on politics due to a source of anxiety related to employment or cost of living."

The reporter asked Mr. Won about actual plans there are concerning political participation, such as election campaigns. "Of course we are ready to participate in specific political events if necessary, and if there be matters related to most people's concerns, which needs improvement, participation if there were an essential particular or some matter need to be

improved. But, Sejoengryun's current main focus is on the seminars, and those are the things we are concerned the most with right now."

He also conveyed a message to HUFSA. "In our union, we need more freshmen and sophomores. Sometimes, we feel sorry that we're not able to listen to younger creative voices. I think joining in such group is only possible when you are willing to participate. I wish HUFSA take part in politics more actively. Politics is not something difficult. Let's try to understand politics easily and dive into the society."

On April 8, the seminar held in Korea University dealt with topics on "Power Plays" written by Dick Morris. In this seminar, members developed heated discussions concerning images for politicians and the validity of modesty and vision in the process of changing an organization. Whenever the reporter met many groups or unions for this column, it was true that the participation rates of HUFSA were relatively higher than other university students; and Sejoengryun wasn't an exception. To establish an appropriate value scale for oneself, paying attention to social matters and a wide variety of experience in needed. Moreover, one must have a more positive and active attitude toward the society.

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\*\*\* Sejoengryun is hosting seminars regarding politics on a regular basis. It is open to anyone who wants to participate in this open discussion. If you want to join this academic or for more information, please visit the homepage of Sejoengryun.

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## Transparent administration required

By Park Min-shik  
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The Hyundai Motors Chairman, Chung Mong-Koo, was arrested on charges of embezzlement and misappropriation this past month. The prosecutors submitted a warrant of arrest to investigate him closely, which the district court in Seoul approved. Once the judiciary reached a final decision to arrest him after the pending investigation, he was jailed. As a result, his detention surely teaches two lessons; one, economic justice, and two, transparent management.

The prosecutors worried about how to deal with such as case and finally determined to raise the hand of judicial justice over economic benefits. Many company administrators and employees presented a petition to indicate the impact this would have on Korean economy, and therefore recommended showing leniency to escape serious defamation to one of the country's most important conglomerates. The Supreme Prosecutors' Office took a very strong attitude due to the gravity of his offense. Mr. Chung, 68, is accused of embezzling 100 billion won and misappropriating 300 billion won in company money. Additionally, he is also suspected to have ordered unlawful actions in making illegal slush funds and writing off debts from his financial subsidiaries to complete secret father-to-son succession.

Therefore, the government had no choice but to investigate and prosecute. Compared to the past cozy relationship between politics and business being permitted tacitly for economic development, this choice has been a serious wake-up call to other conglomerates. In other words, this decision shows that prosecutors will now place more

importance on observing law rather than considering economic benefits in serious cases of misappropriation or embezzlement.

Also, the chaebols need to administrate the company transparently and ethically. The Korean chaebol leaders have committed minor offences from time to time, but they took advantage of loopholes in a law. However regulators were very shy in front of major conglomerates and applied double-standards in the administration of justice.

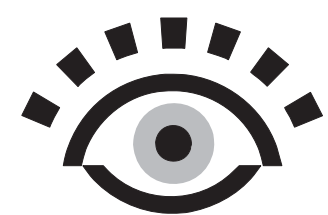
Samsung and Doosan in last year are typical examples.

Chae Dong-wook, a senior public prosecutor who is in charge of investigation economic crime, said in a statement, "We must accept the notion that in order to make our nation an more advanced economy, it is a life-or-death task demanded by the times to secure transparency and credibility for business."

So, Korean business men have to pay attention to transparent company management as well as return their profit to society. Although business operation in Korea has been cleaner since the IMF financial crisis in 1997, companies should make great effort to meet global standards and compete against foreign companies in both domestic and overseas markets.

The charismatic manager who developed his company into the world's seventh-largest car manufacturer is now in jail, a scenario nobody expected. The Korean economy needs to accept the current situation and make use of it as a positive way to strengthen the structure of enterprise and establish clear guidelines in dealing with chaebol heads.

## The Eye



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# Music mirrors people's life

## Folk music reflects the common people's joy and sorrow

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Last May 1 was May Day, an official holiday for laborers. Many university students prepared folk music in order to commemorate the day. Folk music, which was once a symbol of university culture, cannot be heard anymore in many universities; folk music can be found only at a limited number of festivals. Additionally, many students feel that folk music is unfamiliar to them; in fact, they even feel awkward about it. It is time to pay attention to the definition and the real meaning of folk music.

### Definition and history of folk music

Folk music is an expression of creativity used to solve social problems such as civil rights and wage disputes. It was used to protest harsh military rule during the medieval age. However, folk music includes not only protest music but also all music which tells the life of the general working public; there are folk, labor and farming songs. Some people think folk music is simply resigned to these categories, however, this is not accurate. Folk music includes all songs about the general public's life and story.

Folk music has a lengthy history. In the latter age of Chosun, there was a folk song called "Saeya saeya (roughly translated bird bird)." It talked about Jeon Bong-jun and the general public metaphorically in reference to the Donghak struggle of 1894. "Jindalrae (roughly translated Korean rosebay)" is a special song for students who died in April 19 Student Uprising in 1960, which toppled the dictatorial government of President Rhee Seung-man. In the early 1970s, "The morning dew" was a prohibited song under military government. This song received unstinted praise and was given an enthusiastic welcome by students. Folk music has a longer history than many people



Woori Nara, singers of folk music, is singing on the stage.

could imagine and reflects its history.

### Reason folk music doesn't gain sympathy from the public sphere

In the dark age of military rule, university students insisted that intellectuals struggle for their rights and society. At the end of democratization in Korea, people still did not recognize serious social problems that had sprung up. Current generations do not empathize with folk music, which talk about these social problems.

Prof. Kim Suk-su charging a class on Marxism in HUFs said that society and subsequently students have changed. They have to win over other students in order to enter companies and universities. They are more concerned about their own problems than others'. At the same time, folk music which tell society problems are unfamiliar with them.

Mass media has also developed rapidly. The general public has more chance to

experience mass culture than ever before through television and the internet. Because these have more entertaining cultural media than folk music, people often do not care about folk music. Now, the general public simply accepts popular culture while not being an active part of it. But, social problems which have to be collectively responsible, remain as important as ever.

### The cultural meaning of folk music existent in university

University students need to examine social problems through a more critical lens. Baek Ja (BA-90), a singer of Woori Nara (roughly translated our nation) said that folk music describes the common person's love, tears, gladness and anger. And folk music gives this person new sight with which to view the world. Through folk music, he or she could find a way in which society can move forward. Also, he said that university students have to think about the weak who is

neglected from the society.

Folk musicians also describe that protest music and folk music is changing.

Han Dong-hun, a director of Nochatsa (roughly translated People Seeking Music), represents folk music singers who sing folk music such as "Four season" and "People are more beautiful than flowers." He says that folk music needs to be changed. Folk music was aggressive and protestant in the past, and now folk music will be changed into more sensitive and deeper music. However, the heart of folk music will remain unchanged. He added also that when university students make the university culture their own, an alternative culture can take hold on universities not encroached in popular culture.

Even though there are some clubs concerning folk music in universities, they do not have the social consciousness that indicates responsibility towards social problems. Students join the clubs just to sing songs without the necessary cultural understanding.

### A course that folk music has to pursue in university

The problem of university students who do not sing folk music is due to the change of social problems. But folk music is the story of every single person, not limited to any particular person or persons. It includes people's gladness, sadness, joy and sorrow. University students need to listen to music which is not others' fictional stories, but in fact reminiscent of their own struggles and experiences.

Last April 30, there was the 116th May Day Eve, a meeting for temporary workers, at Konkuk University. University students performed folk music songs in order to support. This can be considered as a good example of sharing folk music as a whole. In order to have folk music melted in everyday life, these kinds of occasions should be taken place more often.

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What's what

## To be screened at film festivals

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Whenever the nominees were announced by world major film festivals such as Berlin, Venice, and Cannes, the Korean press has always reported on the film makers and the works that have received the honor. Haven't you ever wondered how the committees of the major film festivals know these works and even give awards? With the Jeonju International Film Festival (JIFF) which has been one of the most successful international film festivals in Korea, let's look over the way of inviting movies.

The first way is submitting a film by a director or film distributor. While the Cannes Film Festival just around a corner, do you know what the first Korean winner at Cannes is? The answer is a short film, "So-Poong (Picnic)" by director Song Il-gon. Mr. Song submitted his film to Cannes even its due date was over through the recommendation of a director, Yim Pil-sung in the Festival Clermont-Ferrand Du Court Me't Rage. Finally, he won the Grand Prize of the Jury.

There is another way to be selected as one of the presented films at film festivals. Each film festival has programmers who select and decide which movies are going to be screened. Lee Jung-jin, the Publicity Director of JIFF remarked that their programmers usually attend each film festival and watch as many films as they can, so it could be eight movies in a day. As a result, they pick some movies to be invited to their festivals.

The above-mentioned two methods are major ones to select films to film festivals. JIFF, which has just begun its seventh

festival, has a special method of selecting works for screening. That is the Digital Short Film by Three Filmmakers (DSFTF), one of the most endeavoring sections in JIFF. Before making this decision, its coordinators plan the whole project's schedule. Then, they contact the directors and suggest the plan to make a digital movie that shows the distinct color or character of each director. If they answer yes, each director is supported by JIFF for making their digital short film by being provided with a budget of fifty million won. Song Il-gon who attended last year's DSFTF, appraised this section as great opportunity for directors to examine their ability and imagination. JIFF screens this section and its popularity is very high. But, that is not all. They tried to show the works in the general theaters and released the films to 6 domestic theaters. Thanks to these efforts to let the works supported by JIFF be known to the world, the Locarno International Film Festival suggests that they want to hold a retrospective with all the digital films made in DSFTF.

These days are spoken as the period of ten million audiences in the Korean movie industry. However, the films that are introduced through film festivals hardly get chances to be screened in general theaters even though the audience's interest in these movies are increasing. If people have more interest in these films and provide support for the film makers who try to make various movies, the Korean film industry could be more affluent in its quality as well as quantity.

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## CLOSE UP CULTURE

### Coexistence of east & west

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After last 2002 World Cup, Turkey became more familiar. And kebab is one of popular foods in Korea, as well. As a result, for instance, kebab which is Turkish food, now can be found easily in the streets. Let's get fascinated with Turkey through these pictures.



Firat yildiz, a fradeate school student in Kyunghee Univ., is playing Baglama, Turkish traditional instrument. Beside there is Geleneksel blbise which is Turkish traditional clothes.

There are Turkish foods, Adanekabab and chicken germech kebab with ekmek. Adanekabab is made with mutton. An "ekmek" is a Turkish bread.



There are Turkish desserts, cookies and tea called "cay." Potatoes, tomatoes and green onions are the ingredients of Poaca, which is the yellow one with sesamies in the picture.

Turkishes enjoy wearing these accessories. These are called "nazari boncugu." They believe these blue eyes protect themselves from a devil.



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## Rendezvous

# Sound simulates real life to film

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When the audience sees a movie, they give their mind to not only the pictures, but also to the sound. Sound might be the most important factor in the movie. This is the reason why a sound director is essential in making film. Its work includes Polly, dialogue, music, effect, and ambience. Kim Suk-won, a sound director, makes himself responsible for everything. He has made many movies that are well-known to people. For example, there are famous films such as "Taegukgi; brotherhood of war," "Silmdo," "Welcome to dongmakgol," "Sympathy for lady vengeance," etc.

Reporter: What kind of expertise does sound work include in a movie? And what are you responsible for?

Kim Suk-won: Sound work in a movie has five parts, that is, dialogue, background music, Polly, effect and ambience. You would probably know something about effect, dialogue and background music. But many people are not familiar with the terms "Polly" and "ambience." Polly is a creative word for real sounds. Polly makes the sounds and sometimes they imagine sounds even though they are not real. The next, ambience, is for background sounds in movies. If the movie's background period was set in the Joseon age, sounds such as cars have to be removed in order to provide a



Kim Suk-won is explaining about proper sounds in movies.

sense of authentic reality. So these five parts have a sound supervisor each who is responsible for their works. And I have the responsibility for the entire five supervisors.

R: Why do you choose this job? Did you have an interest in sound at an early age?

Kim: Since I was a student, I have had interest in music. When I entered university, I joined the Sanctus club, a university student union club where I played guitar and sang songs. Through Santus club activities, my passion for music was deepened. Then I met Kim Do-hyang, president of Seoul Audio by chance learned many more things about music. In fact, my major, technology of engineering works, lies far from my personal interests. Even

though my major has many visions for success, I chose this job with help from Kim Do-hyang. He said to me, "Even if you do not engage in technology of engineering work, they will still make good progress without you. But when it comes to sound work, it is a whole different story." Moreover, I felt happy when I finally decided to do work that is related to music sound. This is the reason why I chose this job.

R: Do you have a particular reason to be a sound director in movie?

Kim: Generally, people prefer a bigger screen so that they can see the movie more vividly. That is why movies need to have huge screens and the screen plays a big part in these



Sounds operating equipment

movies. However, the sound is as important as the screen. By hearing sounds from movies, audiences can feel a sense of space. Since the screen is flat, it cannot meet the needs of the audience who want to feel a sense of genuine reality. And the sound is what helps to achieve this. This is why I am attracted to movie sounds.

R: You have made many great movies. What is your favorite movie and why?

Kim: Even though I have made many box-office movies, I would choose "Waikiki brothers" as my favorite movie because the synopsis of the film reminded me of my student life. Another reason I like this film is in the way of its production. Since the film was a story about amateur indie bands, it needed to have many scenes of the bands performing songs. So I found an amateur band that was appropriate for the film and bought second-hand musical instrument for them. As you know, amateur indie bands cannot afford expensive musical instruments. It was totally different from other directors who would record pro band's playing for the

performance scenes, which does not coincide with a real amateur indie band. Also, I made the actors learn how to play instruments from the bands so that they could coincide with on another. Recording sounds did not take place in a studio, but in a hall in Sungkyunkwan University. I thought it made perfect sound for this film. This movie gave me not only a good reminiscence of my student life but also an opportunity to try something new.

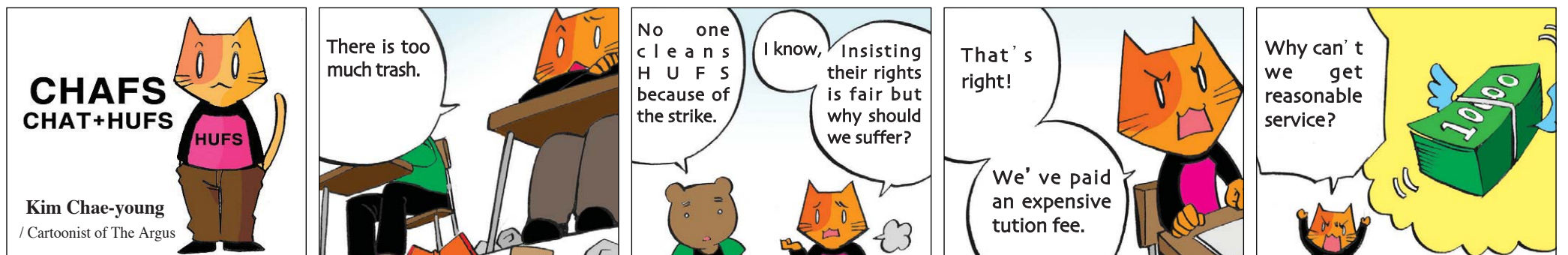
R: What do you think is the good sound in movies?

Kim: It is simple. Sounds have to be used in a suitable way. Some people try to make just push and not proper sounds. Good sounds are unrecognized sounds. It is the story that needs to be recognized, not the sounds. It is an agreeable saying, but a difficult idea at the same time.

In summation, he stated that "The sound that appropriately fits into the story of music is the best one." In his interview, he demonstrated his love and passion about sounds.

He is working on four movies. These movies require lots of efforts and time. Right at this moment, he probably is working on his new films. As long as he engages sound field in movies, the future of it will be bright for sure.

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