

“Pyongyang Girls”

It happened a dozen years ago when Chairman **Kim Jong Il** was guided to Taehung Noodle Restaurant during his visit to the Taehung Youth Hero Mine.

The restaurant was a Korean-style building that went well with the picturesque scenery of the residential area.

Stepping into the kitchen, he was warmly greeted by cooks, some of whom two decades previously had come from the capital city of Pyongyang.

After being briefed on how they had volunteered to work at the mine, he said that he was very pleased to be there. Then he offered to have a photo taken with the cooks, calling them Pyongyang girls.

All their faces were beaming with a broad smile as the women were sitting side by side in front of the restaurant, where the photo was to be taken.

He urged them to stand up, saying that they might get sick after sitting on the cold stairs.

He then suggested that the picture be captioned *Pyongyang Girls* before being affixed to the restaurant's register.

Teary-eyed, the women hardened their resolve to prove themselves worthy of his trust by faithfully supporting the Workers' Party of Korea.