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[Ambassador Wohlers Opens Artifacts Exhibit](#)

This morning, after years of research and preparation, Ambassador Wohlers opened an exhibit of rare artifacts unearthed during the excavation work at the Embassy's current site. The excavation, which took place in ...

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[Ambassador Visits Financial Union Skopje](#)

On 25 January, Ambassador Wohlers visited Financial Union Skopje, the Western Union franchisee for Macedonia, Albania, Kosovo, Croatia and Switzerland. With over 240 points of service in the country, Western Union covers about 90 percent of the "fast money transfer" market in Macedonia.



[Official Opening of American Corner Skopje](#)

On January 24, Ambassador Wohlers, Minister of Culture Kanceska-Milevska, and Library Director Mile Bosheski officially opened the American Corner Skopje at the National and University Library. The event was attended by over 60 guests, including ...

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[U.S. Presidential Inauguration Viewing Event](#)

Ambassador Wohlers delivered remarks and answered questions at a live screening of President Obama's inauguration ceremony at the new American Corner in Skopje. The screening was the soft opening of the new Corner, which will be officially opened later in ...

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[The Second Inauguration of Barack Obama](#)

President Barack Obama: "America's possibilities are limitless," he said, "for we possess all the qualities that this world without boundaries demands: youth and drive; diversity and openness; an endless capacity for risk and a gift for reinvention. My fellow Americans, we are made for this moment, and we will seize it -- so long as we seize it together." ... [Video.](#) »



[Ambassador Visits Johnson Controls](#)

Johnson Controls welcomed Ambassador Wohlers for a tour of their circuit board production plant on January 15. The plant has experienced steady growth since opening in 2007 and is now one of Macedonia's flagship employers and investors. ..



[Marines Bring Joy to SOS Children's Village](#)

Ambassador Wohlers joined the Embassy Marines and Santa at the SOS Children's Village to distribute toys donated by Embassy staff. Every year, the U.S. Marines, wherever they serve around the world, gather gifts through the Toys for Tots program so less fortunate children may experience the joy of Christmas.



[Courage is Needed to Create Success for Macedonia](#)

OP-ED by the Honorable Paul D. Wohlers: "As a long-time friend of Macedonia, I have been pleased to see this country grow and develop over the years. I was therefore deeply disturbed by the politically driven clashes of recent days. " ...

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