



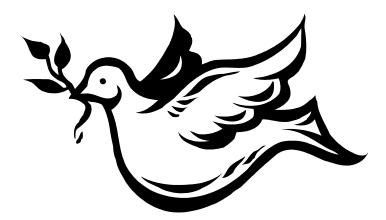
THE UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND'S ROTARY CENTRE FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDIES IN PEACE AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION

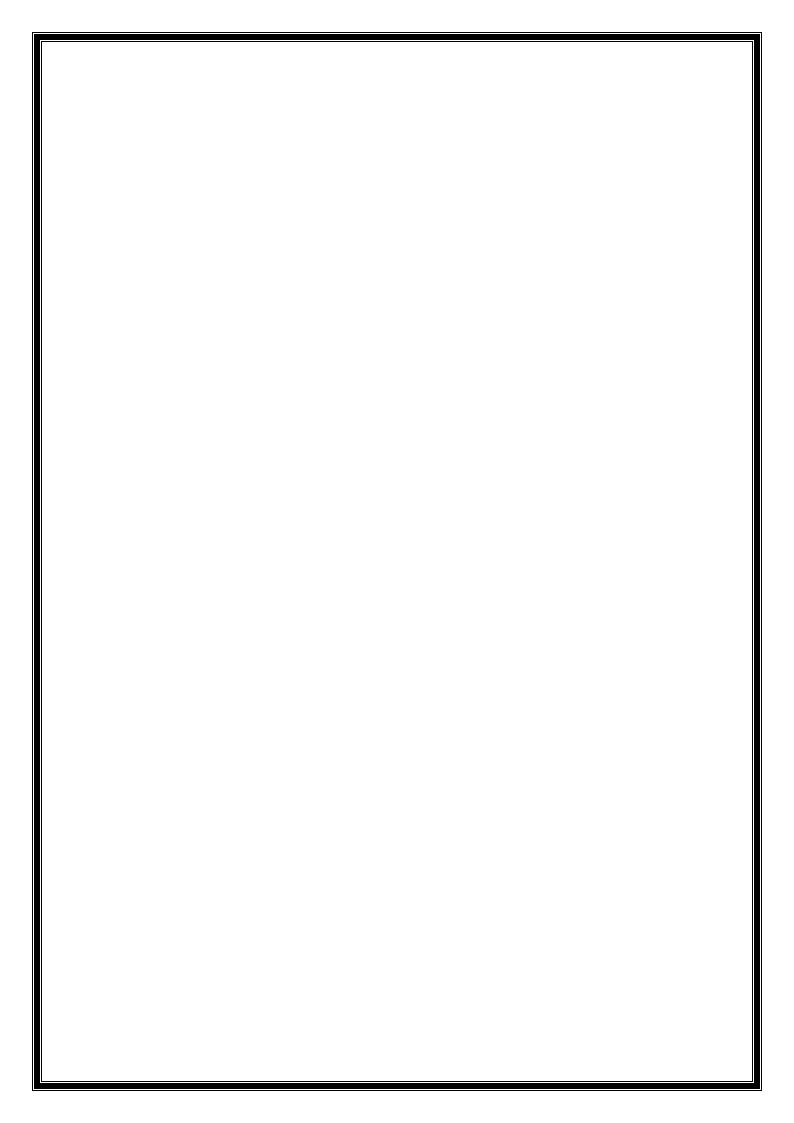
PAUL HARRIS SEMINAR

ROTARY WORLD PEACE FELLOWS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND: PROJECTS IN PEACE AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION.

> SATURDAY 29th October 2005

UQ CENTRE UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND, ST LUCIA





WELCOME FROM THE DIRECTOR

Welcome to The University of Queensland's second annual Paul Harris Seminar. We are delighted that you are able to join us on this important occasion where the second intake of Rotary World Peace Fellows presents their research to a broad audience of Rotarians, academics and others. Our third intake of World Peace Fellows is also with us today and will be acting in various capacities to facilitate today's proceedings

The Rotary Centre for International Studies in peace and conflict resolution at The University of Queensland was established in 1999, after an extensive world-wide search by Rotary International. Rotary wished to initiate a new program that would make a practical contribution to the search for a more peaceful world. Each year seventy World Peace Fellows attend one of seven Rotary Centres to undertake a Masters Degree in peace and conflict resolution.

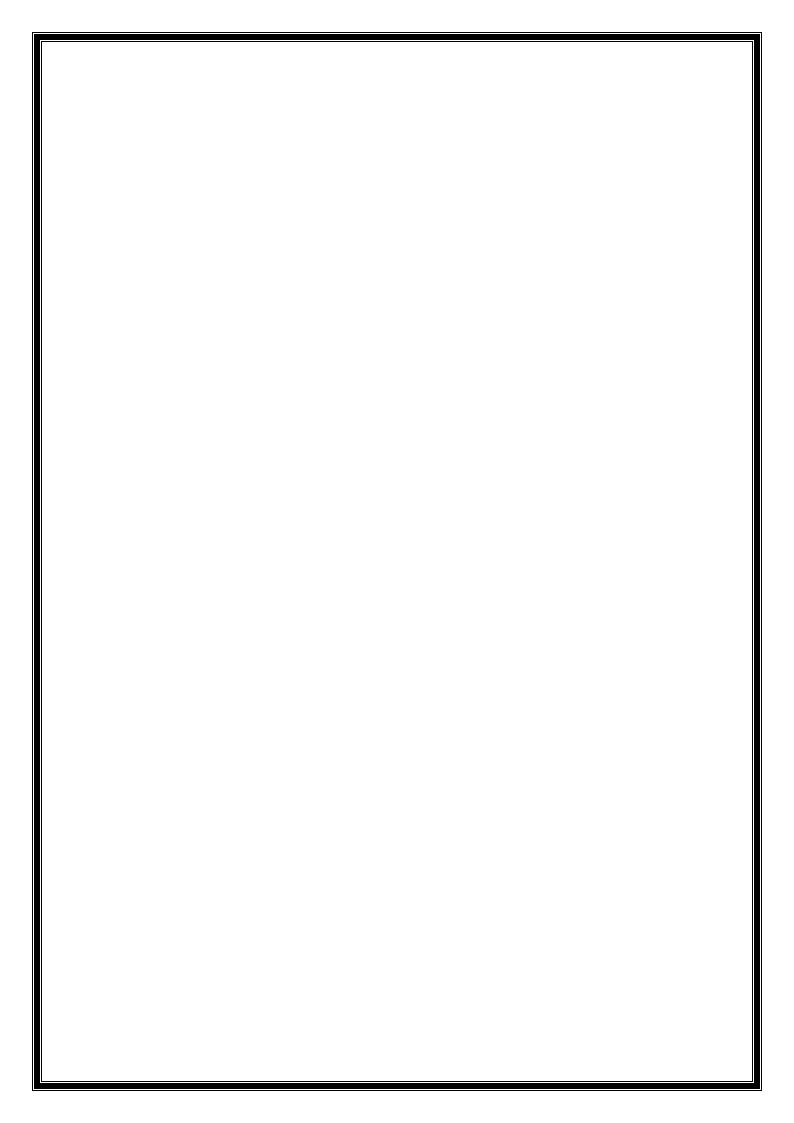
Here at The University of Queensland, our first intake of peace fellows arrived in February 2003. They have now completed their studies and are applying what they learnt throughout the world. The second class who will be presenting today have been steadily engaged in their studies and are due to complete their degrees in a few weeks' time.

One important component of their degree program is the Paul Harris Seminar. This seminar was designed as a way to link UQ more closely with Rotarians and as an opportunity for Rotarians to hear first hand about the special work that the peace scholars have been conducting. It is also the University's way of thanking Rotary for its funding of the program and indeed for its enlightened decision to work towards world peace, justice and understanding, values shared by the University and which are reflected in its excellent teaching and research programs in peace and international relations.

As Director of the Centre here, I can say that not only is this a worthy project, but it is one that has enabled us all to benefit from the presence of these wonderful and very able fellows. The establishment of the Rotary Centre has also allowed us to press forward with founding the Australian Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies, directed by Professor Kevin Clements. Rotary World Peace Fellows thus enjoy access to the resources and activities of this Centre.

I am sure you will enjoy the presentations made by our fellows today and that you will join me in wishing them well as they approach the completion of their studies in Queensland and head out to take their place in building a more peaceful and just world.

Dr. Marianne Hanson Director



<u>Program</u>

9.00 - 9.30am	Registration
9.30 - 9.45am	Rotary Centre Audio Visual Presentation
9.45 - 10.00am	"Rotary Fellow Welcome" - Directed by Noelle De Pape
10.00 - 10.10am	Welcome by Dr Marianne Hanson - Director, Rotary Centre
10.10 - 10.30am	Josephine Manuel (Philippines) - Rotary Peace Fellow - Class II
10.30 - 10.50am	Colin Spurway (Scotland) - Rotary Peace Fellow - Class II
10.50 - 11.00am	Questions and Answers
11.00 - 11.30am	Catered Morning tea
Workshop Workshop 3 Workshop 4	Noelle De Pape (Canada) - "Youth and Peacebuilding" o 2 Brian Adams (USA) - "Conflict Resolution for Sustainable Development Case Study: Central Australia Desert Regions" Mariano Griva (Argentina) - "Refugees" Sanjana Hattotuwa (Sri Lanka) - "IT in Peace building" Yoshio Chikamatsu (Japan) - "Donor Coordination and Development"
12.30 - 1.30pm	Catered Lunch
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2.30 - 3.00pm	Catered Afternoon tea
3.00 - 3.15pm	"Laying down the law: The International Criminal Court" - Carl Shepard, visiting Rotary World Peace Fellow from Tokyo
3.15 - 3.45pm	Reflections on the workshops by Class III Fellows
3.45 - 4.00pm 4.00 - 4.15pm	"Cheerleading for democracyzation - A humble proposal for a new world order (and your small place in it, just so we're all clear)" – Present by special guest Don Al'Rumsfeld (Department of Vice and Virtue). Class I: Where are they now? An update by Matthew Bright
4.15 - 5.00pm	Panel Discussion - Dr Marianne Hanson and Class II
5.00 - 5.15pm	Presentation of Certificates and Vote of thanks –
5.15 - 5.30pm	The University of Queensland and Rotary Representatives Farewell
5.30 - 7.30pm	Barbeque Dinner (\$20 per person) Rotary Peace Park, Keith St, St Lucia

Josephine Manuel

Josephine Manuel, Philippines, District 3790

Josephine has a Bachelor's degree in agricultural education and has worked mostly in rural development projects in the Philippines funded by the Ducth NOVIB, European Union (EU), Asian Development Bank (ADB), and the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD). Josephine's passion in rural development comes from a strong conviction that addressing the problems of hunger and poverty in peacetime is as important as dealing with raging conflicts. She believes that hunger and poverty, which are mostly rural phenomena, are also among the most serious causes of conflicts. Thus, in such cases, ensuring food security and having people engaged in decent livelihood opportunities is an important way of getting to the bottom of a conflict.

Abstract

Josephine's academic paper will be available via the School of Political Science and International Studies website at the conclusion of the Semester.

Agricultural Protectionism, Exacerbating Hunger and Poverty: How Developing Countries Can Cope.

This paper will look at the impacts of agricultural protectionist policies of rich countries on the poor. At the WTO, agriculture is currently being treated as purely a matter of business and politics instead of it being a food security and life and death issue of nearly 1.2 billion people in developing countries depending on it for livelihood and survival. In the 2002 World Food Summit, the US particularly, wanted any suggestion on food as a 'human right' to be deleted and strongly expressed that the way to end hunger is through genetically modified crops. How can the developing countries cope with this ram! pant stripping off of their right to food – the right to produce it and consume it they way they want? This paper will argue that if the WTO cannot protect the interest of most of its members, the developing countries, then agriculture should cease to be a business of WTO.

Colin Spurway

Colin Spurway, Scotland, UK, District 1010

Colin received his master's degree in international relations and philosophy from St. Andrews University in his native Scotland. He gained significant international experience while volunteering and working throughout Eastern Europe and Central Asia. Colin has also taught theatre and outdoor survival skills in New Zealand and volunteered in Guatemala, becoming proficient in Spanish, in addition to French and Russian. He currently works for Mercy Corps, which has taken him from community development in Tajikistan to new development projects in the tea estates of Darjeeling, India. Colin's commitment to resolving and managing conflict will enable him to foster community participation and sustainable development wherever the need arises.

Abstract

Colin Spurway will present an introduction to the range of participative development techniques with which he has been working in Central and South Asia, discussing both practical lessons learned in the field, and insights from the academic literature on the subject. In particular, he will focus upon the use of such techniques in areas experiencing conflict, and will present findings from his current research into the relationship between this approach to development and a range of alternative dispute resolution procedures.

Colin will draw on his practical work in Sri Lanka and Nepal conducted during the Fellowship, and will refer as a case study to the relationship between Mercy Corps - an international relief and development agency - and the Harvard Conflict Management Group dedicated conflict resolution practitioners - as the two organisations attempt to share their strengths despite their very different levels of intervention. Colin has been based at the Rotary Centre of the University of California, Berkeley, for the fourth semester, and does not own a handgun.

Workshop

"Youth and Peacebuilding"

Noëlle DePape, Canada, District 5550

Noëlle earned her bachelor's degree from the University of Winnipeg in international development studies and conflict resolution studies. She is fluent in English, French, and Spanish, and has basic knowledge of Arabic. Noëlle has increased her practical knowledge in development studies and conflict resolution in a variety of ways, including studying human rights at Université Nationale du Benin in Benin, West Africa, and working in a Palestinian refugee camp in Lebanon. She also has worked as the Youth Mine Action Ambassador to the Red Cross Global Education Program, travelling to Bosnia-Herzegovina and Croatia to learn about the landmine situation in a post-conflict environment. With her skills in refugee issues and peace building, Noëlle aspires to work for UNHCR or UNICEF, or as an international mediator.

Abstract

This workshop will look at the different roles that youth play in peacebuilding and development. It will look at specific strategies that can be used to build co-existence between divided youth in post-conflict societies such as sport, art and theatre. Finally, it will look at the importance of skills training and employment for youth as a means of conflict prevention. The workshop will draw from the academic and practical work undertaken by two Peace Fellows, Noelle DePape (Class II) and Arik Gutler-Ofir (Class III). This workshop will be highly interactive and may involve participating in a role play exercise.

Workshop

<u>"Conflict Resolution for Sustainable Development</u> <u>Case Study: Central Australia Desert Regions"</u>

Brian Adams, USA, District 6360

Brian received his bachelor's degree in zoology and conservation biology from Brigham Young University and his master's in international, rural, and community development from Utah State University. Although a country boy from rural Arkansas, Brian has spent ten years working in and researching on various development situations in Tanzania, Kenya, Uganda, Mali and Senegal. Since working with a multinational research institute in Mali, District 9100, on a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship, Brian has focused his efforts on promoting an environment for sustainable development through dispute resolution. He has sought throughout his WPF to acquire the skills and experience needed to launch himself into this important field by obtaining two mediation certifications, one, through the International Institute for Mediation and Conflict Resolution in Nicosia, Cyprus and the second here at UQ; interning with Queensland top commercial mediator; and consulting with Michigan State University on the USAID Managing African Conflict contract where his expertise in natural resource management and information communication technologies and his proficiency in Bamana, French, and Swahili are proving to be in demand. Currently, Brian has been accepted into the Ph.D. program at UQ and is impatiently waiting, with his wife, Carolyn, the birth of their first child.

Abstract

Much of the literature describing the relationship between development and conflict resolution focuses on post-war reconstruction and conflict management. This workshop seeks to turn this relationship around by exploring ways in which an array of conflict resolution techniques can be used as means of promoting development in a region while preventing the outbreak of violent conflict. The case study was chosen in response to a recent initiative on the part of the Desert Knowledge- Collaborative Research Centre to promote viable settlements in Australia's desert regions.

<u>Workshop</u>

"Refugees"

Mariano Griva, Argentina, District 4880

Mariano obtained his degree in international relations from la Universidad Nacional de Rosario. Having to immigrate with his family at the age of four because of political persecution, he got an early idea of what conflict and displacement entailed. He worked as an assistant analyst at Centro del Sur and Accion Sur, which is devoted to researching the impact of illegal drug traffic on in underdeveloped countries and local communities. Mariano speaks Spanish, English, French, and German and after his Applied Field Experience in UNHCR he aspires to work in protection issues with refugees and Internally Displaced Persons.

Abstract

A central premise of refugee law is that those fleeing persecution for various but limited reasons will not be returned to their country of origin or anywhere else where there is a likelihood of persecution. This is a humanitarian principle mostly known as the principle of non-refoulement . War criminals (those who have committed war crimes, genocide or crimes against humanity) have taken advantage of this system and have passed as 'true' refugees although they clearly were not. Mariano looks at how this has been addressed.

Workshop <u>"IT in Peacebuilding"</u>

Sanjana Hattotuwa, Sri Lanka, District 3220

Sanjana holds a bachelor's degree in English from the University of New Delhi. As a research associate at the Center for Policy Alternatives, Sanjana critically analyses peace processes in Sri Lanka and the world. Sanjana has participated in conferences and workshops in Switzerland, France, India, Nepal, and Sri Lanka, formulating options for a negotiated settlement to the protracted ethno-political conflict in Sri Lanka. He has examined important facets of peace processes and extrapolated lessons from other countries to fit the dynamics of the Sri Lanka conflict. After his two-year study period as a Rotary World Peace Fellow, Sanjana intends to work within civil society in Sri Lanka, valuing its capacity and proactive ability to inform and shape the dynamics of peace.

Abstract

Sanjana's research interests lie in the design of peace processes, and the development of media which are sensitive to conflict situations. His primary research while at UQ has been on the use of technology in supporting peace operations, and he will be incorporating elements of this into his workshop. His main area of focus has been the conflict in Sri Lanka.

<u>Workshop</u>

"Donor Coordination and Development"

Yoshio Chikamatsu, Japan, District 2580

Yoshio completed his bachelor's degree in economics at Hitotsubashi University in Tokyo. He has applied his specialty in information and communications technology as a member of Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteers, which aims to build sustainable growth in developing countries. He worked in Zimbabwe for three years assisting the nation in formulating and implementing various projects in the field of information and communications technology and contributing to the capacity building of local staff. In addition, he has used his skills for development projects in Uzbekistan, Ghana, Nepal, China, Guyana, and Vietnam. Yoshio would like to become involved in the reconstruction of post-conflict areas, particularly in Asia, by contributing to sustainable development through retraining and the advancement of good governance.

Abstract

Despite a huge amount of development aid over the years, many developing countries still remain as 'developing countries'. The Government of Tanzania (GOT) has faced difficulty in dealing with donors, which have intervened in domestic policy matters and have failed to share information on development aid. But the situation is changing. Many donor countries are now coordinating their development aid within a common framework. This coordination has facilitated transferring the ownership of development programmes to the GOT whose capacity in policy planning and fund management has also been improved simultaneously. Yoshio's paper/workshop highlights the collaborative achievements of the GOT and the donor community, based on his involvements in several projects in Tanzania.

"Laying down the Law: The International Criminal Court"

Carl Shephard, Rotary Club of Tampa Carrollwood, District 6890, USA

Carl graduated Phi Beta Kappa as an English major from Yale University, and currently studies as a Rotary World Peace Fellow in Tokyo, Japan. He worked for Ambassador Ivonne Baki in her campaign to become the first female President of Ecuador, and later for the Campaign to Elect Wesley Clark the President of the United States. Carl has also worked for NGO's in Israel/Palestine, Ecuador, Spain, and the United States. Currently he volunteers for Asia's largest NGO, Peace Boat, a Tokyo-based educational organization that works to promote peace, human rights, equal and sustainable development, and respect for the environment around the world. Yesterday morning Carl landed in Australia for the first time, and he is delighted and grateful to be spending his first full day in the land down under with the Rotary community.

Abstract

While the International Criminal Court and the laws it upholds have been controversial from their origins, the international crimes they consider continue to require attention across the globe. Carl will present a brief historical overview of international criminal law, its hopes, successes, and challenges. A particularly interesting and early case involving the United States and Japan will be examined, along with its troubling present-day implications concerning the United States and Iraq. Contemporary enforcement problems will be considered from the differing diplomatic perspectives of Australia, Japan, the United States, and others, beginning with the fascinating weekend summit that founded the International Criminal Court.

CLASS I (2003 - 2004)

Matthew Bright (USA)

After completing the Rotary Program, Matthew answered the call for volunteers to help out in Tsunami affected Aceh. Working with Save the Children, he helped with relief operations for close to six months. On returning to UQ, Matthew has embarked on a PhD. Matthew has found that the most rewarding aspect of the Rotary Program was being able to put what he has learnt into practice during the diaster relief operations. Matthew's PhD will provide him with an opportunity to more fully investigate the causes of conflicts and to provide possible solutions to them.

Francesca Del Mese (UK)

Francesca is currently working at The Hague, with judges from the International Criminal Tribunal who are currently hearing the trail of the Former Yugoslavia leader. She is working with people form 81 different nationalities. She is finding both the theoretical and practical sides of her studies at UQ, with the Rotary Program are allowing her to succeed in her current role.

Carolyn Fanelli (USA)

Working with CRS in Zimbabwe, Carolyn is aiming to help offset some of the destruction caused by HIV/AID in the area; especially in relation to children. Carolyn has authored several papers on the issues as well as providing hands on assistance in Zimbabwe. Carolyn says "my excellent UQ education is helping me out, by allowing me to put what I have learnt in practical applications that are working".

Path Heang (Cambodia)

Path is currently working in the Cambodian Country Office of The World Bank, as the Programme Officer for the project Justice for the Poor. His responsibilities include facilitating and researching social injustice issues. He is also designing projects to help solve problems relating to those in poverty. Path has found that his time as a Rotary World Peace Fellow to be crucial to his ability to gain employment in this field but also to be able to succeed.

Ryan Hendy (Canada)

After returning to Canada, Ryan re-joined the Canadian Army as a Reservist in the Infantry. As a Commander, he finds that he leads soldiers in all aspects of their lives. His day job is with the Canadian Government's Financial Transaction and Report Analysis Centre, in which he provides tactical and strategic policy advice to the Agency's leadership. In doing so, he helps to effectively identify money laundering and expose terrorist financing. "The Rotary Fellowship Program at UQ has been one of the most significant professional and personal adventures in my life. Every day, I make use of the expertise that I developed from the program's rich blend of academic, work, and life experience. The program has been responsible for incredible friendship and has strengthened my resolve to pursue peace and conflict resolution as a life-long commitment."

Amy Kay (USA)

Amy is currently working as a consultant in Cairo, Egypt attached to The United Nations Development Program in HIV /AIDS. Is she currently teaching 'people of influence' about the problems that exist in both Egypt and the Arab states with regards to issues such as HIV/AIDS and Women's rights. She has recently spoken in New York City at the United Nations on this subject. Amy has found that she has been able to put theories, methods and practical applications developed through the Rotary Program into action by creating new dialogues and methods for responding to a highly stigmatized and complex issue.

Sofia Knoecghel-Ledberg (Sweden)

Since returning to Sweden, Sofia has been working as the Program coordinator for the Cotemporary Silk Road Studies Program at Uppsala University. As well as a busy family life, with two young boys, Sofia has coordinated and facilitated numerous workshops and projects on peace and conflict management and prevention. The Rotary Program has strengthened her desire to work towards the peaceful resolution of conflicts. The Program also gave Sofia a deeper understanding and knowledge of a range of pressing issues.

Rebecca Milligan (USA)

Working as a researcher for the International Organisation for Migration, Rebecca is finding the training and expertise she gained during the Rotary Program at UQ invaluable. She is currently focused on researching and bringing to the media's attention the trafficking of children from Bangladesh and Pakistan to the United Arab Emirates, where they work as slaves. It is her current aim to bring about an end to this practice.

Christian Oakes (USA)

On returning home, Christian has been renovating buildings near Boston. Using experiences and knowledge gained from his Applied Field Work with Habitat for Humanity, Christian is busily creating new habitats for humans. He hopes to soon join some of the diaster relief teams in Kashmir and the Gulf states. Christian is finding both the theoretical and practical aspects of the Rotary Program invaluable to his current and future endeavours.

CLASS III (2005-2006)

Larissa Bruun

Rotary Club of Kurikka, District 1380, Finland

Larissa is proficient in English, Finnish, Spanish, Swedish as well as French and German. After achieving a Master's of Social Sciences degree from the University of Tampere in journalism and mass communication and international relations, Larissa has held positions as a journalist, worked with the Finnish Ministry for Foreign Affairs and volunteered with street children in Latin America. Before coming to UQ Larissa worked with Ramboll Finnconsult in Finland as a junior consultant specializing in development issues and development cooperation (gender, human rights, rural development). Larissa intends to put what she learns at UQ into practice, using also her journalism experience, performing advocacy-, development- or humanitarian work.

<u>Alessandro de Carvalho Souza</u>

Rotary Club of São José do Rio Prêto - Boa Vista, District 4480, Brazil

With language proficiencies in English, French and Portuguese, Attorney at law Alessandro de Carvalho Souza has worked as a business law consultant in Brazil and practiced pro bono law for non government organizations. Alessandro is involved with volunteer service since he was 16 and during two terms was the president of the Rotaract Club Sao Jose do Rio Preto - Boa Vista, a NGO for youth persons in his city. Alessandro is hoping that once he completes his masters at UQ he will be able to work in the field of Human Rights and International Humanitarian Law. He hopes to work with international humanitarian agencies such the Untied Nations or the International Red Cross.

Karla Castellanos

Rotary Club of Miami Beach, District 6990, USA

As a graduate of a master of Urban design from the joint centre of urban design at oxford Brookes University in the United Kingdom following a Bachelor of Arts – Architecture from the University of Miami in the USA. Karla brings practical knowledge to her job as a project architecture and job captain in a design development, and construction community for medium density urban residential projects. Karla plans to put her designs into action on the completion of her masters at UQ by working with international humanitarian agencies in a role that implements and develops new infrastructure in urban regeneration for survivor after armed conflict or after natural disasters.

Jude Sebastian Ewing

Rotary Club of Skelmersdale & Upholland, District 1180, England

With a Bachelor of Arts in International Relations and Organizational Management from the University of Lancaster, and language proficiencies including Swedish, Jude has found that his studies and work experience have helped him to become a successful mediator and special branch advisor to a United Nations Association. He has been the Neutral Chair / Mediator of a Muslim-Jewish Dialogue for 2 years, an international project manager and founded and ran one the largest and most successful United Nations Association Student and Youth branches in the UK. Jude intends to use his skills in mediation, organizational management and his education in the Masters degree at UQ to move into working for the UN or another humanitarian agency in disaster management and conflict transformation

<u>Arik Gulter-Ofir</u> Rotary Club of Maa'lot, District 2490, Israel

As a citizen of Israel, Arik has been heavily involved in establishing and producing multicultural actives for Arabs and Jewish students. With a bachelors degree with major in history and general studies from the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, he has used his knowledge of theatre to create peace by involving people in theatre workshops. He hopes that his experiences and education at UQ will enable him to establish a multi-cultural art centres in the north of Israel and promote peace in this historically troubled area.

Santosh Mehra Rotary Club of Hyderabad Central, District 3150, India

Santosh Mehra is a serving Indian Police Officer, presently on Study Leave from the Government of India. He has handled a wide gamut of assignments in the state of Andhra Pradesh, India which include handling terrorism, investigating economic offences, and tracking down hard –core criminals and managing traffic. He also has worked with United Nations as a Peacekeeper in Angola. Proficient in English, Hindi and Telugu, Santosh has earned a Bachelor of Commerce and a Master of Business Administration from Lucknow University in India, and a Master in Public Service and Administration from Texas A&M University in the USA. Santosh aims to integrate his work experience and freshly acquired knowledge at UQ to formulate and implement policies and strategies that help resolve conflicts in some of the world's most troubled regions.

<u>Godfrey Mukalazi</u> <u>Rotary Club of Kampala, District 9200, Uganda</u>

After completing a Bachelor of Arts in social science from Makerere University in Uganda, Godfrey became a trainer in Peace Building with Borrow a youth friends of young people program in Kampala, Uganda. In this program Godfrey has facilitated workshops for young people in order to promote peace in the North Eastern part of Uganda. Speaking Kiswahili and Luganda as well has English has helped him developed his expertise in the areas of peace and conflict management. He hopes to work as a diplomat, advocating peace through preventive diplomacy in the Great Lakes region of Africa.

María Fernanda Salina Rotary Club of Rosario, District 4880, Argentina

As a law graduate from The Universidad Católica Argentina, and a graduate of a Maters of Laws in International Law from Erasmus Universiteit Rotterdam in the Netherlands Fernanda worked as an in-house lawyer for five years coordinating the recovery of the borrowing portfolio of Credit Agricole Indosuez in Argentina. During that position she had to deal with one of the most significant crises of her country: the financial collapse of the Argentinean system in early 2002. Prior to commencing her masters with UQ she was an Assistant Lecturer in International Law at the Faculty of Law and Social Science of Rosario in Argentina. Her language proficiency includes English, Spanish, Italian, elementary Dutch and basic French. Fernanda hopes to continue her work in an International Organization or a think tank group in international law, international negotiation and capacity building and in doing so contribute actively in the development of theories and strategies to solve and prevent international conflicts.

<u>Maiko Shimizu</u> <u>Rotary Club of Yokohama Konan, District 2590, Japan</u>

After completing a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science at the International Christian University in Japan, Maiko joined InterBand, a Japanese based NGO. While at InterBand Maiko worked as a researcher and a project planner with her main area of work being in election observation missions (Pakistan, Cambodia, Indonesia and Taiwan) and demobilised soldiers' reintegration project (Cambodia). She also worked with Asian Network for Free Elections, an international NGO, as an election observer. Maiko hopes to use the skills and knowledge she learns at UQ to contribute to creating stable peace in the post-conflict peacebuilding process.

Sukthawee (Dao) Suwannachairop

Rotary Club of Magkang, Udonthani, District 3340, Thailand

Prior to commencing his studies at UQ Dao was a news researcher and correspondent for NHK Bangkok Bureau, Japan Broadcasting Corporation. In his position he was not only required to research news stories he also was an on camera presenter. He has presented and researched in English, Laos and Thai. After finishing his two years with UQ Dao aims to work at the policy making level of sustainable peace construction within the region of Thailand and in other parts of the world where it is needed; my further career goal is to become a university professor, expecting to improve the quality of education for students.

INCOMING ROTARY WORLD PEACE FELLOWS CLASS IV (2006-2007)

Mayumi Futamura (Japan)

Sponsor: Rotary Club of Calgary Centennial, District 5360, Canada Current job: Freelance journalist, graphic/web designer, and website content editor for the Centre for Faith and the Media (www.faithandmedia.org)

Career plans: To develop the idea of Peace Journalism and educational curriculums for future journalists

Sandra Guzman (USA)

Current Job: A worker with peacebuilding projects in the USA

Career Plan: To use my education to advance in the peace building community and provide more affective outcomes

Mohamad Taib Hampden (Malaysia)

Rotary District 3300, Malaysia

Current job: Assistant secretary for Complaints and inquiries, Human Rights Commission of Malaysia

Career plans: To work with organizations that have strong credentials in promoting human-rights based community development

Sallie Lacy (USA)

Rotary Club of Summit, District 7690, U.S.A. Current job: Field project administrator, Chemonics International- MAPA Project, Cochabamba, Bolivia, an agricultural marketing project designed to increase farmer incomes Career plans: To do further work in environmental studies with an emphasis on resource management and the conflicts that arise when resources are misused

Ólöf Magnúsdóttir (Iceland)

Rotary Club of Reykjavík - Miðborg, District 1360, Iceland

Current job: Project manager for the newly founded Icelandic Committee for UNICEF and special advisor for WFP in Iceland **Career plans:** To protect children in conflict areas and to bring children's issues in to the process of peace building

Akiko Okudaira (Japan)

Rotary Club of Tokyo Koganei , District 2750 , Japan

Most recent job position: Manager, Administration and Supporting Members' Programme, Japan Association for UNHCR (United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees), Tokyo, Japan Career plans: To work on projects and policy planning in the area of peace and conflict resolution

Robert Opira (Uganda)

Rotary Club of Gulu, District 9200, Uganda Current job : Project Coordinator, World Vision Uganda; Planning and implantation of rehabilitation and reintegration of former child soldiers. Career plans: To pursue an advanced degree to enhance his conceptual and analytical skills in working for peace and conflict resolution

Vadim L. Ostrovsky (Ukraine)

Danville-Riverview Rotary Club, District 7570, USA Current job: Global Business Development Manager, EDL Inc, Danville, VA. Executive Director, Click Ukraine Program, Washington, DC. Career plans: To assume a leadership position requiring a high level of strategic development, theoretical analysis, policy recommendation, and negotiation

Etsuko Teranishi (Japan)

Rotary Club of Ibaraki-east, District 2660 , Japan **Current job**: Program Officer, the Japan Center for Conflict Prevention, Phnom Penh, Cambodia, conducting weapons collection for development, school construction, and literacy education in rural areas

Career plans: To work for international cooperation in peace building focuses on women and children

Mandi Anne Vuinovich (USA)

Rotary Club of Fremont, Nebraska, District 5650, USA

Current job: Financial analyst

Career plans: To pursue work in international relations education and communication