



THE ROTARY World Peace Fellowship Program NEWSLETTER

NEW FELLOWS ARRIVE AT UQ

Eight Peace Fellows have been transferred to University of Queensland from Universidad del Salvador, Buenos Aires in Argentina

There are three Fellows in Class 3: **Caitlin Fitzpatrick, Leah Klass** and **Pedro Delago Hinostroza**. The other five are in Class 4 and here for 18 months. They are **Perth Rosen, Leah Alyward, John Foster, Amanda Rader** and **Mneesha Gellman**

They have been allocated to Rotarian Counsellors from the Rotary Clubs of Sandgate, Brisbane Planetarium, Kenmore, Toowong, Albany Creek, Brisbane Mid City, and Ashmore

Another Rotary Peace Fellow, **Sallie Lacey** commenced at University of Queensland in the past week. So we currently have a total of 27 Fellows, although a few are overseas at the moment.

2007

Rotary Alumni Seminar

This annual seminar will be held on **11 March 2007**.

It brings together Rotary Peace Fellows and Ambassadorial Scholars past and present from three districts, 9600, 9630 and 9640. Responsibility for hosting this event rotates around the 3 districts but 2007 will be the responsibility of 9600.

I am seeking a club willing to host the event. This will involve organizing a venue, registration and catering (all costs covered by TRF).

**Please contact Judy Magub
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if you would like more information
on assisting with this event.**

Invite a Peace Fellow to speak at your club...

If you would like a Peace Fellow to be a guest speaker at your club meeting, please contact:

**9600 – Margaret Scott
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**9630 – Ian Ross
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**9640 – Margaret Hayes
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There are some times of the year, especially during exam periods, when they may not be available. However it is recommended you suggest several dates that suit your club and Fernanda will find a Fellow who is able to be your speaker.

You will probably need to provide transport to and from the meeting. This is an ideal opportunity for Rotarians to learn more about the program and to meet these outstanding young people.

2006 Paul Harris Seminar

This year the Paul Harris Seminar will be held on 28 October. It will be an all day event with the Peace Fellows who are completing their studies at UQ. At the seminar the Fellows will be giving presentations that are a culmination of their studies and experiences. Rotarians are encouraged to attend and learn about this wonderful program and to hear from these inspiring Fellows.

Following the Seminar we will have a BBQ at Rotary International Presidents Park adjoining the University in St Lucia. At this park we are making a path of bricks with the names of the Rotary Peace Fellows who complete their Masters. New bricks will be added for the event to celebrate Class 3 completing their degree.

**To register for the Paul Harris Seminar please visit
www.uq.edu.au/polsis/paulharris
or phone Claire on 07 3346 9544**

News from Class 3

Larissa Bruun did her three months Applied Field Experience (AFE) in Pakistan in the earthquake affected areas in the northwest. She was a volunteer with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees. She is now about to start a new job in Nicaragua in Central America. She will undertake this whilst working on her final paper for her masters and will be back to present at the Paul Harris Seminar in October.

Fernanda Salina spent her AFE as a Research and training Officer at the Centre for Applied Studies in International Negotiation in Geneva. This involved working with 18 Afghan Diplomats on issues of public international law and assisting with legal tools for the rebuilding of Afghanistan. She also participated in discussions about the transitional justice in Columbia. During discussions with the Vice President of Columbia, H.E. Francisco Santos, she discovered he was a Paul Harris Fellow.

Karla Castellanos, leaves Brisbane at the end of August to undertake her AFE in India with Shanti Ashram, an organization dedicated to peace education, interfaith collaboration maintaining programs in community health, women's development, and youth leadership across 26 villages in Tamilnadu. She will return for the Paul Harris Seminar in October

In July, **Godfrey Mukalazi** attended the UN Graduate Program in Geneva. The topic was "United Nations, a Time for Renewal". This was debated from three viewpoints – human rights, social and economic development and environmental issues. Godfrey is currently in Durban, South Africa for his AFE and he will be researching, assessing and analysing the peace agreements between East and Central Africa and evaluating the failures and successes of these. He will also be back in October.

In January and February **Jude Ewing** was a Humanitarian Affairs Officer in a UN Cluster Coordination Unit in Pakistan. He was involved in numerous tasks from the political level to active field experience. Two particular highlights were the accompanying of a Pakistani team high into the Himalayas, discovering and supplying relief to several villages that had not received any aid following the earthquake and immunising children against polio, courtesy of the Pakistani government, UNICEF and Rotary International. He spoke at the Rotary District 3270 conference in Karachi and attended several Rotary meetings in Islamabad. Jude also attended the UN Conference in Geneva.

TRIP TO FIJI

Etsuko Teranishi, Fernanda Salina, Mandi Vuinovich and **Loa Magnusodottir** recently travelled to Suva, Fiji to attend the 3rd Asia-pacific Mediation Forum Conference "Mediating in the Pacific and Asia". The themes of the conference were mediation skills, culture of mediation, designing dispute resolution systems, mediation and family violence, and traditional mediation in Asia pacific cultures. As well as learning about many aspects of mediation, the group enjoyed the opportunity to meet people from the South Pacific and to learn about their cultures.

For more information on the
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**News from more
of the Fellows
in the next
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