

2011 Nobel Peace Laureate Forum on Preventing War & Ending World Conflicts

By The Wholistic Peace Institute & Jubitz Family Foundation

Final Report, March, 2012; Over 2,500 People Heard President De Klerk Speak



President FW De Klerk, 1993 Nobel Peace Prize Winner & Students

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University Panel at the University of Portland

An estimated 400 students, faculty, staff, community members participated in the panel. The panel discussed, "Where will the leadership come from to end the Korean War and Solve the Israeli-Palestinian conflict"; as well as the role of Universities and education in furthering the cause for world peace.

The Wholistic Peace Institute believes that Universities and college students are one of the keys to world peace; Lech Walesa, 1983 Nobel Peace Prize has said that *"World peace will be found in new solutions and new ideas and the Universities of the world are the best places to formulate these solutions and not street demonstrations"*.



Fr. Gerard J. Olinger, CSC, Vice President of Student Affairs, University of Portland; President Robin Baker, George Fox University; Dr. Larry Large, President, Oregon Alliance of Independent Colleges & Universities; Dean Robert H. Klonoff, Lewis & Clark Law School; President FW De Klerk, 1993 Nobel Peace Prize Winner; Gary Alan Spanovich, Executive Director, Wholistic Peace Institute (WPI), Conference Organizer; Fr. Claude Pomerleau, CSC, Professor, University of Portland & WPI Board Member

Baker Prairie Middle School; Student Peace Advocacy Club



President FW De Klerk; Joel Sebastian, Principle; Student

An estimated 1200-1300 students, faculty, staff, community members participated in a special lecture that President FW De Klerk gave in Canby, Oregon. President De Klerk gave a presentation to students and told them that, *“You can’t resolve any conflict without negotiations”*.

The Wholistic Peace Institute (WPI) has worked with middle and high school students in 800 middle and high schools in Oregon organizing Student Peace Summits with Nobel Peace Laureates such as this one multiple times and providing curriculum materials. Presently the WPI is working with the Oregon Department of Education to distribute their book, “How to Teach about Nobel Peace Laureates in the Middle and High School Classroom in Order To Meet The New Oregon Social Studies Standards & Criteria”. The WPI is also contacting all Oregon middle and high schools to let them know of the 2012 Harold Schnitzer Spirit of Unity Award funds that are now available to middle and high schools that start Peace Clubs such as Baker Prairie. The award amount is \$500 per school. Contact the WPI for more information.



President FW De Klerk, 1993 Nobel Peace Prize; Jim Keppler, Keppler Speakers; Tom Eyer, Harsch Investment; Barb Hall, Executive Director, Harold & Arlene Schnitzer CARE Foundation; Al Jubitz, President, Jubitz Family Foundation; Ray Jubitz, Executive Director Jubitz Family Foundation; ; Gary Alan Spanovich, Executive Director, Wholistic Peace Institute (WPI), Conference Organizer

First Congregational United Church of Christ; Nobel Peace Lecture



Left: City Commissioner Amanda Fritz reading the Mayor's Proclamation proclaiming February 29, 2012 as President FW De Klerk Appreciation Day; Right: President FW De Klerk & Rev. Anton DeWet, First Congregational United Church of Christ



Left: Rev. DeWet led the audience in an ending song, "We Shall Overcome"; as a means of saying "all the people of the world will one day overcome war and killing".

Rev. Anton DeWet hosted the Nobel Peace Lecture and President De Klerk spoke passionately about peace and the reasons he brought Nelson Mandela out of prison and why South Africa gave up its nuclear arsenal before an audience of 600 people; the WPI believes that faith communities have an important role to play in the world peace movement.

Oregon Historical Society VIP Reception: 50 to 75 people attended the VIP reception.



Kerry Tymchuk, Executive Director, Oregon Historical Society greets President FW De Klerk at the VIP Reception for sponsors; Gary Alan Spanovich, Executive Director, WPI is in the foreground.



President FW De Klerk greets Mayor Denny Doyle of Beaverton while Portland City Council Commissioner Amanda Fritz and Gary Spanovich introduce them.

WPI Annual Fundraising Dinner at the Hilton Hotel

Each year the WPI has a fundraising dinner with its Nobel Peace Laureate; this year about 200 people attended the fund raising dinner to support the WPI's ongoing world peace work and annual Nobel Peace Laureate Forums.



Members of the Portland Pearl Rotary Club pose with President FW De Klerk; from left Lou Radja, Pearl Rotary President; Oran Stainbrook, PSU Student; Marissa Polowitz; Annie Tzoneva, PSU Student



Mr. Claes Nobel, senior member of the Swedish Nobel Family & co keynote speaker of the evening pose with Mayor Denny Doyle of Beaverton and Mr. Lou Radja of the Pearl District Rotary Club

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Whereas

Whereas, President F. W. de Klerk, who along with Nelson Mandela co-won the 1993 Nobel Peace Prize for the peaceful end of apartheid and the transition of South Africa to democratic rule will visit the City of Portland on February 29, 2012;; and

Whereas, President de Klerk, will speak at a series of events for the Wholistic Peace Institute & Jubitz Family Foundation Nobel Peace Laureate Forum for Preventing War and Ending World Conflicts; and

Whereas, President de Klerk, will address middle school students at Baker Prairie Middle School, one of the 2011 winners of the Harold Schnitzer Spirit of Unity Award, to inspire and encourage them to become peace leaders in their community and a new curriculum on teaching about Nobel Peace Laureates will be introduced; and

Whereas, President de Klerk, will participate in a panel with the Presidents & officials of Concordia University, George Fox University, at the University of Portland on exploring where the leadership will come from to solve the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and to end the Korean War with Q & A from University students; and

Whereas, President de Klerk, will deliver a Nobel Peace Laureate Lecture at the First Congregational United Church of Christ on the role of leadership during South Africa's transition and on current world peace issues today; and

Whereas, President de Klerk, will also discuss at a dinner for the Wholistic Peace Institute at the Hilton Hotel, why he made the decision to eliminate South Africa's nuclear arsenal, the only country in history to do this and he will be joined by Claes Nobel, senior member of the Swedish Nobel family; and

Whereas, the Wholistic Peace Institute plans to build with University sponsors and foundations a Nobel Peace Laureate Center and World Peace Garden in Portland which would draw Nobel Peace Laureates and world peacemakers here to Portland for extended lengths of time to work with Oregon University faculty and students on world peace issues and to develop Oregon as a world center for resolving world conflicts and preventing war;

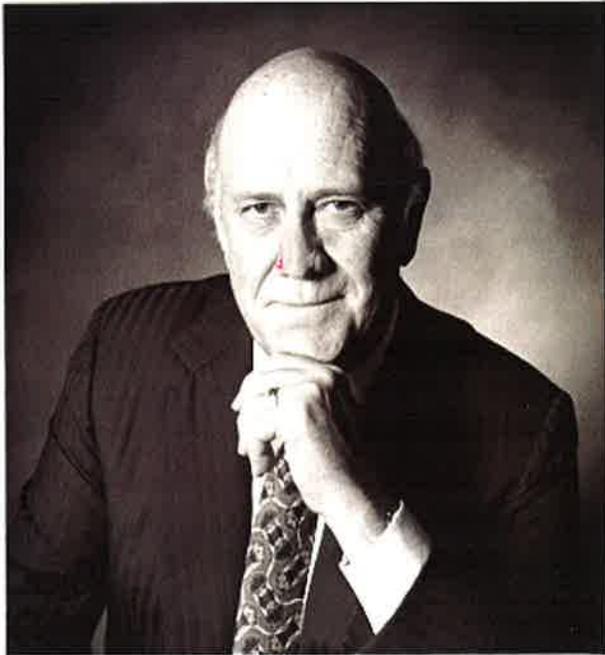
Now, therefore, I, Sam Adams, Mayor of the City of Portland, Oregon, the "City of Roses," do hereby proclaim February 29th, 2012 to be

President F. W. de Klerk Appreciation Day

in Portland, and encourage all residents to observe this day.



FW de Klerk, Nobel Peace Laureate, 1993, and former President of South Africa



Preventing War and Ending World Conflicts: “Where Will the Leadership Come From to End the Korean War & Solve the Israeli and Palestinian Conflict?”

Nobel Peace Laureate and President of South Africa F. W. de Klerk is at UP as part of an ambitious visit to Portland, sponsored by the Wholistic Peace Institute, a local NGO and the generous support of local foundations. He is joining a panel of distinguished academics to discuss new ideas for resolving the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, the Korean conflict and other conflicts affecting world peace. You are invited to submit a question to Dr. de Klerk and panelists on cards to be distributed during the discussion.

President de Klerk was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1993 with Nelson Mandela for their efforts to end apartheid in South Africa. President de Klerk also lifted the ban on the African National Congress, released Nelson Mandela from prison and paved the way for drafting a new constitution giving voting rights to everyone. De Klerk is also celebrated for disarming his country’s nuclear weapons program. For these decisions, and as founder of the Global Leadership Foundation (GLF), President de Klerk has become a source of inspiration for new policy ideas shaping global peace. He is active as Chairman of the GLF, established in 2004 to promote good governance and effective political leadership throughout the world.



“...we owe it to the children of the world to stop the conflicts and to create new horizons for them. They deserve peace and decent opportunities in life. I should like to dedicate this address to them and to all those – such as UNICEF – who are working to alleviate their plight. The question that we must ask is whether we are making progress toward the goal of universal peace. Or are we caught up on a treadmill of history, turning forever on the axle of mindless aggression and self-destruction? Has the procession of Nobel Peace laureates since 1901 reflected a general movement by mankind toward peace?”

“There can ...be no real peace without constant effort, planning and hard work. Peace, therefore, is not an absence of conflict or a condition of stagnation. Peace is a frame of mind...in which countries, communities, parties and individuals seek to resolve their differences through agreements, through negotiation and compromise, instead of threats, compulsion and violence.”

“Peace is also a framework...consisting of rules, laws, agreements and conventions – a framework providing mechanisms for the peaceful resolution of the inevitable clashes of interest between countries, communities, parties and individuals. It is a framework within which the irresistible and dynamic processes of social economic and political development can be regulated and accommodated.



Klerk's 1993 Nobel Lecture,

Quotes taken from President FW de

After leaving the leadership of his beloved South Africa, President de Klerk published his autobiography “The Last Trek – A New Beginning” and became active in the F.W. de Klerk Foundation and the Global Leadership Foundation (GLF). As chairman of the GLF President de Klerk has been active in promoting peace in multi-communal societies. He makes numerous speeches around the world and participates as an elder statesman in international conferences to promote world peace through diplomacy, international law and conflict resolution.

The GLF exist for the promotion of good governance through democratic institutions, open markets, the protection of human rights and the rule of law. Its members form a network of former Presidents, Prime Ministers, senior ministers and other distinguished leaders who make their experience available discreetly to political leaders in power today. They work in small teams, in their personal capacity, offering advice to Heads of Governments on issues of conflict resolution and peace building through rule of law and democratic institutions.

**2 to 4 pm Wednesday February 29th, 2012 // Buckley Center Auditorium, The University of
Portland**



Please Join the WPI & Support Our World Peace Work with Nobel Peace Laureates



"The proper way to reduce violence in the world that could lead to war is not through more police but through education; right from the beginning we must educate the minds of the students".
Dalai Lama, 1989 Nobel Peace Prize

"I am proposing to create another kind of business, based on "selflessness" that is in all of us. I am calling it social business".
Muhammad Yunus, 2006 Nobel Prize



"If you want to go quickly, go alone. If you want to go far, go together."
Al Gore, 2007 Nobel Peace Prize

"We cannot sow seeds with clenched fists. To sow we must open our hands".
Adolfo Perez Esquivel, 1980 Nobel Peace Prize; Adolfo Thanking Amnesty (1977 Nobel) For Saving His Life at a WPI Conference



"Be the change you want to see in the world".
Mahatma Gandhi (Arun Gandhi, Grandson)



"I do believe that we can't survive at the beginning of the 21st century with the ethics of the 20th century. We need to change the value system".
Dr. Oscar Arias Sanchez, 1987 Nobel Peace Prize



"I hope you will be able to further spread the noble will of the Nobel Peace Prize".
Kim Dae Jung, 2000 Nobel Peace Prize



"It takes action to change our world. Simply worrying about problems is a waste of time".
Jody Williams, 1997 Peace Prize

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Dear Peacemaker,

I hope you will consider joining the WPI and help us build a “culture of peace” through our events and conferences. With a “culture of peace” we give people hope that world peace is possible and that they can make a difference for this noble goal. The bigger the constituency we can build together the closer we eventually come to realizing our overall goal of world peace. As you know we work internationally with Nobel Peace Laureates and to bring these world peace speakers, costs money and I am appealing to you. Please join today and help the WPI build this world constituency that world peace is possible and that people, people like you can make a difference in our world today. Thank You, Gary Alan Spanovich

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