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**The 2004
AMORC World Peace
Conference
Dedicated to
Peace Profound**

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CONTRIBUTION TO PEACE

God of my Heart, God of my Understanding,

I contribute to Peace when I strive to express the best of myself in my contacts
with others.

I contribute to Peace when I use my intelligence and my abilities to serve
the Good.

I contribute to Peace when I feel compassion toward all those who suffer.

I contribute to Peace when I look upon all men and women as my
brothers and sisters, regardless of race, culture, or religion.

I contribute to Peace when I rejoice over the happiness of others and pray
for their well-being.

I contribute to Peace when I listen with tolerance to opinions that differ
from mine or even oppose them.

I contribute to Peace when I resort to dialogue rather than to force to settle
any conflict.

I contribute to Peace when I respect Nature and preserve it for generations
to come.

I contribute to Peace when I do not seek to impose my conception of God
upon others.

I contribute to Peace when I make Peace the foundation of my ideals and
philosophy.

SO MOTE IT BE!



The 2004 AMORC World Peace Conference

Travel Back to the Source

The upheaval, tension, and unrest existing in our world today are outward manifestations of the anxiety, restlessness, and lack of harmony within the consciousness of the individuals who compose the nations of our tumultuous planet. Rosicrucians know that the greatest need of the human soul personality is inner peace. Riches, fame, and power will not quell the turbulence and warfare raging within the human heart. The Great Masters affirmed that the most sublime of spiritual attainments is to rise above the worldly doubts, fears, and chaos so as to sense that condition of contentment and sacred peace deep within.

From June 29 through July 4, 2004, thousands of Rosicrucians from seventy nations around the world participated in or attuned with the work of the 2004 AMORC World Peace Conference held in San Jose, California, thereby enhancing their inner sense of peace and tranquility.

This issue of the *Rosicrucian Digest* is dedicated to the 2004 AMORC World Peace Conference and Peace Profound.

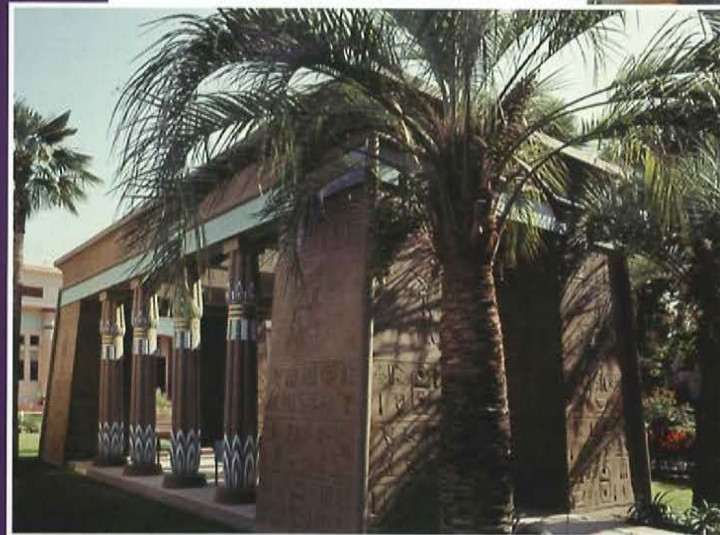


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The 2004 AMORC World Peace Conference

The 2004 AMORC World Peace Conference was a wonderful experience for Rosicrucian members and their families. More than 2000 fratres and sorores from over seventy nations around the world participated in the event. And a very exciting and active Children's Convention built around the same theme of World Peace ran parallel with the Conference.

Many thanks to everyone who participated in or attuned with the AMORC World Peace Conference, and our deepest gratitude to those fratres and sorores who worked so hard to make it a success!

With best wishes for Peace Profound,

Thank you.



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(Above & below) Rosicrucians from seventy nations convened in San Jose for the AMORC World Peace Conference. (Right) Conference Chairperson Karen Wark welcomes a soror to the conference.



San Jose's luxurious Fairmont Hotel—site of the AMORC World Peace Conference.



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(Left) AMORC Imperator Christian Bernard of France and AMORC Vice President Charles Parucker of Brazil at the AMORC World Peace Conference. (Below) Unusual fountain in front of the Fairmont Hotel provided a refreshing vista to conference attendees.



Imperator Christian Bernard's Opening Address

San Jose, California, July 2, 2004

Dear Fratres and Sorores,

I hereby declare this World Convention *open* in San Jose, and I wish you all wonderful and inspiring days here.

Today I am deeply moved to be facing you who have come from so many different parts of our planet to attend this great mystical gathering. I remember the time when all International Conventions took place in Rosicrucian Park. At that time, of course, travel was not so easy as it is today, and to come all the way to San Jose was then an extraordinary adventure for everyone, including our American fratres and sorores, since their country is so large.

The United States has always been a symbol and an example for all people who have a great love for freedom. Nowadays, coming all the way to California is still a touching and memorable experience, because we immerse ourselves in an aspect of our Rosicrucian history.

Several reasons may have guided your steps to Rosicrucian Park. Some of you have been regularly and faithfully attending all Conventions—whether they were worldwide, national, or regional—while others have come especially because this gathering is taking place in San Jose.

It may also be the particular theme of this Convention that has inspired you, since, as Rosicrucians, the word “Peace” rings constantly in our hearts. The first expression that comes to our minds is, of course, “Peace Profound.” In our Rosicrucian correspondence, we use the expression, “With best wishes for Peace Profound.” These few words, with which we are most familiar and sometimes use automatically, have a most important impact and influence.

This expression is much more than a mere polite closing at the end of a letter or a fraternal greeting. In itself, it constitutes a mystical invocation, the cosmic benefits of which are intended for the person we are addressing. The more inwardly we feel the essence and the power of these two words, the more positive effects this invocation has upon the one who receives it.

Peace Profound is not just a state of soul. It is also a state of heart and a state of body. In fact, human beings can experience the fullness of Peace Profound and advisedly invoke its blessings for their brethren *only* if they blend Peace of Body, Heart, and Soul.

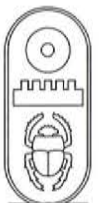
Concerning this, prayer is also an instrument of Peace for all people on Earth. It is also a privileged means of becoming aware of the spiritual bond that unites us to the God of our Hearts.

Peace cannot be separated from harmony, and harmony cannot be separated from the beauty of the world and God's radiance. A philosopher once said: “There are so many hands to save the world, and so few eyes to contemplate it.”



Imperator Christian Bernard addresses Conference.

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Fratres and Sorores, if we have lost harmony, let us find it again. Let us be sensitive to the most beautiful aspect of our world. Let God radiate through our behavior, and we shall find Peace.

All mystics particularly like to refer to the Peace of Soul. This state simply corresponds to a state of spiritual plenitude to which mystics who have chosen to dedicate their life to the service of God and their human brethren have access. It is also the Inner Peace that the individual who succeeds in permanently living in Cosmic Harmony experiences. Therefore, it is as much the Peace of the Rose as it is that of the Cross.

Peace is to look upon life as a gift, in spite of trials and tribulations.

It also is to be able to accept a very imperfect and sometimes ailing body, then old age, and finally one's departure to another kingdom.

Peace is first to accept fear, then to overcome it.

Peace is when our urges and emotions are finally controlled, leaving our heart as quiet as a windless day.

Peace is when the warrior who lies dormant within us lays down his arms.

Fratres and Sorores, during these few days under the aegis of Peace, you will hear several interpretations of that word used in different contexts. For my part, I simply wish today that Peace abide with you and around you, not only during this Convention, but also much further into the coming years and throughout your incarnation.

Fratres and Sorores, in order to make these words a reality, I now announce to you the creation of a Rosicrucian Day for Peace. This will take place each year on the third Sunday of June. Family and friends should be invited to this ceremony. According to the instructions given by each Grand Master, according to what is suitable for Lodges, Chapters and Pronaoi, and in accordance with their Grand Lodge, the day's events could be held in connection with recreational activities. That is, the ritual may be followed by a fraternal meal or a cultural activity, somewhat similar to what is already the case for the Rosicrucian Memorial Ceremony in the fall. I believe that this initiative will be appreciated by many of you.

Fratres and Sorores, I now invite you to follow me in a short visualization. We will then listen to a song entitled "Et soudain une vallée" ("And Suddenly a Valley" in English). It refers to the discovery of a valley of Peace Profound. It was sung in French by the very famous singer Edith Piaf who, as you know, was a Rosicrucian. In fact, she took part in a World Convention here in San Jose in 1960.

Imagine you are in a heavenly landscape—a landscape as you like it to be; for example in a valley, by a lake, surrounded by mountains, trees, and flowers.

The most absolute outer Peace reigns around you.

Your hectic life and the city noises are but a faraway memory that is fading away by the minute.

You are now in a contemplative state of mind.

The inner well-being you feel is infinite.

And now, in your mind, in your own words, offer your plentitude to the world. Share it.
Be only love and self-giving!

“And Suddenly a Valley”

*You have traveled all over the world,
You believed that you had found nothing,
And suddenly a valley
Reveals itself to you for Peace Profound.*

*You had wasted your dreams
For the sake of fleeting bliss,
And suddenly a valley
Where the voice of a friend rises.*

*Walking beneath a cloud,
Lost in “your” night,
All alone in the eye of the storm,
Swept by the rain,*

*You dragged immense regrets,
Desire, veiled remorse,
And suddenly a valley
Teaches you that life begins.*

*The whole sky lights up
With love and kindness,
Sunshine throughout life
And for eternity.*

*You dreamed of immense happiness
Without hope of ever finding it,
And suddenly a valley
Where hope and love begin,
And suddenly a valley
Where hope and love are born.*

(Words and music: B. Jones, C. Meyer, J. Dréjac)

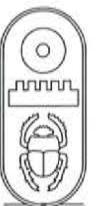
May this Valley of Peace Profound ever be your home!

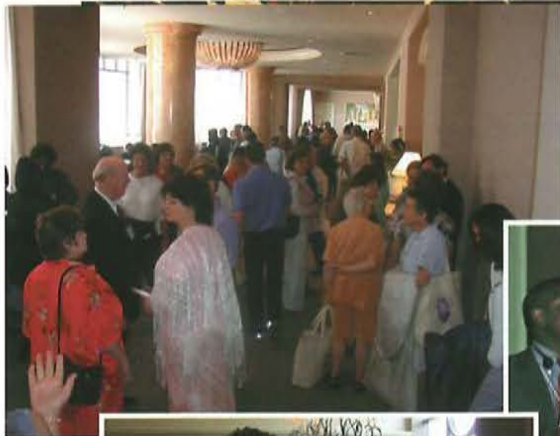
“God of our Hearts, God of our Understanding, bless this Convention and help us
to love *Light*, to light *Life*, and to live *Love!*”

So Mote It Be!



Officers of AMORC's Supreme Grand Lodge from throughout the world presented discourses and/or spoke in convocation at the World Peace Conference. Dignitaries included Emperor Christian Bernard, Supreme Grand Lodge Vice President and Grand Master Charles Parucker, SGL Treasurer Irving Söderlund, SGL Secretary Burnam Schaa, and Grand Masters Julie Scott, José Luis Aguilar Moreno, Irène Beusekamp-Fabert, Peter Bindon, Jean-Philippe Deterville, Michal Eben, Sven Johansson, Maximilian Neff, Nikolaos Papadakis, Irene Regidor, Live Söderlund, Serge Toussaint, and George Yorioka.





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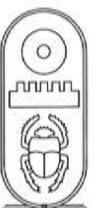
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Travel Back to the Source

Rosicrucian Park

Where Our Hearts Are At Home

Rare Books Exhibit Featured in the Museum



In the upper left photo, members explore the special exhibit of rare books on display at the Rosicrucian Egyptian Museum during the conference. This exhibit highlighted the special collection of the Rosicrucian Research Library and the Rosicrucian Egyptian Museum, including many books that are too fragile to be handled and are rarely shown. An overview of the exhibit, including photos of many of these books, will soon be available online.

On display in the rare books exhibit (left) were the *Fama Fraternitatis*, *Confessio Fraternitatis*, and *Chymical Wedding of Christian Rosenkreuz*, published in 1614, 1615, and 1616 respectively. Together, they constitute the major works of the 17th century Rosicrucians.



Other books of interest on display during the conference included:

Baconis Opera, by Rosicrucian Sir Francis Bacon (1561-1626), published in London, 1638.

De Naturae Simia Seu Technica: Macrocosmi Historia impartes undecim divisa, by Rosicrucian Robert Fludd (1574-1637), published in Oppenheim, Germany, 1618.

Secretioris naturae secretorum scrutinium chymicum, by Rosicrucian Michael Maier (1568-1622), published in Frankfurt, Germany, 1687.

Signatura Rerum (or *The Signature of All Things . . .*), by Jacob Böhme (Boehme).

A full set of first edition books by Louis Claude de Saint-Martin, including *Of Errors and Truth*, *The New Man*, and *The Man of Desire*.

Sibly's Astrology: Volume I & II: A New and Complete Illustration of the Celestial Science of Astrology: or the Art of Foretelling Future Events and Contingencies, by Ebenezer Sibly, published in London, 1788. This book, from the private library of former Rosicrucian Emperor, H. Spencer Lewis, is marked inside: "H. Spencer Lewis, Profundis XIII, Imperator - Rex."





The Game of Senet, Now and Then: (Above) This large-scale Senet board on the grounds of Rosicrucian Park was envisioned during the Imagine Museum meetings, with the goal of creating more interactive exhibits at the Rosicrucian Egyptian Museum and Rosicrucian Park. Senet was a popular board game in ancient Egypt based on an allegorical journey through the netherworld. Found in graves as early as 3100 B.C., Senet now challenges computer enthusiasts in a number of software game versions. The goal of this game is to remove all of your pieces before your opponent. To leave the board was to imitate the path to the Afterlife for an ancient Egyptian. (Above, right) Ancient Egyptian man and woman playing Senet, in a mural painted on the wall of the Rosicrucian Grand Temple.



The Delphi Fountain: Here a member enjoys the peace and tranquility of the new Delphi Fountain. The creation of this beautiful fountain was funded by the Campaign for Rosicrucian Park. Nestled under mature magnolia and walnut trees, the fountain inspires guests to meditate on various quotations related to the Delphic tradition, including:

"KNOW THYSELF"

Inscribed above the portal of the Temple of Apollo at Delphi

"NOTHING TOO MUCH"

Inscribed on the wall of the Temple of Apollo at Delphi

"Tell me, have you ever been to Delphi?"

—Socrates

"Called or uncalled, God will be present."

—Delphic saying (from Thucydides' History of the Peloponnesian War.)

"No one is wiser than Socrates for he knows that he knows nothing."

—Oracle of Delphi

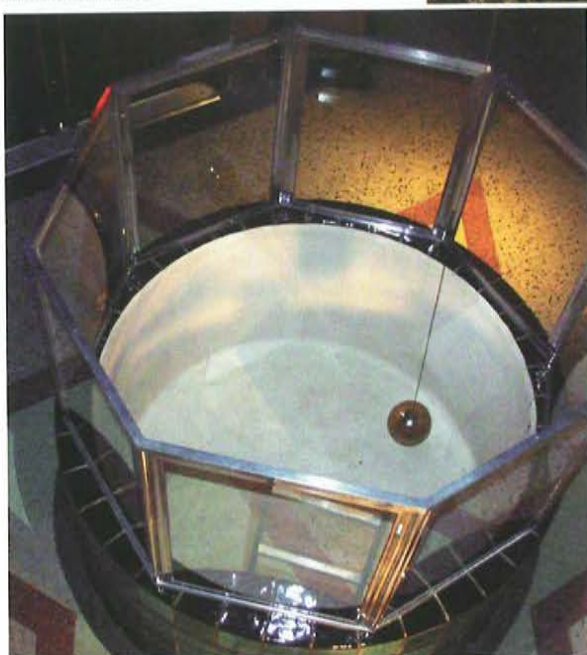


Fountain of the Living Waters: Built in 1934 and renovated in 2004. Funded by the Campaign for Rosicrucian Park.

Magnolia in bloom at Rosicrucian Park



(Below) Rosicrucian Planetarium's Foucault Pendulum: *The Foucault Pendulum is located in the planetarium's foyer. Built in 1936 as the fifth planetarium in the U.S., the building was restored in 2004. Funded by the Campaign for Rosicrucian Park.*



Front door of Grand Temple.



Francis Bacon Auditorium: *Constructed in 1931, the auditorium's exterior was repainted in 2004. Funded by the Campaign for Rosicrucian Park.*



AMORC Administration Building: *The "Institution Behind the Organization." Exterior repainted 2004. Funded by the Campaign for Rosicrucian Park.*



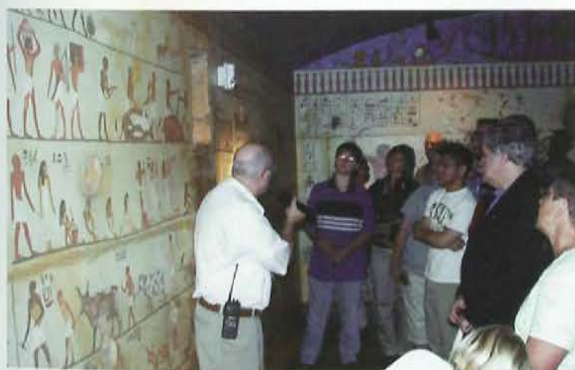
Rosicrucian Egyptian Museum: Built in 1966 and modeled after the Temple of Amon at Karnak, the museum's interior was renovated in 2003-2004. The museum's exterior was repainted in 2004, and the Tawaret fountain in front of the museum was retiled. This work was funded by the Campaign for Rosicrucian Park.



Model of an ancient Egyptian birthing room in the new Daily Life Gallery.



Rosicrucian Egyptian Museum's Sekhmet Shrine: Created in 2003 and funded by the Campaign for Rosicrucian Park, the shrine is modeled after the Shrine of Sekhmet (healing shrine) still in existence at Karnak.



World Peace Conference attendees touring the replica of a rock-cut tomb in the Rosicrucian Egyptian Museum.

Rosicrucian Peace Garden



“Just as humans make war, so must they make peace. Peace is as active a state as war. It is not a condition that merely follows the cessation of hostilities.”

—Ralph M. Lewis, Former Emperor



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"I truly believe that the Rosicrucian philosophy is a particularly inspiring pathway that contributes immensely to raising the collective consciousness of the world The Rosicrucian tradition has a fundamental role to play in the awakening of humanity to authentic spirituality and to make us true agents of universal peace."

—Christian Bernard, Imperator

“What you see before you is a manifestation of the love Rosicrucians feel for this place that we call Rosicrucian Park, and the commitment we feel toward the ideals of Peace and Tolerance.”

—Julie Scott, Grand Master



The Rosicrucian Peace Garden Comes Into Being

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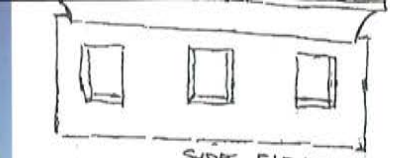
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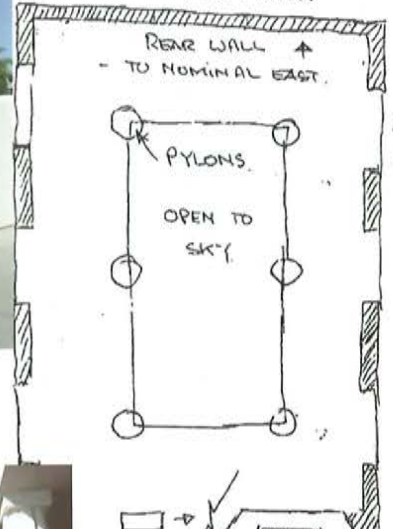
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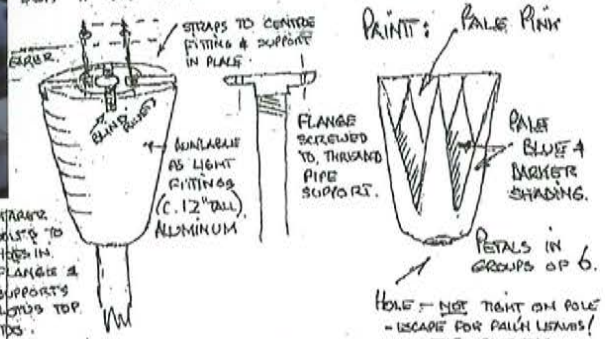
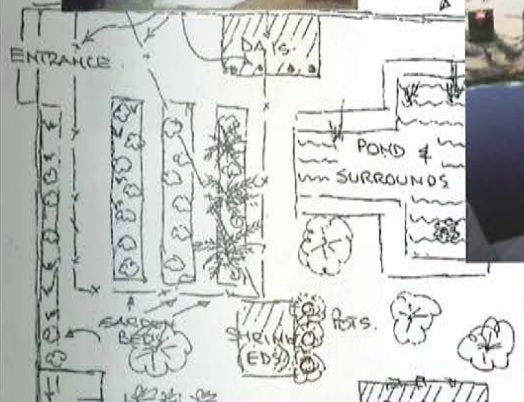
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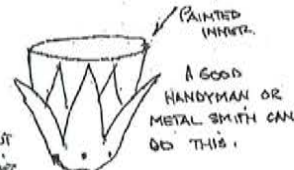
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***The Peace Garden Comes Into Being:** Gradually, over several months, Rosicrucian Park's special garden dedicated to Peace came into manifestation. Clockwise from above: An overview of the garden during construction; a giant crane lifted and placed date palms into the garden; workers carefully place palm's root ball into the soil; Grand Master Julie Scott in hard-hat "supervises" workers constructing the garden's temple; overview of the garden upon completion; workers placing the "Contribution to Peace" plaque; and on the day of its dedication, Rosicrucians from around the world, including Emperor Christian Bernard, gathered to pledge this garden to world peace.*

The Garden Completed

(Below, from left) Grand Master Julie Scott confers with Conference Chairperson Kaven Wark in Peace Garden; Rosicrucians enjoy the Peace Garden; members relax in Rosicrucian Park near the Delphi Fountain.



The Rosicrucian Peace Garden

The Garden's Story

This unique garden was first conceived in the early 1990s. In 2000, when the Board of Directors of the English Grand Lodge for the Americas was considering ways in which to renovate Rosicrucian Park in preparation for the 2004 AMORC World Peace Conference, they chose this garden design, which had been conceived and planned by Grand Master Peter Bindon of the English Grand Lodge for Australia, New Zealand, and Asia.

Grand Master Bindon is a recognized authority on native people around the world. He drew upon his talents as a botanist and anthropologist to design an educational garden, authentic to the 18th Dynasty of ancient Egypt—a period in which great turmoil existed. Yet our ancient forebears found a way in which to create a peaceful sanctuary in their lives.

This garden is based on examples of gardens from the remains of the ancient Egyptian city of Akhetaton, now called Amarna. The people of Akhetaton would take their rest in gardens next to their homes—gardens full of medicinal plants and beautiful flowers. The Egyptians were a very practical people, and so all of the plants that appeared in their gardens had some use, be it as food or medicine—although they carefully planted to take advantage of the beauty of each plant. A pool in the garden provided a cool spot for relaxation and contemplation, as well as habitat for fish and lotus plants. Small buildings in the garden provided places to honor ancestors and the royal family. Arbors hung with grapes decorated these gardens, as well as providing fruit and wine to the family.

Grand Master Bindon's thoughtful attention to every detail in this garden has created a truly educational as well as inspirational experience for guests.

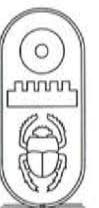
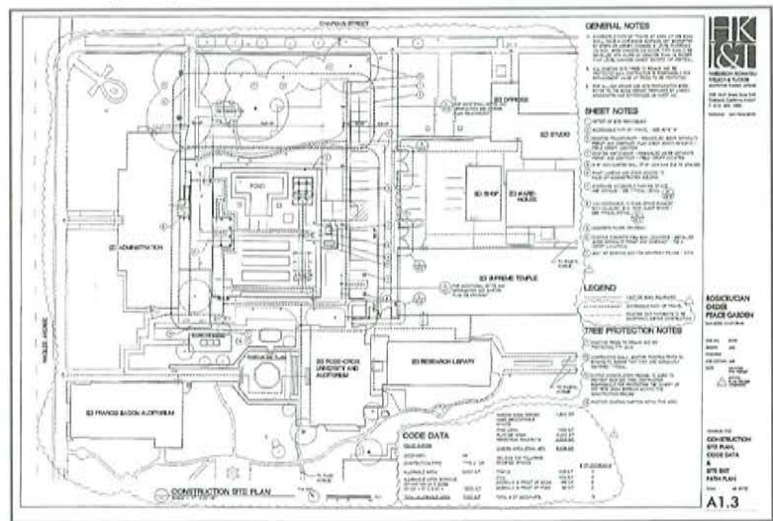


(Right) Mural in the Grand Temple: ancient Egyptian garden.

(Below) Dedication ceremony.



Architectural plans of the Rosicrucian Peace Garden.



The Rosicrucian Peace Garden Dedication

June 30, 2004

The Rosicrucian Peace Garden in Rosicrucian Park was dedicated on June 30, 2004, just a couple of days before the opening of the AMORC World Peace Conference. It was a beautiful, sunny day as Rosicrucians, various dignitaries, and the public gathered late that afternoon in the newly opened garden for the dedication ceremony.



Grand Master Julie Scott.

Grand Master Julie Scott's Speech

Grand Master Julie Scott opened the dedication ceremony by welcoming everyone and thanking Grand Master Peter Bindon and all those involved in the creation of the Rosicrucian Peace Garden. Soror Scott then went on to say:

"There were many people who made the Rosicrucian Peace Garden possible. First, and foremost, it is the members of the English Grand Lodge for the Americas, whose overwhelming generosity has made the construction of this garden possible.

"Also, the members of the Board of Directors of the English Grand Lodge, who have fully supported the creation of this garden. Emperor Christian Bernard, who has been instrumental in the success of this Grand Lodge by providing extraordinary inspiration and encouragement; Dr. Lonnie Edwards, Vice President of the Board of Directors, who first proposed that this garden be dedicated to the Rosicrucian ideal of Peace; Board Treasurer Julian Johnson, who created and has directed the Campaign for Rosicrucian Park that has funded the remarkable enhancements of this Park; and Board Secretary Karen Wark, who has been involved in all aspects of the renovation of Rosicrucian Park, not to mention she is also the Chairperson of the 2004 AMORC World Peace Conference.

"Thank you to everyone who participated in manifesting this beautiful garden dedicated to the Rosicrucian ideals of peace and tolerance."



Egyptian Consul General Khaled Ismail (above) and City Council Member Ken Yeager (right) spoke at the dedication.



Honored Guests Speak

Following Grand Master Scott's opening remarks, San Jose City Council Member Ken Yeager and Consul General Mr. Khaled Ismail of the Egyptian Consulate presented brief statements acknowledging the importance of this new landmark and recognizing the ongoing contributions of the Rosicrucian Order, AMORC, to the community.



Grand Master Peter Bindon, Egyptian Consul General Khaled Ismail, Emperor Christian Bernard, City Council Member Ken Yeager, and Grand Master Julie Scott.



The Rosicrucian Peace Garden Dedication

Grand Master Peter Bindon's Speech

Grand Master Peter Bindon of the English Grand Lodge for Australia, New Zealand, and Asia, who designed and planned this unique garden, spoke next. Frater Bindon, who drew upon his talents as a botanist and anthropologist to design this educational garden that is authentic to Egypt's 18th Dynasty, offered insights and inspiration in his speech:

"When we walk into this enclosed garden, it is symbolic of leaving behind the cares and worries of the mundane world. The walls are here not to keep people out, but because Rosicrucians are interested in these kinds of symbols that help us understand our behavior and the kinds of behavior that we like to generate within ourselves.

"At this moment in time the world is desperately trying to extricate itself from what has been a century of war. And if this Rosicrucian Peace Garden can help in this process of extricating us from war, I will be very pleased!

"I'm also pleased with the great job that the people who put this garden together have done. Because I designed this garden and sent the plans here from Australia electronically, I never knew until I arrived here how my little sketches, drawings, and thinly written emails were interpreted. You have done a great job!

"The visionary Imperator, Harvey Spencer Lewis, always took advantage of what was available to him in anything that he did. I am pleased to say that my designs have been interpreted so as to best complement the Park's Egyptian Revival architecture that you see around you, as well as the wonderful trees that form a spectacular backdrop for the garden.

"It was a great privilege to be able to design and assist with this little piece of evolution in the Park, and I was inspired by the first Imperator of this cycle when I started to work on these plans and designs. Like all gardens, this one will evolve. It is very new. It will be some years before it takes on the dignity of age demonstrated by mature gardens. And as gardens mature, they show us something in a different way about our vision of the world.

"I pray that this garden endures, just as the peace that it may help generate, will also endure."



Grand Master Peter Bindon.

Peace Garden Plant List:

Dwarf Pomegranate, *Punica granatum* "Nana"

Clary Sage, *Salvia sclarea*

Doum Palm, *Hyphaene thebaica*

Date Palm, *Phoenix dactylifera*

Sageleaf Rockrose, *Cistus salviifolius*

Pink Cyclamen, *Cyclamen persicum*

Medicinal Aloe, *Aloe vera*

Darley Heath, *Erica X. Darleyensis*

Grape, *Vitis vinifera*

Strawberry Tree, *Arbutus* "Marina"

Water Lily, *Nymphaea* sp.

Iris, *Iris* sp.

Variiegated Sweet Flag, *Acorus calamus* var.

Papyrus, *Cyperus papyrus*

Glossy Abelia, *Abelia X. grandiflora* "Edward Goucher"

Star Jasmine, *Trachelospermum jasminoides*

Majestic Beauty Olive, *Olea europaea* "Majestic Beauty"

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ter Julie Scott.

The Rosicrucian Peace Garden Dedication

Imperator Christian Bernard's Speech

Imperator Christian Bernard officially dedicated the Rosicrucian Peace Garden with the following remarks:

"Dear Fratres and Sorores,

"When I heard about the American English Grand Lodge project to create this Peace Garden, the very first picture that came to my mind was that of the Little Prince.

"Many of you certainly know about this initiatory novel written by Saint-Exupery, and remember the moment when the child comes to Earth in a rose garden.

"This garden in Rosicrucian Park would be worthy of welcoming him. It is my wish that this place dedicated to peace, reflection, meditation, and prayer, always arouses pure feelings as those driving the Little Prince's heart and soul, in every one of you and in the heart of all Rosicrucians in this world.

"There is no doubt that our illustrious and anonymous predecessors, brothers and sisters of the Rose-Croix, from the plane where they now dwell, are very proud of this achievement. I am thinking more particularly about the Lewis family and the numerous fratres and sorores who have worked one following another in Rosicrucian Park since the beginning of its creation. They are here today, and they will go with us during the whole Convention.

"As the Imperator, I will encourage every member of AMORC in the world to come and meditate here one day. Unfortunately, I know that they will not all be able to come. I will therefore encourage them to carry out this mystical work through visualization by projecting psychically into this wonderful garden.

"From now on, it will shine forth like a sun into our hearts, and onto the whole Earth through our minds, thoughts, and mystical work.

"May it be so, today and forever!

"Now, Fratres and Sorores, let us meditate a few moments and send thoughts of peace, love, and harmony to all our fratres and sorores, our families, our friends, and to all those who suffer and need help.

"May Peace Profound be within them and around them!

"So Mote It Be!"



Imperator Christian Bernard.

When God becomes the center of our conscious activity, when we acknowledge God's presence within the heart and body of every living thing upon Earth, when our soul is pure enough to reflect God's glory, then verily we shall receive the blessings of Peace Profound.

—Christian Bernard, F.R.C., in *So Mote It Be!*



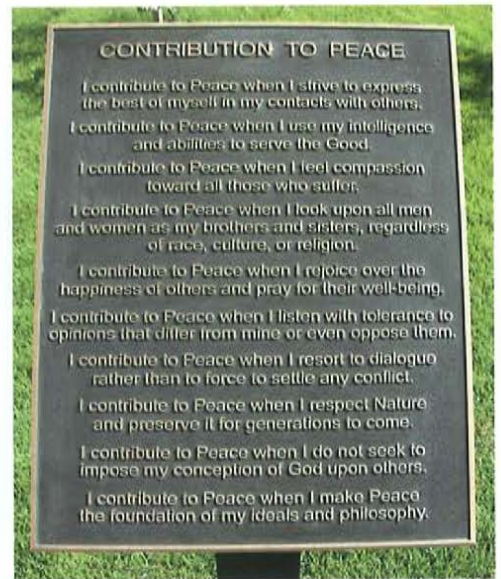
“Contribution to Peace”

Following the Emperor’s dedication speech, Grand Master Scott invited Soror Aimy Shaluly to recite the Rosicrucian “Contribution to Peace.” (To read the “Contribution to Peace,” please see the inside front cover of this magazine.)

“Let There Be Peace On Earth”

In 1955 two Rosicrucians, Frater Sy Miller and Soror Jill Jackson Miller, wrote the song, “Let There Be Peace On Earth.” This song soon became an anthem worldwide for individuals committed to making peace a priority in their lives. Members at the dedication joined Frater John Minagro in singing “Let There Be Peace On Earth, and Let It Begin With Me.”

In closing the dedication, Grand Master Scott invited all members to turn to those around them and sincerely wish each other “Peace Profound.”



Located near the entrance to the Rosicrucian Peace Garden is the “Contribution to Peace” plaque.

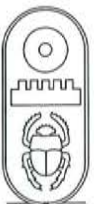


As part of the dedication, a time capsule was buried in the Rosicrucian Peace Garden so that future generations will know of our devotion to the Rosicrucian Order, AMORC, and our commitment to the ideals of Peace Profound. Among items included in the time capsule were the Positio Fraternitatis, copies of the World Peace Conference programs in three languages, three recent Rosicrucian Digest issues dedicated to the Campaign for Rosicrucian Park and world peace, the just-published Treasures of the Rosicrucian Egyptian Museum Catalogue, the San Jose Mercury News newspaper featuring a front-page article on the Peace Conference, and a list of all donors to the Campaign for Rosicrucian Park.

San Jose Mercury News
Sunday, July 18, 2004

“The Rosicrucian Park’s success lies in its careful arrangement of buildings, its attention to the spaces between buildings and its devotion to horticulture. Together these create a shady and delightful park. It is a remarkable credit to the Rosicrucian Society that [H. Spencer Lewis’] successors have continued his vision over the decades. The Peace Garden strengthens that vision.”

—Alan Hess
Architectural Writer
San Jose Mercury News
July 18, 2004



Imagine . . .

Imagine all the people

At the Peace Conference's Youth Program, children of Rosicrucians from around the world transcended their cultural and language barriers to laugh and play together. From ages 3-18, over sixty children and Colombes from fifteen different nations all shared one thing in common—they were children of the Order.



Living life in peace . . .



You may say I'm a dreamer,



But I'm not the only one,



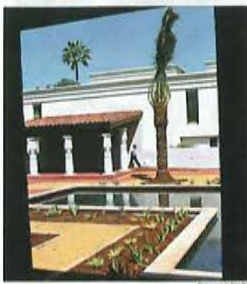
I hope some day you'll join us,

THE NEIGHBORHOOD
Rosicrucians from around the globe to attend World Peace Conference

Dedication of new Peace Garden among scheduled events

By MARY GUERRERA

Peace is being pursued from 100 countries around the world to the new Peace Garden at the World Peace Conference, which is being held at the Fairmont Hotel in San Jose, California, on July 1-3. The garden, which is being dedicated on July 1, is a symbol of peace and unity. The garden is a beautiful oasis in the heart of San Jose, California. It features a reflecting pool, a walkway, and a variety of plants and trees. The garden is a symbol of peace and unity, and it is a place where people from all over the world can come together and share their experiences. The garden is a beautiful oasis in the heart of San Jose, California. It features a reflecting pool, a walkway, and a variety of plants and trees. The garden is a symbol of peace and unity, and it is a place where people from all over the world can come together and share their experiences.



New Garden: Viewed through a window in the temple within the Rosicrucian Peace Garden, the reflecting pool and the walkway is dedicated to the peace of the world. The garden will be open to the public on July 1. The gate to the garden will be open to the public on July 1.

Contribution to Peace

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ROSICRUCIANS WORLDWIDE IN PILGRIMAGE TO S.J. MEETING
A GATHERING FOR PEACE

By Robin Evans
Merrill News

A Japanese man in a suit trains his camera on a white stone sphinx. A woman from London holds her hand above a waist-high marble pyramid. "You can feel the energy," she says. Under sunny skies and a loudspeaker droning an Egyptian chant, men and women from 70 countries and throughout the United States mill around a reflecting pool, greeting old friends with a handshake and the invocation, "Peace profound." The park is something of a pilgrimage. The park is something of a pilgrimage. The park is something of a pilgrimage.

ABOUT ROSICRUCIANS
 Number worldwide: 65,000
 Number in Bay Area: 1,800
 World headquarters: Rosicrucian Park in San Jose, until 1990, when the organization was decentralized.
 The Egyptian Peace Garden at Rosicrucian Park, 1342 Naglee Ave., San Jose, was dedicated Wednesday and is open to the public; call (408) 947-3600.

They are Rosicrucians, among 2,000 members of an organization dedicated to ancient metaphysical knowledge practices who are in San Jose this week for their biennial meeting. Some South Africans traveled two days by land to board a plane to America. Participants have been shuttling between the Fairmont Hotel, for classes and presentations, and San Jose's Rosicrucian Egyptian Museum and Park on Naglee Avenue, the order's North American headquarters. For Rosicrucians, the trip to the "2004 World Peace Conference" is something of a pilgrimage. The park is something of a pilgrimage. The park is something of a pilgrimage.

And the world will be as one.
 —John Lennon, 1971

Campaign for Rosicrucian Park

What Has Already Been Done



- ✓ Construction of the Rosicrucian Peace Garden
- ✓ Renovation of Rosicrucian Egyptian Museum, interior and exterior
- ✓ Renovation and Re-opening of Rosicrucian Planetarium
- ✓ Infrastructure upgrades to Grand Temple: extensive plumbing upgrades, electrical upgrades, and new floor in social room
- ✓ Renovation of "Fountain of Living Waters" (main fountain in center of Park)
- ✓ Exterior of Administration Building Repainted
- ✓ Exterior of Francis Bacon Auditorium Repainted
- ✓ Exterior of RCUI Building Repainted
- ✓ Exterior of Library Building Repainted



- ✓ Creation of new Delphi Fountain
- ✓ Renovation of other fountains
- ✓ Extensive landscaping



Thank You!

What's Next?

- Conversion to Alternative Energy – \$1,000,000
- New Rosicrucian Research Library and renovation of Administration Building to create the new climate-controlled home for the rare books and manuscripts of the Rosicrucian Research Library – \$950,000
- Renovation of RCUI Building to create the new H. Spencer Lewis Memorial Rosicrucian History Museum – \$250,000
- Installation of fiber optic lighting in Rosicrucian Egyptian Museum artifact cases – \$150,000
- Renovation of Rosicrucian Learning Center to create classroom space for RCUI classes and programs for the public – \$100,000
- Renovation of Francis Bacon Auditorium – \$50,000

Total: \$2,500,000

To participate in the Campaign for Rosicrucian Park, send your donation to:

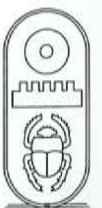
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Members Coming Together

Important Upcoming Rosicrucian Events

Inspirational Egypt

April 24 – May 13, 2005

Visit our tradition's most important mystical sites in Egypt. From Tell el-Amarna to the Pyramids and Sphinx, to sacred Lake Moeris and the Great Temple of Karnak, you will find this to be the ultimate Rosicrucian initiatic experience. Join Emperor Christian Bernard (who will confer Rosicrucian initiations at Lake Moeris and the Great Pyramid), Grand Master Julie Scott, and Egyptologist Emil Shaker for the experience of a lifetime! For more information, please contact Seven Wonders Travel at (800) 480-3395 or email at SWTEgypt@aol.com

2005 North Atlantic Regional Convention

"Pathway to Light...The Journey Within"

Rye Brook, New York

October 6 – 9, 2005

This Convention will feature lectures, classes, exercises, convocations, banquet with entertainment, and much more. Emperor Christian Bernard and Grand Master Julie Scott will be special guests. Program presenters include Dr. Lonnie Edwards and Frater Edward Lee. The three-day Convention will be preceded by a full day of Martinist activities (October 6). Whether you are a Neophyte, new to the Order, or a longtime member, join us for an inspiring, enlightening experience. For more information, please contact Deborah Nelson at dnelson4@verizon.net (718) 703-3236, or Salaria Chambers at Salariabc@aol.com (732) 786-1959.

Journey to Mystical India

January 9 – 17, 2006

The Rosicrucian Order has prepared a special travel experience that will take you to India's most cherished mystical sites, including the magnificent Taj Mahal, sacred Varanasi on the Ganges, splendid Jaipur "The Pink City," the fairytale-like city of Fatehpur Sikri, and much more. Explore the culture and rich spiritual tradition of this remarkable ancient civilization with Grand Master Julie Scott and fellow Rosicrucians. You will stay in deluxe hotels during your journey to India. For more information, please contact Power Places Tours at (800) 234-TOUR (8687).

AMORC World Convention

Berlin, Germany

August 23 – 26, 2007

Registration will open August 2005

With best wishes . . .

Grand Temple Interior



for Peace Profound.



*Akhenaten Shrine
Rosicrucian Egyptian Museum*

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