



The members of the International Peace Garden Committee of the General Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, have invited us to join the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Helen J. Westmoreland, and the Most Worthy Grand Patron, Robert C. Penoyer, on their Triennial Pilgrimage to the International Peace Garden on August 11th through August 13th of 2017.

The International Peace Garden located on the US and Canadian border in north central North Dakota and south central Manitoba. The Garden encompasses 2,300 acres of nature's beauty; two pristine freshwater lakes, scenic hiking and driving trails, wildflowers, waterfalls, and a large variety of North American birds and animals. The Peace Chapel is the only building straddling the US and Canadian border. The Chapel features dozens of quotes from "People of Peace" etched in beautiful fossil embellished limestone walls. In the truly inspirational Garden's Chapel lies open a book of remembrance, displaying the names of the victims of 911.

Guided tours of the Garden are available through the Peace Garden office. Contact Kathy McGhan, Administrative Manager International Peace Garden, 1-888-432-6733 or kathy@peacegarden.com

A full slate of activities is being planned by the Committee: Registration on Friday with a Vesper Service that evening in the OES Peace Chapel. On Saturday there will be tours of the gardens during the day, a banquet in the Masonic Auditorium, and entertainment Saturday evening. A Church Service will be held Sunday morning in the Burdick Auditorium.

Registration of fee of \$20.00 is due by July 31, 2017. Any profit for the weekend will be used for the improvement of the International Peace Garden Chapel.

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Note from Sister Aubrey Williamson, GGCCC:

I have received prices for the Canadian Wilderness Inn in Boissevein, Manitoba. This place was recommended to me by the Chair of the International Peace Garden Committee. The rate for a room with 2 queen beds is \$121.00 plus tax, and with 1 king bed is \$106.00 plus tax. They are offering 10% off for our group. They serve a continental breakfast. You can go on their web site for more information.

I think it would be fun if we could all stay in the same place. If you know someone who is interested in going and who I may have missed, please let me know and I will send them this. They suggest we make reservations soon if you feel you may like this place, since they get filled up quickly in August.

Hugs to all
Merry Christmas and Happy Holiday

