

Mayans Discover Calendar Error

End-of-World Snafu Corrected

The Dzibilchaltun Daily Pyramid, official organ of the Mayan church hierarchy, has revealed that the prediction of the end of civilization, previously scheduled for December 21, 2012, has been moved back 200 years.

“We were sure that the ancient cosmological calendar was ending,” confessed an embarrassed Mayan spokesperson. “But it turned out that someone mislabeled the next 200 years, so we thought they had already happened. We have corrected this oversight, and the end of the world is now scheduled for December 21, 2212. We apologize for any inconvenience.”

The North American metaphysical industry, which was riding a wave of interest in the 2012 Mayan prophecy, immediately crashed. “For us, this *is* the end of the world,” lamented one editor.

WORLD ALREADY OVER?

Meanwhile, the Mystical Blood Rose Fellowship, a Rosicrucian splinter group which had predicted the end of the world for 2010, has also revised its prediction.

“We examined the signs again,” said High Prognosticator Lucifer “Larry” Hieronymous. “It seems we were off by 30 years. The world actually ended in 1980. It’s over. Done. Kaput. Go Home.”

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Reclaiming Unveils New Official History

Stung by criticism that its history was “boring” and “mundane,” Reclaiming has released a new official account of its founding to coincide with the 30th Anniversary of the Spiral Dance ritual.

Gone are the folksy tales of a small work-group of witches meeting in a San Francisco attic to create the first Spiral Dance.

Reclaiming, it turns out, is a lineal descendant of the original Golden Dawn group, and also of the Rosicrucians, Templars, Freemasons, and the 1920s German Expressionist art movement.

In 1979, Neo-Wiccan prophet Gerald Gardner himself appeared in a vision to Reclaiming’s founding coven and called for the organizing of an annual Samhain ritual, to be held in a roller-derby arena (Gardner was a fan of

the San Francisco Bay Bombers). After many years of struggle, Reclaiming fulfilled Gardner’s dream when the Spiral Dance relocated to Kezar Pavilion in the early 2000s.

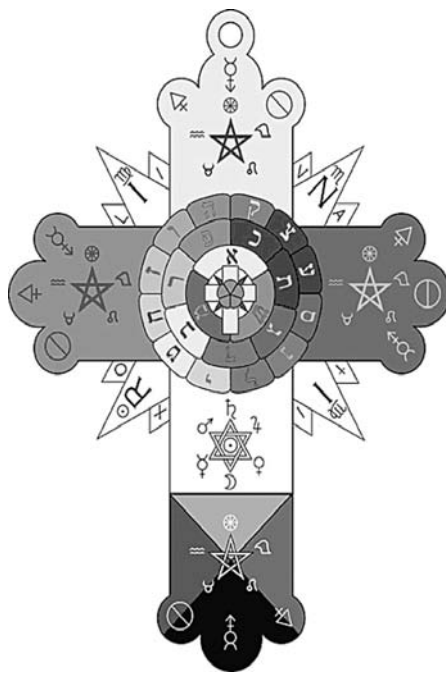
PARACELSUS & ZOROASTER

Paracelsus, it has been discovered, wrote Reclaiming’s Principles of Unity. Newly-translated documents confirm that the German mage foretold a “groupe of anarchistical witches in Californie whych shall Reclaym the True Faithe” and devoted his last years to outlining the founding tenets.

Perhaps more surprising is Persian prophet Zoroaster’s assertion that at the “turning of the greate wheele” (i.e., the millennium), secular authorities would launch a wave of persecution against the “deare ones” – a clear allusion to the San Francisco beach police’s harassment of Reclaiming’s solstice bonfires. (In a troubling footnote, Zoroaster forecast a thousand years of persecution before the “deare ones” triumph. If he was correct, the Solstice fires may be under pressure for another 996 years or so.)

The new official history offers many fascinating revelations, such as the fact that most of Reclaiming’s chants were co-authored by the infamous Aleister Crowley, and that archeologist Marija Gimbutas unearthed paleolithic goddess-relics with Reclaiming’s PO Box number (14404) carved into them.

Not all the news was positive. Recent research has debunked claims that thousands of early Reclaiming witches suffered persecution for their faith. After exhaustive archival analysis, the only evidence uncovered was a couple of parking tickets from an Equinox ritual, and an anecdotal account of a really painful paper-cut while collating the newsletter.



The Golden Cross of the Rosy Dawn — just one of many artifacts now known to prophecy the coming of Reclaiming. The “R” in the lower left clearly foretells the group, as do the pentacles.