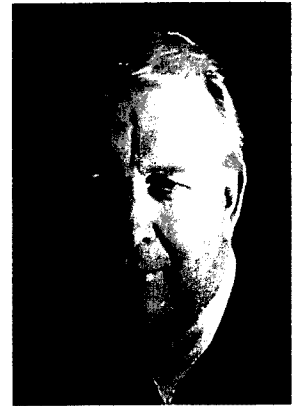




WHO IS

GEORGE VAN TASSEL?



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George W. Van Tassel told me that he was born in 1910 in Jefferson, Ohio. In 1927, at the age of seventeen, he started to work in aviation. In 1930, George moved to California and worked for Douglas Aircraft Company where he held various positions. In 1941, George left Douglas and became the personal flight inspector for Howard Hughes. In 1943, he went to Lockheed, still keeping in close contact with Howard Hughes by doing experimental work outside his company.

In 1947, he went to live at Giant Rock and started an airport at that location. There he founded a science philosophy organization, became involved in electromagnetic research and designed the "Integratron," a four-story high, dome-shaped machine. Following up on seven years of research, the machine was built on the advice of an alien and had been dedicated to a program of rejuvenation and regeneration of the elderly and prevention of

the aging of youth.

George appeared on some 400 radio and television shows and gave over 295 lectures in the US and Canada. George told me about a landing of a UFO at Giant Rock. He said that the contact with the aliens changed his entire life. Just as I have met the "men in black," George met with an alien. George said, "I can truthfully say that I have seen and talked with one of them... that instantly disappeared to my vision, but I could still feel him when I touched where I had just seen him." NONE of the space people from other levels of life are ever materialized through a medium.

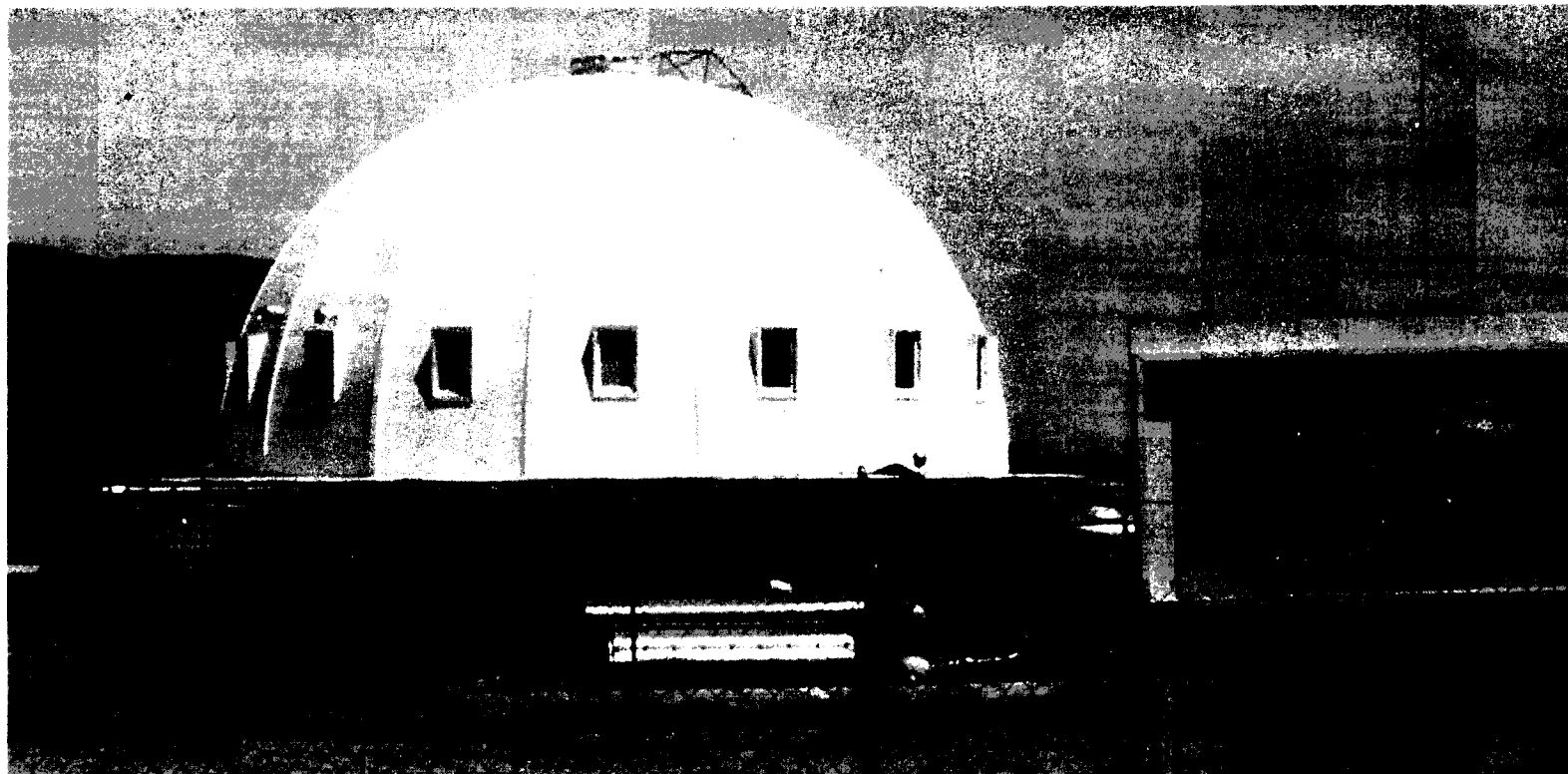
George Van Tassel's reported UFO landing site is not too far from Palm Springs, California at Giant Rock. Under this rock was a secret chamber which George restored and in which George Van Tassel met with the alien while ministers, priests, and a rabbi witnessed these events. George collected a lot of information about the Giant Rock area from Reche (the man he bought the Giant

Rock property from) and the Indians. According to the Indians, this was Indian Holy Ground. It is interesting to know that through the ages the Indians claimed that they had contact with UFOs on a regular basis. Maybe this is the reason why there are so many sightings in the old Indian Holy Ground Areas.

At Giant Rock, the Indian tribes from the north and south would meet annually. The chiefs held their seances and meetings close by the Big Rock, which they called the "Great Stone" because to them it symbolized the Great Spirit as the largest single object in the area. Today, it is still known as the largest single boulder in the world.

The Indians assembled for their meetings at Giant Rock for three days. During these meetings, only the chiefs were allowed to be close to the Giant Rock, all others had to camp some distance away.

George had the honor of talking to the son of an Indian Chief. This man was ten years old when his



father put a mark on the north side of the Giant Rock and the Indians called it the "Mark of the Scorpion," which meant "A Good Place." When a chief placed a sign no other chiefs were allowed to place any others, that is why there is only one sign (other than the senseless graffiti placed by those who do not understand life).

Charlie Reche, who homesteaded at Giant Rock in 1887, had the privilege of meeting many of the local Indians. Reche's homestead included the area where the Integratron now stands, as well as many acres around it. George gave me the following information: "When I came to California from Ohio in 1930 to see my uncle, he needed someone to help him so I stayed and worked part-time. While there in Santa Monica, a very interesting person arrived at my uncle's garage. This man's name was Frank Critzer and when he came to my uncle's garage he was looking for someone who could fix his car without charge. We discovered that he was a very, very intelligent person and that he knew a lot of unusual things which he passed on to me. We became instant buddies, so to speak. My uncle allowed him to sleep in the garage while we repaired his Essex. He told us that wherever he would settle down, he would write us and that we would always be included in his min-

ing claims.

"A year went by before we finally heard from Frank again. We had practically given up on him when we received a letter in which he had drawn a map showing how to get to Giant Rock. The following weekend, my uncle and I drove a long way to see him.

"Frank had already started to dig under the Big Rock to make a place to live and he told me that he had stumbled onto some unusual glass-lined tunnels under ground which went down real deep. He had squatter's rights and a mining claim established at Giant Rock. He did not own the property for it was government land. Frank said by digging a room under the north side of the Giant Rock that the boulder would take all summer in not getting warm and hold the warmth beneath it during the winter. Thus, there would be little need for heating or cooling. This proved to be good engineering because the maximum temperature in the rooms under the rock is 80 degrees Fahrenheit without any refrigeration in the summer time, and a minimum of 55 degrees F in the winter time without heating. All this while the outside temperature would vary from 25 degrees F to 120 degrees F.

"Giant Rock covers 5800

square feet and is seven stories high. About 400 square feet of rooms were dug out on the north side. In 1942, while the US was at war with Germany it was thought that Frank was a German spy because of his name and why he would live in such a desolated place. It is interesting to note that a lot of Germans lived in that area and some were involved with spying. It is said that today a group of those Germans still operate in that area and that they formed a pack with the 'Greys' (aliens).

"George said that he visited with Frank many times in the rooms under the rock. Frank had a big kitchen table and a big wood burning stove on which he prepared German pancakes for anyone who would stop by. He usually had a case of dynamite and some detonator caps for prospecting under the kitchen table on which I would rest my feet.

"In August of 1942, three deputies came to take Frank in for questioning by the FBI. When the deputies came to take Frank, the first thing he noticed was that they were from Riverside County and Giant Rock is in San Bernadino County. Frank told them that they had no authority in this county. After much arguing, Frank said if they were going to take him he needed to get his coat. Frank went down into his underground home. When inside,

Frank barricaded himself behind the door. The deputies threw a tear gas grenade through the north side window, which landed in the case of dynamite setting off the detonator caps. The explosion blew the windows out and killed Frank Critzer."

Newspapers said that he was a spy (to cover up this blunder): George said that he had talked to the FBI who said this was not true. After reading about Frank's death, George went to Giant Rock to find only a big hole under the rock. The place had been completely stripped by the government.

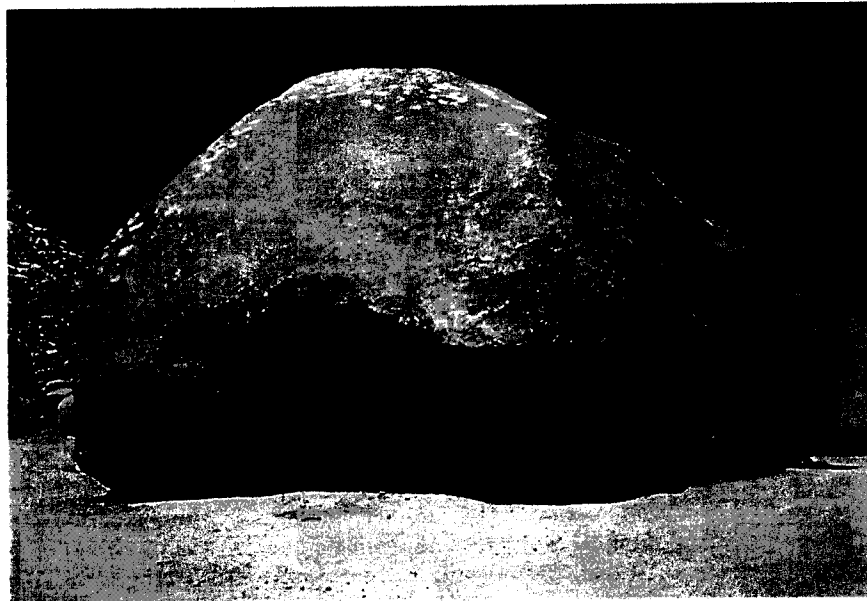
George said he loved the place and after the war ended in 1945 he applied to the Bureau of Land Management to acquire Frank's property. He wanted to start his own airport there. It took until 1947 to complete the paperwork so that he could move to Giant Rock.

On August 24th 1953, George stated, "I, George Van Tassel, had a personal and physical contact with extraterrestrials who had landed here at Giant Rock and who gave me the formula that started the Integratron research." At that time, the space meetings started at Giant Rock.

George had regular meetings with one of the aliens in the restored room under Giant Rock. As they talked to the alien, they recorded the "Golden Density" tapes which are still available from the early 1960s. Every time George talked to the alien, he was surrounded by a golden-green type mist. In the place where the spaceship landed is a very large circle at least 300 yards in diameter and nothing grows in this area anymore.

Apparently, after George died the government blew up this secret chamber. When Lee Carvel and I tested this area for cosmic energy with our dowsing rods, the rods started to twirl like the blades of a helicopter. Since 1960, the energy is very strong. We were also buzzed by a black, unmarked helicopter as we did this research.

As mentioned before, George Van Tassel also received information from the alien on how to reconstruct the rejuvenation machine, which they called the Integratron. This had been built by George based on the instructions from the alien and



information from the Bible about the Ark of the Covenant. (I was told that the University of Ohio built a similar model at one time but abolished the project because it was too dangerous.)

George was also involved with Howard Hughes in the Eldridge experiment in Philadelphia. Both of them plus Einstein, Werner Von Braun, Viktor Schauberger and the US Navy have done experiments creating strong magnetic fields around a ship in 1943. During the experiment, a green light enveloped the ship and the sailors and the ship disappeared. Then the ship was seen minutes later at Norfolk — 1000 miles away. The ship then disappeared again and appeared at various

points on the ocean. A video tape was made about this titled "The Philadelphia Experiment." The Navy knows about this experiment but keeps it top secret.

The ship, DE 173 the Eldridge, was eventually sold to Greece 660 pounds lighter with the experimental equipment removed. There is evidence that her official records have been altered and that sailors were dismissed as "mentally ill" to hide the outcome of the experiment. (I think that the "Integratron" was handled the same as the experiment and that is the reason why the marines removed the equipment from the "Integratron" after George died.)

George was the personal flight engineer in experiments for Howard Hughes. He claimed that he went back and forward in time with his machine.

The "Integratron" is a non-metallic structure that stands 38 feet high and 58 feet in diameter. The dome is an electrostatic, magnetic generator with armatures over four times larger in diameter than any others in existence. The fields

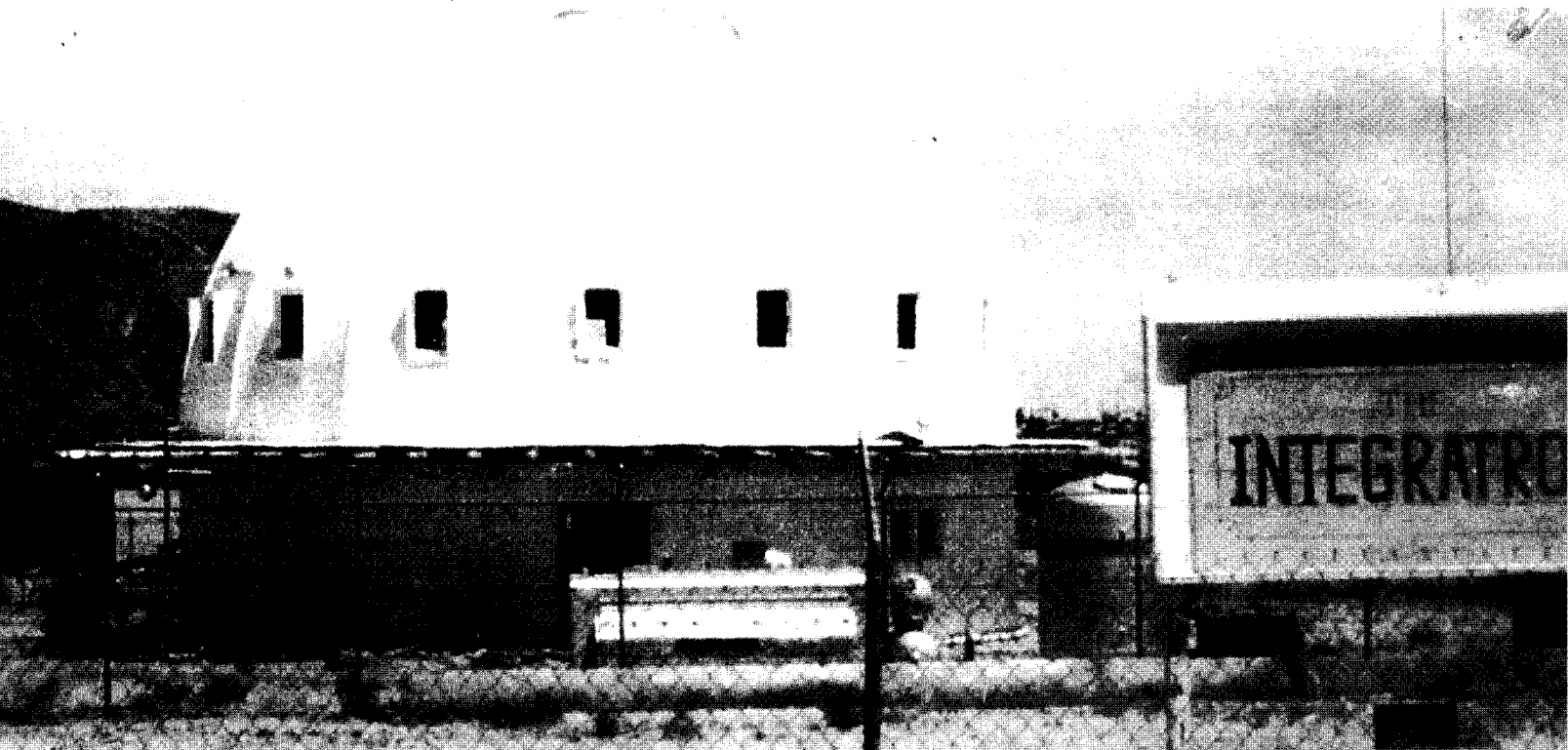
generated by this machine encompass its entire structure. This is why the dome does not contain any nails, bolts or other metal assembly. The dome is six times stronger than commercial building codes require and it is held together like a Chinese puzzle.

George was an amazing man who received lots of information from our space brothers. He was a lot more involved with the total aircraft development and secret projects than we can imagine. This is why he held a special US CIA clearance.

Author's note: This article was compiled from my own personal experiences and letters I received from George Van Tassel.



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E.T. true believers to descend on desert 'UFO-ville'

53 years after alleged sighting, alien 'contactees' among those returning to tiny Landers, Calif.

By Benjamin Spillman
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LANDERS, Calif. — "E.T." has been back home for years, and now earthlings claiming contact with space aliens are planning a homecoming of their own Saturday in a section of the Mojave Desert that looks a lot like the moon.

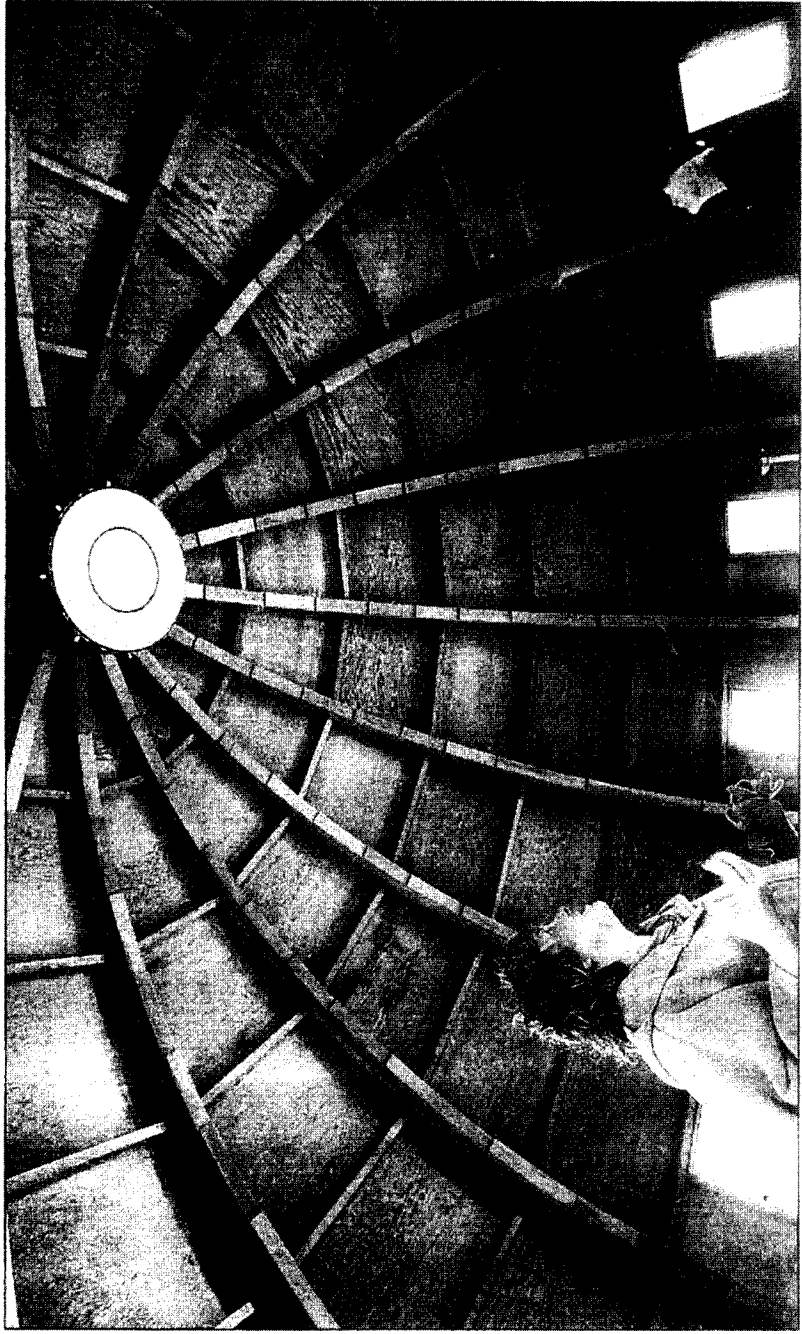
Nearly three decades after a free-thinking Californian named George Van Tassel hosted his final gathering to honor alien visitors, pioneers of the UFO culture are coming back to the site of the nation's earliest extraterrestrial rallies.

They will be coming to see the Integratron, a dome-shaped building said to have been commissioned in 1953 by creatures from outer space; to view the Giant Rock, site of the early rallies; to hear tales by those who say they've had experiences with extraterrestrials; to see demonstrations of "new technologies" by UFO experts; and to enjoy a UFO-themed opera and art exhibits.



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Real-life X-Files: Barbara Harris, is organizing the first formal reunion of "contactees" near Giant Rock, in rear, alleged site of an alien visit.



The Integratron: Barbara Harris and Bob Benson inside structure built by George Van Tassel allegedly at the direction of aliens.

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"This is where the x-files were talked about before there was *The X Files*," said Barbara Harris, who is organizing the first formal reunion of alien "contactees" at the site since Van Tassel died in 1978.

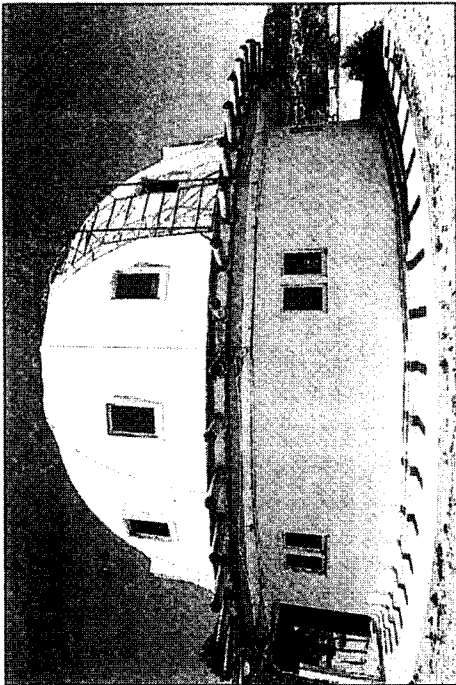
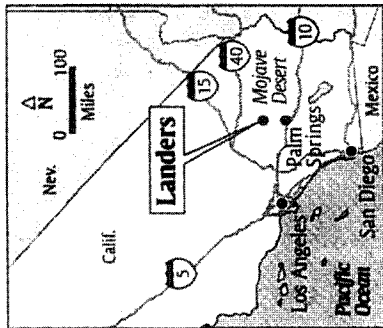
"I did not want this history to pass away," she said. Harris, her husband, Rob, and those helping her want to rekindle the spirit that from 1954 to 1977 attracted thousands annually to this remote desert area about 150 miles east of Los Angeles.

Harris said the philosophy of peace and harmony with aliens fostered during the old rallies is an important counterweight to today's portrayals of extraterrestrials as hostile invaders — E.T., of course, being an exception. Earthling contactees describe "alien people who were here to help humanity," Harris said.

Harris said as many as 500 people — some from as far as British Columbia, Canada, and Montgomery County, Md. — have registered for the reunion, which costs up to \$195 and will include a recording studio for early contactees to recount their experiences.

Van Tassel was a test pilot who left Southern California's booming aerospace industry for the desert in 1947. He and his family lived a simple existence in a home a prospector had dug under a seven-story-tall boulder called Giant Rock.

In 1953 Van Tassel claimed to



Welcome, earthlings: Outside of the Integratron in the Mojave Desert, where this weekend's UFO convention will be held.

The highlights of the original rallies were speeches by Van Tassel and others who claimed not only to have seen extraterrestrials but to have communicated with them. Witness accounts and TV documentaries indicate that at their peak, the rallies attracted as many as 10,000 people. Guests trekked to the desert by car or landed airplanes on a small strip called Giant Rock Airport.

There, Van Tassel and other speakers regaled audiences with tales of flying saucer rides and attempts to channel alien messages through their bodies. "They came from all over. It wasn't just from the United States," said Robert Short of

Cornville, Ariz., who attended the early rallies, claims to have been in contact with aliens since the early 1950s, and will be on hand Saturday. Short, a Christian minister who makes appearances to detail his alien claims, says the gathering Saturday is an important homage to early believers who by speaking publicly risked ridicule from others. "A lot of them are gone now," Short said. "People are paying tribute to what took place out there."

"It is one of the best things that ever happened as far as an event in my life," Bob Benson, 60, of Wildomar, Calif., said of the reunion, which he plans to attend.

Benson lived near Giant Rock from 1972 until Van Tassel's death. He says he didn't see any UFOs but he believed in the healing power of the Integratron, which he helped build.

The reunion, Benson says, is validation that the work he and Van Tassel did is still relevant. "You finally realize it is for people," said Benson during a recent visit to the building and Giant Rock. "It is for everybody, it is not just for myself."

The proceeds from the Retro UFO Space Convention will go to a local historical society and to preserving the Integratron, which despite being built without nails, survived a magnitude-7.3 earthquake in 1992. In addition to raising money, Harris said she expects the reunion will bring new energy to the Integratron by highlighting its UFO past for a new generation of people who still want to learn about the phenomena.

Dan Woodman, 56, of Anaheim, Calif., says he's looking forward to the event. Woodman, who has had five generations of relatives living full or part time in Landers, re- members Van Tassel and the early rallies.

"I'm seeing the next generation enjoying the story," Woodman said.

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