


The 12
Character Traits
of
Robert
Muller

Sandy Hinden



The image features a large, semi-transparent blue United Nations logo centered on a background of stone tiles. The logo consists of a globe with latitude and longitude lines, surrounded by a laurel wreath. The background tiles are engraved with the text of Isaiah 2:4: 'THEY SHALL BEAT THEIR SWORDS INTO PLOWSHARES AND THEIR SPEARS INTO PRUNING KNIVES. NEITHER SHALL THEY LEARN WAR ANY MORE.'

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PRUNING HOOKS: NATION SHALL NOT LIFT
UP SWORD AGAINST NATION. NEITHER
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**Core Values in
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Peace, Human Rights,
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**UN Secretariat, Agencies,
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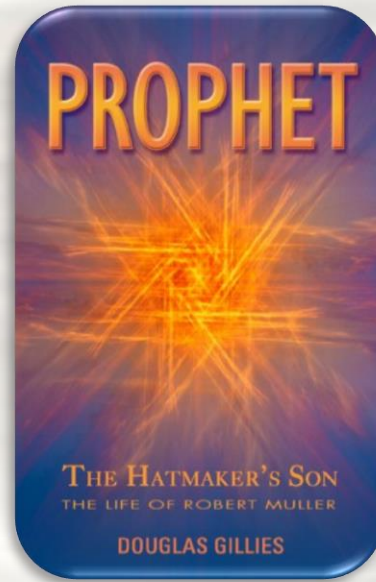


1.
PROPHET
The Book

PROPHET

The Hatmaker's Son

Book Club



The Life & Story of a Conscious, Caring, Creative World Being

“Robert Muller is the most brilliant man in the U.N.”

Margaret Mead

“Robert Muller, prototypical global citizen, is the precursor of the coming universal human we must strive to become. Only by evolving more consciously and purposefully can the human family find true security, peace and harmony with all life on planet Earth.”

Hazel Henderson

“Prophet— The Hatmaker’s Son

touches our very essence with the spirit of a genuine modern hero. Like Gandhi, Martin Luther King and other great spiritually motivated leaders, he has laid his life down as a pathway to peace in the world. The book is dynamic gripping and a wonderful story.”

Barbara Marx Hubbard

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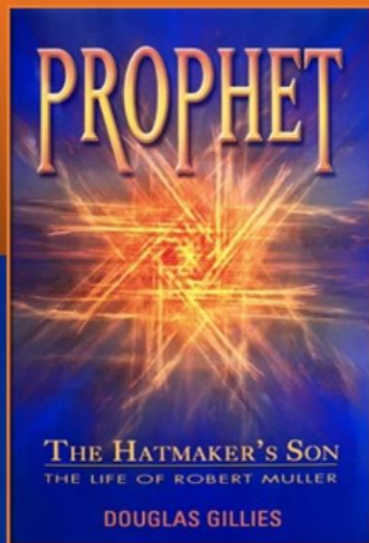
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The Hatmaker's Son

The Life of Robert Muller

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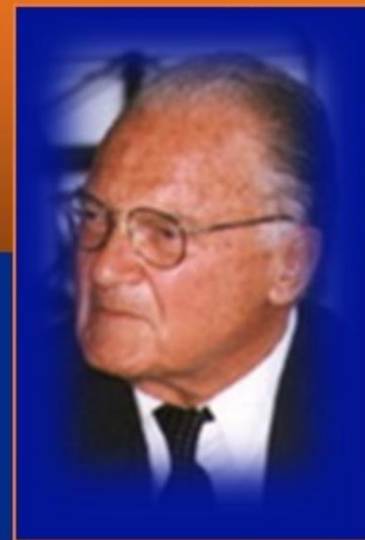


Sandy Hinden

Friend of Robert Muller at the UN

Co-creator of Mutually Assured Survival


Robert inspired Sandy to publish 7 Keys to Love



"Dream always of a
peaceful, warless,
disarmed world"
Robert Muller

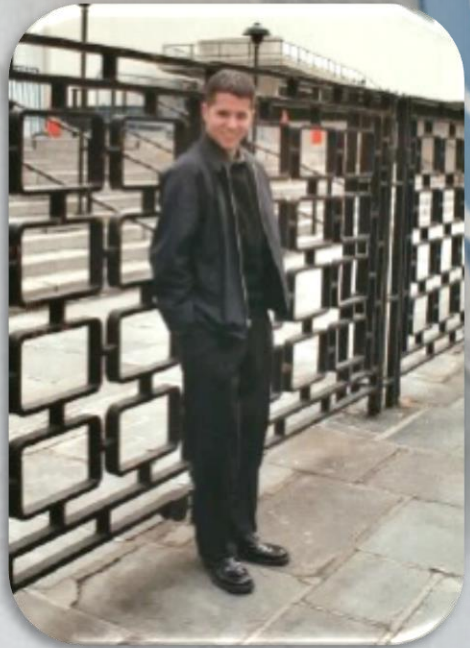
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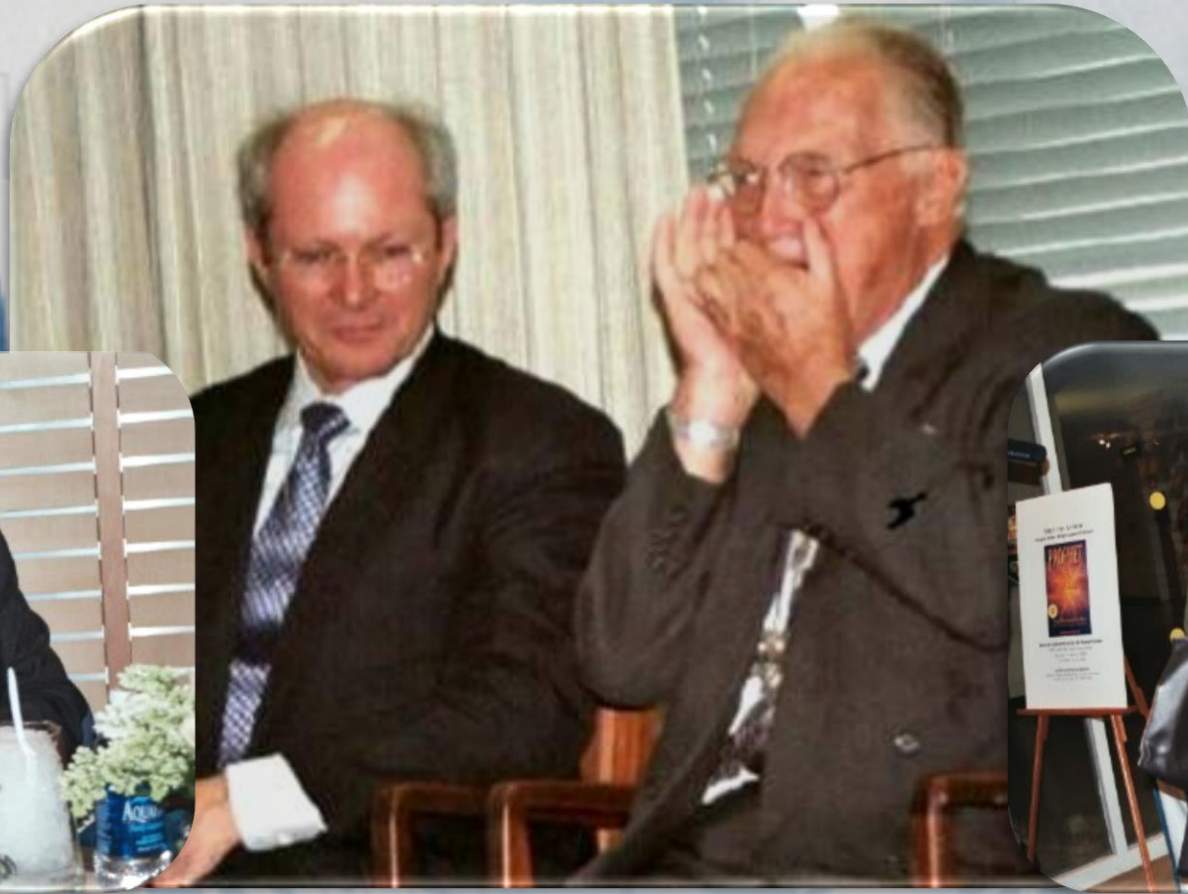
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2.
The Book Signing







“I pray that all human beings of this Earth become instruments of peace, thus fulfilling the cosmic function deeply engraved in each of us and for which we were born and allowed to live temporarily on this beautiful planet in the vast universe and eternal stream of time. The peace of the world is the sum-total of the peace of all individuals.”

**From the acceptance speech by Robert Muller,
as the Laureate of the UNESCO Prize 1989 for Peace Education**



PROPHET

THE HATMAKER'S SON
THE LIFE OF ROBERT MULLER

DOUGLAS GILLIES



3.
My Friendship
with Robert

My Road to the United Nations & Robert Muller



In the 6th grade, my class from PS6 in the Bronx visited the United Nations.

When I saw the *Swords Into Plowshares* engraved wall at Ralph Bunche Park across from the UN, and then entered the spacious *General Assembly Hall* lobby with its 75-foot ceiling, I was transported from the world of a child frightened by playground bullies and street gangs to one of a vision for peace and creative possibility.

When I was about 18, I visited the UN again and discovered the *UN Meditation Room*. It became a sanctuary I would return to every few years.

In my 20s, I visited the UN again and took a remarkable guided tour. I would always visit the *UN Gift Shop* and *Bookshop* and bring home books and gifts to expand my consciousness of the world.



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My Road to the United Nations & Robert Muller



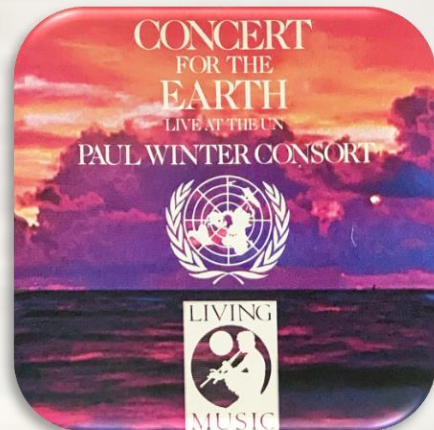
In my 30s, I became involved with United Nations non-governmental organizations and would attend UN conferences and special gatherings for peace and nature.

In 1979, working for *Planetary Citizens* across from the United Nations in New York, I met Robert Muller at Rev. Tom Berry's *Riverdale Centre for Religious Research* when Robert gave a talk in a series about *Teilhard de Chardin*, the cosmic priest and paleontologist.

In the 1980s, Robert constantly inspired my development of *Universal Children's Gardens*, and then when I worked for *Peace Museums* around the world in the 1990s.

Universal Children's Gardens worked closely with the *United Nations Environment Programme* helping UNEP with their *For Every Child A Tree* program. I then proposed the *Concert for the Earth* held in the *General Assembly Hall* in 1985.

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My Road to the United Nations & Robert Muller



In meeting with Robert at the UN, he recommended speaking with his literary agent for my book *7 Keys to Love*, and when I told him I was trying to create an *International Association for the Study of Love*, he said it could be a *University for Love*. Years later, Barbara and Robert Muller wrote the forward to *7 Keys to Love*.

Around 1989, when the *UN Meditation Room* was closed due to global terrorism, I communicated with a security officer for ideas, and wrote to the Secretary-General. Gratefully, it was re-opened again for the public in 1990.

In 2003, my son Joe came with me to the United Nations. He took pictures at Robert's UN press conference and book signing for his biography *PROPHET – The Hatmaker's Son*, by the attorney, facilitator, award-winning documentary filmmaker, and author Douglas Gillies.



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My Road to the United Nations & Robert Muller



In 2005, after the World Trade Center attack, the United Nations convened a *UN Conference on Interfaith Cooperation for Peace*.

I stood up and spoke, *We need a World Works Program because men without work go into selling drugs, guns, and sex trafficking, they join gangs, organized crime, militias, and terrorist organizations.*

Having said that, I then went home, founded, and was president of the *Long Island Men's Center* for 5 years, helping teens and men help themselves, each other, families, and communities.

In 2009, I visited Robert in Santa Barbara. We talked about the world, and after 60 years of working for the United Nations and the *UN University for Peace*, his dream was the UN would be more effective in creating peace and caring for nature and humanity.

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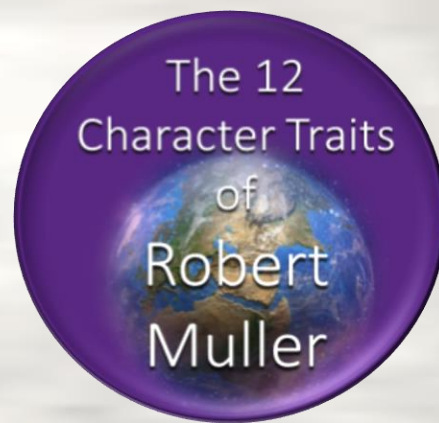
Today, in 2022, I continue to learn about *the power of values and character*, and now see that Robert expressed *12 character traits* throughout his life.

I share them with you and hope they paint a vivid picture of this amazing being who graced our lives and served the world so devotedly.

Robert and I shared a mutual love for the United Nations, the universe, nature and humanity.

Today, I continue to help the United Nations and the world through our [Mutually Assured Survival](#) think tank and my program for [Wisocracy](#).

May our creative journey for peace and a healthy planet Earth continue...



“Intolerance and extremism fly in the face of the sacredness of true religious purpose, instead, people should examine the common roots of religions and recognize that they all come from a source that prescribes good and encourages forgiveness and love.”

Abdoulaye Wade
President of the Republic of Senegal
UN Conference on Interfaith Cooperation for Peace, 2005

The universe was created 13.8 billion years ago.
4 billion, 500 million years ago, the Sun and Earth were formed.

Humans began evolving 300,000 years ago.

If we compare the life span of Earth and Humans as one day, humans showed up **SECONDS AGO**.

In a fraction of a millisecond, in just 200 years,
Homo Sapiens, meaning *Wise Man*, has destroyed the Earth's biosphere.

For the past 6,000 years of recorded *History of Religion*,
humans have been trying to alter and modify human thinking, feelings and behavior.

We now need the rapid evolution of consciousness, compassion, creativity and wisdom to survive.

JEWISH Tikkun Olam, Loving-Kindness to Repair the World

HINDU Unity through Love, Truth, Non-violence

BUDDHIST Mindfulness, Compassion

JAIN Ahimsa, Non-violence

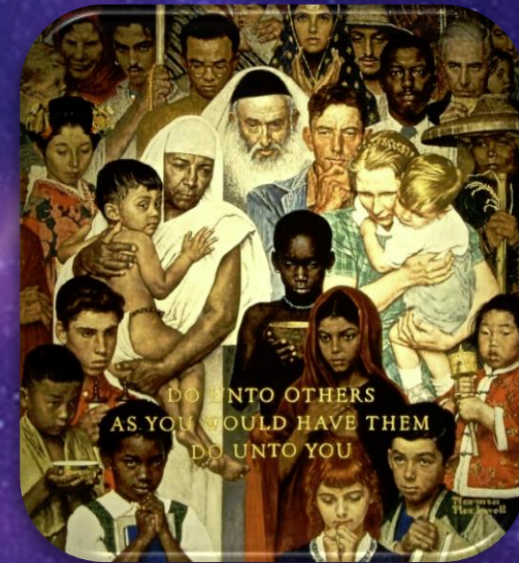
SIKH Selfless-Service

CHRISTIAN Love, Charity, Forgiveness

MOSLEM Zakat, Charity

OTHERS Peace, Serenity, Gratitude, Humility, Happiness, Wisdom, Positivity, Grace, Goodwill, Consciousness

EARTH Simplicity, Recycling, Regeneration, Sustainable Systems of Economics, Energy, Water and Food



From Wisocracy

Learning

is an active constructive, cumulative, and goal-oriented process, that involves problem-solving.

Wisdom

is the ability to think or act using knowledge.

Gnosis

means knowing through observations, experiences, logic, or reason.

Values	Ethics	Morals
<i>Valere</i> Be strong, be well	<i>Ethos</i> Character	<i>Mores</i> Ways, customs
What is of worth What is of value What is important	Distinctive mark Distinguishing qualities	Vices, virtues Evil, good



How we choose to interact with each other

Good-Bad

Right-Wrong

Just- Unjust

Fair-Unfair

Principles are identified for Human Rights, Fundamental Freedoms, Rights of Nature



Laws

created to protect general safety, and ensure rights as citizens against abuses by other people, by organizations, and by the government itself.



Institutions, Agencies, Policies & Programs

created to help people live better lives



UNIVERSITY FOR PEACE



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18 December 1990

Dear Sandy,

I am overjoyed with your good news regarding the reopening of the UN Meditation Room. I hope the hours can be prolonged so that all visitors can take advantage of it. It is a highpoint of the UN visit. Please thank Chief Ward of Security on my behalf. I am sure the Secretary-General will also be pleased to hear the news, knowing his feeling about the subject. In a novel I have just finished for the Ted Turner Tomorrow Award I mention that the first thing Javier Perez de Cuellar did when he became Secretary General of the UN was to go to the Meditation Room before his office. The idea of a Mid East Economic Community should be launched, but I have no information whether anyone ever did come up with the idea. The time has come for it. Please join the NGO religious group and also the NGO group for the University for Peace. Gladys Michaelis needs help and fresh blood. We will have a symposium on Eleanor Roosevelt next year. Please contact Gladys : 212 362 5205.

With all best wishes for the Holidays

Yours ever

Robert Muller

Sandy Hinden

Robert Muller, Chancellor
UNIVERSITY FOR PEACE
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20 November 1991

Dear Mr. Hinden:

The Secretary-General has asked me to thank you for your very thoughtful letter of 14 October 1991 regarding the Meditation Room and for your kind words about Security Officer Hamid Razi. I should add that the Secretary-General was also very grateful for the personal sentiments which you expressed about him.

We are looking into your suggestion about having a sign indicating the whereabouts of the Meditation Room and are hopeful that we will be able to improve the situation.

With appreciation for your interest, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

J. Richard Foran
Assistant Secretary-General
for General Services

Mr. Sanford E. Hinden
19 Post Street
Glen Head, N.Y. 11545





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X ANIVERSARIO

9 April 1993

Dear Sandy,

Your decision to create an International Association for the Study of Love is a splendid one. I have often recommended something similar, as well as a University of Love, like the one we have now for peace. There are hosts of international associations on any subject on Earth, except the one which is most important: love. Check however the Yearbook of International Associations to make sure. Read also pages 144-145 on the Einstein-Freud exchange in my book Most of All, They Taught Me Happiness. It is an essential exchange. Please make me one of your first members. It might also interest you that I delivered a major speech on a Global philanthropy (love for mankind) and galaphily (love for the planet) at the last world conference on philanthropy in Miami, two years ago. I have often written about it, including in my latest production My Testament to the United Nations, my contribution to the 50th anniversary of the UN.

With warmest remembrances and very best wishes for the success of your relentless initiatives for a better world,


Robert Muller

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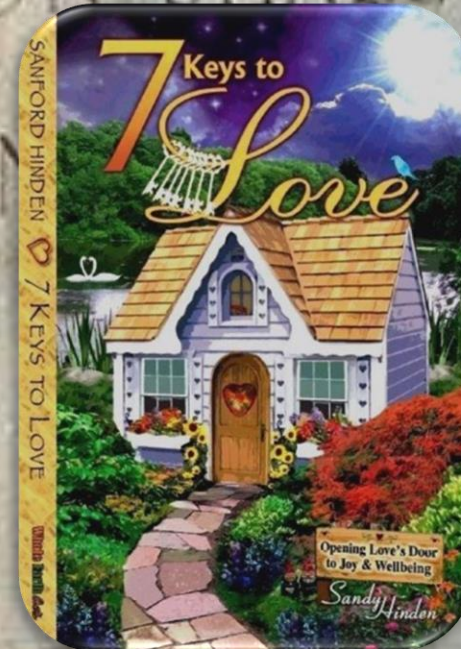
In Venezuela there was a few years ago a famous Ministry of intelligence in the government, headed by a man of the name of Machado. I heard him speak in Tarrytown. Fabulous. We need ministries of love too in government.

" Si vis pacem, para pacem "

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Be born to dream...
Be born to love...
Be born to fashion
a better world...

We all
love you
Robert!

Decide to: be happy, healthy, peaceful,
be a spiritual person, be thankful, forgive, open yourself to the world,
laugh, ask, network, be human, be blessed,
be the good news, never be negative, be cheerful, lookout,
write Decide poems for a better world, be a global citizen and dream.

Peace Poets

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USA \$24.95
Canada \$39.95



This powerful biography accelerates with the brisk pace and expansive sweep of a great novel. *Prophet—The Hatmaker's Son* shows how one person who follows their dreams can make a difference and change the world.

Robert Muller—"the most brilliant man in the UN," said Margaret Mead—lifts himself out of the devastation of two world wars and embarks on an epic journey to reach the highest appointive office in the United Nations. His dramatic story is a reminder that war doesn't work.

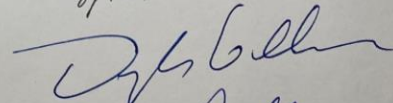
In the 1920's, after the deafening sounds of the Great War subsided and the people went on with their lives, a generation of children in Europe was taught to believe that the Treaty of Versailles had outlawed war. They held fast to their convictions as Hitler's armies enslaved their countries. Some of those children survived the Second World War and dedicated their lives to peace. Muller was one of the lucky ones.

On the night of the liberation of Lyon, he stood in a fallow field weeping for all the young people whose lives were squandered during the battles he fought in the French Resistance. That night he swore he would devote his life to peace.

After the guns fell silent and the fields again were fertile, Muller could not settle for another hopeful interlude of peace and prosperity. He was determined to create a permanent end to all the wars and bloodshed, but then he began to catch glimpses of something greater. He saw the architectural details of a world quite unlike the old Europe—a united, harmonious world where people could enjoy life together and be fulfilled. Muller left everything behind and joined the UN in its third year to follow his dream. This is the true story of a man who never gave up.

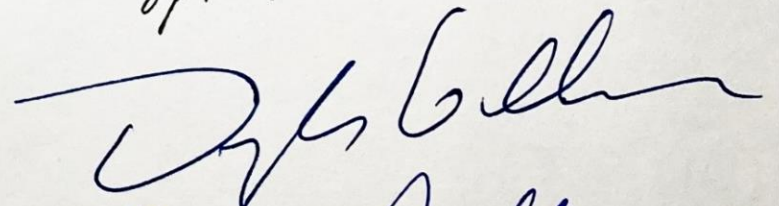
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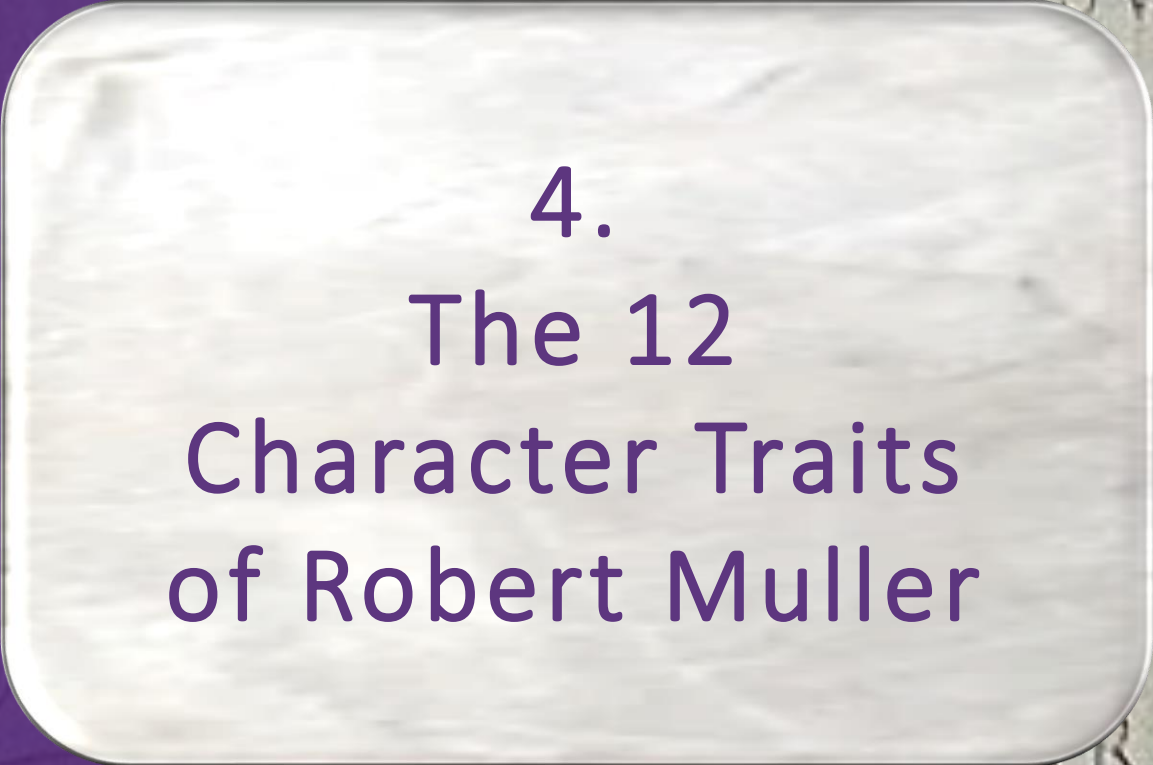
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4.
The 12
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- 1. Cosmic Vision**
- 2. Global Vision**
- 3. Smart & Wise**
- 4. Bold, Courageous**
- 5. Creative, Innovative**
- 6. Kind-Hearted**
- 7. Appreciative**
- 8. Humble**
- 9. Grateful**
- 10. Hard-Working**
- 11. Inspirational**
- 12. Man of Peace & Nature**

1. Cosmic Vision

Robert's World Core Curriculum taught about things from the infinitely small, to the infinitely large: the universe, the stars, and outer space.

He often spoke of unitive and common principles to benefit all the children and the world.





General Assembly Lobby has a Foucault pendulum given to the UN by the Netherlands in 1955. The Pendulum offers visual proof of the rotation of Earth on its axis. It was presented by the Netherlands in 1955. It consists of a 200 pound gold-plated sphere suspended from the 75-foot ceiling by a stainless steel wire. [1993] In the Western side of the lobby has a stained-glass window designed by the French artist Marc Chagall.

2. Global Vision

Robert was an international civil servant with the United Nations, serving with the UN and the University for Peace for 60 years, rising to the rank of Assistant Secretary-General.

His ideas about world government, world peace, and spirituality led to the increased representation of religions in the UN.

He was known by some as the Philosopher of the United Nations, UN Optimist and the UN Networker.



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3. Smart & Wise

Robert had a brilliant all-encompassing mind and was a moving speaker with vast scope and vision.

He created 11 specialized agencies for the United Nations, including the UN Development Programme, the World Food Programme, the UN Population Fund, and then the UN University for Peace.

His writings included Paradise Earth and publishing 14 books.



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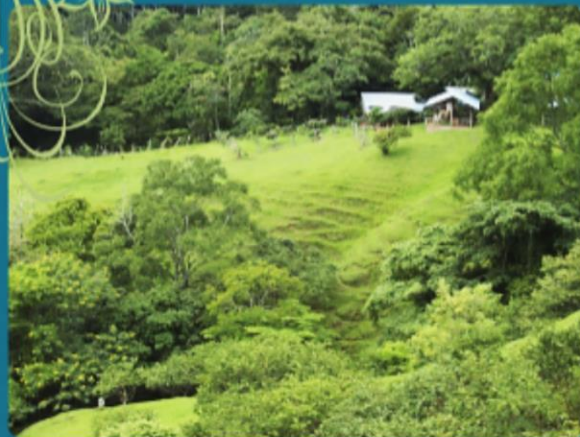
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Robert Muller's

Ideas and Dreams for Paradise Earth

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4. Bold, Courageous

Robert showed us how one person can make a difference by being like a small “trim tab”, steering a huge ship, like a rudder within a rudder, guiding the United Nations.

There was great strength and conviction in his spoken and written voice.

He empowered thousands of caring, kind, thoughtful people to be visionary leaders for a better world.





Let Us Beat Swords Into Ploughshares
is a bronze sculpture by artist
Evgeniy Vuchetich (1908–1974).

**Vuchetich was an esteemed Soviet sculptor
and artist well-known for his heroic monuments.
In 1959, he was given the
“People’s Artist of the USSR” award.**

**The sculpture was gifted to the
United Nations by the USSR
on December 4th, 1959.**

**It was presented on behalf of the
Soviet Delegation by Vassily V. Kuznetsov,
First Deputy Foreign Minister of the USSR,
to Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold
who accepted the sculpture on
behalf of the United Nations.**

5. Creative, Innovative



Robert brought the cold war leaders Ronald Reagan and Mikhail Gorbachev together in Reykjavik, Iceland.

To help the biosphere, he initiated using the word *Environment*, proposed national *Ministers of the Environment*, and orchestrated the first-ever *UN Conference on the Human Environment*.

He went on to write *7500 Ideas & Dreams for a Better World*.

In his 80s, he would get up in the morning and do something for the world, write letters to friends, colleagues, and leaders, and keep thinking of new ideas.

“If we have to fight,
how do we make the world any better?
You can't change it with willpower,
but maybe if you let your imagination wander,
it will show you a better way.”

Dr. Robert Muller
Former Assistant Secretary-General
Cofounder of the United Nations University for Peace



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6. Kind-Hearted

Robert spoke with compassion for the children of the world.

His speeches were heart-warming, often ending by playing *Ode to Joy* on the harmonica, bringing simplicity, goodness, and well-being to all.

Robert was a joy to listen to and work with as he continually promoted one human family and one humanity.

He was a hero of and for humanity.





The General Assembly plays a key role in the financing of peace operations. The General Assembly is the main deliberative, policymaking, and representative organ of the United Nations. Comprising all 193 Member States of the UN, it provides a unique forum for multilateral discussion of international issues including peace and security.

7. Appreciative

Robert's enthusiasm and love for life were uplifting and encouraging.

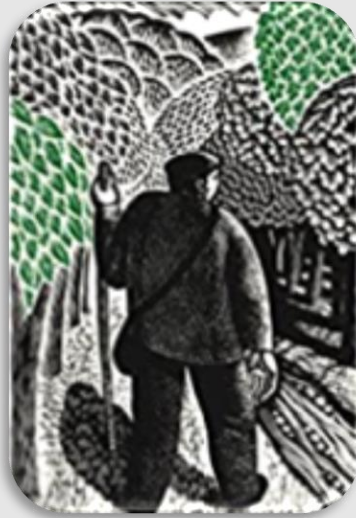
He whole-heartedly said "yes" to his own visions and others' ideas.

He constantly spoke of the need for peace and the protection of nature for our wonderful planet Earth.

He would recommend the book *The Man Who Planted Trees* by the French pacifist Jean Giono.



THE MAN WHO PLANTED TREES



JEAN GIONO



Outside France, Giono's best-known work is probably the short story *The Man who Planted Trees* (and 1987 film version). This optimistic tale of a man who brings a deserted valley back to life by planting trees reflects Giono's long-standing love of the natural world, an attitude that made him a precursor to the modern ecological movement. He thus declined to receive any royalties from this text and granted free use to anyone who wanted to distribute or translate it.

8. Humble

Robert was humble and gracious and often spoke of others' contributions to the world.

He deeply admired Secretaries-General Dag Hammarskjold and U-Thant, considering them his spiritual teachers.

He praised the work of many including Eleanor Roosevelt for the *United Nations* and Albert Schweitzer's *Reverence for Life* and Robert Schuman's work to create the *European Union*.





The Peace Bell was donated by the United Nations Association of Japan in June, 1954.

**The bell is a symbol of peace and on its side are eight Japanese characters that say,
“ L o n g l i v e a b s o l u t e w o r l d p e a c e . ”**

The bell was cast from coins and medals donated by the representatives of Member States, the Pope, and people, including children from over 60 different nations who seconded his idea.

9. Grateful

Robert always let listeners know he was grateful for his parents and grandparents, his family and friends, and the chance to work for world peace at the United Nations.

After a horrific war, he was forever grateful for the gift of life.

He was grateful for nature, for the beauty and bounty of a living planet Earth, and the whole amazing universe.



The Golden Rule

The Golden Rule mosaic is based on a painting by American artist Norman Rockwell (1894 – 1978). The painting served as the illustration for the cover of the April 1961 issue of the Saturday Evening Post, a popular magazine.

The mosaic depicts people of every race, creed, and color, with dignity and respect and touches on the theme of human rights. Inscribed on the surface of the mosaic is the Golden Rule: *Do Unto Others as You Would Have Them Do Unto You.*

It depicts a common experience and a shared aspiration to unify the world's religions and philosophies. In the mosaic, people of all traditions and cultures of the world are in united harmony.

The government and the people of the United States of America presented this gift to the United Nations on 21 October 1985, in celebration of the 40th anniversary of the United Nations.



10. Hard-Working

Robert was constantly working for a much better world for all and nature.

He was continually dreaming up new ideas and conferences to gather world experts on world concerns for a better future for all and nature.



“Robert Muller was a justifiably renowned figure. His creativity and influence were instrumental in the conception of scores of multilateral bodies, including the UN Development Programme, the World Food Programme, the UN Population Fund, and the World Youth Assembly -- some of the key endeavours that define the United Nations and our global work. He knew that these could not be impersonal institutional structures but, rather, had to be alive with vision, compassion and a powerful sense of human unity.

Dr. Muller brought precisely that spirit to whatever task he undertook. For him, the entire human family was his family. He also helped orchestrate the first-ever UN Conference on the Human Environment in Stockholm in 1972, and was deeply involved in many other global gatherings.

His career spanned the decades, the issues, and even almost all the professional ranks of the Secretariat –starting from the P1 level and rising steadily to Assistant-Secretary-General, directly serving three of my predecessors. He also had a tremendous imprint on global education, including through the University of Peace, and richly earned the UNESCO Prize for Peace Education in 1989.

We will miss our “optimist-in-residence”, as some called him. But he remains a source of inspiration, and his example and his teachings will continue to guide us in our global mission of peace, development and human rights. On this day that would have been his 88th birthday, let us celebrate just the same –the life of a remarkable man who brought hope and good works to the world”.

Secretary-General Ban Ki-Moon

11. Inspirational

Robert was an internationally acclaimed, multilingual speaker with his speeches and writing inspiring people who heard him and read his work around the world.

At the prompting of many of his friends, admirers, and non-governmental organizations, Robert Muller was a candidate as a global citizen in 1996 for the post of Secretary-General of the United Nations

Robert was also nominated multiple times for the Nobel Peace Prize.



The UN Meditation Room, sometimes called “A Room of Quiet”, was opened in 1952.

Dag Hammarskjöld himself championed much of the design of the space. Sweden donated the 6-ton iron ore stone altar as a sign of permanence in a world of change.

The one black dot, or half circle, brings the visitor’s eye to a point of rest. The abstract design was decided upon to align with the room’s inter-faith purposes where people could withdraw into themselves, regardless of their faith, creed, or religion. Many varied groups collected to become the “Friends of the UN Meditation Room” and contributed to its renovation and upkeep.



At the opening ceremony, Hammarskjöld said: “We have within us a centre of stillness surrounded by silence.

This house, dedicated to work and debate in the service of peace should have one room dedicated to silence in the outward sense and stillness in the inner sense...

People of many faiths will meet here and, for that reason none of the symbols to which we are accustomed in our meditation could be used.”

This room is dedicated to peace and is a gathering point for regular events to acknowledge those that have dedicated themselves to the pursuit of peace.

12. Man of Peace & Nature



These were Roberts's dreams and objectives for this century and millennium:

- **We must absolutely make this planet at long last a true paradise.**
- **We must eliminate from it all nuclear, biological, and other weapons.**
- **Transform all militaries into peace and police forces.**
- **Stop wounding and destroying our mother Earth unnecessarily.**
- **Eliminate the remaining excessive poverty on the planet.**
- **Make out of all humans a united, world family.**
- **See the birth of a new, political, peaceful world order; why not a world union like the European Union?**
- **Attain a life of fulfillment and happiness for all humans.**
- **Achieve humanity's harmony with the Earth and the heavens.**
- **Be the ultimate success of the Universe and God.**

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12. Man of Peace & Nature

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In order to achieve that, we must:

- **see the world with global eyes**
- **love the world with a global heart**
- **understand the world with a global mind**
- **merge with the world and the heavens with a global soul**
- **and achieve our own inner and outer peace, harmony, and happiness**

Our Evolutionary Role & Responsibility



“In my view... humanity has reached that stage on Planet Earth: we must revise our basic values dating from the 19th and early 20th centuries and acquire a new evolutionary wisdom that respects nature, the Earth and their basic laws.

If nature has produced the incredible, sophisticated variety of innumerable living species around us, each one a true miracle, it is simply not possible that the human species is not a miracle too, perhaps the most advanced of all.

We are no longer our own objective. We have become the caretakers, the trustees, the shapers of future evolution, the instruments of the cosmos, integral parts of it.

The future of the Earth will be bright and life will not become extinct if we decide so at the beginning of a new century and millennium.

We are entering a thrilling, transcending new global, cosmic phase of evolution in the line indicated by Teilhard de Chardin, the anthropologist, if the human species understands its suddenly momentous, incredibly important evolutionary role and responsibility.”

Proper Earth Government



“In my view, after fifty years of service in the United National system, I perceive the utmost urgency and absolute necessity for proper Earth government.

There is no shadow of a doubt that the present political and economic systems are no longer appropriate and will lead to the end of life evolution on this planet.

We must therefore absolutely and urgently look for new ways.”



[Click here to see and hear Robert playing Ode to Joy on his harmonica](#)



5.
Improving
the
United Nations

Improving the United Nations



The United Nations has been disempowered by hard-to-solve problems:

- 1. Bureaucracy and employment-related focus of the staff, rather than mission focus.**

Improving the United Nations



- 2. Political maneuvering and blocking progress for Earth and humanity through the veto power of the big 5 in the Security Council.**

Improving the United Nations



3. The peacemaking mission is nullified, as all permanent members of the UN Security Council, and many other nations, sell weapons systems around the world, contributing to world violence and war.

Their hypocrisy undermines the UN mission "*...to save succeeding generations from the scourge of war...*"

Improving the United Nations



- 4. Paying back political debt owed to the big 5 for being elected, hampering the Secretary-General's capacity to lead.**

Improving the United Nations



- 5. Pervasive international espionage impacts the United Nations as spies operate throughout the UN, making it more difficult to build trust.**

Improving the United Nations



- 6. Controversies can impact the morale of the UN as sex, money, and power intertwine, and muddle diplomacy.**

Improving the United Nations



- 7. Environmental duplicity exists as the United Nations sounds the alarm on climate change and calls for a dramatic reduction in fossil fuel consumption, while the United Nations Development Agency serves as a cheerleader for the oil and gas industry. Unlike the broader United Nations, United Nations Development Agency receives no dues from member nations. Its donations mostly come from governments and large international funds. UNDP puts pressure on development officers to find partners in their assigned countries, even when the donors work against their agency's interests. The duplicity is damaging to the mission and morale of UN workers and NGOs.**

Improving the United Nations



- 8. The nation states ignore input from the Non-Governmental Organizations / civil society.**

Improving the United Nations



- 9. The United Nations does not address the fundamental issue of a *dysfunctional economic system* that:**
- **generates an ever-expanding wealth gap between the super-rich and the poor**
 - **with the top 1% emitting 70 times as much carbon as the bottom 50%**
 - **while the system destroys the biosphere**

Improving the United Nations



10. The United Nations requires a profound structural transformation to overcome the atrophy caused by the *logic of power of governments that respond to electoral circumstances*, and by the *logic of capital of large corporations that seek to preserve their profits before life*.

There is concern that the next climate change conferences, known as COP27 and COP28, will be held in 2022 and 2023 in Egypt and the United Arab Emirates, two oil-producing countries where civil society participation is restricted.



**6.
Mutually
Assured Survival**

Maturation of A Global Civilization

Childhood

Birth of a Civilization

Pre-Industrialization

Nature in Balance

Earth Wisdom

Living in
Balance with Nature

Adolescence

Growth of a Civilization

Using the Planet's Carbon
Resources to Fuel Industrialization

Climate Change
Denial of Climate Change
Climate Destruction

Autonomous Killing Machines
Nuclear Weapons Proliferation

Destroy Democracy & Civilization

Economics of Growth,
Die-off, Extinction

Maturity

Conscious & Mature

Developing
Greater Character, Compassion,
Wisdom & Ethics

Developing a
Sustainable Civilization

Public Assembly Participation,
Locally, Nationally, Globally

Wisocracy

Wellbeing Economy
for Humana Needs
& Earth Needs

M.A.D. or M.A.S.

IT'S OUR CHOICE. WHICH IS IT?

SHOCKING PHOTO SHOWS
THE DEVASTATION
NUCLEAR WAR WOULD CAUSE



Mutually Assured Destruction
which destroys
everyone and everything
... including Ukraine and Russia

SHOCKING PHOTO SHOWS
THE BEAUTY
WORLD PEACE WOULD CAUSE



Mutually Assured Survival
which safeguards
everyone and everything
... including Ukraine and Russia

Mutually Assured Survival (M.A.S.) Process

Trust Building & Peace Building

Gradual Global Disarmament
through 10% Military Expenditure Reduction Each Year



Investments in Human Needs

Water, Food, Energy,
Health, Housing, Education,
Income & work,
Political voice,
Networks,
Peace & justice,
Gender equality,
Social equity



Investments in Earth's Needs

remediation of
Climate change,
Ocean acidification,
Chemical pollution,
Nitrogen & phosphorus loading,
Freshwater withdrawals,
Land conversion, Biodiversity loss,
Air pollution, Ozone layer depletion

**Eco-Environment
Monitoring &
Emergency System**

**Eco-Livable Habitat
City, Suburb, Town**

**Eco-Economic
Wellbeing Economy
Fund Human Needs
& Earth's Needs**

**Ecological
Civilization**

**Eco-Institution
Eco-Government
Public Participation**

**Eco-Peace
Eco-Education
Wisocracy**

**Eco-Culture
Empathy, Relationship,
Wellbeing, Wisdom
Green Consumption**



7.
Action
Creates Hope

Hope for Nature & Peace



My grandson had bronchitis. He will be three soon. I said, *I hope you feel better*. He said he didn't know what *hope* means. I will try to explain to him that it is something you *wish for*. There is also another meaning – *to have hope – to anticipate a positive outcome*. That is the hope that some environmentalists are having trouble with. I agree. *Nature now looks hopeless* – except if it wipes out humans and regenerates over a period of ten million years. Not great for us as a species.

When I am active, I think more positively that we can *hope for a better future* even though it is now difficult to see how nature can heal, or even how humans can give up war, and the military-industrial complex, to fund peace and sustainability.

What I learned from Robert Muller is to use our creativity and intelligence to keep dreaming up actions and solutions. That's the best we can do for future generations. Plus, we can teach people, young and older, how to be *better thinkers, super-creators, and super-networkers for peace and nature*. Thank you, Robert!!! Your friend, Sandy

The Great Energy Transition




In 2022, in the spirit of Robert Muller, to help Earth and humanity, I am proposing a collaboration of organizations create a *Fossil Fuel to Clean Energy Transition Summit* to explore four questions:

1. How can all countries transition to a clean energy [Wellbeing Economy?](#) Finland, Iceland, Scotland, New Zealand, and Wales are in the Wellbeing Economy Alliance (WEAll), and are seeking to transition to a Wellbeing Economy. Canada is exploring WEAll national membership.
2. How can the BRICS countries of Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa support the energy transition from fossil fuels to clean energy?
3. How can a politically divided, fossil fuel-producing country like the United States, support energy transition from fossil fuels to clean energy?
4. How can we achieve peace, so resources now going to militaries of the world be used to transition to clean energy systems and fund human needs and Earth's needs?



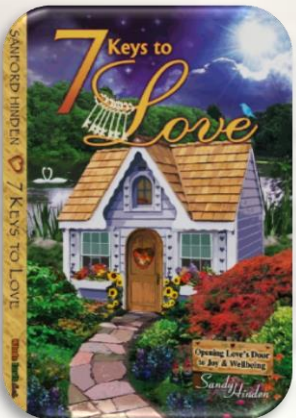




8.
About

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Author 7 Keys to Love, Educator, Administrator, Organizer



- Sandy's life is spent working for world peace, including *mutually assured survival* that includes *ending war, making peace with nature, and developing wellness for humanity*.
- Sandy provides [programs](#) for schools, libraries, and organizations in person and on Zoom in personal development, communications and relationships, and social and global development for peace and sustainability.
- He worked locally, nationally and globally developing organizations, projects and programs for peace, the environment, health and human services, education and the arts.
- He helps seniors, adults, teens and children reach their full potential and enjoy life more.
- Sandy was director of *Community Partners for Coordinated Services* for *Suffolk Community Council*, and executive director of the *Dix Hills Performing Arts Center* for 14 years.
- He is the author of [7 Keys to Love – Opening Love's Door to Joy & Wellbeing](#).
- He initiated the *Concert for the Earth* with Paul Winter for the *UN Environment Program* held in the United Nations General Assembly on World Environment Day, June 5th, 1984.
- He created *Commonwealth for Earth & Humanity* in 2014, proposing 10% global military reductions, now being proposed for [Mutually Assured Survival](#). He is one of the founders of and coordinator of [Evolving Leaders for Mutually Assured Survival](#) and founder of [Wisocracy](#).

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HOW WISOCRACY WORKS

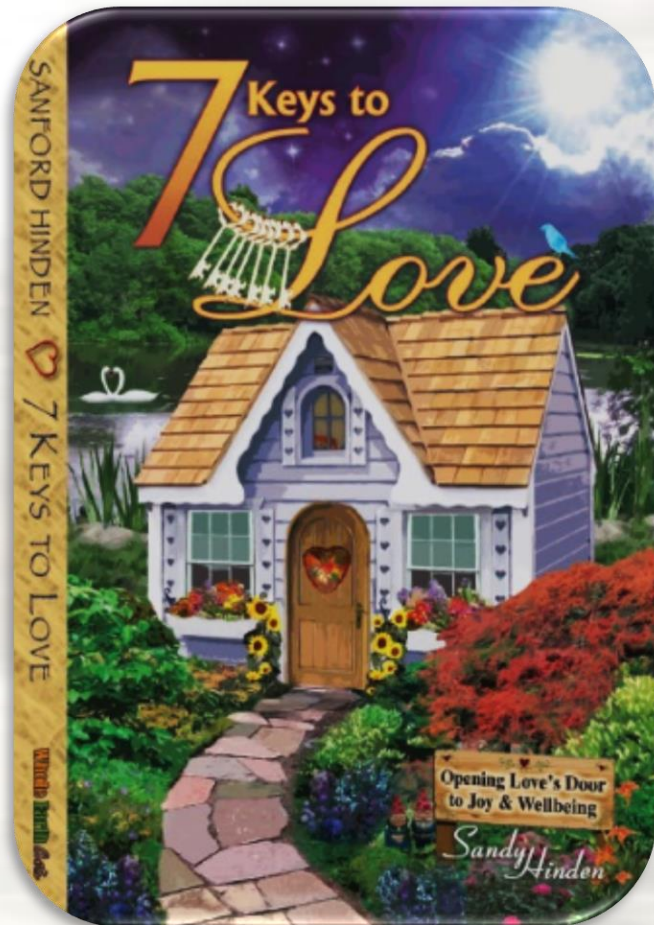
THE 5 METHODS OF WISOCRACY

1	Quality Education & Valuing Wellbeing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Quality education systems for all and the value of wellbeing for all and nature.
2	Civic Deliberation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Deliberative democracy through respectful civic participation in public assemblies.
3	Good Governance	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Good governance processes including accountability, transparency, and efficacy (right goals).
4	Solutions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Creative solution-seeking to society's problems.
5	Funding Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Global demilitarization to fund human needs, social needs, and the needs of nature.

7 Keys to *Love*

Opening Love's Door
to Joy & Wellbeing

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"Sandy Hinden is a very exceptional human being entirely devoted to a better, ideal world. I have known him for more than 30 years.

He constantly inspired me for my work and efforts at the United Nations. He had ceaseless great ideas. He encouraged me to not give up and even collected the epithets given to me over the years by various people and institutions.

He would be precious capital for philanthropic organizations and for a major newspaper. I would be so happy to see him in charge of a major newspaper section on good news and happiness for the people.

He would be very precious for a major philanthropic organization, especially one dealing internationally, like the Rockefeller Foundation.

I would support his candidacy with the highest terms."

Dr. Robert Muller (1923-2010)

Former UN Assistant Secretary General

Cofounder, UN University for Peace, Costa Rica



In my work as a global public relations consultant, working closely with businesses, nonprofit organizations, governments, and the United Nations, I can say that no one on this planet is more efficient or works harder than Peacebuilder Sanford Hinden, for his causes and his clients. Sandy has worked on protecting the environment, spreading health ideas and peace to his New York community, and through his global development with inspiring websites. He has been an administrator, creator, director, and fundraiser. Sandy has never lost his enthusiasm for peace. He is a man of peace who uses his life skills, and wisdom to create the tools for peace that our world needs. He knows that peace is possible just by planting the ideas that peace begins with each of us. He was the one who encouraged peace gardens for children, showing how tending a garden creates a sense of well-being and peace, and he worked to create peace museums worldwide.

Thank you, Sandy!"

**Barbara Gaughen-Muller, President
SOCAL United Nations Association, USA
& Rotary Action Group for Peace**

"I wish I could put my finger on exactly what it is that Sanford Hinden brings to a project that moves it so quickly from a banal exercise, into a valid contribution to a better world.

On a number of United Nations projects, we have made a point of calling upon him to help focus and provide a grassroots thrust, particularly on projects that relate to young people and living organisms such as plants and trees. His uncluttered vision has contributed significantly to the success of such projects as World Environment Day 1983 and the International Youth Year project in 1985.

More importantly, his organization of a programme for Universal Children's Gardens incorporating the international "For Every Child a Tree" poster has proven sufficiently persuasive that the original artwork is to be donated by the United Nations Environment Programme in support of his project.

Although a personal reaction, and an instinctive one, I feel that Mr. Hinden is a person to be trusted for he has shown discretion and reliability even under extreme pressure."

**Mairuth Sarsfield, Senior Information Officer
United Nations Environment Programme**



"Sanford Hinden is one of the most humane, compassionate, loving human beings I have ever met. He speaks and acts from deep wisdom about what people need – and what the world needs now. I trust him and have learned immensely from him."

**Ronald Gross, Founder/Director, Conversations New York
Co-chair, University Seminar on Innovation,
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"Sandy is an inspirational actionist! He is not afraid to ask the tough questions and explore heartfelt responses to them. The ones that have to do with how we got into this mess as humanity, and what it's going to take for us to get out of it. His wealth of experience and human kindness, combined with political savvy and collaborative working style, make learning with and from him an enriching experience, and always a joy."

Alexander Laszlo, Global Systems Educator

"Sandy's whole-systems thinking is empowering and enlightening. I would recommend any educational materials he creates as of superior value."

Meg Rivers

Senior Production Specialist at HBO / HBO MAX

The image features a large, semi-transparent blue United Nations logo centered on a background of stone tiles. The logo consists of a world map surrounded by a laurel wreath. The background tiles are engraved with the text of Isaiah 2:4: 'THEY SHALL BEAT THEIR SWORDS INTO PLOWSHARES AND THEIR SPEARS INTO PRUNING KNIVES. NEITHER SHALL THEY LEARN WAR ANY MORE.'

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