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Date: Tue, 24 Feb 1998 19:52:38 +0000
Fwd Date: Fri, 06 Mar 1998 10:04:08 -0500
Subject: Re: More Fireballs Seen in the Western US

>From: RSchatte@aol.com
>Date: Sat, 21 Feb 1998 19:17:07 EST
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: Fwd: Great Balls O' Fire!

>More Fireballs Seen in the West

>By MARTHA BELLISLE
>.c The Associated Press

Hi Errol, Hi All

I don't know I could be way out on a limb here but could these fireballs, meteorites and associated bits and pieces be from the comet Hale-Bopp. We do know that the comet shed loads of debris and that it went outwards from the comet.

Could this possibly account for the increased meteorite activity?

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Are you a man or a mouse, come on squeek up!
Sean Jones

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Re: Alfred's Odd Ode #226

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Date: Wed, 25 Feb 1998 05:58:30 -0600
Fwd Date: Fri, 06 Mar 1998 10:08:01 -0500
Subject: Re: Alfred's Odd Ode #226

Apology to MW #226 (For February 25, 1998)

I was flatly going to argue. Why should they have their way? Their approach so far was disrespect; they'd snatched me here to stay! "You guys must learn some people skills," my hands were up, palms out. 'Twas then it was the probe came out, "Whoa boys -- what's this all about"!?!

I backed up to the railing, behind me all was down. The city glistened gleamingly, but I began a worried frown. Why do they play abductor -- when I know it's what we'd do =85 I'd figure them beyond the need to bully me and you.

I hear, "=85 'bully' is not it at all," "it's a process and a schedule, you're not the only one, we fear, why are you making trouble"?

"A simple 'would you come aboard' was all it would have taken! But you just up and snatched me, and correct if I'm mistaken"! I wondered if they'd ask me, then remembered I had begged for just this thing to happen =85 then the probe -- It touched my leg!

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<Warp>, =85 I'm on a table! I cannot move, or shout, and now I'm getting really pissed -- is this what they're about? How much time has passed, and what will now transpire? I feel like a lab rat, and I'm shamed -- my cheeks on fire.

"OK guys, I'm good now." I think out loud in strange dim light. All the spunk has left me, and I really shouldn't fight. The table slipped beneath me, and became a comfy chair (?), I found that I could move at last -- leapt straight up in the air!

"Don't you ever do that"! And as I shout that scared command, four new folks just stride on in -- a solemn little band.

They are the weirdest lot I've ever seen in decades at the cinema. Retreating just a bit is all my pride and piqued bravura. They are =85 flower head of cabbage (?), and a lizard with a veil (?) and a grey is in attendance with a cricket (?) =85tells the tale. There is clicking and a snapping, and a slapping slurp or two, the cricket rubs its forearms and the music's sweet and new!

I try to match it's tone, and sing a counter point of blues -- throwing 'what the hell' to here and gone! This is a dream, my thought or guess, so just uncork -- be damned or blessed, and join in with the cricket's plaintive song.

It's not a dream, or as easy as that -- will they tell me what the deal is, or boil me down to fat?

[Lehmborg@snowhill.com](mailto:Lehmborg@snowhill.com)

Of course -- there are those out there in the un-guessed vastness who would eat us. We have to make room for them, as they would make room for us <g>.

Free John Ford!

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Explore the Alien View?  
<http://www.fortunecity.com/roswell/arecibo/46/>

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, while burning at the fundamentalist's stake.

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Date: Wed, 25 Feb 1998 05:54:04 -0500  
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Subject: Re: Address Search

>Date: Tue, 24 Feb 1998 09:02:55 +0100  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
>From: Maurizio Verga <[mverga@wolf.it](mailto:mverga@wolf.it)>  
>Subject: Address Search

>Dear Friends,

>I am looking for the address of English researcher Mark Ian Birdsall.  
>Is anybody able to help me ?

>Thank you in advance.

>Maurizio Verga  
>Centro Italiano Studi Ufologici

Maurizio-

You probably got this already, but I wanted to let you know that Mark Birdsall is one of the Directors of UFO Magazine U.K. The magazine has an email address of [106151.1150@compuserve.com](mailto:106151.1150@compuserve.com) and you probably can reach him through that address. If you need their FAX or Phone number, I can provide that as well.

Steve

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Date: Fri, 06 Mar 1998 09:54:10 -0500  
Fwd Date: Fri, 06 Mar 1998 09:54:10 -0500  
Subject: UpDates Back - On-Line and Tanned

One of the pleasant things about 'Corporate Showbiz' is that Canadian clients like take their teams somewhere warm in the deep of Canadian winter.

This year is no exception. Those wonderful folks at Electrohome (The World's most brilliant video-projectors), insisted on paying yours truly to shoot and edit video of their dealers having a wonderful time in a Polynesian paradise - Hawaii. (You nailed it, Bob)

Usually, these trips are jammed with meetings and workshops, and too little time for rest and recreation for the tech-crew. This one however was different. The Ihilani Resort and Spa is one of the finest hotels anywhere and we drones were moved many times to mutter "Perfect site, perfect client."

Sunsets were glorious giving way to the most incredible night-sky. I've never seen so many stars at night and I'm surprised that there aren't more sightings from the Hawaiian Islands. Actually, I realise that that's a silly thing to say, but it does bring this post back on topic. <VBG>

There's a substantial back-log of messages - subscribers will insist on sending when the List is off-line - I'll try and get caught up as quickly as possible. Doubtlessly I'll receive grumble-grams about the amount of traffic.

Tom Burnett, I'm envious.

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Quote of the Week

"A paranoid is someone who knows a little of what's going on."

-- William Burroughs

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Rant of the Week: "Twiches, Termers and Full-Blown Seisures"

Every week we pick the wackiest, scariest, nastiest or funniest rant from the hundreds of letters received by us here at ParaScope headquarters, and present it to you as our Rant of the Week. This week, "Agrippa" offers the truth behind the orbiting mind-control lasers and describes how a a layer of tin foil under your hat (but not a tin foil hat!) offers a measure of protection against the nefarious devices. Enjoy.

"The biggest kept secret is the fact that the USA has both ground based and satillite based microwave weapons. The UFO's (lights in the sky) which could not possibly be aircraft were plasma eminitions from these microwave weapons. The few past cases of 'spontaneous human combustion' were the result of these weapons. Even communication satillites can be used as weapons in time of need. These weapons are capable of disabling electrical components and preventing such things as aircraft and automobiles from operating. These microwave weapons cause disorientation by disrupting the electrical flow within the brain. Exposier to these weapons can cause muscular spasms,twiches,termers and even full blown seisures. These weapons are capable of manipulating the weather causing thunderstorms by heating up the atmosphere and charging it with artificial energy.

"If you suspect that you are being targeted with such weapons for what ever reason you can help protect yourself from the disorienting effects by wearing aluminum foil under your hat. The real reason for the push to fiber optics was because the old copper cables were vulnerable to the governments own microwave weapons. Federal agencies such as the post offices are replacing all their old computer equipment with new sheilded equipment that is bla  
pearing throughout the world are created with these  
microwave weapons. When the vegetation heats up it wilts and falls to the ground. Lights have sometimes been reported in the sky at night as the formations appeared."

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From: "ACOMe OutBox->" <[acome@internet-zahav.net](mailto:acome@internet-zahav.net)> [Alon Carmel]  
Date: Wed, 25 Feb 1998 15:13:04 +0200  
Fwd Date: Fri, 06 Mar 1998 10:24:09 -0500  
Subject: Re:

Hello All UFO UpDates Subscribers!

I am a need of help.

I am a reporter and I need information about the Gulf War UFO sightings and pictures, if there are any.

Need it very bad.

Please help me

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## Re: 'Beyond Roswell' Q&A Site

From: [Ktperehwon@aol.com](mailto:Ktperehwon@aol.com) [Kaarlk Pflock]  
Date: Wed, 25 Feb 1998 10:29:51 EST  
Fwd Date: Fri, 06 Mar 1998 10:31:56 -0500  
Subject: Re: 'Beyond Roswell' Q&A Site

>Date: Tue, 24 Feb 1998 19:04:31 -0500  
>From: Bruce Maccabee <[brumac@compuserve.com](mailto:brumac@compuserve.com)>  
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Re: 'Beyond Roswell' Q&A Site  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>

>look for Roswell related stuff) for their \$ 1M reward for  
>providing absolute proof....

And he'd better pay his taxes on that!

>and if it IS property of the government, then it is  
>(probably) really ET)>>

Or a disinfo/misinfo/psyop/false-flag-op hoax, or training film  
for folks who do such, or... Heh, heh, heh... Who knows what  
evil lurks in the hearts of men?

-- Cheers,

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### McDaniel Responds to Hoagland's Claims

From: [Ufojoel@aol.com](mailto:Ufojoel@aol.com)  
Date: Wed, 25 Feb 1998 22:30:54 EST  
Fwd Date: Fri, 06 Mar 1998 10:38:01 -0500  
Subject: McDaniel Responds to Hoagland's Claims

<http://www.mcdanielreport.com/camera.htm>

SPECIAL REPORT: A FALSE ALARM

Why NASA intends a temporary power-down of the MGS Camera

Dated Feb. 25, 1998

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Recently the web page for Malin Space Science Systems, controller of the Mars Orbiter Camera on the Global Surveyor spacecraft, announced that the cameras on the Surveyor would be "turned off" soon. Because an opportunity for imaging the anomalies at Cydonia is coming up in March, the MSSS announcement caused quite a stir. Some saw this as proof that NASA, JPL, and Malin are engaged in a conspiracy to keep images of Cydonia from the public. Demands were made only a few days ago for people to "blitz" NASA with faxes protesting the camera shut-off. Others were preparing to mount demonstrations.

What is the actual situation? It turns out that the proposed camera shut-off is to occur only while aerobraking continues, that is until sometime in March. Camera activity has been going on during aerobraking by taking advantage of periods of time during which the craft can be re-oriented from aerobraking configuration to instrument configuration and back again. However, as the orbits grow shorter in duration the efficiency of this procedure grows less and less. As a result, the cameras and other instruments will be turned off until aerobraking is suspended in March. At that time, according to Florida Today Space Online for Feb. 25, all the onboard instruments, including the camera, will be turned back on. There will be "a concentrated period of science data collection" throughout spring and summer. Aerobraking will not resume until September.

There should be ample opportunity to re-image Cydonia during this period of instrument operation. We want to stress that it is highly desirable for images of Cydonia to be obtained by the high-resolution camera on MGS during this time period rather than waiting for the mapping orbit later. The reason for this is that the greater distance from the planet allows for a wider field of coverage at high resolution (about 9-11 meters/pixel), thus ensuring that all or most of the anomalies will be imaged. Later on, during the Mapping orbit, high resolution images will have a very small field of view and targeting individual objects will be more difficult. We are currently in conversations with NASA urging that Cydonia be imaged this spring and summer.

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From: **Bob Shell** <[bob@bobshell.com](mailto:bob@bobshell.com)>  
Date: Wed, 25 Feb 1998 07:37:14 -0500  
Fwd Date: Fri, 06 Mar 1998 10:20:17 -0500  
Subject: Re: 'Beyond Roswell' Q&A Site

>Date: Tue, 24 Feb 1998 13:15:41 -0500  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
>From: Steven Kaeser <[steve@konsulting.com](mailto:steve@konsulting.com)>  
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: 'Beyond Roswell' Q&A Site

>>From: Ktperehwon@aol.com [Karl Pflock]  
>>Date: Tue, 24 Feb 1998 10:12:10 EST  
>>To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
>>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: 'Beyond Roswell' Q&A Site

>>You chaps seem to be forgetting the U.S. government. IF the AA  
>>flick is real (ROTFLMAO), it is the property of the U.S.  
>>government paid for by American taxpayers.

>Of course, the US Government couldn't claim ownership without  
>also admitting irs veracity. I'm not sure if it would eventually  
>fall into the public domain or not, but it would seem that even  
>if it is real there is little chance that the Government is going  
>to comment one way or the other.

So far, except for the comments by McAndrew (who was hardly  
acting as an official spokesman) there has been a deafening  
silence from the Govt on this matter.

>>Oh, yeah, and did whoever it was that sold the stolen or fake  
>>goods to Mr. Santilli pay income taxes on his/her/its ill-gotten  
>>gains? I hope the IRS is looking into this. It would be nice to  
>>see the revenooers go after a real crook (hoaxer or thief, as the  
>>case may be) for a change.

>If the "Cameraman" is ever identified, that could be a problem  
>for him. Of course, the tax issue was one of the first things  
>mentioned as to why he wouldn't come forward. OTOH, I'm not sure  
>what the IRS has to look into at this point. All they have are  
>the comments of a music promoter regarding an alleged payment to  
>an unidentified American of an undisclosed amount of money for a  
>"film" that most people believe to be non-existent.

>Steve

Yeah, this tax thing is one reason Ray has trotted out for not  
giving me access to the cameraman. A couple of months ago he  
supposedly relented, and Ray said he would phone me, but so far  
no call has come.

As I have said a number of times, I'm not at all convinced that  
the man who sold the film to Santilli is, in fact, the cameraman  
who shot the film. I've seen nothing in his alleged comments  
which shows any particular insight about the film. He may be an  
opportunist who stumbled onto this film somewhere and concocted  
his story after reading a few Roswell books.

But whether he is the cameraman or not, the film itself still  
defies easy explanation.

Bob

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## US Secrecy Site

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Fwd Date: Fri, 06 Mar 1998 11:52:20 -0500  
Subject: US Secrecy Site

An interesting site on US secrecy, includes Groom Lake.

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Georgina Bruni

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## Nua Blather: A Monster Hunting We Will Go

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### A MONSTER HUNTING WE WILL GO

It has transpired that from August 3rd to 19th 1998, a team of cryptozoological types shall be flocking to the Seljord area of Telemark, Norway to track down the Lake Seljordsvatnet 'monster'.

Rather than hunting down some gargantuan B-Movie beast, Jan-Ove Sundberg, the leader of the project, feels that their prey is more likely to be a previously unknown eel species. At least that's what Agence France-Presse (via The Nando News) announced on February 25th.

The project's official website (<http://www.tiftarea.com/serpent/>) goes a smidgen further, pointing out the likeness between the Seljord creature and the prehistoric (and presumably extinct) mosasaurus.

According to the website, the 250-year spate of reports concern animals 10-15m long, with 2-3 humps of about 1.5 height. Their backs are grey or black, with a lighter belly, and the skin seems 'wrinkled or scaly. The head is seen to be proportionately small, supported on a long 20-50cm neck.

The Agence France-Presse report quotes zoologist Torfinn Oermen at Oslo's Zoological Museum, who reckons that there's no large eels, or any other large \*sea creature\* in the lake. 'The Seljord Lake is too far from the ocean for a sea animal to have remained there since the ice age'.

The article ends rather pointlessly, telling of Oerman's debunking of a monster at Suldal Lake in nearby Rogaland in 1893 (I would gather he did this retrospectively). It was apparently a 'black, smelly monster' which rose from the water, and was never seen again.

Oerman somehow explained this away by pointing out the proximity of a sawmill to the lake. Now maybe I'm missing something here (or more likely, the news report is), but if not, then I shall propose that my wearing of a red shirt today will spark off a flurry of UFO sightings in Dublin. Jan-Ove, are you out there, and would you like to comment?

### THAT FLORIDA SUPER-SARGASSO SEA CONNECTION

In previous ravings this Blatherskite has expounded upon the wonderful subject of Charles Fort's wryly hypothetical Super-Sargasso Sea, most notably in 'Sargasso Sea Stuff' (<http://www.nua.ie/blather/archives/issue1no30.html>), 'Skies Alive' (<http://www.nua.ie/blather/archives/issue1no31.html>), not to mention



my moonlighting expedition to The Anomalist's website (<http://www.users.cloud9.net/~patrick/anomalist/sargasso.html>). within these paltry works I mentioned (with some concern) the frightening number of people who have fallen out of the Florida skies.

An interesting addendum to the Florida weirdness has teleported onto my plate, courtesy of Blathersubber Pat Marret. On February 22nd 1998, a fish farm worker by the name of Freddie Padgett was hurled from his 'recreational vehicle' (which I gather is really a mobile home of some persuasion) when it was hit by one of the tornadoes which recently devastated much of Florida. Despite having worked on the fish farm for 18 years, Padgett 'suffered from such a pathological fear of drowning that at the slightest warning from the weather service he was in the habit of sleeping in his life vest'.

Rather fortunate for Mr. Padgett, as he landed in a nearby lake where he managed to stay afloat for several hours, with broken ribs and other injuries. He was eventually found about a mile away by a sheriff's helicopter (UPI). Can't be too careful, I suppose.

WE ARE NOT ALONE . . . .  
. . . . in the west. UFO researchers in China and Taiwan are being driven demented by UFO cults, hellbent on swindling money from the naive, according to The Observer (UK) of February 22nd 1998. Not that they're doing anything \*that\* weird -- just 'promising trips to nirvana in alien craft'. Matters have reached such a crisis point that the President of Taiwan, Lee Teng-hui, has called for a campaign of "spiritual modernisation" to 'immunise the country against gurus and mystics offering salvation for cash'. I won't go through the entire article here, as it's quite lengthy, and unfortunately not online (as far as I know). It makes for interesting reading however, as it shows an active positive response by a few governments to both UFO and cult issues.

Rather than simply raiding cult premises or defaming them through media scaremongering, it would appear that they're trying to educate people with regard to spiritual swindling. Of course, in Ireland, we have ex-Prime Ministers hanging out with the Moonies, and UFO cult leaders appearing on primetime TV.

#### ANALOGY DEFICIT

Nando News of February 24th 1998 informed us that 'New Mexico telescope observations of distant galaxies suggest that the universe may be curved, like a potato chip'.

Ari Buchalter, a doctoral astronomy student who is analysing the telescope data was quoted as saying that "It's not inconsistent with a sphere, but right now the best fit is a saddle or potato-chip shape".

Blather proposes that all science students should be subjected to a mandatory course in analogy construction before getting \*anywhere\* near the media. . .

#### URBAN LEGENDS POKING THROUGH INTO REALITY

As reported in Blather's 'Where's Me Kidney' (<http://www.nua.ie/blather/archives/issuelnoll.html>) and on the Snopes Urban Legend's archive, (<http://snopes.simplenet.com/horrors/robbery/kidney.htm>), the fear of getting one's organs stolen has spent the last few years permeating our culture via newspapers and the 'net. These stories are generally regarded as having no substance whatsoever, but on Monday 23rd February, two Chinese nationals were arrested in New York for allegedly trying to sell corneas, kidneys, skin and lungs to an FBI undercover agent posing as head of a kidney dialysis center.

The organs are being harvested from Chinese political prisoners, according to Chinese dissident Harry Wu, who performed the undercover sting.

The Chinese Government have denied that the the 'medical use of the organs of executed prisoners is common. It has said it is done on a limited basis only when the prisoners or their families agree to donate the organs' (<http://www.irish-times.com/irish-times/paper/1998/0225/wor4.html>)

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If the allegations are true, they will surely serve to add fuel to the fire -- and if they're not true, are the FBI falling prey to an urban legend?

WHAT'S NEW AT MAGONIA

An example of some Magonian Blatherings available online. . .

<http://www.magonia.demon.co.uk/newmag.htm>

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Recovered memory & hypnosis special

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## Alfred's Odd Ode #227

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Date: Sat, 28 Feb 1998 06:09:32 -0600  
Fwd Date: Fri, 06 Mar 1998 12:00:58 -0500  
Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #227

Apology to MW #227 (For February 28, 1998)

Well, they told me what the deal was, and confirmed my worst suspicions; we were quite a bit more rotten where we were. We were also far more beautiful than I ever had imagined -- re-fell in love with human beings, good sir! I'd begun to almost hate us as I'd watched performed fellations of the weaker on the stronger -- by decree. There we were, to take the low road -- when we did we went below low; we'd whimpered up to strength on callused knees. The flowers in the garbage almost made up for the carnage that was spun out quick before me in a vision. Gratified, it sometimes worked, in spite of all the selfish jerks that stall for gain and always lurk in indecision.

There are some who won't succumb, so fast, to feed their worn sensations. They won't abide the sociopath -- work hard for his cessation. They won't give up their principals for porcelain bidets -- or land, or homes, or trophy wives, and other things that lay. They see that stuff they covet hard just leads to other stuff. They know a feast's been served, at last, when *\*plenty\** is enough. It's these that are the beautiful -- keep the rest of us employed, keep our cups just over flowing, keep our families overjoyed.

It amazing how they showed me. It's like they put you in the room. It's more than motion picture, it's got detail; it's got zoom. You can look at Caesar's nose hairs, or watch Atlantis sink, you can see the megalithic move their stones. You are showed it all unvarnished, and the truth does set you free when you know at last where's buried all the bones! Explained at last -- conundrums that have festered at your mind. Gone at last the scales drop, and you see that you were blind.

Cultures bloom and die, in all that time, like desert flowers. The innocents are guilty and the blamed get *\*healing\** powers. Yeah, it even hurts like hell, but it's tooth work put behind you -- less is more you have discovered at the end. When all is plain before you, and the truth it can alarm you, an open mind's your truest, finest friend.

How to tell you where they took me, and the visions that they showed me from the dimmest past to lurid present crime=85 It was brutal, it was harsh, but lots of flowers in the marsh, they were artists making records of our time.

I watched a leering Adolf and sad Eva get it on (!), attempting what you'd call a carnal union? She was trying what she could to make him happen, get him stood, but his failure was predictable (gratifying) -- amusing. I watched the prideful and paternal, but the evil, hurtful pillars of a *\*well respected\** culture holding sway. I saw space folk, from the stars, provide for Asian plains of jars!!! I watched Vietnamese secure their day.

Soon the visions were repellant, and so inviting all at once, and all mixed up together, bad and good or smart and dunce. "Stop it" finally stammered from my freeze dried lips and mouth! "Stop, before cognition -- gives it up, and I go south"!

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How would you keep from the mondo-bionic flip-cities?

Restore John Ford!

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Explore the Alien View?

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"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, while burning at the fundamentalist's stake for loving human beings.

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> From: RGates8254@aol.com [Robert Gates]  
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> > >> To: updates@globalserve.net  
> > >> Subject: Beyond Roswell Q&A Site

> > >> A new question and answer session with myself and Ray Santilli  
> > >> regarding the alien autopsy film has now been added to our new  
> > >> web site. You can

> > >First question that comes to mind.

> > >"Ray, why have you continually broken your word (lied??) by NOT  
> > >giving KODAK a couple of frames from the films?"

> > Robert,

> > There are perhaps some misunderstandings involved in this issue.

> <snip>

> James,

> The bottom line seems to be that Santilli tells one story after  
> another.

> Ten years from now Santilli will still be telling stories and the  
> question of the film will still be endlessly debated, much like  
> our own American version of the film, the MJ-12 documents. They  
> can't quite be proven totally true, nor can they quite be totally  
> proven false. Its been 11 years since they exploded on the scene  
> and we are still back to where we were in the summer of 87.

> Cheers,  
> Robert

To suggest that nothing has been learned re MJ-12 in 11 years is



silly what with my 'Final Report on Operation Majestic 12', 'TOP SECRET/MAJIC', my paper 'Operation Majestic 12? Yes!', my paper 'Crashed Saucers, Majestic 12 and the Debunkers'..

Stan Friedman

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## 'Star Wisdom' Conference, Boston, May 8-9, 1998

From: **Leslie@PEER**  
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Subject: 'Star Wisdom' Conference, Boston, May 8-9, 1998

This is PEER's upcoming event. This is still a draft but the speakers are confirmed. Michael Lindeman at CNI News thought you might be interested in our event. And all of you out there, please don't make my address public. Thanks for your time, I realize this is a little long. Contact and registration info at the end.

Please have those interested in the conference contact Interface not PEER with questions.

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Rudy Schild, Ph.D., Astrophysicist and cosmologist at the  
Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics

Bernardo Peyxoto-Uru-wau-wau (people of the stars) tribesman and  
healer from Amazon basin, Herbologist with the Smithsonian

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This fascinating and unique conference brings together the  
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"alien abduction" experiences.

For countless generations, Native Americans and other indigenous  
people around the world have described contact with other  
intelligences in the cosmos, often calling them "star people."  
The Lakota Sioux even refer to the Pleiades star system as their  
original home. These peoples have accepted a relationship with  
their cosmic cousins as a natural part of their worldview, a  
worldview that easily accommodates inter-dimensional experience  
as a part of everyday reality.

In stark contrast, Western science, even at its most progressive, has taken a very cautious and skeptical stance toward the existence of other intelligent beings. Scientists have exhibited great reluctance to accept the notion that other intelligent beings may exist either in this universe or in other dimensions. They have continued to resist the possibility that there are valid ways of knowing and understanding the universe distinct from the currently prevalent scientific paradigm.

Recently, Native Americans have begun to share their knowledge and experiences of the "star people." Many credit their willingness to reveal these secrets, in part, to the work of Harvard psychiatrist John Mack, whose pioneering and courageous look at so-called "alien abduction" experiences created dramatic ripples in the mainstream scientific community. And there are a few broad-minded scientists, especially those engaged in quantum physics, who are beginning to consider alternate explanations for extraordinary experiences and have been openly inquiring into phenomena reported by those who describe contact with "star people."

Together, we will explore the nature and meaning of these extraordinary experiences. Regardless of the ultimate explanation, it is vital to examine these unusual phenomena, probe their meanings and consider the implications.

Join us as we explore the known and the unknown, listen to stories of "star people" and "alien abduction" experiences, and ask profound questions. This conference is for those who are just curious, those who are intelligently informed, and those who are deeply involved.

#### CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Friday, May 8, 1998

9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Pre-Conference Clinical Workshop

(See below for description - Continuing Education Credits available) Extraordinary Experiences: Clinical Approaches and Cosmological Considerations

John Mack, M.D., Roberta Colasanti, LICSW,  
and Michael O'Connell, Ed.D.

Friday evening, May 8, 1998 7:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Opening Ceremony and The Stories of the Star People  
Sequoyah Trueblood

Choctaw Native elder Sequoyah Trueblood leads us in a powerful ceremony which, in the tradition of the Native American cultures, thanks Spirit for bringing us together and guiding the weekend's explorations. He also shares the oral histories common to many Native American peoples as well as his own experiences with the "star people."

8:30 - 8:45 p.m.

Break

8:45 - 10:00 pm

Conference Keynote Address

Exploring the Cosmos: From Outer Space to Inner Space  
Edgar Mitchell

Apollo astronaut Edgar Mitchell shares the extraordinary experience on his mission to the moon that forever changed his life. What he learned during that journey and the following twenty years will help guide us on this weekend's mission to bring together scientific and experiential ways of knowing.

Saturday, May 9, 1998 9:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

8:30 - 9:00 a.m.

Registration

Resource and networking rooms open and will operate throughout the day.

9:00 - 9:30 a.m.

Welcome and Opening Ceremony

9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Morning Talk

Extraordinary Experiences: How Do We Think About What Is Real?

John Mack

10:30 - 10:45 a.m.

Break

10:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Morning Panel

A Cross-Cultural View of Extraordinary Experiences: A Panel of Native American and Western Experiencers Share Their Personal Stories of Contact with Beings From Other Realms

Sequoyah Trueblood, Dhyani Ywahoo, Angela Thompson Smith, and two local experiencers [names to be filled in if they choose to be in print]

12:15 - 1:15 p.m.

Lunch (vegetarian box lunch included with conference fee)

1:30 - 2:30 p.m.

Afternoon Panel

Western Scientists Respond to the Extraordinary

Rudy Schild (moderator), Edgar Mitchell, John Mack, and Angela Thompson Smith

2:30 - 2:45 p.m.

Break

2:45 - 4:15 p.m.

Afternoon Workshops

Scientific Frameworks for Understanding Extraordinary Experiences  
Edgar Mitchell and Rudy Schild

A Look into the Transformative Journey Undertaken as a Result of Extraordinary Experiences  
John Mack and Experiencers

An Experiential Healing Workshop for Experiencers and Attendees  
Dhyani Ywahoo

A Traditional Sacred Ceremony: Calling Upon Our Cosmic Brothers and Sisters in the Healing of the Planet  
Sequoyah Trueblood

Exercises For Enhancing and Focusing Multi-Dimensional Awareness  
Angela Thompson Smith

4:15- 4:30 p.m.

Break

4:30 - 6:00 p.m.

Concluding Panel

What Do We Think We Know? Bridging Subjective and Objective Experience as a Way to Understand our Connection to the Cosmos

6:00 - 6:30 p.m.

Closing Ceremony

The conference will close with a Native American sacred pipe ceremony involving representatives from the different cultures and worldviews.

BIOGRAPHIES OF PRESENTERS

[Biographies of other experiencers to be added to this alphabetical list if choose to be in print]

Karrin Austin is a twenty-nine-year-old woman employed as a bartender and waitress at a local Irish Pub. She has been consciously aware of anomalous experiences involving non-human beings since the summer of 1995. Ms. Austin first spoke publicly last year at the Friends of the Institute of Noetic Sciences (FIONS) in New York.

Roberta Colasanti, LICSW, is the clinical director of PEER. She was co-founder of the Behavioral Medicine Department at Harvard Community Health Plan, where she was employed for 14 years. She co-created the "Ways to Wellness" program at HCHP and has developed and led symptom-specific groups for ambulatory care patients. Ms. Colasanti directs PEER's Therapist Consultation and Referral Network and collaborates with PEER founder John Mack by interviewing and working with individuals describing anomalous experiences nationwide.

Peter Faust, L.Ac., has worked with Dr. John Mack since 1992 as a co-investigator of his conscious and unconscious experiences of "alien contact." He is one of thirteen case studies presented in Dr. Mack's book *Abduction*. Mr. Faust is a licensed acupuncturist and a member of the teaching faculty of the Barbara Brennan School of Healing. He has a private practice in acupuncture and energy healing in Belmont, Massachusetts.

John Mack, M.D., is professor of psychiatry at Harvard Medical School, co-founder of the Center for Psychology and Social Change, and founder of its PEER project. He is the author or editor of a dozen books and has published more than 150 scholarly articles. Dr. Mack's biography of T.E. Lawrence (*Lawrence of Arabia*) won the Pulitzer Prize. His most recent and daring book, *Abduction: Human Encounters with Aliens*, puzzled many of his colleagues in the academic community and captured public attention, generating an explosion of coverage in television, radio and print media. The book describes his clinical investigations of the "alien abduction" phenomenon and details his work with individuals who have had such experiences. He is currently working on a new book which documents his findings since the publication of *Abduction*.

Edgar D. Mitchell, Sc.D., Captain USN (Retired), has consistently been a pioneer in efforts to expand the boundaries of science to incorporate inner experience and consciousness. He holds a doctorate in aeronautics and astronautics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Dr. Mitchell was an Apollo astronaut and the sixth man to walk on the moon. Subsequently, he received the Presidential Medal of Freedom, founded the Institute of Noetic Sciences and co-founded the Association of Space Explorers. Dr. Mitchell is the author of *Psychic Exploration: A Challenge for Science* and *The Way of the Explorer: An Apollo Astronaut's Journey Through the Material and Mystical Worlds*.

Michael O'Connell, Ed.D., earned his Ed.D. degree in psychology from Harvard University and studied the Rorschach for ten years under the tutelage of Dr. Charles McArthur. He counseled more than 2,000 clients before leaving the corporate world to devote his full-time efforts to a private practice. As a consultant to PEER since 1994, Dr. O'Connell has provided resources to individuals having anomalous experiences, designed and led a workshop for peer mentors, conducted a pilot study with experiencers using the Rorschach, and assisted in the data collection and analysis of PEER's eighty-subject Personality Study.

Bernardo Dias Peixoto, [bio. to be filled in]

Rudy Schild, Ph.D., is an astrophysicist at the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics. His specialization is in cosmology, the study of space-time structure, and his many scholarly scientific publications include the study of gravitational lenses and the detection of missing mass in the universe. A skeptic, both of traditional scientific models and of "new age" thinking, Dr. Schild's current theoretical interests involve the development of a model that outlines the features of a higher-dimensional universe. Such a model might be able to explain in acceptable scientific terminology the phenomena of extraordinary experience.

Angela Thompson Smith, M.S., has an academic background in psychology and is currently completing her doctoral studies. Her research experience has been in the fields of parapsychology,

consciousness, and cognitive science, including several years at the Princeton Experiential Anomalies Research (PEAR) lab. A prolific writer, she has published a number of scientific papers as well as fiction and poetry. Her special expertise is in the area of Remote Viewing, the ability to see objects and events at a distance. As a Remote Viewing consultant and the director of Inner Vision, Ms. Thompson Smith has worked on projects ranging from stolen artwork to missing persons to archaeological sites. She is of Celtic origin.

Aletta Trendlay [TK to be filled in]

Sequoyah Trueblood is a Native elder of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma. Since he was bestowed rights to conduct Native American ceremonies and rituals in 1981, he has worked with over 20,000 people in all fifty states, every Canadian province and in Siberia, Mongolia and China. A former Green Beret who came to realize he could never fire a gun again, he has held a seat on the U.S. Olympic Committee and was invited with a group of Native Elders to appear before delegates of the United Nations to describe Native American prophecies. He serves the Human Family as a healer and teacher, using his traditional wisdom to help people resolve their pain and suffering.

The Venerable Dhyani Ywahoo bridges the Cherokee and Tibetan Buddhist traditions. She is a Chief of the Green Mountain Aniyunwiwa Band of the Tsalagi (Cherokee) Nation of Vermont, the 27th generation to maintain and carry the Ywahoo lineage. She is also the founder and spiritual director of the Sunray Meditation Society, a Dharma Center in Bristol, Vermont. Considered a gifted Buddhadharm teacher, she has been blessed with teachers from both the Nyingmapa and Drikung Schools of Tibetan Buddhism. Ven. Ywahoo is the author of *Voices of Our Ancestors: Cherokee Teachings from the Wisdom Fire*.

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## Major Colorado Sightings

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Date: Sun, 1 Mar 1998 12:36:12 -7  
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Hale-Bopps tail, my eye . . .

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Return-Path: <hetsko@qadas.com>  
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Date: Fri, 27 Feb 1998 22:13:08 -0700

Bob Hetsko

"The Universe is not only as strange as we can  
imagine, it is stranger then we can imagine."

Mass Denver Sighting on the Day of the Eclipse:

On the evening of February 26th, on the day of the solar eclipse and the new moon, there was a major sighting event over Colorado. Details are still coming in, but one report puts a large fireball, blue-green, over Colorado for 4 minutes. Peter Davenport, on the Art Bell show, noted that since the velocity to heat an object to visibility is almost 11,000 mph and it is unlikely that such an object could be a meteor. It is interesting to note that this sighting comes on the day of a total eclipse, however it was not near totality in Denver. There may be multiple sightings.

The Denver Media has been silent on this matter so far, except for the radio station KHOW 630 am, which is interestingly an Art Bell affiliate.

Peter Boyles carried on coverage of this and took calls from local residents. The helicopter pilot reported a black huey helicopter in their flight pattern that did not have a communications device (ID) or acknowledge radio transmissions. The pilot was very upset, and carried on for almost three minutes about the black chopper (very early am, probably about 6:30 to 6:45am). Michael Curta from MUFON was on Peter's show and Art Bell. It ran right after Art Bell ended.

The above link is to Art Bells show (THURS/FRI), so you can hear what Denver callers were telling Art Live on the Air. His entire show was about these sightings, and there is a wealth of information in this show.

I wish I could have taped Peter Boyles show. Unfortunately, this activity has been foreshadowed by the tragedy in Alma, Co., and the media is ignoring another major event. Anyone having photos or video of this object(s) contact hetsko@qadas.com or UFOHUNTER@netwrx.net We will post them on the OVNI CHAPTERHOUSE for all to see. If you already know of this, apologies for the redundant information.

Bob Hetsko  
Jefferson County, Colo



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## Linda Howe Interviews Dr. Malin

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Hello List...

Friday night/Saturday morning (2/27/98) Linda Howe presented a taped interview she had with Dr. Michael Malin, the man in charge of mapping the Martian globe with Mars Global Surveyor. You can find this interview in RealAudio format at the following address:

<http://ww2.audionet.com/artbell/archive.html#feb98>

NASA's official statement on photographing Cydonia can be found here:

<http://mpfwww.jpl.nasa.gov/mgs/cydonia.html>

The interview was...shall we say...lacking. Dr. Malin not only stated his own personal belief that Cydonia is a natural formation, but stated he would be elated if it were an artificial monument. He said it would be like "Winning the \$50,000.00 lottery! I would be rich and famous!" But he stated the odds of this being an artificial artifact are 1/50000...about the same as winning the lottery (personally I think the odds are greater in winning the lottery!).

Dr. Malin did not commit to imaging Cydonia during the interview, and on the NASA website referenced above it states,

"The spacecraft will fly directly over the Cydonia region, where enigmatic features were observed in the Viking mission, a few times during its mapping mission. The Mars Global Surveyor project will announce these imaging opportunities in advance and will post the resultant images on the Internet."

One thing I found interesting...and I didn't get the date of Howe's interview with Malin...but she didn't ask him about the MOC camera being turned off. One question I was really hoping to hear the answer to...from the "horse's mouth!"

cheers,  
Bryan Butcher  
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## UFO ROUNDUP, Volume 3, Number 9

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Editor: Joseph Trainor

TRAIN CREW SEES GIANT UFO  
TAKE OFF IN AUSTRALIA

A very large UFO landed at a remote railroad crossing in northern Australia in late December 1997 and was seen by the crew aboard a freight train.

The sighting took place at Kajabbi, Queensland (Qnld.), also known as the Milk Stop. Kajabbi is at the end of a spur line out of Cloncurry, which is located on the main line between Brisbane and Mount Isa. (Editor's Note: A passenger train, the Sundowner, makes two trips each week from Brisbane to Mount Isa.)

Kajabbi is located 1,210 miles (1,936 kilometers) northwest of Brisbane.

As the freight train rolled into Kajabbi, the crew spied what looked like "a large building" beside the track. One witness remarked, "When did that go up?"

The object was described as "a large, almost transparent, rusty brown building large enough to accommodate a line of trains," i.e. probably in excess of 1,000 feet (300 meters).

The UFO "was seen to lift off the ground and take off straight up into the sky" as the train approached the siding. The crewmen were reportedly rattled by the sight, and a few "have said they will never go to that area again."

Elsewhere in northern Queensland, aboriginal people "have reported sighting many Min Min lights." (Many thanks to Ross Dowe and the Australia/New Zealand National UFO Hotline for this report.)

NEW JERSEY UFO SIGHTING  
INVOLVES MISSING TIME

Two groups of witnesses reported sighting a UFO in Toms River, New Jersey (population 7,524) on Thursday, February 19, 1998. And one group also reported an episode of "missing time."

Toms River is located on the Garden State Parkway, a.k.a. New Jersey Route 9, approximately 100 miles (160 kilometers) south of New York City and 52 miles (83 kilometers) east of Philadelphia.

On February 19, at 10 p.m., firefighter Bob M. and his friend, George P., "drove off the Garden State Parkway heading west on Route 37 when they entered an area of large pine trees. They decided to make a U-turn to return to the Parkway."

"As they swung the car off the road, George suddenly stepped on the brakes to avoid hitting a large object. Just off the road in a small clearing was a saucer-shaped vehicle with three legs extended. It was only 25 feet away as they skidded to a stop. They were both staring at the object for maybe a minute."

Bob said, "Do you see what I see?"

George replied, "If you see a flying saucer, that's what I see."

Then they exclaimed in unison, "Let's get the hell out of here!"

George stepped down hard on the gas pedal. Tires spitting sand and gravel, their car fishtailed back onto the asphalt and roared away.

"Bob wanted to go back, but George refused. They drove directly home 'in about an hour' but could not believe that the sun was rising (that it was 6:15 a.m.--J.T.) They thought it was no later than midnight."

The men's "last clear detailed memory" was of "the saucer with its legs extended and a small staircase that led to the ground. There were no markings on the saucer and it appeared to be made of dull aluminum."

However, Bob and George have no memory of what transpired between 11 p.m. and 5 a.m. Those six hours are a complete blank. (See Filer's Files #8 for 1998. Many thanks to George A. Filer of MUFON for this report.)

Earlier that day, at 4:30 p.m., Ellis Smith, his nine-year-old son and his five-year-old daughter watched a UFO perform aerobatics over Toms River.

"We were driving home from the theater in Toms River," Smith reported, "when I noticed about 20 miles to the southwest, 40-45 degrees (above the horizon) what appeared to be an instant contrail" behind "a very bright white light. The sky was clear and I couldn't see where this thing came from."

At first the Smith family thought it was a private plane, but while watching it, they "started thinking it looked more like an incoming missile, but then it stopped and very, very slowly began to level out."

"It took about three minutes for it to complete what appeared to be a J, then glowed very brightly, changing sizes, and then appeared to change into a very large, bright, solid object with a mist-like substance surrounding it."

The UFO repeated the maneuvers six times. Each formation of the J took about four minutes, Smith reported. "The first event...lasted nearly two minutes. whereas toward the last one, it was barely 30 seconds." At the end, "it looked to us like the saucer slowed down, then turned into a ball, then hazed up" before vanishing. (Email Interview)

#### V-SHAPED UFO SEEN OVER LONGMONT, COLORADO

On Saturday, February 21, 1998, at about 9 p.m., Adam T. and his dog, Kala, stepped outside of his home near Third and Terry Streets in Longmont, Colorado (population 51,555) and had a strange sighting.

"I was taking my dog outside so she could 'take care of business,'" Adam reported. "I walked down the back steps and onto the grass. I turned and noticed my dog Kala was not coming out onto the lawn. Instead she sat there whimpering, looking at the sky. That struck me as a little curious as dogs rarely look up. I turned my gaze toward the lawn and saw five or six burnt orange lights hovering over my house. Within a split second they shot off almost like shooting stars. They traveled in a loose (wide) V formation."

"I was so excited I rushed into the house to get my wife. But at that point they were, of course, gone. Last night (February 22), just for fun, I set up my video camera and I'm going to record it..."

"My sighting lasted three to four seconds. The (orange) lights did not blink. I don't know if what I saw were separate lights or if it was many lights on one craft...The craft was just below the clouds, maybe 8,000 to 10,000 feet...I'm not sure what I saw, but, like I said, it was like nothing I've ever seen before." (Email Interview)

#### ALIEN ENCOUNTER REPORTED IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA

On Sunday, February 1, 1998, at about 2:30 a.m.,

Rowena Judd was asleep at her home in Fremantle, Western Australia (W.A.) Waking up suddenly, she saw "a visitor suddenly appear at the bedroom door." She described the humanoid as "seemed to be dark in colour and had a shining light around it" but "could not see any face."

Two weeks later, on February 15, 1998, "a beam of light...came out of the sky 'after a loud zipping noise'" and illuminated the Judd house.

Fremantle is located about 10 miles (16 kilometers) south of Perth, the state capital.

On Sunday, February 22, 1998, at 12:25 a.m., residents of Karangi, W.A. near Perth reported "sighting three bright orange illuminations heading to the southwest of Perth" toward the Garden Island Naval Dockyards. "The illuminations slowly traveled overhead in a triangular formation...at one point, they appeared to turn upright and form a vertical line. They all kept at the same distance apart during the whole sighting period. At one point, a white light came out of one of the orange illuminations and fell directly toward the ground." (Editor's Note: A UFO was videotaped doing the same thing in Gulf Breeze, Florida in 1992.)

"The orange illuminations appeared to be about one kilometer (0.6 miles) away. There was no flickering and these lights were a constant source of fiery-colour orange lights." (Many thanks to Ross Dowe and Australia/New Zealand National UFO Hotline for this report.)

#### DEPUTY REPORTS STRANGE LIGHTS AT SITE OF NAVY JET CRASH IN CALIFORNIA

On Wednesday, February 18, 1998, a U.S. Navy UH-1D helicopter "on a search and rescue training mission" crashed in the Sequoia National Forest near Johnsdale, California. All five crewmen aboard were killed.

"Sheriff's Lt. Mike Gutsch said the Huey from the China Lake Naval Weapons Center burst into flames after crashing shortly after noon Wednesday near the Kern River in the Sequoia National Forest."

"All the victims were Navy personnel from China Lake, about 60 miles (100 kilometers) east across the Mojave Desert from the crash site. Their names were not released."

According to the Fresno Bee, their South Valley Bureau stated that "there were 'many' people who reported a bright object in the Kern (River) Canyon at 11 p.m. on February 18," nearly a dozen hours after the helicopter crash.

The news bureau also stated that "Deputy Ernest Cowan acknowledged that the bright light caused some concerns. Cowan said the object wasn't a flare but was most likely a shooting star (meteor) or possible 'space trash' from a satellite launch at Vandenberg Air Force Base."

But witnesses claimed the mysterious object "exhibited a strange 'arcing motion'" that is not a characteristic of a 'shooting star." (See the newspapers Attleboro, Mass. Sun-Chronicle and the Fresno, Cal. Bee for February 19, 1998. Many thanks to Kenneth Young, public information director of Tri-States Advocates for Scientific Knowledge, T.A.S.K., for forwarding the Bee article.)

#### TWO UFOS VIDEOTAPED FLYING OVER LEEDS

Two UFOs hovered over Leeds, a large city in the UK 140 miles (224 kilometers) north of London, and were videotaped by a local resident George Hickinson.

The sighting took place on Monday, February 2, 1998. Hickinson reported, "At about 5:35 p.m., I noticed a pair of bright white lights that were stationary in the west, while positioning together at 10 and 4 o'clock respectively. My initial thought was a banking plane with a light on each wing, and I watched them until three or four minutes later, when I decided that

it was very strange the lights appeared at the same altitude as my first observation."

Hickinson went to get his video camcorder and then shot footage of the two lights until 5:40 p.m., when "they disappeared out towards York."

Hickinson's video was broadcast on the BBC program Look North on February 12, 1998. (See the Yorkshire Evening Post for February 11, 1998 and the London Daily Telegraph for February 24, 1998. Many thanks to George Hickinson for this story.)

Elsewhere in the UK, on Sunday, February 15, 1998, at 7:10 p.m., a family driving on motorway (highway) A37 from Doncaster to Yeovil "saw a large bright light come from behind us and our car in the sky." The UFO veered off to the left and disappeared. Witnesses described the object as having "a red/green glow and a tail."

Doncaster is 30 miles (48 kilometers) southeast of Leeds. (Many thanks to John Thompson of ISUR and George A. Filer for this report.)

#### MANY NEW UFO SIGHTINGS REPORTED IN AUSTRALIA

More UFOs were reported throughout Australia during late February.

On Tuesday, February 17, 1998, at 6:20 p.m., witnesses in Sumerville, a town on the Mornington Peninsula in Victoria (Vic.) state, reported "a blue-white flame illumination. It flew overhead from the western sky heading for the east." The UFO was in view for ten seconds.

At the same moment, in King Island, Tasmania, across the Bass Strait, people spied "a blue-green illumination in the eastern sky, heading north... no sound heard."

On Thursday, February 19, 1998, at 4:15 a.m., residents of Tarragindi, Qnld., a suburb of Brisbane, saw "a huge bright pulsing orange illumination with white-colored lights" flying from the northeast to the southwest. They had it in view for 15 minutes.

On Saturday, February 21, 1998, at 9:30 p.m., people in Richmond, South Australia "saw two large orange illuminations heading away from the area. One illumination was heading west while the other was heading north. The UFO heading west seemed to be stopping and starting as it traveled." The other one "seemed to be going around in circles as it traveled away."

On Sunday, February 22, 1998, witnesses in Campbelltown, S.A. "sighted a bright orange illumination heading to the north-northeast. The resident said the bright orange object was 'brighter than anything else in the sky.' It was brighter than a helicopter or an aircraft light crossing the night sky." The UFO was seen to be "30-40 degrees from the ground."

On Monday, February 23, 1998, a man in Tullamarine, Vic., near Melbourne, "reported sighting a white illumination" near the constellation known as the Saucepan, 85 degrees above the northeast horizon. "It then traveled quickly to the east-southeast. There was no trail, and the witness didn't think it was a meteorite."

Also that night, at 8:45 p.m., people in Doncaster, Vic., near Melbourne, "sighted a fast-moving illumination crossing the sky from east to west. The illumination stopped and made a number of turns and then disappeared. When it reappeared, it quickly went off to the west and vanished." (Many thanks to Ross Dowe and Australia/New Zealand National UFO Hotline for these reports.) (Editor's Comment: Hmrrrrrr, one sighting in Doncaster, Yorks., UK--another in Doncaster, Vic., Australia. There's a UFO clue in there somewhere.)

#### RECURRING WEDNESDAY UFO HAS THE ITALIANS TALKING

On Wednesday, February 11, 1998, at 6:30 p.m., a UFO described as "a ball of light of a yellow-greenish



color with a long bright blue tail" crossed the sky in a descending trajectory over Lombardia province.

The UFO was seen by hundreds of people in the cities of Bergamo, Brescia, Asola, Parma and Mantova before disappearing over Lazio.

Italian scientists dismissed the object as "an unusually bright bolide."

Exactly one week later, on Wednesday, February 18, 1998, "the phenomenon repeated itself," and again the luminous yellow-green UFO with the blue tail flew over Lombardia "in an oblique descending trajectory" and "was seen by hundreds of people."

Now everyone in north-central Italy is talking about 'il bolide del mercoledì (the meteor of Wednesday) and looking for a repeat appearance. (See the Italian newspapers Il Messagero, Gazzeta di Parma and Gazzeta di Mantova for February 19, 1998. Grazie a Renzo Cabassi, Carlo Cruciani, Roberto Labanti e Edoardo Russo per questo rapporto.)

#### UNIDENTIFIED FLYING CATFISH?

As William Corliss points out in his newsletter, Science Frontiers, "Anomalies crop up in out-of-the-way places and unusual publications."

"A radio amateur (Dave, call sign K1WH8) noticed that his 432-MHz beam was higher than normal. Checking his tall antenna, he saw something dangling from the horizontal elements (tines). It turned out to be a good-sized, dessicated catfish. Dave's antenna is 60 feet high and miles from any lake or stream." (See Science Frontiers No. 118, March-April 1998, page 4. Also the February 1998 issue of QST magazine, page 21.) (Editor's Comment: Ah, yes, another item Charles Fort would have loved. Obviously this particular catfish is native to the Super-Sargasso Sea.)

from the UFO Files...

#### 1957: UFO NEARLY COLLIDES WITH AN AIRLINER

On March 8, 1957, PanAmerican Airways Flight 257 took off from Idlewild Airport (now John F. Kennedy International Airport--J.T.) in Queens, N.Y. Leaving the runway at around 11:30 p.m., the four-engine DC-6 airliner banked to the southeast and began its long flight to San Juan, Puerto Rico.

As the propellor-engine DC-6 neared Bermuda, Captain Matthew Van Winkle received a storm warning over the radio. He advised Hamilton Tower that he was adjusting his course, turning west on a new heading that would take him closer to Florida.

At 3:30 a.m., on March 9, 1957, Flight 257 was about 150 miles (240 kilometers) east of Jacksonville, Florida, flying at 20,000 feet over the Atlantic Ocean.

Suddenly, Captain Van Winkle "was startled by an intensely brilliant beam of light from his right and below his plane. The object carrying the light had a defined edge which Van Winkle saw in the split-second..."

Van Winkle described the UFO as "a big fireball advancing with tremendous speed with a roaring sound."

Instantly the pilot "did what comes naturally," pushing all the engine throttles forward and pulling the yoke all the way back. Engines howled as "he yanked the big plane up into a zooming climb to avoid a collision."

In the DC-6's cabin, "Passengers, diaper bags, suitcases, the inevitable stale magazines, lunch boxes, stewardesses (flight attendants--J.T.) and the co-pilot (who was in the cabin at the time)--all mingled in mid-air as Van Winkle fought to bring the plane under control."

"A stewardess and woman passenger were hurt and later hospitalized, and three other passengers were shaken up."

PanAm Flight 257 landed safely in San Juan, and an investigation ensued. "Four other plane

crews in the same general area had seen the same or a similar object within a few minutes" of 3:30 a.m. "They all described it as a glowing thing with a brilliant light on the front and a reddish glow or exhaust on the rear."

Despite the testimony of the other crews, however, the official explanation of the oncoming object was "a meteor." (See FLYING SAUCERS--SERIOUS BUSINESS by Frank Edwards, Bantam Books, New York, NY 1966, page 38. Also MYSTERIOUS FIRES AND LIGHTS by Vincent H. Gaddis, Dell Books, New York, NY 1967, page 71.)

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On this date, March 1, 1692, a woman named Tituba, a slave of African and Taino ancestry born on the island of Barbados, was convicted of witchcraft at the Court of Oyer and Terminer in Salem, Massachusetts. Her conviction came after Judge Hawthorne ruled "spectral evidence," i.e. hearsay, admissible in court.

Tituba was hanged on Gallows Hill in Salem, the first of nineteen Massachusetts residents executed for witchcraft that year. (Editor's Comment: Of course, such horrors as the Salem witchcraft trials could never happen in this enlightened era of 1998. But I'm sure John Ford and Heide Fittkau-Garthe would give me an argument about that.)

We'll be back next Sunday with more saucer news from "the paper that goes home--UFO ROUNDUP." See you then.

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## Michael Malin on Cydonia

From: **Ufojoel** <[Ufojoel@aol.com](mailto:Ufojoel@aol.com)> [**Joe Murgia**]  
Date: Sun, 1 Mar 1998 14:08:55 EST  
Fwd Date: Fri, 06 Mar 1998 20:31:57 -0500  
Subject: Michael Malin on Cydonia

<http://www.artbell.com/howe.html>

Hello Everybody,

Above is the address where you will find two interviews that Linda Moulton Howe (LMH) conducted recently. One is with Glenn Cunningham of JPL in Pasadena and the other is with geologist Dr. Michael Malin. Malin's company, Malin Space Science Systems, owns the cameras aboard the Mars Global Surveyor. One of Malin's duties is deciding which areas of Mars to target with the high resolution camera.

The subject is re-photographing the Cydonia region of Mars. Malin said he would try to get photos of Cydonia but can't guarantee it. LMH asked him what would he would say to the people who have waited so long for definitive photos on this issue if he failed to get pictures of the Cydonia region. Malin said "...All I can say is geez I'm sorry, that's the reality of the thing." LMH also said that since "The Face" is such a small area, (Joe's note - It is about 2.5 km long x 2.0 km wide x 0.4 km tall) won't it almost be impossible to get a picture with such a limited field of view on the high resolution camera? Malin said "Yes!!!".

Malin says he has no reason to hide photos that would prove the structures artificial and would make a big deal out of the whole thing if he got a photo of "The Face". He said "If I'm the man that proves "The Face" is artificial, I could write my own ticket! I'd be famous. I'd be rich. It would be kind of neat!" Malin failed to mention Carlotto, Crater, Hoagland, McDaniel, Strange and a lot of the others who have worked hard to "prove" the origin of the landforms whether it be natural or artificial.

Malin said he doesn't subscribe to the artificial hypothesis and that the landforms at Cydonia have all the characteristics of hills according to terrestrial geomorphology. He said that he believes the probability the landforms in Cydonia are artificial are the same as the probability of somebody winning a 50 million dollar lottery. He also said "Clearly, people win 50 million dollar lotteries, but not very often. Okay?" Malin then said that he doesn't care who turns out to be right he just wants evidence. "I just want to know!" he said excitedly.

Joe Murgia  
Tampa, Florida

(Joe's personal & biased feelings on the subject)

To see more about how Malin really feels, take a look at his home page and how much space he devotes to "proving" that "The Face" is a natural object. Notice his "scientific" comparison of the "happy face" to "The Face" on Mars.

There's a lot more to this interview and I suggest that you go listen to the entire thing. Overall, Malin had some good information to relate. However, I don't believe everything he said was accurate. I believe Mark Carlotto will be LMH's interview tonight on Art Bell's Dreamland. Obviously he's more qualified to talk about that than I am.

Malin believes that he will get high resolution photos of Cydonia but can't guarantee specific objects in that area will be photographed. We should know something by this summer.

It makes me wonder how such an unscientific, biased "scientist" gets to be in charge of such an important thing such as the cameras on the Global Surveyor.

I don't know if the objects at Cydonia are natural or artificial but if they're artificial, a lot of people will have egg on their face (No pun intended) for arguing so vehemently against the artificial hypothesis. If the objects are natural, then I believe that the independent researchers will gracefully move on to other important issues. None of them, as far as I know, have ever said that they "believe" the landforms are artificial and none of them have ever related the chances of the objects being natural to the chance of winning a \$50 million lottery. That's what Malin did. Where did they get this guy?

\*\*\*\*\*On a very biased note\*\*\*\*\*

LMH didn't push the lottery probability comparison but I wish she would have followed up that comment with something like this:

LMH - "Mr. Malin, how did you come up with that number? Have you read the peer reviewed papers that were published in respected scientific journals by Dr. Mark Carlotto and other scientists on the subject?"

Malin - "Uh, no."

LMH - "Then how did you come up with that number?"

Malin - "Uh..."

LMH - "Answer the question!!!"

Malin - "Alright! I made it up! Are you happy? I wanted to make sure people don't expect to find any evidence of artificial structures or, god forbid, if high res. pictures ARE taken, I will be proven a wrong and very unscientific scientist."

One more biased comment. Malin, in the past, has said "The Face" is a trick of light and shadow and that it doesn't really look like that under other lighting conditions. (See his home page) More recently, he said that even if it looks like a face, that doesn't prove anything.

Now, in this interview, he says if he gets a picture of "The Face", he's going to make a big deal out of it. Well, Mr. Malin, which is it?

Waiting patiently,

Joe Murgia  
Tampa, Florida

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Malin Space Science Systems Home Page -

<http://barsoom.msss.com/> (Click on Educational Activities)

Mark Carlotto's Home Page -

<http://www.psrw.com/~markc/marshome.html>

Stanley McDaniel's Home Page

<http://www.mcdanielreport.com>

Richard Hoagland's (The Enterprise Mission) Home Page

<http://www.enterprisemission.com>

JPL's Mars Global Surveyor Home Page

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For those PC owners amongst you who are eager to join in our Saturday IRC UFO meetings will be pleased to know that we now have two versions of the excellent free MIRC program for download. They are both set up and ready to run with all the information you need to connect. All you need to supply is a name with which you wish to be known by once on the channel. The first (mirc32.zip) is for Win 95 users. The second (mirc16.zip) is for Win 3.1/3.11 users. Try them. You'll be pleasantly surprised at how easy they are to use.

Point your browser at: <http://www.holodeck.demon.co.uk/>  
And select the 'Other files' button.

Real Audio - Central Weekend

During January 1998 Central Weekend here in the UK held a studio debate on UFOs and abductions. The discussion became quite heated at times between studio guests such as Bud Hopkins, Graham Birdsall, Harry Harris etc and sceptics.

Running time = 30 minutes : File size 1.756Mb

Real Audio - Travis Walton

Travis Walton's abduction story as told by Travis Walton

Running time = 8 minutes : File size = 468Kb

For both files point your browser at:  
<http://www.holodeck.demon.co.uk/>  
And select the 'Real Audio' button.

A question which you might be able to answer

Michael Lindermann of CNI News recently asked if we could help him with a question.

At a big UFO confab in Nevada this week, two Brits named Peter Wigglesworth and David Spoor held forth with stories of UFO contact, showing various videos. I wasn't able to make it, so am going on second-hand reports. Bob Brown, the organizer, told me prior to the event that these two would likely be the stars of the show. However, reports afterward were quite glum. Video not impressive, story not compelling -- or so I've heard.

Question being: Who are these guys, and how are they perceived by you and your colleagues? Any info will be appreciated.

Thanks much,  
Michael Lindemann  
CNI News

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United Kingdom News  
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[UK 1]\*\*\*\*\*

Source: Daily Mail newspaper  
Publish Date: Monday 19th January 1998  
From: Crow & Raine - crow@crowman.demon.co.uk

RIDDLE OF UFO SIGHTED OVER HOWARDS HOUSE

TAKE us to your leader

By DAVID DERBYSHIRE

AS the minister in charge of immigration, he was used to dealing with illegal Aiens. But it seems that some visitors to Michael Howard's country retreat were far more alien than those queuing hopefully at the Home Office. At least eight witnesses claim that a UFO hovered near the then Home Secretary's Kent home a few weeks



before the General Election.

The close encounter was taken so seriously that spin doctors at Conservative Central Party Office were alerted, it emerged yesterday. It is still unclear why aliens would want a face-to-tentacle chat with a minister once described as having 'something of the night about him'. Maybe they were after some advice about inter-planetary border controls. Or perhaps they simply got Mr Howard mixed up with John Redwood, the one-time Tory leadership contender known as The Vul- can for his Mr Spock-like analytical style.

The UFO was spotted on March 8 last year, a week before John Major announced the election date.

One witness, local newspaper reporter Sarah Hall, was driving through Lympne, near Hythe at 3am when she noticed an unusual humming. She stopped and watched a craft floating over a nearby field, close to Michael Howard's home. It was shiny, with a dome at one end and bright lights around its side. 'I had no idea what it was,' she said. 'I felt the hairs stand up on the back on my neck.'

Local UFO expert Chris Rolfe said other witnesses, including two firemen, saw the craft that night in a 15-mile radius of Mr Howard's home.

The Tory chiefs were alerted after Miss Hail wrote a first-hand account for the Folkestone Herald, where she had worked for 18 months. Yesterday advisers who worked closely with Mr Howard during the election campaign confirmed that the UFO story was well known in Westminster but denied there had been a 'Men in Black'-style cover up.

They did admit, however, that the party had been keen to play down the sighting because of the risk of embarrassing headlines.

'Mr Howard had more important matters to deal with than UFOs,' one source said yesterday. 'He knew about the reports, but I doubt whether he was very concerned about them.' John Major's press secretary Sheila Gunn also confirmed that Party Central Office knew about the UFO in the run-up to the election. 'There were calls about it because the local paper had done something,' she said. 'But while we take calls seriously, there are some that we'd rather ignore.'

Although the sighting is well documented, the police and Ministry of Defence say they have no records. Sceptics say the craft was probably a helicopter or jet. But some locals say the true story has not come out and believe the local paper came under pressure to play down, the incident, Kent UFO expert Derek Sheffield said the Government was obsessed with hushing up UFO reports. 'There's one hell of a cover-up going on here,' he said.

But Melody Foreman, who took over as acting editor shortly after the sighting, denied that the paper had come under pressure to suppress the story.

Mark Watts, the Labour MEP for Kent East and a self-confessed sceptic, is campaigning for an end to the secrecy surrounding UFOs. 'If someone like the Home Secretary - one of the most protected people in Britain - is subjected to a close encounter, you would expect there to be a comment from someone,' he said. 'The whole thing is very mysterious.'

[UK 2]\*\*\*\*\*

Source: Teletext 'The Weird World This Week'  
Date: Sunday 15th January 1998

Dolly's woolly jumper

Dolly the cloned sheep has been transformed again - into a woolly jumper.

Her first fleece has been knitted into a jumper which will go on show at London's Science Museum on March 13th.

Scientists at the Roslin Institute, near Edinburgh, helped Dolly become the world's first clone from the cell of an adult animal.

World News

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[W 1]\*\*\*\*\*

Source: BBC News  
Date: Friday 6th February 1998  
From: Doug Roberts <doug@littlegreenmen.demon.co.uk>

Water on the moon?

The BBC has been told that data sent back from the Lunar Prospector space probe suggests there is water on the moon.

If this is right, then the presence of water-ice on the moon will transform the prospects for a manned lunar colony.

It would be more likely that a base on the moon would be established before one on Mars.

Confirmation of the discovery is expected from the Lunar Prospector team within weeks.

For decades, scientists have speculated that there could be up to a billion tonnes of ice buried deep in craters, where sunlight never reaches.

The data sent back from the probe seems to indicate that there is water and water-ice in deep fissures near the South Pole.

Lunar Prospector was launched on January 7 from Florida on an Athena rocket. The 12-month mission also involves mapping the lunar surface to determine its composition and its gravitational and magnetic fields.

The total cost of the project is just under \$63m, which includes the spacecraft, the science instruments, integration and test, launch and all mission operations.

Lockheed Martin Missiles & Space, in Sunnyvale, California built the spacecraft. The project began as a private initiative to show that small, inexpensive missions could be developed in a short time, and still do high quality science.

[W 2]\*\*\*\*\*

Source: The Arizona Republic  
Date: 14th January 1998  
From: Mark Lee Center <enzoab@ix.netcom.com>

UFOs invade Barwood race

By Michael Murphy

Frances Emma Barwood is going where no politician has gone before, even in Arizona.

In a state already known for its offbeat politics, the former Phoenix vice mayor emerged Tuesday as an international poster girl for the UFO crowd by vowing to become the first candidate ever to push the issue that the government is concealing evidence that alien beings have arrived on Earth.

"I've been called worse," Barwood said. "It doesn't scare me."

In one of the most unusual news conferences of the election season, Barwood appeared with a group of UFO researchers from across the country to announce her bid for secretary of state.

She initially sought to downplay her promise to unearth answers about extraterrestrials by saying, "That is not my only platform."

But Barwood's national campaign manager, Stephen Bassett, a Washington lobbyist for UFOlogists, promised that Barwood quickly will become an international figure because of her campaign to force the government to discuss the possibility of an intelligent extraterrestrial presence on Earth.

"This campaign is going to truly be the road less travelled. In fact, this campaign is going to be the road never travelled," he said.

Bassett has been trying to tell Congress about alien spacecraft that have visited Earth over the years, but most members have treated him like he just beamed in from Mars.

But now the Bethesda, Md., consultant has found a candidate willing to press the issue, and he's promising an aggressive campaign that will garner national attention - and campaign contributions.

"You can't imagine the amount of support she is going to get," Bassett said. "We anticipate global interest in this campaign."

Bassett last year assisted Barwood in pressing the government for answers about mysterious lights that appeared over Phoenix in March.

Her harping about the bizarre light show got her plenty of snickers from fellow City Council members, but her effort also gave her national exposure that continued Tuesday as she appeared on the radio show "Coast to Coast with Art Bell," a live overnight call-in program that airs locally on KFYI-AM (910) at 11 .m.

Barwood doesn't have any first-hand experience with extraterrestrials, but that isn't stopping her from championing the cause of those who believe alien ships have visited Earth and carted off a few humans on their way out.

"I unfortunately have never seen anything," she explained. "What can I say? . . . I don't know what is out there. I've narrowed it down to three things. It's either military, a hoax or something unknown. Whatever it is, I want to know, and I want a re-enactment."

Barwood is a Republican, but the state's GOP establishment is likely to treat her as if she just arrived from Neptune.

State GOP chairman Mike Hellon, when told of Barwood's UFO platform, quipped, "Sounds like a major issue for the secretary of state to me."

Hellon is supporting appointed Secretary of State Betsey Bayless but said, "Every Republican has a right to run for public office. We can't control that."

While the Secretary of State's Office ordinarily deals with more mundane issues like tracking campaign contributions and registering lobbyists, Barwood wants to use the office as a bully pulpit.

Barwood, 54, outlined other platforms that ranged from weeding out non-citizens from voter registration rolls to allowing law-abiding citizens to "carry any weapon, in any way, in any place, at any time."

[W 3]\*\*\*\*\*

Source: Unknown  
Publish Date: Unknown

uk.ufo.nw says: We were sent the below story scanned directly from a newspaper.

I offered aliens my sandwich

A farmer reckons he chatted with aliens who parked their flying saucer in his field.

Jaco Vrancic even offered his ham sannies but they had already eaten.

Jaco, of Zagreb, Croatia, claimed he took the close encounter in his stride, thanks to TV sci-fi shows. He said: "I wasn't afraid - we had a good chat."

The visitors spoke Croatian but didn't ask: "Odvedite me vasem vodi" (Take me to your leader).

[W 4]\*\*\*\*\*

Source: CNI News  
Vol. 3, No. 23, Part 1  
Publish Date: 1st February 1998

uk.ufo.nw says: We publish the below report courtesy of CNI News. This is a truly fascinating story and we recommend that you listen to

the Real Audio archives as mentioned below. Perhaps the clearest is Katherine (K.T.) Francovich personal interview with Art Bell on his January 27th show. The interview starts at the beginning of the second hour. A direct link to the archive is:

<http://ww2.audionet.com/artbell/abell/9801/ab0127.ram>

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#### WOMAN'S DAYLIGHT ENCOUNTER WITH UNUSUAL BEING

Says Creature Had Six-Fingered Hands, Ran "Like Gazelle"

According to a story first reported in a new magazine called "Unknown," a woman named Katherine (K.T.) Francovich had a sensational daylight encounter with a being that seems in many ways similar to a so-called "grey" alien, but with some notable differences. The encounter allegedly took place in Dade County, Florida (near Miami) in May of 1992.

CNI News is aware of many reports of alien encounters, describing many bizarre beings. As a rule, we would not present such a report by a single witness, lacking other evidence. But the witness in this case seems to be especially credible and well-qualified, and was interviewed by respected researcher, author and filmmaker Linda Moulton Howe, who characterizes this story as "one of the top two or three" eyewitness encounter reports she has ever recorded. We present this unusual case in the public interest, with no guarantee of its authenticity.

Linda Howe contacted K.T. Francovich and played the resulting interview on Art Bell's nationally syndicated "Dreamland" radio program on Sunday night, January 25, 1998. Bell then interviewed Francovich live on the air on Tuesday night, January 27. Both interviews can be heard via AudioNet on the web.

[<http://ww2.audionet.com/artbell/archive.html#jan98>, Sunday 1/25 (beginning) and Tuesday 1/27 (second hour)]

The following text summarizes Linda Howe's broadcast interview.

Howe began her radio segment by saying that K.T. Francovich has had a long career as a wildlife photographer and filmmaker and is therefore a skilled observer and comfortable in the wild. She comes from a family of filmmakers. Her great uncle Mike Francovich Sr. was once president of Columbia Pictures, and two of her cousins were involved in producing such acclaimed films as "Exodus" and "Lawrence of Arabia." Judging from the tone of the interview, K.T. Francovich is down-to-earth, highly intelligent and physically fit.

The incident began as Francovich was walking two large "attack-trained" dogs on leashes through a deserted grove of dying, leafless lime trees in southern Florida.

She heard a loud noise, as if someone were cutting down a tree with an ax. Turning toward the noise, she says, she saw a humanoid being standing by a tree. The being had "grayish pink" skin, non-porous and "almost plastic" looking. She estimates the being stood four feet nine inches tall. It was wearing snug-fitting, metallic-looking clothing that clearly showed the shaped of its body.

"The most alarming thing that caught my attention immediately was the head," Francovich said. The upper part of the skull was disproportionately wide, the eyes were huge, black and almond-shaped, with no whites or pupils visible. It had "two tiny nostrils where we would think of a nose being, and the lips were very small and not well-defined at all, just a tiny slit in the face. Its ears seemed to be dropped down a little bit and were very much smaller than ours, pressed flat against the head," Francovich said.

"The body was as startling as the head, because the upper torso did not match the lower torso. The arms were very long, without what we call muscle tone, very skinny, extending into very long hands. The hands were six-fingered, definitely six digits on each hand. I know, because I counted them more than once. The thing that fascinated me about the hands -- because I've worked quite a bit with primates -- is that the thumb [of this creature] was in the exact location of where the human thumb is. So there was a thumb and FIVE fingers, instead of four.

"The neck was again without muscle tone, thin-looking. The shoulders were not well-defined. It had a very slender frame and [what] appeared to be a little pot-belly, just a little round."

"But then, once you came down to the thighs, an extraordinary thing happened. The thighs were actually OVER-developed. Coming down to the calves, they looked exactly like the legs of a well-trained athlete. I mean bulging muscles.

"The feet were small, I would say too small for the rest of the body, particularly those well-developed legs. On the feet [were] what looked like a cloth boot, made out of the same metallic material that it was wearing for clothes.

"I want to tell people that I was shocked, shell-shocked," Francovich told Howe. "I've worked with quite a few dangerous animals in my lifetime, worked up close to them, but I've never seen a being like this. It wasn't that I was afraid of it attacking me, because I had no time to think of that. What shocked me was that I couldn't identify it. And one thing I can stress to you is that it was just as shocked as I was. We both were at a dead stand-off, staring at each other."

Linda Howe then asked Francovich if she felt any unusual energy, controlling force or telepathic communication coming from the being. Howe noted that the "Unknown" magazine article said Francovich's dogs, normally aggressive, just sat down quietly in the presence of the being.

Francovich said that, regarding any kind of controlling force, "I don't like to guess. But I will most definitely say something out of the normal was taking place. These were two huge, aggressive, attack-trained dogs. And both of them, the moment they looked at this being, did lay down on the ground and put their heads down, just as if they were sound asleep. I can't tell you whether this being was controlling them mentally, but I can tell you this was very bizarre behavior.

"This stare-down lasted quite a while, because I had enough time to go over this body several times, and a million things were going through my head," Francovich said. But then, something even stranger happened. The being began to run.

"The moment I saw it run, I understood its legs. I had never seen anything like this in my life and I'll never forget it as long as I live. Do you know what a Thompson Gazelle is?" she asked Howe.

"Right, they kind of spring, like they're on pogo sticks or something," Howe replied.

"Exactly. When they run, when they come down and hit the ground, it's exactly like you said, like pogo sticks -- leap, leap, leap, with very little effort. This is exactly how this being ran. It would actually spring, I would say, easily three feet up every time its feet touched the ground. He looked like a gazelle in motion.

"Well, I took off running with him. We ran neck to neck down this grove. The dogs were running beside me, although at no point did they ever start barking. We ran quite a distance. It's a darn good thing there weren't any telephone poles in my path, because I never took my eyes off him. I couldn't. I would have smacked right into a telephone pole and knocked myself out, that's how concentrated I was. We ran, I would say, a distance of several city blocks. It was the most fascinating thing I've ever seen in my life."

Francovich said that they finally came to a kind of tunnel that was formed from densely growing vines on the dead trees. "He darted right into it and disappeared. The moment he entered that tunnel -- I was still in motion, running with him -- I hit a wall of stench like I have never hit in my life. It was a combination of sulphuric acid and formaldehyde. It was so strong that it actually burned the lining of my nose. It was like running into a concrete wall, that strong.

"I knew instantly that there were others in that tunnel, a lot of them. I knew that they were waiting for me to follow him. And I actually exclaimed out loud, 'OOOPS!' I turned on my heels and literally dragged those dogs at a full run in the opposite direction. I would say we ran a good mile and a half."

Linda Howe asked Francovich if she went back to that spot later. She said that she and the dogs went back the next day and had a different kind of encounter.

"I had my dogs, was running them, and low and behold, here comes this black car, right at me in the grove. Government plates. It pulled up next to me. Two fellows sitting in the front seats, both had on black suits. The one sitting nearest to me on the passenger side said, 'Have you ever seen anything strange in this grove?' And I wasn't about to tell him or anybody else what I'd seen."

Francovich said that the man gave her a business card that had a raised gold emblem of the White House on it, but no other information that would connect them to a particular agency. After a brief conversation, they drove away. Francovich was left with the impression that these men already knew about the beings and were mainly trying to determine if she knew anything.

At first she kept the details of her encounter to herself, but then told her husband, David Cobb, who recently wrote the article that appeared in "Unknown" magazine. More details of Francovich's story can be heard in Art Bell's archived AudioNet programs listed above.

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Source: Teletext 'The Weird World This Week'  
Date: Sunday 15th February 1998

The world was 4 percent weirder in 1997

The world was 4 percent weirder in 1997, according to the Fortean Times Weirdness Index.

The Index calculates the number of stories about the paranormal and stories collected from newspapers and magazines around the world.

It said events surrounding the death of Princess Diana contributed to a huge level of media interest in 'the weird'.

[W 6]\*\*\*\*\*

Source: Teletext  
Date: Sunday 22nd February 1998

Microphone on Mars

Nasa is planning to put a microphone on Mars so people on Earth can listen to the sounds of another world for the first time.

The Mars microphone could pick up the sounds of electrical discharges, wind and dust storms in the atmosphere.

The microphone will be included on the Mars Polar Lander mission to be launched in January next year.

[W 7]\*\*\*\*\*

Source: Nasa press release  
Date: Friday 13th February 1998

Voyager 1 Now Most Distant Human-Made Object in Space

In a dark, cold, vacant neighborhood near the very edge of our Solar System, the Voyager 1 spacecraft is set to break another record and become the explorer that has traveled farthest from home.

At approximately 5:10 p.m. EST on Feb. 17, 1998, Voyager 1, launched more than two decades ago, will cruise beyond the Pioneer 10 spacecraft and become the most distant human-created object in space, at 6.5 billion miles (10.4 billion kilometers) from Earth. The two are headed in almost opposite directions away from the Sun.

"For 25 years, the Pioneer 10 spacecraft led the way, pressing the frontiers of exploration, and now the baton is being passed from Pioneer 10 to Voyager 1 to continue exploring where no one has gone before," said Dr. Edward C. Stone, Voyager project scientist and Director of NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL), Pasadena, CA.

"At almost 70 times farther from the Sun than the Earth, Voyager 1 is at the very edge of the Solar System. The Sun there is only 1/5,000th as bright as here on Earth, so it is extremely cold, and there is very little solar energy to keep the spacecraft warm or to provide electrical power. The reason we can continue to operate at such great distances from the Sun is because we have radioisotope thermal electric generators (RTGs) on the spacecraft that create electricity and keep the spacecraft operating," Stone said. "The fact that the spacecraft is still returning data is a remarkable technical achievement."

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years or so we would actually be very close to penetrating the heliopause itself and entering into interstellar space for the first time."

Reaching the termination shock and heliopause will be major milestones for the mission because no spacecraft have been there before and the Voyagers will gather the first direct evidence of their structure. Encountering the termination shock and heliopause has been a long-sought goal for many space physicists, and exactly where these two boundaries are located and what they are like still remains a mystery.

Science data are returned to Earth in real-time to the 34-meter Deep Space Network antennas located in California, Australia and Spain. Both spacecraft have enough electricity and attitude control propellant to continue operating until about 2020, when electrical power produced by the RTGs will no longer support science instrument operation. At that time, Voyager 1 will be almost 150 times farther from the Sun than the Earth -- almost 14 billion miles (more than 20 billion kilometers) away.

On Feb. 17, Voyager 1 will be departing the Solar System at a speed of 39,000 miles per hour (17.4 kilometers per second). At the same time, Voyager 2 will be 5.1 billion miles (8.1 billion kilometers) from Earth and is departing the Solar System at a speed of 35,000 miles per hour (15.9 kilometers per second).

JPL, a division of the California Institute of Technology, manages the Voyager Interstellar Mission for NASA's Office of Space Science, Washington, DC.

[W 8]\*\*\*\*\*

Source: Daily Telegraph  
Publish Date: Thursday 29th January 1998

ET can't phone home

The increasing number of satellites is adding to the background noise in space, spoiling the work of radio astronomers and hindering the search for life elsewhere. Tom Standage reports

THERE was a time when astronomy was a relatively straightforward business: astronomers (down on Earth) looked at celestial objects (up in the skies).

But ever since the launch of Sputnik in 1957 the number of man-made objects orbiting the Earth has increased steadily - crowding the skies, causing problems for astronomers, and even hindering the search for extraterrestrial intelligence (SETI).

It is the radio astronomers, who observe celestial objects by tuning in to their radio emissions, that are experiencing the greatest headaches. With several competing satellite networks under construction, each of which will use dozens of orbiting satellites to support mobile phones that work anywhere on Earth, the skies will soon be full of radio sources.

Admittedly, the radio spectrum is divided up by international agreement in such a way that the frequencies most important to radio astronomers - such as the 1610-1613MHz band - cannot be used by communications satellites. However, Iridium, one of the satellite networks being built at the moment, has been allocated the 1621-1626MHz band - right next door. This means side-lobe or "out-of-band" emissions produced by satellites are picked up by astronomers.

"It's a massive problem," says Dr Derek McNally of the Royal Astronomical Society. "The radio astronomy people are really very far from happy."

In the case of the 1610-1613MHz band, such interference affects astronomers' interstellar yardstick. "This special band is associated with a particular type of star, and it provides radio astronomy with a way to measure distance," says Dr John Ponsonby, of Jodrell Bank.

What's more, the 1610-1613MHz band would be a good band for interstellar communication - a situation in which cutting out man-made interference is vital. "The people who have been putting money into SETI have mostly been putting it into how to filter out the

sort of signal they might be expecting from the man-made junk," says Ponsonby.

Of course, the astronomers aren't suggesting that all existing satellites should be shut down and all future launches cancelled. "Obviously, we can't have exclusive use of everything," says astronomer Dr Tom Muxlow. "It's a question of both sides being helpful and sensible and trying to find a happy medium."

A conference in Geneva last month saw the latest round of negotiations between astronomers and satellite operators over the issue of frequency allocation. With more global satellite phone systems on the way, astronomers have been fiercely defending their turf. "It's a continuous battle for astronomers to protect their bands against encroachment from commercial concerns," says Muxlow.

Klaus Olms of the International Telecommunication Union, the body which decides who can use which bands, says the astronomers have done a good job of fighting their corner. He insists the ITU's procedures are working well in safeguarding the astronomers' interests. Iridium, meanwhile, says it has been working with astronomers to try to reduce the impact of side-band emissions.

But even the full co-operation of the commercial satellite operators won't solve all the problems. "There's one signal we get interference from that no one will own up to," says Ponsonby. "It's been there for years. It's presumably a spy satellite, but it's in a band allocated to radio astronomy."

Evidently, the battle between astronomers and satellite operators will continue. In the mean time, any extraterrestrials out there trying to make contact with us could have trouble getting through.

[W 9]\*\*\*\*\*

Source: Las Vegas Sun  
Publish Date: 21st February 1998

Former Heaven's Gate follower kills himself

Dressed like the 39 Heaven's Gate cult members who killed themselves near San Diego last year, a former follower apparently committed suicide, nine months after a failed attempt.

Charles Edward Humphrey's head was wrapped in plastic with tubes running to a car's exhaust pipe and a tank marked "carbon dioxide" when his body was found Tuesday, Lt. Don Davis of the La Paz County Sheriff's Department said Friday.

Authorities had been alerted by Humphrey's daughter, who had received a note from him that read: "'I'm returning to my mother ship,' and all that stuff we had with Heaven's Gate." His body was found in a small tent sealed with duct tape in the desert near Ehrenberg, just across the Colorado River from Blythe, Calif., Davis said. A note next to the body read "DO NOT REVIVE."

Next to Humphrey, 55, in the tent was a purple shroud, an item found with the cult members whose bodies were discovered March 26, 1997, in a mansion in the posh San Diego suburb of Rancho Santa Fe. He was wearing black sweatpants and a black T-shirt with a patch on the sleeve saying "Heaven's Gate Away Team," Davis said.

Humphrey carried a \$5 bill and five quarters, Davis said, similar to the money Heaven's Gate members had on them in the mass suicide.

Authorities said Humphrey apparently had rendered himself unconscious with chloroform so he couldn't tear off the bag as it appeared he had done in an Encinitas, Calif., motel room nine months earlier.

Another former cult member with him at that time, 56-year-old Wayne "Nick" Cooke, died, but Humphrey survived.

Mike Downing, an investigator with the Pima County medical examiner's office, where Humphrey's body was taken for autopsy, said Humphrey apparently committed suicide, although other possibilities hadn't been ruled out.

Humphrey had been in and out of Heaven's Gate since 1975 before leaving in 1995. Formed by Marshall Herff Applewhite in the early 1970s, Heaven's Gate followed a bizarre theology of Christianity and

UFOs. The cult members left videotaped messages saying they were shedding their bodies - which they called "containers" - for a trip to a "level beyond human" aboard a spaceship trailing the Hale-Bopp comet.

In a site Humphrey left on the World Wide Web, he wrote: "One thing I know for a fact. I still have permission to leave, any time I want to and there is nothing this world (can) do that will keep me from ultimately returning to the Next Level."

Alien Humour  
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Q: How many Greys does it take to change a lightbulb?

A: Three..If they climb on each others shoulders.

Q: What do you get when you cross a Grey with a Human?

A: The smartest dwarf in the world, or a Grey with a conscience.

Q: What is the Reptoids favourite soup?

A: Human noodle

Q: How many Reptoids does it take to change a lightbulb?

A: None....They'd get the Greys to do it.

The greys are so short, when they sit on a curb, their feet dangle.

Aliens are so short, they can be put on a trophy.

The greys are so short, when they blush, they look like a match.

Q: What does Ross Perot and a Grey have in common?

A: They both want to take over the world!

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A FEARFUL SYMMETRY

A TRUE STORY OF ALIEN INTRUSION INTO HUMAN LIVES

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CHAPTER 11

Daylight couldn't arrive soon enough for me. At the first hint of sunlight through the window, I hastily dressed, grabbing the first clothes at hand. Leaving the bed unmade and dishes undone, I rushed to the office an hour early. My post-abduction fear was almost a tangible presence, and I fought to regain self-control. I simply couldn't be alone. Without the safety of being in a crowd, I was terrified the alien entities would return. I worked feverishly throughout the workday, vainly trying to shut out that small,

insistent voice that reminded me my husband would not be home until late that evening.

Unable to face entering my home alone, I drove to Mother's house after work. She had been ill since the Convention, and I thought I would see if her respiratory condition had improved, and also keep my post-abduction fear at bay by having company. One glance at my ashen face told her something was gravely wrong. As we sat at her table, I blurted out what had happened in an emotion-charged voice. As I concluded my story, I told her I also knew my brother would be having an alien encounter soon. Mother asked what made me think that, and I replied, "Mom, when I thought of his dachshund, I asked the aliens to prove to him that they were real."

As the hours slowly passed, darkness surrounded the point of light that was Mother's house. The quiet was shattered by the ringing of the phone at 9:30 P.M. My husband was home, and trying to locate me. With relief, I told him I would be there right away--and that I had something to tell him. I was bemused by his answer. He had something to tell me, too.

Rushing home, I met my husband in the doorway. Without pausing for breath, I began my story. As I progressed with the narrative, he became pale, and unsteadily sat down. The dog, only moments before excited and frisking about, tucked her tail between her legs and slunk down at the foot of the couch. I paused, wondering at her uncharacteristic actions.

"Well," my husband said, "Jack told me something interesting this morning. Sometime between 11:00 P.M. and midnight, he had what seems to have been an encounter with aliens." As I collapsed on the couch, he continued with the story Jack had told him that morning enroute to St. Louis. When Jack had gone to sleep that night, he was awakened by a sensation that something was standing at the foot of his bed. As his eyes flew open, startled, he felt what he described as a vibration--like driving over a rumble-strip. He had become very frightened, and realized he couldn't move. He recalled saying, "Please, don't!", and then everything went black. When he next came to, the surroundings were back to normal, but he knew something was wrong with the time element.

Sleep came fitfully that evening. My husband and I were both tense, and afraid that if we relaxed our vigil the aliens would strike again. Every sound--every move--brought us both wide awake and anticipating that altered reality. With bleary, bloodshot eyes we faced the morning together, and stumbled off to our jobs.

A few days passed in weary oblivion as I slowly calmed down enough to face the dark without cringing. On October 7, John was able to return the frantic call I had placed to him immediately following the encounter, and I shakily related to him what had transpired. I requested a session with him relating to this incident. Due to conflicting schedules, the earliest possible date was November 22.

On October 8, my sister telephoned me at work with urgent news. Mother's respiratory condition had worsened, and my sister had rushed her to see the doctor. Although she had not been admitted to the hospital, the doctor was concerned and asked that we monitor her condition. After work that day, I dropped by her house to check on her. I was surprised to find my brother there. Family relations with him had been strained since my embarking on this "journey," and he had not spoken with any of us since the Convention, so was unaware of her illness.

"I have to tell you something," my brother said, as I entered the house and sat next to him at the table. "On the 6th, I went to work early. I did something unusual--I took the main road through town, instead of the shortcut I always take. I don't know why; I just decided to take the different route.

"It was still dusky out, and as I drove past the school, I noticed a brightly lit object in the sky. It was an orange-white color. As I continued driving, I caught glimpses of it through the trees. I thought about how people sometimes think an object's moving, because of their motion, and then realized that the thing actually was moving.

"I couldn't get a good look at it, so I decided to pull into the driveway of the funeral home just down the road. As I pulled to a stop in the driveway, the object flew directly overhead. After passing over my car, it began to gain altitude. The glow made it

hard to tell what shape the thing was.

"After it disappeared, I noticed a yellow car near the door to the building. I thought it was Mom sitting there. Her arm was in view in the driver's side window, and her fingers were forming a 'V' sign. It reminded me of the signal for 'victory'.

"I freaked out. Suddenly, I knew it wasn't Mom, and whatever I had just watched fly over didn't look like an airplane. I gunned the engine and got the hell out of there!"

I asked my brother if he got to work on time that morning, and he replied that he had--as far as he knew. He had not paid that much attention to the duration of the close encounter, but didn't feel he was missing any interval of time. We chatted for several more minutes about the possible psychic implications of his experience, and then I left.

Mother's condition deteriorated over the next few days, and on October 10 she entered the hospital in acute respiratory distress. Our half-brother and half-sister joined the rest of us at the hospital, where we maintained a constant vigil. The following day, Mother appeared to be resting more comfortably, and in the late evening we all went to our homes to try to get some sleep.

When the phone call jarred us awake around 3:00 A.M., my heart gave a sickening lurch. Mother had suffered respiratory failure, and was in the Intensive Care Unit. As we rushed to the hospital, my concerns were purely human--I didn't care about anything except Mother. Everything else had been banished from my mind. Standing beside her bed where she lay so passively, I recalled my brother's "vision." With a certainty unfounded by normal means, I somehow knew she would pull through.

We all breathed a collective sigh of relief on Thursday, October 15, when Mother was released from the Intensive Care Unit, and was placed in a private room. Although she was obviously tired, she was adamant that she needed to tell us something. As we gathered to listen, she related what had happened to her, as she lay fighting for her life:

"While I was in the ICU room, I left my body. There was a void, and I travelled through it without form. There was a source of light far, far away. It reminded me of outer space, but there were no stars.

"I knew I was there to learn something. There were other essences, or souls, lining this passageway on both sides. I felt an all-encompassing sensation of love. There were several souls that were warm, with an outreaching 'light' emanating from them, and other souls were chilly. They had no 'spark'. I didn't want to connect with these dark souls, and rapidly flew on past them.

"I saw all of you at the beginning of this journey. As I went further down the passageway, I became aware that there truly is a judgement. I already knew it was not my time to go, and I was not judged. I was being allowed to see a part of what comes after.

"I finally reached a place in the void that I couldn't get beyond. I turned around and started back, and came back to my body. Shortly after that, I was awake."

I stood in stunned silence at Mother's words. I had only days before experienced a conscious alien abduction, my brother had experienced a close encounter with psychic overtones, and now Mother was telling us she had just had a Near Death Experience (NDE). The sensory input was occurring at such a fast pace, I was having trouble assimilating it.

In the days that followed, as Mother recovered from her ordeal, I noticed a distinct change in her personality. Always a somber, serious individual, she now seemed to radiate an inner peace. The sound of her laughter was prevalent, as her life took on new meaning. Our differences of opinion had disappeared in the wake of her illness and recovery, and we were again able to talk to each other about the unbelievable phenomena going on in our lives. I told her about three words that had "popped" into my head in the last few weeks: tabula rasa, Fibonacci numbers, and tripartite. I joked with her, saying I was sure they were the answers to the enigma of the Universe--but I was only being given the answer one word at a time! As we discussed all the new aspects, we began to wonder what would

happen next.

The next several weeks were uneventful, and the lack of stress was a welcome relief. I had time to contemplate the coming session on November 22, and looked forward to it with anticipation. In my previous hypnosis sessions, I had recovered memories of events that had occurred many years in the past--and I was curious what the difference would be in examining more recent happenings. It seemed to be an ideal opportunity to test my memories under regression--to find out if my older memories would retain the feeling of reality after comparing them to the current ones. I knew without doubt the experience on September 29 was a physical reality, and I felt undergoing hypnosis on the experience could prove the reality of my older memories, also.

The 22nd arrived finally, cold and with a depressing gray overcast to the leaden sky above. The traffic enroute to Springfield was heavy, and the creeping mist and fog made the drive hazardous. More than once I found myself wishing the aliens would pick us up and drop us off at our destination--but leaving out the rest of the abduction. We had told John about Jack's possible encounter. Jack and Mary had accompanied us, so they could meet John and give him a more detailed analysis of what had occurred to Jack earlier on the same night I had my experience.

After a brief group conference, we separated for the actual hypnosis session. Before inducing hypnosis, John asked more in-depth questions concerning the conscious memories I recalled:

John: Can you describe for us a little more about the paralysis?

Lynne: I was laying there with nothing much on my mind, and the next thing I knew, I was hit with this wave, an instantaneous wave . . . It was like . . . I felt like I had been slam-dunked. It was a feeling as if something had thrown me into a brick wall. It started at the feet, and it was instantaneous from the feet all the way up to the head. And it does hurt. It really . . . It's a very tight . . . um . . . bound. I kept thinking, "My God, I've been wrapped up in a sheet! What's going on?" It just felt that tight. And I kept thinking, "I can't move! What is wrong?" But, the weird thing was, the minute it hit, I knew what it was. I had no doubts.

John: Did you remember feeling like that?

Lynne: Yes. That's what it was . . . that evidently the memory . . . the minute it hit, I knew I had felt it before.

John: Did the wave start in any particular area?

Lynne: It started at the feet. Right at the feet. It was deep, a very deep feeling. Almost at bone level. It's a very strange feeling. It hit so hard and so fast. I felt not only like I had been slammed into a brick wall, but also like I was tipping over backwards.

John: Were you "slammed into the brick wall" from the front or behind?

Lynne: From behind. There was never a moment where I could have done anything. Not one second. 'Cause once that hit, it was over. I was totally conscious, but when I felt like I hit the headboard, it also felt like I went up and over something.

John: Could you open your eyes at this point?

Lynne: No, not at this point. I panicked and started fighting the paralysis, and that's partly what hurt, because the harder you fight it, the worse it is.

John: Did you have any soreness the next day?

Lynne: Yeah, I did. I can't remember my body hurting so much, but my hands hurt throughout the encounter. I don't know if it's because the aliens were doing something with my hands, or because I had clenched them right as the paralysis hit. But they hurt for about two or three days afterward, especially the left thumb. It felt like it had been almost pulled out of its socket.

John: Was there any temperature difference at any time?

Lynne: I was cold throughout, from start to finish.

John: And what did you see, once the spinning stopped and you opened your eyes?

Lynne: I saw the gray alien on the right-hand side. It surprised the crud out of me, because I didn't really expect to see it. I guess hope dies hard. When I saw it, it was backlit, and there was also a bright, white light coming down from above. The alien was about at my waist area, bending over, with one arm reached out toward me. It was so real and so horrifying, that I thought, "Goddamn, they're real!" That thought was so overpowering, I felt that it heard me. It kind of flinched.

I looked at it long enough to tell that my drawings are fairly accurate, but that the head is much longer, elongated. (Sigh) . . . It's very big. The body is very small, very attenuated and emaciated. They're very thin. I'm not sure about the height, because I was lying down. I had the feeling the gray one was just a little shorter than the other, different-looking one that I saw next.

John: How did it compare with the aliens on the television movie "Intruders?"

Lynne: The biggest difference I can think of is seeing something alive and seeing something on TV. God, I don't know. It's just so weird, seeing them alive. It just really changes your belief. I didn't, at any point, see what looked like respirations.

John: Did they appear mechanical?

Lynne: Not really. I had thought the grays were more mechanical; had less of a thought pattern to them, but this one did not move mechanically. It had a mission in mind--and it was going to do whatever that was. I had an instantaneous dislike for it. The minute I saw it, I thought, "Oh, ick!" It's horrible. I just don't like those grays!

John: What about its eyes?

Lynne: This time the eyes didn't look unnatural. It was dimensional, had depth to it. It seemed to be an eye, and not just a lens. I have seen, in other experiences, what looks like a lens-cap, though, instead of a true eye.

John: What about the face? Did it have any expression to it?

Lynne: It had some, but not like humans. Not with that range of motion. But it did not seem like a robot. It didn't have that mechanical feeling. I had the distinct impression it was a living creature. And when I thought, "Oh, yuck!", I also thought, "Uh, oh. It didn't know I was conscious, and I've given myself away." Without volition, my eyes closed. My sense of hearing was totally gone through all this. And I smelled something, too, about that time. It was a very sharp, pungent smell. It almost reminded me of smelling salts. And it was also a somewhat electrical smell. Kinda burned smelling.

John: Did you have your glasses on?

Lynne: No. I had taken them off.

John: And you can see okay without them?

Lynne: I'm nearsighted, and they were very close to me-- probably no more than two or three feet away.

John: And what happened next?

Lynne: That's when I decided I had to look again, to prove they were real. And I saw the one with the different head shape. He was a bit taller than the other one. Almost Oriental-looking. The head was more compact, and his eyes were smaller. They were dark brown, instead of black. He had wrinkles in the forehead region, and for some reason that comforted me. I thought . . . "Oh, he's nice-looking." And he had on white clothing, like a smock. His lips were fuller; almost semi-human in appearance, and he had a vestigial nose. Not big, but more than just the little holes. I felt like he was older than me. He was three-dimensional . . . And I had this thought that everything was okay, and I could just close my eyes and not think about it.

John: Did those feel like your thoughts?

Lynne: (Sardonic laugh.) At the time, they did.

John: But you don't think that now?

Lynne: No. What really got to me, was that all along I had been thinking that maybe their funny, nice little brainwashing ways hadn't been exactly, totally working on me. And I was enjoying that thought. And when that happened, it kinda blew that out of the water. I thought, "Right. I'm as brainwashed as the rest of 'em."

In fact, after I told my husband about this experience, I was saying, "It wasn't so bad." And he looked at me and said, "Was it a good experience, or a bad experience?" My jaw just fell open. Up to that time, I was adamant that none of it was good.

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John: So what was this other alien's purpose in being there?

Lynne: He was there to calm me. To let me know he'd been with me forever. He's the one who brainwashed me.

John: What did the hands feel like?

Lynne: They're not warm, like a human's hand. It's really dry, normally. The suction cups on the ends of the fingers don't have that much of a different feel. They don't . . . suck . . . or anything like that. Um, it's more like a fleshy pad that has more tactile sense to it. And it had that gelatinous stuff on its hand . . . made it look slimy, which is very unusual.

John: What happened next?

Lynne: It started palpating my belly area, rapidly from right to left. I realized I didn't want to watch this part--and there was a feeling of anesthesia that made me drift in and out. When the movement stopped, I looked again and saw a small piece of tissue of some kind. It was red and black, and looked bloody. It would have about covered a female palm (in size), and was maybe an inch thick. I just kept thinking of it as a piece of meat. It looked like smooth muscle, and the black part was a little more formed. I don't know if it was an embryo or fetus. At one point, I even thought of cancer.

John: Are you aware at what point in your regular cycle this would have been?

Lynne: I had a delayed . . . I was worried I might be pregnant, and had just taken a home pregnancy test. The test was negative. But I had a couple cycles in there that were . . . unusual.

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understand. But, when I saw him, I had an instantaneous dislike. It was a total, "Ooh, I hate your guts!"

John: Did he look familiar?

Lynne: Yeah, he did. I felt I had known him since the dawn of time, and had never liked him. He was a very . . . uh, swarthy-looking guy. He had black hair that was rather thick. He had kind of a "five o'clock shadow." He appeared to be in his forties. He had kind of heavy jowls. He was wearing a black suit. He had a heavy mustache. When he spoke to me, I had that instantaneous hatred. I felt like I had always hated that man!

Shortly after he spoke to me, this woman appeared. She walked up to the man and stood behind him, on what would be his left. When I saw her, I was totally shocked. It was a feeling of betrayal to the bottom of my feet! It was as if I had always known her, too, and always thought of her as being a friend.

John: Did you know her, too?

Lynne: I knew her enough to know that she shouldn't have been there. Basically, it was like, all of a sudden I associated her with him, and that meant it had changed the story completely. I now realized these two were in cahoots . . . (laugh) . . . if you want to call it that. My thoughts about her changed completely. I thought, "Okay, now that I know who you are, I will remember! I will remember from now on!"

John: Are there any aliens here, or anything that looks alien?

Lynne: There was nothing alien at all through this portion of the encounter. It had a very different feel to it . . . a human feel.

John: Did they have on any kind of outfits or uniforms?

Lynne: Other than the fact that they looked like they all had the same tailor . . . Their clothes were all black. Black suits. The woman had on a black dress, but I can't really describe it, because it was just a black dress. Nothing outstanding about it.

When they started walking back with me, out of that room, the woman was closest to me, and I looked fully into her face. When I had first entered the room, I was still totally paralyzed. But my hearing was coming back, and then as things progressed, I realized my voice was coming back. So, at this point, I looked at the woman and said, "I will remember you. I will remember this!" She looked at me with a shocked expression, as if she had thought I wasn't even there enough to know what was going on, or that I would even recognize her. She said, "No, you won't!" with a condescending air, and I said, "Oh, yes, I will!" I knew I would remember.

John: How vivid and real did this all seem to you, as compared to the first part?

Lynne: This has a different feel to it. It was as if they, or I, was attempting to put it into a framework I could understand. You know, more of a human-related, human-oriented type of thing.

John: Like, put on a human drama to confuse you?

Lynne: Exactly. I felt like I was being played with. It was as if they had offered me, or dredged up something they could use to explain it to me.

John: Did the man or woman, either one, remind you of any conscious people or places?

Lynne: For some reason, I keep thinking of Spanish stories . . . or Mexican stories. (Laugh.) And yet, the feeling I had was that these people might have been of Greek extraction . . . possibly Mediterranean.

John: How does this series of human encounters end?

Lynne: They take me on out of the laboratory and back into the anteroom. Then we exit out of what seems to be a structure. In fact, I had the feeling it was a very big building. Felt almost like . . . the "streets of Manhattan." A very big place. The man and woman head toward a very sleek, shiny black car, and they get into it. By this time, I'm walking on my own. I have free movement

again.

John: Where are you?

Lynne: I don't know.

John: I mean, are you in the streets of New York?

Lynne: (Laughed.) It looked like it! It was really weird. I have no idea where I was. You know, I'm familiar with my home and the ship, but this . . . I just have no idea where I was.

John: Okay.

Lynne: And then the guy who was escorting me, whom I never saw, pushes me into the passenger side of another black car. The man and woman's car comes toward us, and we're headed the opposite direction. The woman is nearer to me, because she's on the passenger side of their car. And as they go past our car, I threw up my finger at her. She was so shocked, and the expression on her face was priceless!

John: Okay. Now, moving on from that, what was the very next thing that happened?

Lynne: After that weird interlude, I was back on the table, and saw my dog coming toward my face. Then I thought, "Wait a minute, that's not my dog. That's my brother's dog. That's not mine." And that's when I knew I had asked the aliens for something--whether I intended to or not. I knew my brother would be having an encounter soon. Then I was back home in bed. I was angry, because I felt like they had deliberately waited to abduct me after my husband left. I thought, "Darn, I wanted a witness!" And then I realized it was a good thing they waited, because my husband would have been late getting to St. Louis.

John: Did you have any physical marks afterward? Or any other physical evidence? (My husband was in the room at this time, and answered.)

Kevin: After I got home, and she told me about this, I went into the bedroom. She hadn't bothered to make the bed, and the sheets, of course, were wrinkled. But there were a couple of places--each one of them about six to eight inches long, where the threads were pulled. Like if you were to dig your fingers into the sheets and pull. They averaged about an inch apart. They were a little closer on one end, and farther apart on the other, all the way down.

That, and her nightshirt . . . on the front . . . would have been just below her belly button . . . There was a stain, about the size of a half-dollar. Very pale . . . brown, I guess. Whatever it was had soaked all the way through, to either side.

Lynne: And I washed it. I'm sorry; I know I shouldn't have.

John: That's okay. There probably wasn't enough to test, anyway. Do you recall any marks on yourself?

Lynne: No, and that's kind of interesting. Since April, I've been a mass of bruises, all over my arms and legs. There was no reason for them, but practically every day I would get up, and another one would have appeared. I was beginning to think it was stigmata. But then, an odd thing happened. About a month or so ago, they all cleared up. I did have a little bruise about three days after the experience, but that's all. I've been relatively bruise-free.

John: So, how do you feel about the experience, now?

Lynne: I'm very glad I had a conscious experience. It got rid of the doubts. It has been such a strange process, in coming to accept it. I told my husband I still feel that on the whole it is a negative experience, because they're not doing it overtly and up-front. I'm not so angry over this one, because I feel they did something to help bring my brother back at a time when he was needed--when Mom was sick. But, aside from any aspects of that, it's still not right. I would hope that, if we were on some other place, and we wanted to meet the local flora and fauna, that we would do it a little differently. Maybe not . . . sneak up on 'em.

HYPNOSIS SESSION  
November 22, 1992

John: (Regression has been induced, and the time-frame set to my encounter of September 29.) . . . And what do you notice, first? You'll be able to talk comfortably, this time, as you feel the sensations that you described . . . What do you notice?

Lynne: Some muscle ache, about midway . . . in my legs. There's an absence of sound, right before the paralysis. Everything blots out--the sensation of the room and everything. It's a conscious sensation of a loss of stimuli.

John: How do you feel about realizing that?

Lynne: It's startling! It happened so quick, right before the paralysis, that I didn't have much time to think about it.

John: Okay. Just follow that through, until you come across something perhaps additional or different, and you can add those details.

Lynne: I see something . . . just a brief glimpse. It's like a dome-shape. But I'm only seeing part of it. It's highly polished. I keep thinking of the top of a light globe--something milky color. There's a diffuse light shining through it. It's very close to my face.

John: Okay. Take a moment and see where your body is as this image comes to you.

Lynne: Ooh . . . That was weird! Whew!

John: Go on. Let me know what's weird here . . .

Lynne: I saw a view of the bed, looking down. The thing I saw near my face was the ceiling light, and I was looking down at the bed.

John: Do you see yourself in bed?

Lynne: No. I don't see the dog, either.

John: Where's your dog?

Lynne: (Agitated sound.) I see rumpled covers. Oh, God . . . I think the dog's with me. Oh, that's terrible!

John: It's okay . . . Just continue on. Let yourself slowly re-experience every step, only describing what's different or additional as you happen to see or experience anything else.

Lynne: There are some real . . . fuzzy . . . moments in my head. It's like I've retreated into . . . just a little spot in my head. I know my body is there, but I'm less aware of my body.

John: What do you notice?

Lynne: Ooh . . . There was some equipment in that room! In the medical room.

John: What do you see?

Lynne: It's some kind of an arm . . . arm-like device. One of the aliens was using it. I see him reaching for it, and bringing it down toward me . . .

John: What's the thing look like?

Lynne: It's got . . . It's like a . . . It's almost like a robotic arm. Metallic. I keep thinking "arm," because it's almost like bones . . . radius and ulna--tibia, fibula--all that stuff. There are two pieces--two rods--and then there's a joint, and then a solid piece up here. But I can't see what it's connected to over here. There's bigger . . . machinery or equipment . . . or something . . . that this "arm" is attached to, and the arm swings free of it.

John: Uh, huh. And what does it do?

Lynne: I think I'm afraid to know! (I broke out of hypnosis and opened my eyes. The hypnotherapist spent a few moments re-inducing regression.) Just relax . . . You know whatever you saw is already over and you survived it. You're fine, so knowing about it only adds to your power and understanding. It can't hurt you now. You don't have to be afraid now, but you can feel and know what that

arm-thing is all about. What do you see and feel about the arm?

Lynne: Oh, this is really strange. I've got the feeling . . . he used it on my belly. I think . . . it cut me open. Something happened below my belly button, on the right-hand side. Like a puncture. There's some resistance, and a feeling of movement inside . . . like a "tweaking." It's not intestinal; it's in the deeper organs. There's a twisting, tweaking, and a pull. I don't feel any pain.

John: Take a good look at his fingers, and describe them.

Lynne: The fingers are very long! Almost ten inches, or a foot long. It makes you wonder how they can manipulate them so well. They're fast. They move them so quickly, and then . . . they've got pads. Little fleshy protuberances on the inside of their fingers. On the tips. The stuff on its hands is just really clear. Doesn't hide the hand at all. Looks almost like . . . if you could solidify water, but keep it clear. Not freeze it; but solidify it.

John: When he does that to your tummy, what sensation does your tummy notice?

Lynne: Ugh . . . It made my skin crawl. It was so eerie. It was kind of wet; almost a gluey feel.

John: Since you became wide alert at that moment, do you remember them telling you anything?

Lynne: (Laugh) . . . Oh, just the sentence, "I've been with you always."

John: Where'd that come from? Where'd it come from at that point in time?

Lynne: When I saw the second one. And I didn't remember before now, but he used my real name, not any "pet" name or nickname. He's spoken to me before.

John: Okay. Can you drift to a time before, when you were with him before . . . ?

Lynne: Oh . . . I was out mowing the lawn.

John: How old are you?

Lynne: Probably fifteen, sixteen.

John: Okay. Go on, nice and slow . . . describe what you see.

Lynne: This is weird. I was out mowing in the front yard, by the road . . . and I heard my name called! It called once, and I kept mowing. I stopped at first, when I heard it call, and kind of shook it off. Then it called again, and I still shook it off. And I kept mowing and got stung.

John: You what?

Lynne: I mowed over a bunch of bees . . . in a ground nest, I guess.

John: Was it the same voice?

Lynne: Yes.

John: And you ignored it? What happened when you got stung?

Lynne: I shut off the mower and went inside.

John: Did you see the bees?

Lynne: Hmm . . . That's funny. I had on a watch, and I got stung right around it. But I'm not sure I saw 'em. I just remember getting stung.

John: Okay. Let's just take it nice and slow. What happened when you went inside?

Lynne: I told Mom about being out there, and hearing my name called, and not listening to it and getting stung.

John: Does she say anything to you?

Lynne: She said I should start listening to my voices.

John: Did you do anything about your bee stings?

Lynne: No, I don't remember doing anything about them. We always used to put baking soda on stings, but I don't remember actually doing anything about 'em.

John: Well, when you look at your wrist, do you actually see the bee stings?

Lynne: Not really. There's no hive or swelling. But I remember it hurting. There were two spots, to either side of my watch.

John: A double bee-sting?

Lynne: (Laugh). Maybe it had two tails.

John: Okay. I want you to focus on that spot to either side of your watch. Take a good look at the spot, and be aware of what came in contact with that area. Your face is showing some reactions . . . what do you notice in your thoughts?

Lynne: It was . . . like a needle.

John: A single needle?

Lynne: Two of 'em. About so long--two or three inches long.

John: Okay. And where are you, when you're aware of the needles? Are you in your house?

Lynne: Huh, uh. I'm lying on something flat. The needles have got a little curve on the end, like a curlicue.

John: Follow the needles on up. See what's connected, or what's touching it.

Lynne: I see . . . almost looks like a child's face. It's kind of round.

John: Go on . . . What makes it look like a child's face?

Lynne: This is going to sound really funny . . .

John: That's okay. Go ahead.

Lynne: It looks like it has on a . . . like, a little blue . . . hat-type thing.

John: What kind of hat? What does it remind you of?

Lynne: Uh . . . Almost like a Santa's hat! (Laugh.) Like a nightcap.

John: What else does it wear?

Lynne: The cap is attached to an outfit of some kind. It reminds me of a hooded cape. It's loose, but not voluminous. The part of the cap around the head is tight-fitting, but the part that comes on down, like a nightcap, droops . . . it drapes just a little. It's an electric blue color . . . a very pretty color.

John: What else makes it look like a child's face? Is it a child, or an adult?

Lynne: It's not really a child. Because of the outfit, it makes me think of a child. It reminds me of a little snow outfit.

John: Okay. Can you describe the face more?

Lynne: It's not like one of the grays. It's got a little nose. The eyes are bigger than normal, but they're not the big, black, empty, staring . . . They're dark--close to a brown-black. The pupil is bigger than a normal human eye. It extends more the length of the eye. Then, out toward the edges, the color is lighter--more of a tan or beige. Its mouth is a bit fuller, and it looked like it was smiling, even though it didn't open its mouth. It had character.

John: Is it the one you've seen recently?

Lynne: Uh, huh. Only younger-looking. Like it can age. It's definitely older than me, and older than any of the others I've encountered.

John: Was he the one who did something to your wrist?

Lynne: Yeah.

John: Was there any other communication?

Lynne: He told me I was doing fine, and that they would be back.

John: You don't like that, do you?

Lynne: No. I think they pretty often tell me that.

John: Okay, let's jump back, now, through time . . . back to the recent episode. How does the intrusion into your belly end? What do you see or sense happening?

Lynne: (Sigh.) They took something. I feel that pull . . . like they pulled something out, and I can see the metallic arm retreating up. Then I saw the piece of tissue laying between my feet, closer to my left foot.

John: So, you could have kicked it off, if you'd wanted to?

Lynne: If I could have moved.

John: What happened then?

Lynne: They just left it there for a minute; as if they'd just laid it down. I was very puzzled.

John: Did you get upset?

Lynne: I . . . There's more a sense of . . . a feeling that it had been done so often . . . Kind of a . . . resignation, I guess, more than anything.

John: Did your tummy hurt?

Lynne: Yes, it did! And it did for several days afterward. I'll be darned! For a couple days afterward, I kept having these sharp twinges every once in a while. And then it finally went away.

John: Did you ever feel that twinge, or pain, before?

Lynne: It's reminiscent of mittelschmerz, when . . . every once in a while, you can feel an egg release . . .

John: Any other pains, or soreness? Lynne: There were two little dots, like pinpricks, on my lower back. I didn't know what they were; I just noticed them after the experience.

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## Malin on Cydonia - Stan McDaniel's View

From: **Ufojoel** <[Ufojoel@aol.com](mailto:Ufojoel@aol.com)> [**Joe Murgia**]  
Date: Sun, 1 Mar 1998 18:48:13 EST  
Fwd Date: Fri, 06 Mar 1998 21:06:03 -0500  
Subject: Malin on Cydonia - Stan McDaniel's View

Hi All,

Stan McDaniel, Professor Emeritus at Sonoma State University, wrote a response to my email regarding the Michael Malin interview that Linda Moulton Howe (LMH) conducted recently. As you will see, Dr. Malin, for some reason, didn't include all of the details that Professor McDaniel does below.

I have had the pleasure to interview Stan McDaniel and and speak with him on the phone and have found him to be the most dedicated, open-minded, scientific person that I have ever dealt with. His objectivity is what every scientist should strive for in his/her work.

He is not in this for the money or glory but for the truth to be known.

Make sure you check out his web site!!!

<http://www.mcdanielreport.com>

Joe Murgia

\*\*\*\*\*Stan McDaniel's View\*\*\*\*\*

In a message dated 98-03-01 13:58:08 EST, Joe Murgia writes:

>LMH also said that since "The Face" is such a small area, (Joe's >note - It is about 2.5 km long x 2.0 km wide x 0.4 km tall) >won't it almost be impossible to get a picture with such a >limited field of view on the high resolution camera? Malin said >"Yes!!!".

Please note that there are multiple objects in the area other than the Face that should be imaged. Missing the Face does not preclude getting images of these other objects. Dr. Joseph Pilcher of NASA HQ told us that it is "official NASA policy" to activate the camera on every pass over the area in question.

Second, please note that during the photo opportunities that will take place from late March until September, the camera will be at distances that allow for a much wider field of view, allowing for getting several objects in a single image. Furthermore during this same period the craft can be rotated do a degree to take images even when not directly over the object. And in addition, there is more flexibility in choice of targets at this time, since this is a "bonus" period not planned for in the original mission.

It is important that people interviewing Malin should be aware of these factors, so they can bring these items up. I am sorry that LMH did not contact SPSR first to be briefed on these items. Had I known she had managed to obtain an interview with Malin I could have provided her with helpful details.

Stan McDaniel

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## The Prophets Conference - Nostradamus/John Hogue

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Fwd Date: Fri, 06 Mar 1998 21:29:23 -0500  
Subject: The Prophets Conference - Nostradamus/John Hogue

Opening remarks presented by John Hogue, arguably the world's foremost scholar and authority on the prophet Nostradamus...participating on the "UFOs, Other Current Anomalies & What They Portend" panel - The Prophets Conference, Los Angeles, 1997

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John Hogue...

"Well, the upcoming shift is intriguing to me because of all the talk about axis shifts in prophecy. There are two basic interpretations for this: One is the tilt of the earth's axis, the 'physical shift'; the other being something which topples civilization's point of view overnight - a 'consciousness shift'.

"Often on radio and television I pose to the audience that it would be amazing if tomorrow there was irrefutable evidence of intelligent life on another planet; it would change most things. Even Arthur C. Clarke, in his '2001' series, created a story where, upon finding out that people lived on Jupiter, overnight all of the differences between national groups ended: At least for necessities sake, an unknown intelligence out there brought everybody together in the world.

"There are even references to this happening in the prophecies of Nostradamus, who I have studied at great length. Usually Nostradamus is open to all kinds of interpretations which may be right or may be wrong. But, there was one time, in a letter written to his king, where Nostradamus was quite lucid and exact about the end of the world coming in the year 3797. He said that the planet will be destroyed by some cosmic event taking place about 1,800 years from now. But, he also said that Mars would continue in its orbit. So, interestingly enough, let's say that the Sun for some reason turned into a red giant, much sooner than expected, its mass would expand to around the Earth's orbit, and the Earth would be destroyed in the final conflagration, but Mars would remain in place. But, he also says that the ethnographies, the races of mankind, will continue to exist long after that.

He says that, 'for several years some will assemble in Aquarius and in Cancer: for a longer time and forevermore.' Now, the way I interpret this line is that he's talking about the constellations of Aquarius and Cancer.

And I pose to you that some night when you go out and look at the evening sky, and you look at the constellations of Aquarius and Cancer, you may be seeing the destiny that the Aquarian Age is really all about for us: we become liberated from this little mortal coil, this little mortal rock, and become a galactic society.

"Many mystics that I talk to, even in India, about secret societies and mystical connections, say that many of these are actually of an inter-planetary nature.

"So, this is a wonderful possibility that's coming for us, a wonderful journey. Our destiny is in the stars."

John Hogue is the author of "Millennium Book of Prophecy" and "Nostradamus, The Complete Prophecies." Hogue has received wide recognition on television, appearing on "Encounters" - "Sightings" - "Ancient Mysteries" with Leonard Nimoy, and on the Fox documentary special - "Millennium Prophecies" - and many other national programs.

According to Hogue, all prophetic cycles throughout history pinpoint 1990 through the 2020s as the turning point or cusp, with the collective vision of diverse prophets foreseeing humankind either destroyed by an outer fire or transformed by an inner one.

John Hogue Information: <http://deoxy.org/critmass.htm>

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## Video Shooting Techniques

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Fwd Date: Fri, 06 Mar 1998 21:47:59 -0500  
Subject: Video Shooting Techniques

Date: Mon, 02 Mar 1998 04:01:17 +0000  
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To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
Subject: Video Shooting Techniques

Hi Errol, List members,

I thought I would post this space-walk photo to the list as I think you may all find it quite interesting. I am not exactly sure what the light in the background is!

Also we have had a few sightings coming in over the last week from the Fife area of Scotland, and the strange star-like moving objects, similar to those sighted in August 1997, are also back. (2 reports in 2 days) We are currently monitoring the situation, and would like to hear from any listmembers, who may be able to assist us, in catching these perculiar objects on camera, as recent attempts made in August failed. We need to know how to film stars as this will enable us to catch these things on tape. They seem to be very high in altitude and look just like small stars, only they have been seen to stop, turn, disappear and change direction suddenly in the past.

Any video techniques to catch these things, or any advice toward this problem would be greatly appreciated.

Many thanks in advance and good luck to you all in the future with your various projects.

Keep searching the skies.....Dave Ledger.

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If you see someone without a smile.....give them one of yours :-)

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## Gemini mission 'UFO' Photos

From: "Remo Ponti (Mr. Wolf)" <[rponti@geocities.com](mailto:rponti@geocities.com)>  
Date: Mon, 2 Mar 1998 15:36:09 +0100  
Fwd Date: Fri, 06 Mar 1998 22:06:58 -0500  
Subject: Gemini mission 'UFO' Photos

I'm looking for two photos made by Gemini astronauts that are not present in the NASA photo site:

<http://images.jsc.nasa.gov/>

The photos are (NASA code):

S-65-63722  
Alleged Gemini VII sighting of UFO (maybe Proton satellite)

S-66-54661  
Alleged Gemini XI sighting of UFO (sun reflection on Gemini nose)

Does anyone knows where these photos are available on-line?  
Thanks

Remo Ponti - Italy

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## Budd Hopkins in hospital

From: John <[jvif@spacelab.net](mailto:jvif@spacelab.net)>  
Date: Mon, 2 Mar 1998 18:52:57 -0500  
Fwd Date: Fri, 06 Mar 1998 22:09:33 -0500  
Subject: Budd Hopkins in hospital

Hello All,

On sunday Budd suffered a mild heart attack. He is currently being treated at the intensive coronary care unit in St. Vincents Hospital here in NY. Budd had an (angioplasty, not sure spelling) and is doing well.

The doctors think the prognosis overall is good. I'm going to be spending a few days at my boss's (and dear friend's) side for the next couple of days so things are going to slow up from my end for a bit. At least until Budds out of the hospital.

I promise to keep everyone posted. If you want to send a get well card you can mail it to:

Budd Hopkins  
PO Box 30233  
New York, NY 10011

I'm sure it'll do his heart good to get em! Say a little prayer for one of the nicest guys that God ever put on earth. He has given to us all freely and we (as abductees) owe him a debt of gratitude that can never be repaid.

Talk to you guys again soon.

John

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## Re: Circles Phenomenon Research Canada Update

From: [psa@direct.ca](mailto:psa@direct.ca) (Paul Anderson)  
Date: Tue, 3 Mar 1998 02:16:02 -0800  
Fwd Date: Fri, 06 Mar 1998 22:15:12 -0500  
Subject: Re: Circles Phenomenon Research Canada Update

Circles Phenomenon Research Canada Update

March 1, 1998

"Fields of Dreams" Lecture

The next presentation, part of The Millennium Forum lecture series (The Millennium Group), will be on March 23 at the Barclay Manor House in the West End of Vancouver, at 7:30 pm. A free slide/video show by Paul Anderson, director of CPR-Canada and founder/director of The Millennium Group, including the latest crop circle updates, the scientific evidence and question and answer session. Please call 257-8333 to pre-register and 731-8522 for more information. This is a joint CPR-Canada / TMG event.

Web Site Update

The CPR-Canada web site has been updated again, with photo/diagram additions to the Report Archives (to continue over the coming months).

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## DISPATCH # 85 -- the weekly newsletter of ParaScope

From: **ParaScope** <[ParaScope@AOL.COM](mailto:ParaScope@AOL.COM)>  
Date: Mon, 2 Mar 1998 21:34:42 EST  
Fwd Date: Fri, 06 Mar 1998 22:10:35 -0500  
Subject: DISPATCH # 85 -- the weekly newsletter of ParaScope

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3/1/98

Quote of the Week

"The important thing is not to stop questioning."

-- Albert Einstein  
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Rant of the Week: "Aliens In an Alien Land"

Every week we pick the wackiest, scariest, nastiest or funniest rant from the hundreds of letters received by us here at ParaScope headquarters, and present it to you as our Rant of the Week. This week, "Tim" weighs in on the idea that "aliens" may simply be "ancient emigrants." Whatever. Enjoy.

"I think we should clarify the word 'alien.' Alot of people equate the word to "Extra-terrestrial". I'm sure what we really mean when we say 'alien' is 'non-human consciousness.' Aliens can certainly be equated to 'demons' in this context. I make this statement because I am a UFO witness and contactee. The ETs that I know are human but their home is light years from earth. Their ancestors came from earth long before even the Sphinx was created. Their technology enables them to literally travel faster than the speed of light. They need nothing from earth. They are here to help mankind attain what they themselves have attained on every level: physical and spiritual. I don't ever call them aliens; I call them 'visitors.'"

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Coming Up Next Week!

Catch a number of great stories next week on a daily basis on America Online or all at once next Friday on the web site, including daily updates to our Conspiracy Newsline and Daily Dose features. Among the articles you'll want to check out:

Parapsychology: Extra-Scientific Procedures?

Skeptics generally scoff at the idea of parapsychology as a serious field of research, branding it an undisciplined pseudoscience. But a recent study indicates that parapsychology actually adheres much more strictly to scientific methods than the "hard sciences" do. Tests in the areas of ESP, telekinesis and other paranormal studies frequently employ double-blind techniques and other methods for eliminating experimenter biases, whereas experiments in chemistry and physics hardly ever follow such practices. There is a catch, though: these findings are being reported by Rupert Sheldrake, the super-wacky fringe "scientist" known for promoting a number of truly koo-koo theories. Is Sheldrake suffering from a case of experimenter bias himself, or has he really caught the scientific establishment with its pants down?

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UFO Roundup

The latest UFO reports from around the globe. Black helicopter chases UFO over

Brooklyn; strange tube-shaped UFO appears in Leander, Texas; UFO flap in Pensacola, Florida; Connecticut MUFON assistant director Mark Cashman solves the case of the mysterious "Cheshire Lights"; lots more ufology news.

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Conspiracy Newsline

All the news that's fit to freak you out. Bill Gates donation spawns Big Brother-ish anti-piracy technology; court ruling threatens to shut down all California medical marijuana buyers' clubs; Los Angeles school district arms cops with shotguns; lots more news.

...All this, and much, much more!

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Jane, Stop This Crazy Thing!

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March 3, 1998

Busy week...gotten several responses to my article in FATE, for one thing. Busy at work as well. If I get a chance to do more this week, I will.

THE DISCOVERY CHANNEL  
Thursday, March 12, 9:00 pm (repeated Friday, March 13, 1:00 AM)...STRANGE BUT TRUE includes a Dover ghost encounter.

THE SCI-FI CHANNEL  
Now running SIGHTINGS every week night at 5:00 PM and 9:00 PM Pacific. Next new SIGHTINGS special is on alien abductions, running for the first time on the Saturday, March 14.

SYNDICATED  
MONTEL WILLIAMS, Tuesday, psychic Sylvia Browne.  
MAURY POVICH, Friday, psychic James Van Praagh

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## BUFORA London Lecture - March 7th

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Fwd Date: Fri, 06 Mar 1998 22:41:20 -0500  
Subject: BUFORA London Lecture - March 7th

The next BUFORA London Lecture will be held on Saturday 7th March 1998 starting at 2pm.

This will be held in Lecture Theatre 2, University of Westminster, 35 Marylebone Road, London, NW1 (opposite Baker Street Underground Station).

The advertised speaker will be Nick Pope whose talk is entitled "The Uninvited". Nick at one time ran the UK Ministry of Defense's UFO desk and has subsequently written two books on UFOs.

In addition (and at no extra charge) the meeting will be extended until 6pm to allow an additional presentation by Peter Robbins who will discuss the latest results of his investigations into the Rendlesham Forest case. Peter is in the UK on a brief visit and has recently written (with witness Larry Warren) a book "Left at East Gate" about the Rendlesham case.

Admission charge :        members =A31-50        non-members =A33-50

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## Whitehouse Lawn

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Fwd Date: Fri, 06 Mar 1998 22:55:07 -0500  
Subject: Whitehouse Lawn

Hi Errol, Hi All

I was happily talking to some friends at work today, one of whom is, to say the least, a tad sceptical of the whole UFO phenomenom. When I asked him what would happen if a UFO landed on the Whitehouse lawn. Without a pause he replied, "Well if I was the gardener I'd be pretty pissed off. That's a nice bit of lawn they have outside the Whitehouse." <G>

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Are you a man or a mouse, come on squeek up!

Sean Jones

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## FSG Gallery Opening

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Fwd Date: Fri, 06 Mar 1998 22:59:23 -0500  
Subject: FSG Gallery Opening

FSG FLYING SAUCER ART GALLERY  
PRESS RELEASE AND INVITATION TO ARTISTS

[Please forward this to anyone who might be interested]

FSG Presents:  
"The Flying Saucer Art Gallery"  
Opening March 31, 1998  
[www.erols.com/sardonica](http://www.erols.com/sardonica)

Hello Artists-

As you may know, "The Flying Saucer Gazette" is an online magazine dedicated to common-sense ufology and the furthering of "UFO art. Currently, FSG is preparing to open the doors of "The Flying Saucer Art Gallery." This will be an online gallery which will feature the work of ALL interested artists who work in UFO/Alien or otherwise paranormal themes.

This gallery will be entirely non-profit. FSG will not pay, or accept payment for, the "hanging" of any work. The intention of the gallery is to display the work of talented artists, and hopefully to provide interested artists with the opportunity to market and sell their work.

Along with 2-3 pieces of work, the artists "room" in the gallery will include a short bio, contact info, URL, price of original piece of work and/or reprints. The gallery will provide a link to the URL (if any) of the artist, FSG does not ask for any fee or percentage whatsoever, of any work sold through the gallery.

The "Flying Saucer Art Gallery" is open to all artists, and submission, acceptance, hanging, and everything else is 100% free. Artists, of course, will retain all copyright and rights to their work, and are free to remove it from the Gallery at any time, for any reason.

The Gallery is scheduled to open on March 31. Please feel free to read our submission guidelines (<http://www.erols.com/artsub>) or email me with any questions. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

-Scott Carr  
Editor, The Flying Saucer Gazette  
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## Budd Hopkins - A Progress Report

From: [jvif@spacelab.net](mailto:jvif@spacelab.net)  
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Fwd Date: Fri, 06 Mar 1998 23:05:54 -0500  
Subject: Budd Hopkins - A Progress Report

Hello All,

I met Greg Sandow in front of St. Vincents hospital just before 11AM this morning. I was glad that I wasn't going up to the room alone because I wasn't too thrilled about seeing someone I love hooked up to cardiac monitoring equipment with assorted and sundry hoses, lines, and tubes coming out of different parts of their body.

Going to visit someone in the hospital is always nerve wracking for -all- involved. It was great for me to see Greg and we kind of warmed each other and steeled each other for the visit. Well, it turns out that all of the internal psychological preparation simply wasn't necessary!

We were greeted by a smiling, freshly shaven and well groomed Budd who looked better than I've ever seen him! I mean he looked great! Instead of a pale, tired, and weakened man we found him in fine spirits and looking robust, like he just returned from a refreshing week-end at an exclusive spa! He wasn't connected to anything! In fact, they had disconnected him from it all shortly before we arrived. He had just taken his first walk and shaved and he was feeling much better as a result.

We talked, swapped stories and basically laughed our asses off for over an hour. He took the whole thing well and is determined to take better care of himself. The prognosis is excellent as the attack did very little damage to his heart muscle. I saw the before and after x-rays of the artery that they opened in his heart. It went from a shriveled looking noodle to a straight and open passage, truly remarkable. I told him that he'd probably end up dancing on all our graves!

His wife Carol and his daughter Grace had decorated his room with some of his own artwork and a photo of Grace's (she's a really fine photographer with her fathers eye for subject selection and an uncanny sense of composition) and it lent a cheery feeling to an otherwise dismal hospital room.

He said, (and I quote:) "I'll probably take it easy for week when I get home."!!!

Both Greg and I responded at the same time, "probably?!" <G> There's no stopping him. For those who don't know him, Budd goes seven days a week non-stop. He sees new cases everyday travels, does media, and basically spends his life working with/for us! He has opened his heart and his home to us. He never has charged anyone for a minute of his time, and he makes everyone feel as if they are the only case he's working on. He's a tough act to follow but I have tried to model my own work with experiencers after his fine example and standards.

Don't worry, the "Iron Man" isn't going anywhere anytime soon! The man has survived a serious bout with cancer (something few even know about) has lost a kidney, and now a heart attack. But like the Energizer Bunny, he just keeps on going and going and going,....<VBG>

I was prepared to take a little time off to be with a sick

friend, I may as well just get my ass back to work! The man is better than ever!

Thank God!

Just a little note to share what kind of love this guy inspires in people: When Carol, (Budd's wife) called Dave Jacobs with the news, the man (without hesitation) jumped into his car and immediately drove for four hours all the way from Philadelphia to NY just to be by Budd's side!

That says alot about David and Budd! <G>

Peace,

John

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## Alfred's Odd Ode #228

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Fwd Date: Fri, 06 Mar 1998 23:17:23 -0500  
Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #228

Apology to MW #228 (For March 4, 1998)

But they went right on, in earnest, with their movie in my mind  
-- I saw the baby Jesus being born=85 And it wasn't like you'd  
heard it, the church's canon was obdurate; and you find you  
ride a Rhino's thrusting horn.

The flood was *\*more\** than forecast, oh -- the horror that was  
harnessed as the waves washed high from pole to quaking pole.  
Those that still were left, fed starving *\*gods\** who were bereft  
of mean supplies they took from hated man, untold! And from these  
mean beginnings I could see that we'd been lemmings -- divorced  
from real history 'twould have saved our skins, and how.  
But we gave up all the right to rise for selfish Priests and  
Kings despised; those that have their castles even now.

The flowers of our cultures gave us, always, fine improvements.  
Less is more was known for certain, all the time. It was (and is)  
a callous few that keeps an Eden from our view; just a few that  
profit hugely from their crime.

Cancer (!) holds the secret to a healthy life unending, and  
whales hear a picture of the world. Light speed is no barrier,  
there are speeds that are superior=85 magic science, and its  
wonders -- are unfurled. None need ever suffer, live forever,  
never hunger, in a world less the strife that we have now. We  
could all be self supporting, living life's unending glory; we  
could do away with landfills -- live in paradise, right now! We  
could live out in the stars; we could fly electric cars; we would  
have new friends and foes along the way. We could have a real  
heaven, we could eat a bread clean leavened, we'd be thankful for  
our chance to see each day.

The presentation over, I felt imbued, in weird new clover, and I  
worried what it was that I could do. "Any questions"? They then  
asked, but I was past that point, detached, and knowing what I  
knew was really true! Could I cop to implications straining seams  
of my cognition -- could I keep it all, and argue I was sane?  
Could I hold the mud of truth without the need to stand aloof for  
self censure now confined within my brain?

Watchers tell the truth you see, they showed it plain as day to  
me; a record where it showed my *\*contribution\**. They showed  
what I was there to see -- the death of folks who would be free.  
It was just as I remembered=85 people, dying -- uselessly.

So what's the point of my abduction, and what's the thrust of  
information; what's the message in the meter and the rhyme? "What  
the hell's he on about"? detractors gnash their teeth to grout,  
the seconds tick on endlessly in time=85

What the message does portend: is that we cannot depend -- on  
them, providing rescue or support. We're on our own to save the  
day, to bring it home, or keep the fray -- and our space borne  
fellows beckon, let's be sports.

Some we'd think malevolent, and some we'd think were saints.  
We're wrong about the both of them, but the truth can make you  
faint! Judge a whale or a dolphin from your shallow point of  
view, and see a handless mammal that's below you, you've

construed. The truth is that they're smarter than you ever had imagined, the fact is that they're smarter than you even CAN imagine. The same with all the space folk! You've got your good and bad. Though the sides can get all tangled with what's sorry and what's glad. That's why we get on out there; that's why we take the dare; it's rising and advancing to the folks we find out THERE! It's using their reality to define a spot for us -- on what may test our feelings when we board their cosmic bus.

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Now -- or later, we will be boarding that bus. Tut Tut, it looks like rain -- let's take the next one that stops.

Hear, "OK, humanity -- step to the REAR of this bus"!

Employ a little metacognition (that's think about your thinking) =85and get over it. We have everything to lose, and the multi-verse to gain. I'd go out where my reach meets my grasp -- but then I'd "soar to the infinite", too <g>.

Restore John Ford.

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Explore the Alien View?

<http://www.fortunecity.com/roswell/arecibo/46/>

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, while burning at the fundamentalist's stake

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## Re: Israel '97

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Subject: Re: Israel '97

Date: 26 February 98 19:43:00 GMT  
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To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
Subject: The Israeli UFO Wave of 1997

Dear Errol,

Since some time I followed the Israeli UFO Wave of 1997 and was lucky to make good and trustful contact with Israelian UFO researchers. With one of them I discussed the media echo to that UFO wave and came across the name of Barry Chamish and his articles about the matter in Israelian newspapers. Some time ago, Mr. Chamish published an article here in your list entitled "STUNNING ISRAELI EVIDENCE EMERGES". I have sent that article to Israel to discuss it with my colleague and would like to present his response here. I think it is very useful to read this because it sheds some remarkable light on the situation in far away Israel.

Please accept that I cannot disclose the name of my source for well known reasons. I can confirm that he exists and that he is not at all a debunker.

What you can read below is his answer to my question (quoted) and then to parts of Mr. Chamish's email in your list (also quoted).

Please read on.

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[...]

jk> I remember that you once wrote to me that Mr. Chamish is a jk>journalist, no UFO->researcher who just jumped on the UFO->bandwagon.

I also wrote that he's not only just a journalist but also an 'extreme margin' one, a journalist whose every line of text should be carefully checked for verification before it is believed!!

Oh, btw, the 'small green alien' found in a small village in Israel and given great publicity following a negotiation led by Mr Chamish for large sums of money for exclusive rights... eventually turned out to be not more than a hoax. the 'thing' was a frozen piece of cow flop!!! painted green. HEHEHE , those biologists were so ashamed for not simply smelling it ...

bc> STUNNING ISRAELI EVIDENCE EMERGES  
bc> by Barry Chamish

bc>One might think 1997 was a poor year of UFO activity in Israel bc>judging by the paucity of media reports. In fact, the media bc>clamped down hard in January '97 after they were burned on bc>theAchiold alien/lizard story

As I say, it was just green painted frozen poop, and Chamish tried to make money from it..

bc>and the false prediction of mass landings on Jan.5.

It was not really a prediction, more a cynical exploitation of peoples beliefs in UFO to achieve mass TV rating in a well covered gathering of UFO believers. TV used them for rating.

bc>However, due to the superb research of DavidRonen, Doron Rotem and bc>two young newcomers, Gil Bar and EddieShpitz, it turns out that bc>1997 was a vintage year for Israeli ufology. Some of the most bc>dramatic physical evidence of the country's intense ten years of bc>activity emerged last year.Following is a summary of 1997.

bc> FILMS

bc> - Over three nights in September 1996, Elad Niger filmed bc>a remarkable UFO over the coastal plains city of Kochav Yair bc>this vantage point in the nearby city of Kfar Saba. He released the bc>ms to David Ronen in March of 1997. They reveal the prettiest UFO bc>ever filmed in Israel. It looks like a colorful apple wearing a bc>three pronged crown.

Nonsense, it was inconclusive at best. maybe it was a UFO, but I've seen much better UFO films.

Just an unclear lit shape in dark background, that's all. Can easily be a hoax or anything.

bc> - 1997 saw three UFOs filmed in Rishon Letzion, 20 miles south of bc>Tel Aviv and a center of UFO activity since 1993 when giant aliens bc>visited the apartment of Batya Shimon.

Never heard of it.

bc>Of the three clips,none is so memorable as Gil Bar's November bc>filming of an ellipsoid disk captured in 4 PM sunlight being chased bc>by anIsraeli Air Force F-15.

I know nothing about this, probably a fictional story. nothing about this in the news.

bc>The UFO's high speed manoeuvres to escape the jet are most acrobatic. bc>This is the first known instance of a military plane chasing a UFO bc>captured on film in Israel.

IF it ever happened. i just didn't hear anything about it. and Israel is a UFO crazed, near hysteric :-)

Free democracy. If this ever happened it would have gotten out. Only the deepest military secrets are well kept now. This is not one of them. it's not USA 1947.

bc> - Then on November 26, Nahum Shomroni video-taped an >afternoon bc>invasion of low flying UFOs over Tel Aviv. The light conditions were bc>perfect and the craft were flying at only an estimated 700meters bc>altitude. The result is a breathtaking view of threesponge-shaped, bc>dark UFOs of a type possibly never seen before.

This would never happen without worldwide immediate TV coverage, because 3 things would happen almost instantly, especially in day light:

1. Too many Tel-Aviv residents, and tourists on the beach riviera, would see this, enough of them would have a camcorder handy and would call TV within minutes hoping to get good money for the film.
2. The skies over Tel-Aviv are a busy air corridor. It's the main air corridor for international air traffic to/from Israel, and within visual range from 3 very active airfields in the north, east,south, two of them military and the third is Israel's main civil airport. Any disturbance in this air corridor would be seen almost instantly by both radar and visual by several air traffic controllers and pilots and this would trigger an immediate response...
3. Any unidentified, or even uncontrolled!! air traffic over the Tel-Aviv area would bring an immediate response - F-15s, constantly at very high readiness, are located in a fourth large airfield within less than a minute flight from Tel-Aviv. They would be over Tel-Aviv very fast, and their noise (which so many military veteran Israelis can easily distinguish from the noise of a civil airliner) would bring the rest of the population to look

up. again, enough of them would have camcorders handy.

So the above story never happened or you'd have seen it in CNN and every other TV network at the same day.

bc> PHYSICAL EVIDENCE

bc>1997 saw two disturbing animal mutilation incidents associated with bc>UFO i haven't heard of any mutilation stories in Israel in 1997.

I'll not refer to past stories from 1995(?) in Kadima now.

bc>The final incident made national news, the only UFO story to do so bc>all year.

OK, he agrees about that. None of the above stories got to Israeli news, therefore probably never happened or had no significance, not even as a hoax.

bc>On Nov. 2, a silver ellipsoid disk hovered over theGaza Strip bc>settlement of Paat Hasadeh. On Nov. 8, YaacovMazal-Terem awoke to

Never heard of it.

bc>And finally, the famed hot spot of Kadima returned gloriously to bc>Israel's UFO history. From 1993-95, approximately 20 landing spots bc>were discovered after nights of UFO activity in the skies. Within bc>were shards of material later tested worldwide and found to be a bc>nearly pure silicon. This year, the same shards were found twelve bc>miles to the west on the beaches of Gaash and Shfayim after UFO bc>activity was reported.

Never heard of any such new events. the kadima events in 93-95 are irrelevant to it.

>On October 10, a UFO was seen over the Kadima suburb of Tel Yitzhak.

Chamish has a strange way of describing small suburbs as cities and smaller villages as suburbs...

bc>Idan Levy discovered its landing circle and found within, not shiny bc>silicon but an unknown material that looks like grey branched coral.

never heard of it too.

bc> SOMETHING TO LOOK FORWARD TO

bc>I will be bringing the videos of the low flying invasion of bc>TelAviv, the F-15 chasing a most distinct disk over Rishon Letzion

That would be interesting. the area between the nearby cities of Tel-Aviv and Rishon are both densely populated, busy with air traffic , and very sensitive in military terms. No visible aircraft, human or UFO can fly there without being seen, especially at day time, and without triggering a quick response by the Israeli air force, even for the simple reason of civil air traffic safety in this dense air corridor.

bc>Laughlin, Nevada conference. I think conferees will agree this is a bc>most dynamic and important trio of films.

When possible, send me images, or if possible, a video copy. i'd be glad to comment, but i suppose there nothing serious behind this 'story' .

Again, consider any info from Mr. Chamish with caution!

<snipped>

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So far the comments of my Israeli UFO researcher colleague to Mr. Chamish's report here in this list. As soon as new information emerge, I'll keep you updated.

Auf Wiedersehen!

Joachim Koch

\*Homepage International Roswell Initiative, Germany:\*

> <http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/jkoch1> <  
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## Hanks Produces Show on Space Travel

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Subject: Hanks Produces Show on Space Travel

Hanks Produces Show on Space Travel

.c The Associated Press

By SARAH WYATT

WASHINGTON (AP) - Tom Hanks wants to create astronauts.

While many American kids seem bent on becoming rock stars and video directors, Hanks hopes his miniseries about the Apollo missions will ``inspire a new generation of space travelers'' who were too young to remember the birth of the American space program.

After portraying Capt. James Lovell in ``Apollo 13,'' Hanks returns to the subject of space exploration as executive producer of ``From the Earth to the Moon,'' an HBO 12-part miniseries.

At a National Press Club luncheon to preview the series, Hanks related his awe at watching ``live television footage of the Earth ... from 200,000 miles away,'' an experience that ``blew my 13-year-old mind.''

``This is the future we dreamed of when I was a kid,'' Hanks said, adding that some people still don't appreciate the Apollo mission or ``the footprints in the lunar dust that will never ever go away.''

The series depicts all of the Apollo flights, with an emphasis on the historical conditions that drove the space race between the United States and the Soviet Union.

Astronauts from the Apollo missions agree that circumstances were ripe for the momentum in space travel during that decade, citing the Cold War, economic prosperity and a president who was willing to take risks, but say that it is still early in the age of space exploration.

``This is like Columbus just returned to Spain and the world is not flat after all; it's round,'' said Col. Dave Scott, commander of Apollo 15 and a technical adviser for the series. ``As time goes on, if we continue to stimulate young people, inspire them to look forward and look outward, then eventually mankind will go back to the moon and go on to Mars.''

For his part, Hanks said he can think of no reason why NASA would want him on a shuttle mission, but volunteered his talents as a cameraman or as someone who could ``make people laugh at lunchtime as we're all sitting around the table'' in the space shuttle.

``From the Earth to the Moon'' debuts Sunday.

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## The Camilla Scott Show

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Fwd Date: Sat, 07 Mar 1998 13:29:40 -0500  
Subject: The Camilla Scott Show

Hi all,

Michel Deschamps (Sudbury Section Director, MUFON Ontario), Rob McConnell, Joe Nichol (CSICOP) and a few others will be on the show Friday, March 13 at 3:00 p.m. EST on Channel 9 (the CTV Network). This was taped Friday, Feb. 27. The show is also carried in some parts of the States.

Once again, I could see the participants were discouraged since they didn't really have alot of time to say too much. They probably spent 10 times as long getting ready for the show. I won't say too much about the show. You'll have to watch it yourselves.

Don't ever go down for a taping unless you get a VIP pass (which fortunately I did). It's all young kids and they treat them like cattle before the show. It's really like a three-ring circus. I felt like I should've been in grade 8 again. Aren't you glad you didn't go Stan?

Don't forget to set your VCRs.

Sue Kovios

No pienses que es imposible,  
confia en tu corazon,  
nada es lo que parece,  
el mundo es una ilusion.

(translation:

Don't think it's impossible,  
trust your heart,  
nothing is what it seems  
the world is an illusion.)

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## Another San Luis Valley Horse Mutilation

From: "Christopher O'Brien" <[tmv@pop.amigo.net](mailto:tmv@pop.amigo.net)>  
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Fwd Date: Sat, 07 Mar 1998 13:46:56 -0500  
Subject: Another San Luis Valley Horse Mutilation

Another SLV Horse Mutilation

A second horse has been found dead and disfigured south of Alamosa Colorado. This makes three, rare winter-month unusual animal deaths that have been reported in the San Luis Valley since November 30, 1997. The animal was found near the Rio Grande River, 10 miles south of Alamosa, CO.

The six year-old white gelding, called by its owner, "the head of the herd" (16 horses) was discovered yesterday, a mile and a half from the herd, laying on it's left side and missing the flesh around the left mandible; its genitalia and right ear. The ear was removed in a three-inch diameter circle. The horse also had a "baseball-sized hole in the brisket," and the rancher suspects that the animal's heart was removed. The rancher, an avid hunter and tracker, noted the horses winter coat exhibited "obvious sign" of a knife-type instrument being used. Individual hairs appeared cleanly cut, as if by a scalpal or very sharp knife.

There were no tracks found around the animal--not even the gelding's own tracks. It was discovered laying in "fluffy alkali" which shows tracks very well. "You could throw a pea out there and see it," the rancher noted. Upon discovery by the ranchers 19 year-old son, "50 eagles were flying around like swallows." The eagles showed great interest in the carcass and were seen scavenging the horse with several crows. This huge number of eagles in one area is highly unusual, I have never heard of this before.

This investigator is headed down to the site to obtain forensic samples, and will add to this report if needed.

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## Water confirmed on the Moon

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Date: Thu, 05 Mar 1998 16:09:54 -0500  
Fwd Date: Sat, 07 Mar 1998 13:36:52 -0500  
Subject: Water confirmed on the Moon

NASA has announced that the Prospector Mission has confirmed that there's water on the moon, which is good news for future colonists. For details take a look at:

<http://lunar.arc.nasa.gov/science/results/lunarice/eureka.html>

Steve

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## ACC's Grand Jury Petition

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Fwd Date: Sat, 07 Mar 1998 13:50:52 -0500  
Subject: ACC's Grand Jury Petition

[FYI - \_Not\_ for discussion -- ebk]

Fellow Seekers of the Truth,

I was on the American Computer Company website, and I noticed that they not only were being covered by PC World, Computing, WLW Radio, Art Bell, and Sightings on the Radio, but that they were also on the cover of UFO Magazine. It seems like they are getting some more well deserved media attention these days.

They are supposedly organizing a GRAND JURY with a UFO investigator to investigate the entire matter regarding the 1947 "New Mexico" UFO Crashes.

Anyone interesting in joining the drive to raise up a Grand Jury Petition?

For more information about their call for a Grand Jury please visit the following website: <http://www.accpc.com/grandjury.htm>

Also, there has been a LOT of interesting information posted on their bulletin board about UFOs, electrogravitics, anti-gravity, top secret aircraft, extraterrestrial technology such as the TCAP, and about the UFO/ET coverup in general...

To visit their bulletin board just visit their main Roswell Investigation Webpage at <http://www.accpc.com/roswell.htm> and click on the button at the beginning of the page which is linked to the bulletin board.

Take care and God Bless all of you.

Best Regards,  
William (on Netcom)

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## Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

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Date: Fri, 6 Mar 1998 14:42:46 EST  
Fwd Date: Sat, 07 Mar 1998 14:28:57 -0500  
Subject: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

Dear List:

It is with a feeling of mixed emotions, that I must announce to you, that this week's issue of the Phoenix New Times, has an extremely devastating expose of UFO photo "analyst" and image computer "expert," Jim Dilettoso.

This new, shocking expose can be found at:

<http://www.phoenixnewtimes.com>

The expose, with photos, is their LEAD COVER story for this issue.

I recommend that everyone read this piece and tell others about it, since it covers numerous subjects about ufos and is not "just another expose" about Jim Dilettoso.

While Billy Meier and his unobjective, religious, and fanatical believers such as Jim Deardorff, Michael Hesemann, and good old "Jerome" in the Netherlands will undoubtedly find ways to rationalize the startling revelations in this devastating expose, the burden of proof is on them to DISPROVE these new allegations.

I "psychically" predict that they will not be able to do so, and will just ignore this expose because it makes them look like very gullible idiots who don't think critically. I realize this is a blunt term, but these are the adjectives that come to mind.

The truth is, the investigative reporter for the Phoenix New Times, decided to independently research Dilettoso and Meier, and found (surprise!) that Dilettoso is 100% guilty of doing everything from lying about having various degrees from assorted universities, to outright swindling millionaire Jordi Hormel to the tune of several million dollars.

The reporter also proves, according to recent court records he cites, that Jim Dilettoso and Village Labs have been running a scam all along over these past years, and that while Jim was busily mugging for the cameras exposing the "Phoenix UFO" nonsense with fellow "experts" such as Tom King, Dilettoso was busy fighting a court order to keep from being evicted by his landlord.

Members of the Hormel family are quoted in the expose, and they are on record as saying that they regret that they ever funded Dilettoso -- who made yet more wild claims recently that he helped with the special effects for the movie "Titanic"!!

The article also cites the testimony of De Anza employee Ken Dinwiddie, who confirmed that Dilettoso never did an analysis of the Meier photos, as claimed, contrary to what is stated (and illustrated with fake pictures) in the original Meier color photo journal books that Jim Deardorff is so enamored with.

The article goes on to cite how Dilettoso and Wendelle Stevens faked UFO "photo analysis" documents on NASA stationery -- specifically regarding a series of photos faked in Puerto Rico

that purport to show a "UFO" being chased by a "Tomcat" Air Force fighter aircraft.

Jim Dilettoso, naturally, "authenticated" these photos as well, nevermind the fact that the photographer of the pictures in question has already confessed that it was a hoax.

The article goes on and on, for many pages, and also disproves Jim's "analysis" of the Phoenix UFO lights, while a barrage of real photo experts and Ph.D.s are quoted throughout the piece and are on record as calling Dilettoso everything from a "liar" to describing his "scientific" techniques as "bullshit."

The article also exposes Frances Emma Barwood, and mentions her right wing militia fanatical husband, as well as UFO "lobbyist" Stephen Bassett.

The expose also criticizes the the USAF for not dealing with the public in the best way they could (and probably should have) over the Phoenix lights -- but most importantly, provides new evidence that the "UFOs" were definitely flares -- evidence that Tom King would even be hardpressed to deny.

In summation, the writer takes to task (and rightly so) both the UFO community and the mainstream media, for not doing proper investigations or thinking critically.

More importantly, is also proves that Jim Dilettoso has conned people, literally, out of millions of dollars over the years and that the Village Labs PR frenzy ths past year was yet another scam designed to bail them out while fighting being evicted under court order.

According to the article, Jim Dilettoso, because of a judge's court order, is leaving the building where Village Labs existed, and "the word" in Phoenix is that Village Labs is shutting down -- despite their new "web presence" which implies they are legitimate.

Investors, and UFOlogists, and the media, beware!!

Finally, I mention all of this because while exposing Jim Dilettoso for the fraud that he is, is one thing, the article is also devastating for the UFO field as well.

The article, for example, cites how Dr. Jim Harder's wife claims her husband is "an ET," and the journalist takes the UFO field to task for being the home of basically, stupidity. I don't know what else to call it.

Some absurd and blatantly false claims of author Jim Marrs are also exposed, and the UFO field once again is pounded repeatedly -- and rightly so, because it was our fault (except those few who have exposed Dilettoso in the past and knew better all along) for drinking the New Age and pseudoscientific "kool-aid" that has now come back to haunt us.

In a nationwide radio show that I did in January, I declared that I was labeling 1998 the Year of Accountability in the UFO field. I meant what I said, and this is just the first of many such devastating exposes that will be coming out in the future.

While I did not write the Phoenix New Times piece, I was interviewed, and as the writer makes clear, not only were dozens of people interviewed, but the author independently confirmed my past allegations of fraud concerning Jim -- which Jim Deardorff and other Billy Meier cult "ambassadors" have chosen to ignore.

The situation now exists as this: There are now two basic camps or schools of thought in the UFO field on the "believer" side. Those who think critically, and those who do not, and it is these latter types like those who promote the Meier case (with no real scientific evidence) and Jim Dilettoso's "analysis" fakery.

This expose should serve as a warning notice to everyone like Dilettoso -- people like Bob Dean, Tom King, Wendelle, Sean Morton, Hesemann, Mantle, Santilli, and others.

And let's be honest with ourselves here: We all know this list is a lot longer than the above-mentioned names.

The media is closing in, you are going to be exposed, and unfortunately for these types, if there is any chance to ever get the UFO field to be taken seriously, these people must and will be exposed.

If we do not band together, and start thinking critically, then I believe that we should quit the UFO field and go home.

As the saying goes, (and please excuse my bluntness, but this was said to me about the UFO field by yet another journalist who is working on an expose of Robert Dean) "You can't make chicken salad out of chicken shit!"

Sorry to be the bearer of bad news, but we must be honest with each other here -- and face the music and the public and a hostile media now, for not policing ourselves and allowing the Jim Dilettoso's of the world to define what the public thinks constitutes the UFO field.

At least a few in this subject can say "I told you so," -- not in an egotistical sense, but in a cautionary sense -- and let this lesson be learned and this serve as a warning to us all -- either bring accountability into the UFO field and drum out these con artists, or don't complain if the media does not take the UFO issue seriously.

The time has come to walk our talk, rather than turning a blind eye and pretending REAL credibility exists where in fact, none does.

Now for the REAL challenge: WHO is going to be the next bozo to send "UFO" pictures to Jim for "scientific testing."

The few who think critically in the UFO field, and now the mainstream media, will be watching -- and you will be exposed accordingly, and rightly so.

End of soap box diatribe.

Respectfully and sadly,  
Kal Korff

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## Chat with Janet Colli, PhD and Thomas Beck, PhD

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Fwd Date: Sat, 07 Mar 1998 14:57:52 -0500  
Subject: Chat with Janet Colli, PhD and Thomas Beck, PhD

Transpersonal Psychology

From Crop Circle Research to Alien Encounters to InterSpecies Communication, Colli and Beck have taken on some of the more illusive issues surrounding the UFO phenomenon and developed alternative methods for contactees to deal with and accept their experiences.

In their audio interview and in our live chat, on Tuesday March 10, 6pm, PT the UFO forum will discuss these issues in addition to the controversy behind False Memory Syndrome. This chat is available at <http://forums.msn.com/ufo>

We hope to see you there !

The Briefing Room chat can be accessed by any IRC client. The chat server name is publicchat.msn.com and the room or channel name is #briefing.

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## Re: More Fireballs Seen in the Western US

From: **Steven Kaeser** <[steve@konsulting.com](mailto:steve@konsulting.com)>  
Date: Fri, 06 Mar 1998 11:13:21 -0500  
Fwd Date: Sat, 07 Mar 1998 14:43:21 -0500  
Subject: Re: More Fireballs Seen in the Western US

>Date: Tue, 24 Feb 1998 19:52:38 +0000  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
>From: Sean Jones <[tedric@tedric.demon.co.uk](mailto:tedric@tedric.demon.co.uk)>  
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Re-More Fireballs Seen in the Western US

>Hi Errol, Hi All

>I don't know I could be way out on a limb here but could these  
>fireballs, meteorites and associated bits and pieces be from the  
>comet Hale-Bopp. We do know that the comet shed loads of debris  
>and that it went outwards from the comet.

>Could this possibly account for the increased meteorite activity?

There are likely better experts regarding astronomy than I on this list, but I'm curious as to your source of information regarding the comment "that the comet shed loads of debris and that it went outwards from the comet". It is possible that I missed postings on this, but this would seem to indicate something more is going on here than simple orbital mechanics if this is the case.

Hale-Bopp is in a very large elliptical orbit around the sun, and after swinging around the sun it flew outward toward the outer reaches of the solar system, becoming dimmer as it moved away from the sun and finally fading from view. The shedding of material by comets was caused by the energy of the sun as it "excited" the water molecules on the comet's surface, which wouldn't generally increase as the comet was moving away from the sun. Further, any large material that became separated from the main body of the comet would follow in the same trajectory, unless it came under the influence of another gravity source, so I would be a loss to explain why that material would now be hitting earth's atmosphere.

The fireballs, meteorites and the like hitting the earth's atmosphere may well be the leavings of comets and other objects that are floating around our solar system. But the trajectory of Hale-Bopp is known, and we can plot the orbital path of any debris that is generated. IMHO, we have much more to fear from those objects that are not "known", and which might become discovered just a matter of months or weeks before they come close to (or crash into) our world. I should add that there are several known fields of debris that cross the Earth's orbit, and they result in meteor showers that occur annually. There are several fairly famous ones that have been well publicized, but the reports we've seen the past several weeks don't fit into this category.

Just a few thoughts.

Steve

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## Re: 'Beyond Roswell' Q&A Site

From: Sean Jones <[tedric@tedric.demon.co.uk](mailto:tedric@tedric.demon.co.uk)>  
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Fwd Date: Sat, 07 Mar 1998 14:46:47 -0500  
Subject: Re: 'Beyond Roswell' Q&A Site

>Date: Wed, 25 Feb 1998 07:37:14 -0500  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
>From: Bob Shell <[bob@bobshell.com](mailto:bob@bobshell.com)>  
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: 'Beyond Roswell' Q&A Site

Hi Bob, Hi Errol, Hi All

>But whether he is the cameraman or not, the film itself still  
>defies easy explanation.

>Bob

I totally agree.

Take the film on its own and without all the paraphenalia and  
Santilli circus surrounding and it stands on its own.

I heard quite a while ago that this film was "released" under  
highly dubious circumstances to create "dissentation in the ranks".  
Which it has done admirably. I also heard that "they" who  
"released" it have the ability to either prove or disprove it as  
"they" feel fit.

As to all those who are now going to ask me who told me this and  
where, when etc etc tough I aint telling cause I ain't no  
conspiracy theorist and I am not paranoid. <g>

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Are you a man or a mouse, come on squeek up!  
Sean Jones

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## Re: Budd Hopkins in hospital

From: [alien2@sound.net](mailto:alien2@sound.net) [Keith M. King]  
Date: Sat, 7 Mar 1998 10:42:42 -0500 (EST)  
Fwd Date: Sat, 07 Mar 1998 15:32:57 -0500  
Subject: Re: Budd Hopkins in hospital

>Date: Mon, 2 Mar 1998 18:52:57 -0500  
>To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
>From: John <[jvif@spacelab.net](mailto:jvif@spacelab.net)> [John Velez]  
>Subject: Budd Hopkins in hospital

>I promise to keep everyone posted. If you want to  
>send a get well card you can mail it to:

>Budd Hopkins  
>PO Box 30233  
>New York, NY 10011

>I'm sure it'll do his heart good to get em! Say a  
>little prayer for one of the nicest guys that God  
>ever put on earth. He has given to us all freely  
>and we (as abductees) owe him a debt of gratitude  
>that can never be repaid.

>Talk to you guys again soon.

>John

Although I'm not quite sure what to make of the Abduction Scenario, Bud Hopkins has added a great measure of light and deeper understanding of this enigma to all of us. He has proven to be a tireless worker and very dedicated to those who come to him looking for answers. I respect and admire the detailed work he's done, and the dogged effort he's shown.

I sincerely hope that his recovery is soon and that he's up on his feet again doing what he loves the most. Our prayers and hopes are with him and his family to get well soon..... We need his heart, which is obviously very large, and continued guidance.

Best Regards,  
Keith M. King  
M. King Studies

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## Re: Budd Hopkins - A Progress Report

From: Don Ledger <dledger@istar.ca>  
Date: Sat, 07 Mar 1998 12:40:23 +0100  
Fwd Date: Sat, 07 Mar 1998 15:35:20 -0500  
Subject: Re: Budd Hopkins - A Progress Report

> From: jvif@spacelab.net [John Velez]  
> Date: Wed, 4 Mar 1998 02:46:18 -0500  
> To: updates@globalseve.net  
> Subject: A trip to the hospital or "The winner of the Iron Man award  
> is,...

> Hello All,

> I met Greg Sandow in front of St. Vincents hospital just before  
> 11AM this morning. I was glad that I wasn't going up to the room  
> alone because I wasn't too thrilled about seeing someone I love  
> hooked up to cardiac monitoring equipment with assorted and  
> sundry hoses, lines, and tubes coming out of different parts of  
> their body.

> Going to visit someone in the hospital is always nerve wracking  
> for -all- involved. It was great for me to see Greg and we kind  
> of warmed each other and steeled each other for the visit. Well,  
> it turns out that all of the internal psychological preparation  
> simply wasn't necessary!

> We were greeted by a smiling, freshly shaven and well groomed  
> Budd who looked better than I've ever seen him! I mean he  
> looked great! Instead of a pale, tired, and weakened man we  
> found him in fine spirits and looking robust, like he just  
> returned from a refreshing week-end at an exclusive spa! He  
> wasn't connected to anything! In fact, they had disconnected him  
> from it all shortly before we arrived. He had just taken his  
> first walk and shaved and he was feeling much better as a  
> result.

> We talked, swapped stories and basically laughed our asses off  
> for over an hour. He took the whole thing well and is determined  
> to take better care of himself. The prognosis is excellent as  
> the attack did very little damage to his heart muscle. I saw  
> the before and after x-rays of the artery that they opened in  
> his heart. It went from a shriveled looking noodle to a straight  
> and open passage, truly remarkable. I told him that he'd  
> probably end up dancing on all our graves!

> His wife Carol and his daughter Grace had decorated his room  
> with some of his own artwork and a photo of Grace's (she's a  
> really fine photographer with her fathers eye for subject  
> selection and an uncanny sense of composition) and it lent a  
> cheery feeling to an otherwise dismal hospital room.

> He said, (and I quote:) "I'll probably take it easy for week  
> when I get home."!!!

<snipped>

> Peace,

> John

Hi John,

Pass along my regards to Budd. With some of the clot zapping  
drugs they have now, it's possible he will suffer no long term,

Re: Budd Hopkins - A Progress Report

ill effects, and might end up a little healthier than before the event. His doctors will watch him like a hawk now.

Best wishes,

Don Ledger

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Filer's Files #8-1998 MUFON Skywatch Investigations  
From George A. Filer: MUFON Eastern Director,  
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"Of course the flying saucers are real and they are interplanetary!" Air Chief Marshal Lord Dowding, Commander of the Royal Air Force of Great Britain, August 1954.

### NEW JERSEY

I received a call from Bob, a Fire Officer on February 19, 1998, who had just joined MUFON because he and his friend George observed a UFO near Tom's River, NJ. They drove off the Garden State Parkway heading west on Route 37, where they entered an area of tall pine trees around 10:00 P.M. They decided to make a U-turn to return to the Parkway. As they swung the car off the road, George suddenly slammed on the brakes to avoid hitting a large object. Just off the road in a small clearing was a saucer shaped vehicle with three legs extended. It was only 25 feet away as they skidded to a stop. They both were staring at the object for maybe a minute. Bob asked his friend, George, "Do you see what I see?" He replied, "If you see a flying saucer, that's what I see!" They both then exclaimed, "Let's get the hell out of here!" George hit the gas and the tires started spinning and finally they hit the asphalt and off down the road they sped. The Fire Officer wanted to return, but George refused. They drove directly home in about an hour, and couldn't believe the sun was rising. They thought it was no later than midnight, unexpectedly six or seven hours was gone. They had a clear detailed memory of driving up to the UFO, and the departure, but six hours of time was lost. Both had a clear memory of the UFO with it's three legs extended and a small stair case that led to the ground. There were no markings on the saucer, and it appeared to be made of dull aluminum. Later, both men made drawings of the craft and the two drawings were virtually identical. The witnesses have no memory of what happened during the six hours of missing time.

### NEW YORK AND AUSTRALIA:

MUFON's Queensland UFO Network Director, Glennys Mackay writes: Greetings to you all, I would like to just thank you for your information received here on e-mail in Brisbane, Australia. I just wanted to say that the information from Alex of New York and his photo of the sphere or orb has been sighted here in Queensland. The first time I had John Carpenter and Joe Lewels here in October of 1996 as two of our International guest Speakers, I had taken them on a trip up the sunshine coast. We stopped as they were interested in seeing the Milky Way. This was at approximately 6:50 PM. Our attention was drawn to this object that just sat at eye level. We were standing on top of a slight hill over-looking the beach and sea at Caloundra (about 120 kilometers from Brisbane). This orb just sat for some time before taking off into the clouds. We were then aware of a very long cigar shaped object moving through the clouds with a strong light at the front and lights at the rear. After several minutes we watched several objects go over our heads, two were satellites, the other one was about the same height only slightly larger went into a small cloud and

never came out !! There have been a number of sightings even more recently. Two helicopter pilots from the sea rescue team were followed by a UFO while flying an injured person to hospital about eight weeks ago. UFOs have been seen coming out of the sea and there's been several sightings by country people in the North/Western parts of Queensland. Thanks to: Glennys Mackay, glenmack@thehub.com.au (glennys mackay)

#### MAINE

Joseph Trainor reports UFOs visited several towns in Maine on Tuesday, January 27, 1998, in an astounding one-night flap. A UFO visited Deer Island in Penobscot Bay, on Maine's Atlantic Ocean coast, illuminating several homes.

Janet Stanley of Stonington, (population 700), a port town on the southern tip of the island, had just turned on her TV set to watch President Clinton's State of the Union speech. As she entered the bathroom, she "was startled by an immensely bright blue light that came through the mini-blinds on her west-facing window." Opening the blinds, "she saw the western sky filled with a deep bright blue glow with yellow vertical streaks resembling lightning strikes." Nine miles to the north, in Little Deer Isle, Maine., "Seth Harkness was watching the speech at 9:10 p.m., when a blinding white light came through the east-facing windows of his living room." In St. Agatha at 7:30 p.m., Pam Pelletier was taking her dog for a walk when she "began hearing a series of huge sky explosions, maybe 7 or 8 of them." At 9:10 p.m., Grace Ouellette was at her home near Long Lake in Madawaska, a small town on the Canadian border, when she spotted "a large orange ball with white flashing lights." At first she thought it was a small plane about to crash at the airport in nearby Frenchville. Across the St. Johns River, in St. Francois de Madawaska, New Brunswick, Canada, Roger Bard "reported that he had seen a ball of fire go down on the American side of the river. 'It did not look like a falling star,' he said. In Millinocket, Maine a small city 69 miles north of Bangor, Ellen Cousins "said she saw a bright orange streak as she looked north at 7:30 p.m."

Evelyn Robinson was driving on Interstate Highway 95 from Houlton to Island Falls at 9:30 p.m., when she "spotted a huge blue-green light streaking from east to west and leaving sparks behind." Robinson said, 'It was very fast, falling to the ground at a 45 degree angle. It was very startling and unnerved me a bit.' In Oakland, located 60 miles north of Bangor, local police Officer Rick Stubbart "received a report of something falling from the sky into McGrath Pond. They plan to send divers out on Friday." Elsewhere in Oakland, Kelly Sirois and her father, Ron Sirois, "heard loud explosions at 8:30 and at 10:30 p.m., that caused both to think that something had impacted with their house." UFO phenomena were also reported in Deer Isle and Lincoln, Maine. (See the Bangor Daily News for 1/30/98, Thanks to G. J. Gianninoto & Joe Trainor editor of UFO Roundup #3-8, 2/8/98.

#### NEW MEXICO

Bill Sauter, a San Diego area truck driver, was on his way back to California on January 31, passing through Deming, New Mexico when he heard talk on his CB radio about an UFO in the sky. Bill told Channel 10 news in San Diego that he always carries a camcorder with him and so he was able to get footage of the object. "It just picked up speed and, whoooo...it was gone." In the same interview he described it as "...something out there that was not an airplane and wasn't a blimp." He also said: "It looked like a 747, but without wings and without a tail section." The original tape has attracted the attention of National TV and is currently being pondered by them. MUFON of San Diego will continue the investigation of the Cigar shaped vehicle on a local level.

If anyone knows of any other witnesses to this sighting please contact me at n6rpf@arrowweb.com or call 619-460-8098, the San Diego Hotline is at <http://n6rpf.com-us.net/sauter.html>. Thanks to Paul Cook.

#### CALIFORNIA

On February 18, 1998, five crewmen from the China Lake Naval Air Weapons Station lost their lives in a helicopter crash near the Kern River Canyon.. Reporter Lou Griswald of the South Valley Bureau of the Fresno Bee in Visalia, California conveyed that there were 'many' people who reported a 'bright object' in the Kern Canyon vicinity at



11:00 p.m. that evening. Griswald said that Deputy Ernest Cowan acknowledged that the bright light, possibly a flare, caused some concern. The object exhibited a strange 'arcing' motion that, Griswald said, ruled out a shooting star. Griswald heard about the bright light from the Deputy and one other person." There were many phone calls which came in over a wide area of Tulare County regarding the bright light. A second "Bright Light" was spotted near Kern River Canyon area two nights later. A separate helicopter accident happened in the exact same location in 1995. This accident killed two when a helicopter also hit the same power. Thanks to: Task UFO Research / task@FUSE.NET (Kenny Young).

#### BRAZIL

Disc-shaped UFOs overflew Fortaleza, the largest city in Brazil's Ceara state, and its suburbs three times on Monday, February 16, 1998. Fortaleza is 1,760 kilometers (1,100 miles) north of Rio de Janeiro. At 7:30 a.m., Neil Oliveiras Chagas spotted "a white object in the form of two inverted trapezoids with rounded edges and two blue lights." Oliveiras Chagas, an electrician by trade, grabbed his video camcorder and shot footage of the UFO.

At 5:20 p.m., Reginaldo Athayde, director-general of Centro de Pesquisas Ufologicas do Ceara (CPU-CE), a Brazilian UFO study group, while investigating the morning's sighting, witnessed another UFO overflight in Centro, Fortaleza's downtown district. According to Sr. Athayde, he "saw another object in the sky of Centro, crossing the Rua Barrio de Rio Branco and the Rua Pedro Pereira. The object was very big, with a spherical form," moving first to the south and then heading east. It was last seen flying east over the South Atlantic. A disc-shaped OVNI (Portuguese acronym for UFO) also appeared over the suburb of Cambeba, where it was videotaped by a TV crew from Verdes Mares. At 6:30 p.m., "a luminous white point" was seen overhead in Varjota, another suburb of Fortaleza. Saucers were also reported in Papicu, Messejana, Parangaba and Barru de Ceara, all districts of Fortaleza.

Later in the evening, "an object of discoidal form" was seen flying towards the South Atlantic from the beach at Praia do Futuro (See the Brazilian newspaper Jornal do Povo for February 17, 1998, "Objeto Nao Identificado Sao Vistos Sobrevando Fortaleza.") Thanks to: UFO Roundup 3-8, 2/8/98 Joe Trainor editor.

#### UFO ON CHILE TV

On February 14, 1998, Television Nacional de Chile (TVN) aired an amateur video of a UFO encounter that took place on November 24, 1997. Vicente Constant, 26, and his family were driving to the Andes on vacation. They planned to visit Villarica volcano, a tourist attraction 688 kilometers (430 miles) south of Santiago de Chile, the national capital. As they neared the volcano, Vicente took out his camcorder and began shooting footage of the Chilean countryside. Although, they were in the Andes at a relatively high altitude--1,600 meters (5,280 feet) he reported, "Suddenly we began feeling a heavy pressure in the air." While moving the camera around, just above the volcano appeared a cigar-shaped object that went from the upper right of the view screen to the left. Then the object suddenly made a turn and took off.

The scene seemed like a UFO entering Earth's atmosphere and then flying off.

This object left no trail." The videotape is being examined by Dr. Rafael Vera Mege of the University of Concepcion. A request to view and examine the tape has been made by Agrupacion de Investigaciones Ovniologicas (AION), Chile's famous UFO study group. (Thanks to Luis Sanchez and Joe Trainor UFO Roundup 3-8, 2/8/98

#### UNITED KINGDOM

ISUR's John Thompson writes that we have had numerous UFO reports from England in the last 30 days. On February 15, 1998 at 19:10 GMT the witnesses were driving along A37 from Dorchester to Yeovil 5 minutes into Somerset, we saw a large white light, come from behind us over the car in the sky, then curled off to left and downwards. It acquired a red/green glow and a tail, then disappeared suddenly.

Andy in Todmorden , West Yorkshire , England reports that in the summer of 1996 around 2:30 AM, he and his friend Joe were camping

and noticed a slow moving craft. After looking at it for a bit longer the object appeared to start moving. I told my friends and they agreed. The object was at first moving slowly, then we realized it was heading in our direction. As the craft approached us it was travelling at quite a speed. As it approached us it then slowed right back down and was almost still and hovering like a helicopter.

The object appeared to be of a triangular or diamond shape and had many lights on the bottom arranged in a circle or a triangular shape. The object then stayed above us for a few seconds and my friend Paul attempted to take a photograph, but for some reason the camera would not operate correctly. Then the object shot off a great speed back over the other side of the valley.

Around 20 seconds after the object had gone the camera was operating fine.

George Hickinson from Leeds, England reports that on February 2, 1998, over 200 people called the BBC to confirm my sighting of two UFOs. He was able to video tape the object for ten minutes over Leeds from 1735 to 1750 hours. The objects were extremely bright white points that hovered at a strange attitude before moving simultaneously. As the objects moved, their appearance changed to 4 bright lights {2 on each object}. The BBC report contained an interview with an air traffic controller from the local airport who stated on record that these objects had not been picked up on their radar. The local Ufologist from BUFORA could not explain this sighting as terrestrial. The incident was also reported in the Yorkshire Evening Post, and prompted a flood of calls mail that agreed with my video evidence. Thanks to: George Hickinson and ISUR.

Tim Matthews writes from England concerning the unusually large number of Victor Kean's flying triangle (FT) reports over three nuclear power plants in southeastern England.

Hi there George, nothin' like a little debate. It would appear that Kean and Fowler have been watching too many episodes of "The Invaders". As I have said before, 90% of Kean's triangles are not actually triangles. It wouldn't be so bad if he left his computer and actually investigated some FT sightings - like the Southport case - after which I interviewed seven witnesses none of who believed that they had seen a "spacecraft". Given that Warton -- just one of the places that triangles up to 120 feet in length have been seen since 1994 (much less often last year)-- is only four miles from SP I think a link might be established! Why are these things always, as Kean seems to suggest, seen near military facilities? Many of my witnesses have seen FTs at military bases including RAF Boscombe Down! Aliens-- I think not. Deliberate disinformation? Certainly. Witnesses are notoriously bad at judging size. For instance a case from the A435 last year where two women described an FT seen nearby as "massive" and "the same size as a double-decker bus" -- 25 feet. It's Hudson Valley, New York all over again -- they move slowly at low altitude and give the impression that these are huge FTs. Look at the Indian Point incident. One witness says 200 feet, another 900 feet. Did they see the same thing? I wonder... One also wonders why it has taken Kean's colleagues in East Anglia so long to visit these power stations given the opportunity to photograph an FT in operation. It doesn't make sense and neither does Kean's assertion that FTs have been seen over Battersea Power Station - which was a non-nuclear facility in any case and which has been shut down for 20 years!!!!!! Furthermore, I was in London recently and saw many FTs - aircraft flying into Heathrow Airport!!!

My old Geography teacher gave me one good piece of advice. Always state the obvious. The evidence suggests an obvious conclusion - FTs are very terrestrial, although remarkable in some respects. Finally, why have none of these wasters involved with Kean noted that during the Kent FT mini-flap of last year, the FTs were flying near a top secret Defence Evaluation and Research Agency (DERA) site at Fort Halstead in Kent? Maybe I'm gifted -- or maybe it's just plain old common sense. As to the bull about pilots not being able to withstand the tremendous "g" forces of sustained high "g" flight why no mention of UAVs? I suggest a perusal of Spacecast 2025 or perhaps the USAF Scientific Advisory Board study entitled "New World Vistas" In no case have I heard of a triangle doing much more than flying slowly-- where are the high 'g' turns? 12-18 g turns are talked about at the highest level... Come back David Vincent - all is forgiven! Tim Matthews.

## SPAIN

On February 10, 1998, at approximately 1:45 AM, I was driving back from a town close to Granada called Armilla, in southern Spain. I was with a friend of mine named Mark. We were half way to Granada when we saw a huge flash that illuminated everything completely. The sky was covered with clouds, but it was not raining, and the conditions were not stormy. I looked through my side window and I saw a very bright orange sphere with an electrical blue tail in the shape of a lightning bolt. Both shapes, however, were their own entities. The tail was not produced by the sphere. The image I observed lasted about 5 seconds. The object was heading southeast at a very high speed. The altitude of the "object" was not over 600 meters. Thanks to: Miguel A. Pereira, Director of The Department of Science SIB BETELGEUSE

## TIM GOOD'S "ALIEN BASE"

According to Tim Good's literary agent, Andrew Lownie, Tim's next book 'Alien Base' which is due to be published early this year, is the best he's ever done. So good in fact, that Tim has received a huge up-front payment to the sum of =A3200,000. 'Alien Base' is the result of a thorough investigation into alien bases right here on our own planet.. Tim believes that Earth itself is one big alien base. Possible underground alien bases are apparently located in the US, with one in Taos, New Mexico, others exist in South America and Russia, but none in the UK. Underwater bases are in Central America, Mexico, Peru and Brazil. Tim has found no evidence of any activity in the infamous Dulce site, but he has no doubt that some kind of evidence did exist, and has spoken to the local Indians about this. In a recent issue of Saucer Smear, editor Jim Mosley, writes that Tim Good has sent him a copy of a letter dated May 9th 1968, which pertains to be from the late Senator Robert Kennedy to the late Gray Barker. In the letter, Kennedy claims to have a positive interest in flying saucer research and to be a card carrying member of a pro-contactee UFO group based in California. If it's genuine it surely proves that Robert Kennedy was a believer. Thanks to: Georgina Bruni HOT GOSSIP UK [www.hotgossip.co.uk](http://www.hotgossip.co.uk) People who wish to order copies of Timothy Good's new book 'Alien Base: Earth's Encounter With Extraterrestrials' can find details at the Website: UFOMAG.CO.UK, Graham Birdsall

## SPACE DEBRIS COLLIDES

ABC News consultant James Oberg reports the January 15th launch of a Minuteman II missile left colorful streaks in the California sky. Half an hour later, its discarded third stage disintegrated.- A collision 240 miles above Earth last month has U.S. missile experts pondering the statistics of chance. The most likely explanation is "practically impossible," said one. The third stage of a military missile launched from California apparently collided with a piece of space debris and was destroyed within range of sensors on Kwajalein Island, a small atoll in the western Pacific. A modified Minuteman-II Intercontinental Ballistic Missile (ICBM) was launched from Vandenberg Air Force Base at 7:25 p.m. PST on January 15. It carried a collection of targets and dummy warheads to test an anti-missile sensor on a missile to be launched from Kwajalein. That part of the exercise turned out successfully. But half an hour after launch, and about a minute before it was to hit the atmosphere, the discarded third stage of the missile suddenly disintegrated into a cloud of shrapnel, which burned up in the atmosphere soon after. The fuel tank, about the size of a refrigerator, was falling at about 5 miles per second. A grapefruit-sized chunk of space debris was also zooming at about 5 miles per second on a collision course with the missile section. "Apparently it did collide with some piece of space junk,?" said Lt. Col. Rick Lehner, a spokesman for the Ballistic Missile Defense Organization in Washington, D.C., the test's sponsor. Engineers reviewed data from radar screens and from telescopes on the aircraft tracking the missile. "The scope clearly showed a small object moving rapidly from in-range to out-range." "When its range coincided with the tank, it disappeared and the tank slowly changed from a single object to a cloud of targets." The tracking data, however, is ambiguous to some space debris experts within NASA. One radar that tracks larger objects saw only the fuel tank, while a radar using frequencies better suited to small

objects saw both the tank and the "intruder." The U.S. Space Command tracks about 7,000 objects in Earth orbit bigger than a few inches across, many of them fragments of rocket explosions. But all attempts to correlate this object with any catalogued space junk have been unsuccessful. Don Kessler, formerly NASA's guru on space debris, says a collision is certainly possible. "But it's one of the least probable kinds of collisions you could expect." "I would look very strongly for something else," he says. Thanks to: ABCNEWS.com, Feb. 12, 1997.

Please contact George Filer, if you have news or comments at Majorstar@aol.com.

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## Re: 'Beyond Roswell' Q&A Site

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>Date: Wed, 25 Feb 1998 07:37:14 -0500  
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>From: Bob Shell <[bob@bobshell.com](mailto:bob@bobshell.com)>  
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: 'Beyond Roswell' Q&A Site

>So far, except for the comments by McAndrew (who was hardly  
>acting as an official spokesman) there has been a deafening  
>silence from the Govt on this matter.

To acknowledge, or enter into the debate about it's veracity,  
would have the impact of lending it credibility if the Government  
(or Military) were to become involved. There are UFOlogists  
(okay, okay, a very few) who are still sitting on the fence  
regarding the "film", but they won't enter into any public  
discussion because that merely becomes a part of the "myth"  
surrounding it.

Karl Phlock wrote:

>>>Oh, yeah, and did whoever it was that sold the stolen or fake  
>>>goods to Mr. Santilli pay income taxes on his/her/its ill-gotten  
>>>gains? I hope the IRS is looking into this. It would be nice to  
>>>see the revenooers go after a real crook (hoaxer or thief, as the  
>>>case may be) for a change.

Causing me to respond with:

>>If the "Cameraman" is ever identified, that could be a problem  
>>for him. Of course, the tax issue was one of the first things  
>>mentioned as to why he wouldn't come forward. OTOH, I'm not sure  
>>what the IRS has to look into at this point. All they have are  
>>the comments of a music promoter regarding an alleged payment to  
>>an unidentified American of an undisclosed amount of money for a  
>>"film" that most people believe to be non-existent.

Resulting in this response from Bob:

>Yeah, this tax thing is one reason Ray has trotted out for not  
>giving me access to the cameraman. A couple of months ago he  
>supposedly relented, and Ray said he would phone me, but so far  
>no call has come.

Since his story would be so explosive, I can't imagine that  
finding a magazine or production company to pay him enough to  
cover any taxes and penalties would be a problem. I think the  
National Enquirer still has their offer open, and his testimony  
(if it holds up) would certainly be proof of extra-terrestrial  
visitation. But, well. . . . never mind.

>As I have said a number of times, I'm not at all convinced that  
>the man who sold the film to Santilli is, in fact, the cameraman  
>who shot the film. I've seen nothing in his alleged comments  
>which shows any particular insight about the film. He may be an  
>opportunist who stumbled onto this film somewhere and concocted  
>his story after reading a few Roswell books.

>But whether he is the cameraman or not, the film itself still  
>defies easy explanation.

It's fairly obvious that the story told around the "film" doesn't quite add up. Almost every facet of the story is about a "half a bubble off plumb" from what has been accepted by many as the story of the Roswell crash. In the end, we are still left with what Ray has correctly described as a really "interesting" bit of film.

Many have become convinced that it's only a hoax, and given the lack of provenance they can hardly be blamed for that assessment. But I would certainly agree that while it has been shown that it could have been hoaxed, nothing has 'proven' that the "Alien Autopsy" sequence is a hoax.

Steve

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## Alfred's Odd Ode #229

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Apology to MW #229 (For March 7, 1998)

Then they told me what was interesting, and what kept them hanging round; it was the individuals they found were most profound. Institution was too boring 'cause it panders to position, is slow to cop to common sense, is backward looking -- imposition. Nations are a travesty that work to keep their status by using up the single ones supporting them in gratis.

No -- it's the single mote of consciousness that delights but so confounds them. How it lives our culture's chaos and survives! =85Producing works of art that simply fall from focused fingers, and to see beyond horizons we contrive! They lost it, how some ever, in that time between the stars, their consciousness predictable -- the same. Though they find them most uncomfortable, and unsettling to behold, it's surprises that delights them -- it's the way they play their game.

Not watching for amusement, or just to pass the time, they watch to engineer their own survival. Their boredom's killing them, and it's us that's teaching them to recapture what they lost from their own bible. Theirs is written truly, tested faith, as they construe it, but it's reach has met it's grasp in empty air. For all their science magic, they are soulless, and it's tragic; they approach in trepidation -- but they dare. It's our passion they review, enthusiasm -- we're imbued, and, they like us, well enough, as they are able. But not enough for trouble, which we bring down on the double, so then not enough to join us at our table.

Perhaps they'd think it disrespectful to provide their easy path; they couldn't break their rules of intervention? It's the way they do their business that we couldn't understand as our history is, and has been, in contention.

We're barely from a cradle that is seen with ancient eyes. We're repellant and we're beautiful, respected and despised. We are feared by what we worship, and it's always been that way, they knew that when they made us; they knew we'd make them pay <g>. Some have tried to wound us back to stone age modes of thought, and some have kept the faith with us some others have forgot. But a hands on rule is current though denial is still plausible; it's up to us to leave the Earth, or perish -- as is possible.

"Any question's, Mr. Lehmborg"? I heard them ask again. I said, "Yes, and you most likely have an answer." I was answered to the brim right now =85 but questions come again somehow -- when answers make up question's fancy dancer.

"What then can I do with a story I can't tell -- a story all the doctors say is bunk? If I breath out just one word I'd be committed, undeterred.  
Buried in a rubber room, discounted -- counter sunk. "

Well, they ushered me out of the room we were in, and into a huge, monstrous hall. The ceiling was domed and obscured with soft mists -- mist changing color, a carnival, or ball.

And this, a small room when compared to the ship, a fraction of its volume; and nothing at ALL to hold it all up, not a pillar,

or a scaffold or a column.

And the sight's and the smells, an assault to the senses of this ape (not that long) from the plains -- Afarensis. Everything's catching the eyes in my head, my ears snatched away, in pleasure and dread. All of it's new, and exciting, and fearful in beauty so plain I am made (truly) tearful. But it's too much too fast, (and I'm not sure I like it). I'm blowing a gasket; I try and I fight it.

But it's just no damn use, and I slip to the floor, mind blown and knocked cold, out in shock -- through the door.

Lehmberg@snowhill.com

Enough is too much.

Restore John Ford.

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Explore the Alien View?

<http://www.fortunecity.com/roswell/arecibo/46/>

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, while burning at the fundamentalist's stake.

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## Re: The Camilla Scott Show

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Date: Sat, 07 Mar 1998 18:33:26 -0400  
Fwd Date: Sat, 07 Mar 1998 21:19:24 -0500  
Subject: Re: The Camilla Scott Show

> Date: Wed, 04 Mar 1998 13:21:06 -0500  
> To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
> From: SKvs <[bradford@globalserve.net](mailto:bradford@globalserve.net)> [Sue Kovios]  
> Subject: Camilla Scott Show

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> carried in some parts of the States.

> Once again, I could see the participants were discouraged since  
> they didn't really have alot of time to say too much. They  
> probably spent 10 times as long getting ready for the show. I  
> won't say too much about the show. You'll have to watch it  
> yourselves.

> Don't ever go down for a taping unless you get a VIP pass (which  
> fortunately I did). It's all young kids and they treat them like  
> cattle before the show. It's really like a three-ring circus. I  
> felt like I should've been in grade 8 again. Aren't you glad you  
> didn't go Stan?

> Don't forget to set your VCRs.

It was a busy time, but I would have gone , and faxed material, but then they let me know they didn't want me on. I had hoped to do battle with Joe Nichol in person as opposed to at a distance as I did from Roswell without being able to see him or the host. He made the absurd charge that the Roswell PIO had put out the press release on his own to get attention. In the past he claimed the MJ-12 documents were false because the date format didn't follow the government style manual etc ad nauseum.. I will try to watch to see the fun I had missed.

Thanks for the update.

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> carried in some parts of the States.

<snip>

Hi back! :-)

I was one of those \*few others\* and yes, it was an unruly audience.

Barbara and Patrick (two of the 'others') were at my house last night and we all agreed that we didn't mind the audience response. We all feel that if one or two people watch the show and get something positive from it, then it is worth the time and effort and left out statements we weren't given time to make.

On another note, for those of you in the western New York or Ontario area, there is still space available for tomorrow's lecture at Mohawk college in Hamilton with Joshua Shapiro, author of \*Mysteries of the Crystal Skulls Revealed\*, and \*UFO's, Space Brothers and the Aquarian Age\*. The lecture is from 1 - 4pm and will be on UFOs and ETs, from several different angles.

Hope to see some of you there!

Mary Keller (Lyra)

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## Re: Budd Hopkins in hospital

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>>Date: Mon, 2 Mar 1998 18:52:57 -0500  
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>>From: John <[jvif@spacelab.net](mailto:jvif@spacelab.net)> [John Velez]  
>>Subject: Budd Hopkins in hospital

>>I promise to keep everyone posted. If you want to  
>>send a get well card you can mail it to:

>>Budd Hopkins  
>>PO Box 30233  
>>New York, NY 10011

>>I'm sure it'll do his heart good to get em! Say a  
>>little prayer for one of the nicest guys that God  
>>ever put on earth. He has given to us all freely  
>>and we (as abductees) owe him a debt of gratitude  
>>that can never be repaid.

>>Talk to you guys again soon.

>>John

Hey John,

Pass on my best to Budd when you see him. I just sent him the worst get well card I ever saw, since I know well of his love of bad jokes. I hope it adds a bit of cheer when it arrives.

Budd is a kind, gentle soul. We need a lot more like him.

Bob

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## The Hack and The Quack - Phoenix New Times

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From: <http://www.phoenixnewtimes.com/>

The Phoenix New Times  
Saturday, March 7, 1998

The Hack and The Quack  
by  
Jim Ortega

The 'Phoenix Lights' made Frances Emma Barwood the darling of the global space-alien lobby. And it's transformed computer-geek Jim Dilettoso into a star in the UFO firmament.

Jim Dilettoso is playing a duet on a piano with a man who has a cross made of his own crusty, drying blood on his forehead.

On Dilettoso's own head is a mass of curly grayish hair. His mane dips and sways with the fluid rhythm he lays down, and his swaying locks, combined with his wire-rim glasses and the handsome seriousness of his face, evoke the eccentric genius and renowned UFO researcher he's rumored to be.

Plucking out a tentative melody on the higher keys, a moon-faced Giorgio Bongiovanni beams as he tries to keep up. With his tangled brown locks, Bongiovanni might be taken for a Deadhead if it weren't for the blackish dried blood decorating his forehead. Ridges of the finger-smoothed ocher make a crude cross a few inches wide; around the cross, a field of fresher, redder blood is smeared.

Bongiovanni's blood sources are hidden beneath fingerless gloves. Eight years ago, Bongiovanni claims, the Virgin Mary visited him, delivered a message about Jesus consorting with space aliens, and, after Bongiovanni offered to help carry Christ's message, the Virgin zapped his palms with lasers that came out of her eyes. He's been carrying his stigmata ever since, rubbing the blood coming from his palms, feet and other sites onto his forehead to maintain his cross.

The duet draws a swarm of photographers who block the view of the other 500 people sitting at tables in the ballroom of the Gold River Casino in Laughlin, Nevada.

It's the culminating Saturday-night banquet of the Seventh Annual International UFO Congress. There's a giant blowup space alien in the parking lot. Extraterrestrials and E.T. hybrids disguised as middle-aged white people sit among the Earthly guests munching on a lasagna buffet. In the hall next door, you can get your aura photographed.

Sitting at the head table, naturally, is Arizona secretary of state hopeful and former Phoenix councilwoman Frances Emma Barwood, who is scheduled to address the gathering.

"This is all new to us," Barwood's husband, Mike Siavelis, says sheepishly as the evening descends into surreality.

Barwood merely smiles.

Her tablemates include Stephen Bassett, Barwood's UFO political consultant who's paid to work the space-alien side of her bid to become secretary of state. He's busy introducing Barwood to the luminaries of the UFO community.

The man sitting across from Barwood, for example, Dr. Jim Harder, once taught electrical engineering at UC-Berkeley but today helps people, through hypnosis, recover memories of being abducted by aliens. Bassett speaks of Harder in hushed tones, clearly wanting Barwood to know that she's in the presence of UFO royalty.

Harder's wife, Cedar, leans over to make an even more startling revelation.

"My husband," she says, "he's an E.T."

"Did he tell you that?" she's asked.

"He didn't have to. I realized it by observation."

She should know. She reveals later that she recently recovered memories of being abducted by aliens herself.

Until Barwood's speech caps off the night, the UFO Congress will entertain itself with bad stand-up comedy, a "song for the future" by a woman who says she learned it by channeling aliens, and several group photos.

But the highlight is a tribute given to Shari Adamiak, who recently died. Rather than eulogize Adamiak with a description of who she was or what she accomplished, a severe woman chooses instead to tell a remarkable episode from Adamiak's life.

Adamiak had accompanied UFO researcher Steven Greer on an expedition into Mexico. There, in a remote area, the two were surprised by soldiers carrying AK-47 rifles. Suspiciously, the soldiers' uniforms carried no insignia. Adamiak and Greer figured they were dead, but they prayed ardently to space aliens. In obvious answer to their plaint, the two spotted a flying saucer overhead.

The craft had no sooner passed when the soldiers, remarkably....

At this point, the narrator halts, sensing that even in this atmosphere of abject credulity, her story is reaching ridiculous proportions. To make sure everyone gets the point, she says emphatically, as a challenge: "This is a true story."

... the soldiers, under the beneficent influence of extraterrestrials, walked to a van, dropped their AK-47s, picked up guitars and began strumming, enabling Adamiak and Greer to make their escape.

"True story," Bassett assures Barwood.

Truth by assertion: It's in abundant supply at the UFO Congress, where people are more interested in discussing the implications of aliens living among us than looking for hard evidence of actual landings or abductions. As Cedar Harder will say later, the conventioners have "moved beyond talking about the nuts and bolts of UFO investigation."

Aliens are here. They are mating with humans.

And the lights that appeared over Phoenix last March couldn't possibly have been anything of Earth.

It's been a remarkable year since hundreds of Arizonans thrilled to lights seen over much of the state March 13, 1997.

When Barwood, then a councilwoman, asked the city to look into the sightings, she became a national media phenomenon and will no doubt bring much outside attention -- and outside campaign donations -- to her otherwise unglamorous race for secretary of state.

Jim Dilettoso's own star has risen as a result of his proclamations that the lights over Phoenix could not have been

flares, airplanes or anything else manmade. His scientific-sounding claims have made him and his Tempe firm, Village Labs, a regular in television, radio and newspaper reports.

A recent edition of Hard Copy and upcoming specials on Japanese television, the UPN network, and A&E all feature Dilettoso and the spectral analysis he claims to do from videotapes of the event.

"These were not flares," he says with certainty.

For many, the assertions of truth are enough.

And for the media, such proclamations not only prove sufficient but make for good copy.

Perhaps no assertion has been as widely taken for proof that aliens visited Phoenix last March than Dilettoso's claims that his "sophisticated optical analysis" eliminates more prosaic explanations for the March 13 lights. From the Discovery Channel to the Arizona Republic to USA Today, Dilettoso has been advertised as an expert who can divine the nature of lights with his bank of computers. Not one of the publications or programs has described the scientific principles behind Dilettoso's claims.

With the arrival of the Phoenix Lights anniversary, news reports will no doubt mushroom, and Dilettoso and his techniques will receive more attention as reporters breathlessly tell the UFO story of the decade: how Phoenix has, in only a year, become the center of the UFO cosmos, the site of recurring visits by strange aliens, and home of a heroic political avatar.

What they won't tell you is that Dilettoso employs the language of science to mask that, given the tools he uses, he is incapable of doing what he claims to be doing.

So what? you say. Does anyone really care if a few oddballs gain notoriety from science fiction? Who are they hurting?

Dr. Paul Scowen, a visiting professor of astronomy at Arizona State University, cares.

"I become quite offended when people pull this sort of nonsense," Scowen says. "We in the science business make our living doing this stuff to the best ability we can, and applying all of the knowledge that humankind has assembled to this point in science to figure out what's going on. . . ."

"Why should people care? Because it's been so high-profile and they've been told lies. That's why people should care."

Many Valley residents had gone out last March 13 looking for a spectacular event in the night sky. Comet Hale-Bopp was near its closest approach to Earth, and that night it could be seen in the northwest, as bright a comet as has been seen in 20 years.

About 8:30, however, something else appeared -- a vee pattern of lights that traveled nearly the entire length of the state in about 40 minutes.

The witnesses included New Times writers. David Holthouse and Michael Kiefer both saw the pattern of five lights move slowly overhead. Holthouse says he perceived that something connected the lights in a boomerang shape; Kiefer disagrees, saying they didn't seem connected. Like other witnesses, both reported that the vee made no sound, and each saw slightly different colors in the lights. Both watched as the lights gradually made their way south and faded from view.

The many eyewitnesses have elaborated on this basic model: Some saw that the lights were not connected, others swear they saw a giant triangular craft joining them, some felt it was at high altitude, others claim it was barely over their heads and moving very slowly. All seem to be describing the same lights at the same time: About 8:15 the lights passed over the Prescott area, about 15 minutes later the vee moved over Phoenix, and at 8:45 it passed south of Tucson.

That's about 200 miles in 30 minutes, which indicates that the

lights were traveling about 400 miles per hour.

An alert owner of a home video camera caught the 8:30 vee pattern on tape. Terry Proctor filmed the vee for several minutes. The quality of the tape is poor, and even under enhancement the video shows nothing joining the five lights of the pattern. However, the pattern of lights changes over just a few seconds. The lights clearly move in relation to each other, proving that the lights represent five separate objects, rather than a solid body. This is consistent with witness reports from Prescott, where one light trailed the others temporarily.

But someone got an even better view than Proctor and his video camera.

That night, Mitch Stanley and his mother were in the yard of their Scottsdale home, where Stanley has a large Dobsonian telescope.

He and his mother noticed the vee pattern approaching from the northwest. Within seconds, Stanley was able to aim the telescope at the leading three lights of the pattern.

Stanley was using a 10-inch mirror which gathers 1,500 times as much light as the human eye, and an eyepiece which magnified the sky 60 times, effectively transporting him 60 times closer to the lights than people on the ground.

When Stanley's mother asked him what he saw, he responded, "Planes."

It was plain to see, Stanley says. Under magnification, Stanley could clearly see that each light split into pairs, one each on the tips of squarish wings. Even under the telescope's power, the planes appeared small, indicating that they were flying high. Stanley says he followed the planes for about a minute, then turned his telescope to more interesting objects.

"They were planes. There's no way I could have mistaken that," he says.

The next day, when radio reports made Stanley aware that many thought they had seen something extraterrestrial, he told Jack Jones, another amateur astronomer, about his sighting. Jones later called both the Arizona Republic and Frances Emma Barwood. Neither called Jones or Stanley back.

Barwood says she passed on Stanley's name to Dilettoso's Village Labs, who didn't call the young man until New Times first reported his story in June.

Although hundreds of Valley residents saw the vee formation, the media have paid much more attention to a separate event that occurred later that night.

At 10 p.m., up to nine bright lights were seen to appear, hover for several minutes, and then disappear southwest of Phoenix in the direction of the Sierra Estrella. Video cameras at points across the Valley caught the string of hovering lights. All nine were visible from some locations, others saw fewer.

Mike Krzyston, from the yard of his Moon Valley home, captured all nine on video. "I hit pay dirt, finally!" he exclaimed as the lights appeared. "This is a major sighting!" said another videographer as he taped five of the lights.

In June, however, KPNX-TV Channel 12 reporter Blair Meeks filmed a drop of flares by military planes over the Air Force gunnery ranges southwest of Phoenix. The hovering lights looked remarkably like the 10 p.m. lights of March 13, and Meeks suggested it as a possible solution to that night's second event.

Within days, Tucson Weekly broke the news that the Maryland Air National Guard, in Arizona for winter training, had a squad of A-10 fighters over the gunnery range that night, and they had dropped flares. An Arizona National Guard public information officer, Captain Eileen Bienz, had determined that the flares had been dropped at 10 p.m. over the North Tac range 30 miles southwest of Phoenix, at an unusually high altitude: 15,000 feet. (Captain Drew Sullins, spokesman for the Maryland Air National Guard, says that the A-10s, which have squarish wings, never went



north of Phoenix, so they could not have been responsible for the formation of planes seen at 8:30 p.m.)

Local UFO investigator Dick Motzer and others have shown that the initial appearance of the 10 p.m. lights, the number of lights seen from different elevations in the Valley, and the timing of the lights' disappearances all correspond well with flares dropped at high altitude beyond the Sierra Estrella.

But questions remain.

If Stanley saw that the 8:30 lights were airplanes, whose were they? And why did Tucson's Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, where the Maryland Air National Guard's A-10s returned that night, initially say it had no planes in the air at that time?

Krzyston and others who taped the 10 p.m. event insist that the 10 p.m. lights hovered in front of, not behind, the Estrella, where the gunnery ranges lie.

Most publicized objections to the 10 p.m. flares hypothesis have come from Jim Dilettoso, who claims that sophisticated tests performed at Village Labs show that the lights filmed by Krzyston and others could not have been flares -- whatever caused the 10 p.m. event, Dilettoso claims, was like no source of manmade light.

Local and national media alike have found his statements irresistible.

While careful to tell the mainstream press that he makes no claims about extraterrestrials, that his research simply eliminates the possibility of flares, Dilettoso is perhaps feeling more bold as an increasing number of reporters seeks his opinions.

With all of the seriousness he could muster, he recently told Hard Copy: "These could be the most important events in 50 years."

Dilettoso is needlessly conservative. If the lights of March 13 were of otherworldly origin, it would be one of the most significant events in human history.

That's been the holy grail of a movement spawned decades ago that shows no sign of abating. But research into UFOs has changed considerably, much to the chagrin of investigators who still insist on a scientific approach to unexplained sightings.

Interest in "flying saucers" exploded in post-World War II America, prompting the Air Force to hire an astronomy professor, J. Allen Hynek, and others to investigate. For more than 20 years, Hynek and the rest of the Air Force's Project Blue Book examined UFO sightings, the vast majority of which were easily explained as natural phenomena.

The military ended Hynek's contract and Project Blue Book in 1969, and four years later Hynek, by then head of Northwestern University's astronomy department, created the Center for UFO Studies. The center examined UFO claims scientifically and tabulated its results. In its initial studies, the center found, for example, that 28 percent of sightings were simply bright stars or planets (in 49 of those cases, witnesses estimated that the celestial objects were between 200 feet and 125 miles away).

Of 1,307 cases which the center examined in the early 1970s, only 20 seemed unexplainable. The center stopped short of claiming that those 20 were caused by alien spacecraft.

UFO investigator Philip J. Klass, in an article about Hynek, points out that few present researchers apply the same kinds of rigorous study to the subject. For today's "investigators," the slightest mystery is obvious proof of an extraterrestrial presence.

Hynek died in 1986 in Scottsdale. By then, the field he helped pioneer was changing radically.

Jim Marrs is a good example. Author of the best-selling Alien Agenda, Marrs is touted as both an expert on UFOs and the John F. Kennedy assassination (and, incredibly, connects the two in Alien

Agenda, suggesting that Kennedy was killed for his knowledge of U.S.-space alien contacts). Oliver Stone mined Marrs' 1990 book Crossfire for his conspiracy-minded film JFK.

Today, Jim Marrs is giving a sermon.

He's a featured speaker at the Seventh Annual International UFO Congress. His message: There's no question aliens are among us. The real question, he asserts, is what their "agenda" is.

"I feel like I'm preaching to the choir. I don't think I need to explain anything to you," he says in his Texas twang.

Marrs preaches about our moon, for example, asserting that it is "the original UFO," and a great mystery. Marrs asserts that, unlike other celestial objects, the moon travels not in an ellipse but "in a nearly perfectly circular orbit."

No one objects to this falsehood. In fact, the moon moves in a very respectable ellipse which can change its distance from Earth up to 50,000 kilometers.

To Marrs, the sum of this and other effects -- which include several basic errors of astronomical knowledge from a best-selling author who claims to be an expert -- lead to only one, unavoidable conclusion: It is obvious that an ancient, extraterrestrial race parked the moon in a perfect orbit around Earth.

No one in the audience laughs.

"I don't have to explain this. You all believe this, right?" Marrs asks, and he gets a resounding "yes" from the choir.

Meanwhile, two women ignore Marrs as they talk about why aliens are abducting so many people. One says aliens want to create a hybrid human-alien race which will be able to operate the advanced technology aliens plan on bestowing us.

The second woman says that the hybrid race would be pandimensional, capable of disappearing into the fourth dimension.

Lights in the sky. Bizarre dreams. Objects whizzing by in video shots which look just like bugs out of focus. Memories of alien abductions "recovered" by suggestive hypnotherapists.

The movement barely resembles the field of inquiry taken seriously by the late Hynek.

With a heavy dose of New Age influence, the UFO movement increasingly grows less like a science and more like a religion. Some investigators point to an early case that marked this shift: the elaborate claims of a one-armed Swiss farmer named Eduard "Billy" Meier.

Since 1975, Meier has claimed to have had more than 700 contacts with aliens from the Pleiades star cluster. In most of those contacts, a female alien named Semjase has appeared to Meier, allowed him to photograph her spacecraft, taken him on rides in the craft, and even whisked him into the past to meet Jesus Christ, who was duly impressed with the advice Meier gave him. He has taken more than 1,000 photographs of Semjase's craft (which Semjase only reveals to Meier when he is alone), as well as photos of alien women, closeups of famous celestial objects, and even the eye of God. Meier claims that he is the reincarnation of Christ and that his teachings, based on what Semjase tells him, will save mankind.

Arizonans were instrumental in promoting Meier-mania. Beginning in the late 1970s, Wendelle C. Stevens, a Tucson UFO enthusiast, and others began touting and publishing Meier's photos (while playing down the messianic stuff).

Looking at Meier's photos, it's hard to believe he was ever taken seriously. Yet several Arizonans assured the UFO-hungry public that they had tested Meier's photographs and had found them to be genuine.

One of these investigators included a young man who claimed that he had used computers to verify the authenticity of Meier's

photographs.

His name was Jim Dilettoso.

Kal Korff is one UFO researcher who believes Jim Dilettoso is a poseur.

Korff became interested in UFOs and began corresponding with Wendelle C. Stevens in the late 1970s. The two swapped UFO photos, and Korff studied the Billy Meier phenomenon. When the normally open Stevens refused to discuss certain aspects of the Meier case, Korff grew suspicious.

His doubts led him to write two books, one in 1980, the second in 1995, debunking the Meier case. In 1991, Korff traveled under an assumed name to Switzerland and inspected many unpublished Meier photographs. Korff's investigation, revealed in his book *Spaceships of the Pleiades*, showed that Meier's outer-space photographs were actually crude snapshots of TV science programs.

One photo is of two out-of-focus women who Meier insisted were aliens. In a tape-recorded interview with Korff, Jim Dilettoso claimed that the photo was authentic because the woman in the foreground had elongated ear lobes. But Korff showed that a clearer, unpublished photo taken by Meier revealed that the elongated ear lobes were actually lengths of the woman's hair.

In one of Wendelle C. Stevens' books of Meier photographs, futuristic-looking (for 1979) computer enhancements of the spaceship photos are accompanied by captions which purport to describe tests that authenticated Meier's photos.

De Anza Systems, a San Jose company, was credited with providing the computers to do the analyses.

In 1981, Korff interviewed De Anza employee Ken Dinwiddie, who confirmed that Dilettoso had brought the Meier photos to his shop. But Dilettoso and another man had simply asked that De Anza make some sample enhancements of the photos as a demonstration.

"They came to De Anza under the pretext of wanting to buy our equipment. We demonstrated it, and they snapped many pictures and left. We made no data interpretations whatsoever," Dinwiddie told Korff in the presence of two other investigators.

"What about the captions which appear in the [Meier] book under each photo? Are they correct?" Korff asked Dinwiddie.

"Those are their interpretations, not ours. Nothing we did would have defined what those results meant."

It was clear to Dinwiddie, Korff writes, that Dilettoso and Stevens dreamed up the impressive-sounding captions despite that they had nothing to do with demonstrations De Anza had performed.

Korff showed Dinwiddie a caption below a Meier photo that purports to show a hovering spacecraft: "Thermogram -- color density separations -- low frequencies properties of light/time of day are correct; light values on ground are reflected in craft bottom; eliminates double exposures and paste-ups."

"No, we put those colors in the photo!" Dinwiddie exclaimed. "Jim [Dilettoso] said, 'Can you make the bottom of the object appear to reflect the ground below?' I said yes, and we performed the operations that they asked for."

Added Dinwiddie: "My impression of Jim Dilettoso is that he freely chooses to use whatever descriptive text he enjoys to describe things. He is not particularly versed in computer technology. He's a pretty good piano player, though."

Korff says that since his book was published in 1995, Dilettoso has made no efforts to dispute its contents.

Dilettoso tells New Times that he didn't write the captions, but that they aren't misleading. "If you talked to Ken Dinwiddie today, he would say we didn't do this."

New Times did talk to Ken Dinwiddie last week, and he remembers things the way Korff describes them.

Dilettoso has applied even more questionable methods in his "validation" of UFO photographs.

In 1987 and 1988, he worked for an Arizona affiliate of NASA; his work involved helping NASA technology get to the private sector, he says.

But he admits that he wasn't working for NASA in 1991 when he provided Wendelle C. Stevens with a seven-page analysis of UFO photographs taken in Puerto Rico. On NASA stationery, Dilettoso writes that "this is not an official project," but concludes that the photos of a flying saucer encountering an F-14 Tomcat are authentic.

Puerto Rican UFO investigator Antonio Huneus says the case involved a man named Amaury Rivera who claimed he was abducted by aliens on his way home from work in 1988 and managed to get a picture of their spacecraft as it left with three Tomcat jets in hot pursuit. Huneus says that UFO enthusiasts who were convinced of the truth of Rivera's story early on now dismiss it as a hoax after, among other things, a photographer named German Gutierrez admitted that he had helped Rivera fake his snapshots.

But Huneus points out that the case has still played prominently in Mexico, Germany, Hungary, Japan, Argentina and Taiwan, always with the startling revelation that NASA had confirmed the authenticity of Rivera's photographs.

Dilettoso admits that he was no longer working for NASA when he gave his analysis to Stevens, but he says Stevens had lost the analysis he had done three years earlier when he had been employed by the space agency.

"He came into my office and asked me to write the letter and, you know, I did," he says. "An Air Force colonel coming to me and asking for that letter, I at least took pause and said ahhh, all right, but this is not an official project," he says.

So Dilettoso did the favor for Stevens, who indeed is a former Air Force colonel. He's also an ex-convict. Department of Corrections records show that he pleaded guilty to child molestation and spent five years in prison. He was released in 1988.

Jim Dilettoso is asked to explain how he can look at videotape of the March 13, 10 p.m. event and, using image analysis, declare that the lights are not flares.

He begins by explaining that the electromagnetic spectrum includes x-rays, infrared radiation, visible light.

And musical notes.

It's one of the least preposterous things Dilettoso says during a two-hour interview.

He's sitting in the conference room at Village Labs. In the next room, there's a bank of computers which has become a fixture in television footage filmed at the Tempe firm. On the walls and spread out over the large table are charts and diagrams which suggest that complex work happens here.

Dilettoso has finished his explanations about music as a form of electromagnetic energy (it isn't, of course, but it seems rude to interrupt), and he's now explaining how a camcorder can, even from miles away, record the finest details of a light bulb, such as its glowing filament, if you just know how to extract that image from the recorded blob of light. His computers can do just that, Dilettoso says.

If this were possible, astronomers and other scientists would gladly beat a path to Dilettoso's door. Unfortunately, there's something that prevents a camcorder from recording such detail.

It's called physics.

The power of a camcorder, telescope or other visual device to resolve a distant object is limited by its optics. The larger the mirror or lens used, the greater the power to resolve faraway things. That's why astronomers crave bigger and bigger mirrors for observatories -- the bigger the mirror, the farther into

space a telescope can resolve details.

With a lens less than an inch across, the typical camcorder has a rather myopic view of the world. Any light source more than a mile or so away simply cannot be resolved with any detail. Distant lights -- streetlights, flares, alien headlights, even -- become "point sources." Like the stars in the night sky, there's no detail to be made out in them.

The narrow lens of a camcorder focuses the light of a point source onto an electronic chip, which gets excited, so to speak, and releases a pattern of electrons, called pixels, that is translated into an analog signal which is put on videotape. What eventually comes out is your television's attempt to describe how the electronic chip reacted when it was struck by the light of a distant bonfire, for example.

The actual light from that bonfire is long gone, however, and has nothing physically to do with the electronic signal on your videotape.

Which is a shame. Astronomers have long known that you can learn amazing things from that original source of light.

Unable to reach the stars for tests, scientists figured out how to perform experiments on the light coming from them instead. Using prisms or gratings, astronomers separate that light into its constituent colors, called a spectrum, which allows them to determine a star's chemical make-up. This process is called spectral analysis.

Trying to do spectral analysis on the image produced by a camcorder, however, would be like testing a portrait of Abraham Lincoln for his DNA. The man and his image are two very separate things.

Still, Jim Dilettoso claims to perform just that kind of magic.

On a computer monitor, he brings up an image of Comet Hale-Bopp. The comet has a line segment cutting across it and, in another window, a corresponding graph with red, blue and green lines measuring the brightness of the slice.

He shows similar frames with similar line segments cutting through streetlights, the known flares captured by Channel 12, and the 10 p.m. lights of March 13.

Each results in a different graph.

It's rather obvious that the graphs are simply measurements of pixel brightness in the cross-sections he's taken.

But Dilettoso claims that the graphs show much more. To him, they represent the frequencies of light making up each of the images. He claims he's doing spectral analysis, measuring the actual properties of the light sources themselves, and can show intrinsic differences between video images of streetlights, flares, and whatever caused the 10 p.m. lights.

Because the graph of a known flare is different than one of the 10 p.m. lights, Dilettoso concludes that they cannot be the same kinds of objects.

In fact, Dilettoso claims that the graphs of the 10 p.m. Phoenix Lights show that they are like no known light produced by mankind.

The fallacy in Dilettoso's analysis is easily demonstrated. When he's asked to compare the graph of one known flare to another one in the same frame, he gladly does so. But he admits that the two flares will produce different graphs.

In fact, Dilettoso admits, when he looks at different slices of the same flare image, he never gets the same graph twice. And when he produces some of those graphs on demand, many of them look identical to the graphs of the 10 p.m. lights.

When he's asked to produce an average graph for a flare, or anything that he could show as a model that he uses to distinguish flares from other sources, he can't, saying that he knows a flare's graph when he sees it.

It's an evasive answer which hints at the truth: Dilettoso is only measuring the way distant lights happen to excite the electronic chip in camcorders (which is affected by atmospheric conditions, camera movement and other factors), and not any real properties of the sources of lights themselves.

Met with skepticism, Dilettoso reacts by claiming that his methods have been lauded by experts.

"Dr. Richard Powell at the University of Arizona believes that my techniques are not merely valid but advanced to the degree where there was nothing more that they could add," he says.

Powell, the UofA's director of optical sciences, confirms that he spoke with Dilettoso. "He called here and I talked to him, and I could not, for the life of me, understand him," Powell says.

"I don't know how you take a photograph or a videotape after the fact and analyze it and get that information out. We didn't say that his method was valid, we said we didn't have any other way that was any better," Powell says.

Hearing that Powell denies calling his techniques "advanced," Dilettoso claims that Media Cybernetics, the company which sells Image Pro Plus, told him that the software package would do the kind of spectral analysis he does.

Jeff Knipe of Media Cybernetics disagrees. "All he's simply doing is drawing a line profile through that point of light and looking at the histogram of the red, green and blue. And that's really the extent of Image Pro. . . . Spectroscopy is a different field."

New Times took audio and videotapes of Dilettoso describing his image processing to Dr. Paul Scowen, the visiting professor of astronomy at ASU. Scowen left Great Britain in 1987 and received his Ph.D. in Astronomy at Rice University in 1993; he now uses the Hubble Space Telescope to study star formation.

"All Dilettoso is doing is extracting a brightness profile. It makes no statement about frequency distribution. What he's getting his knickers in a twist about is he's heard the term 'spatial frequency' and he's confusing it," Scowen says. "He's getting his terms mixed up. He knows the words, but he doesn't understand the concepts behind them."

Scowen notes that when Dilettoso is asked about the limitations of camcorders and videotape, he repeatedly responds: "It's all I've got."

"He's not saying the rest -- that it's insufficient," Scowen says.

Curious graduate students peek over Scowen's shoulders, shaking their heads at the videotapes of the Phoenix Lights and Dilettoso's claims about them.

"Nobody asks astronomers to take a look at these images. And that's what we do for a living," says Ph.D. candidate Steve Mutz.

Professor Rogier Windhorst walks in and asks what his students are poring over. Someone tells him Dilettoso claims to be doing spectral analysis from videotape.

"Oh, you can't do that. It's bullshit," Windhorst barks.

"It's a consensus now," Mutz says with a laugh.

Among the true believers, Jim Dilettoso makes even more surprising claims. At the Seventh Annual International UFO Congress, Dilettoso compared the Phoenix Lights to other UFO sightings through the years and in many parts of the globe.

"If we theorize that the lights are intelligently guided, or perhaps that the lights are perhaps the intelligences themselves, we might find that this new activity is unrelated to disc-shaped flying saucers. . . . It may be that these are light-beings," Dilettoso told his audience.

To the press, Dilettoso's careful not to make such outrageous claims. He and his partner, Michael Tanner, instead disseminate a confusing seven-page summary of the many accounts of the 8:30 vee formation, and rather than deduce that different witnesses interpreted the same phenomenon in different ways (which humans have a tendency to do), they suggest that Arizonans actually saw different gigantic triangular crafts at different times and different places. Mitch Stanley is mentioned in a single line: "An amateur astronomer in Phoenix [actually Scottsdale] wrote it off as a formation of conventional airplanes."

As for the 10 p.m. event, Dilettoso asserts that his video analyses tell him flares could not possibly be what Mike Krzyston and others captured on videotape, saying, "I don't know what they were. I just know that they weren't flares."

A credulous media, more interested in hyping the Phoenix Lights mystery rather than taking a sober look at the evidence, have repeatedly broadcast those claims. The Discovery Channel, in its October 26 program UFO's Over Phoenix, reported the results of Dilettoso's "high-tech sophisticated optical analysis" as if they were fact.

To its credit, the Discovery Channel did perform another, and apparently solid, test to the flare hypothesis. The network submitted Krzyston's footage to Dr. Leonid Rudin at the Pasadena image-processing firm Cognitech. Rudin was also given a daytime shot from Krzyston's yard showing the distant Sierra Estrella, which is invisible in the nighttime video. Rudin matched the day and night shots frame by frame, lining them up on a distant ridge. The result: an animation loop showing that the flares are not only above the Estrella, but blink out as they reach the top of the mountains, precisely as distant flares would.

In a "10-Files" episode, KSAZ Channel 10, however, questioned the Cognitech analysis. Krzyston insists to Channel 10 that the objects were hovering below the Estrella ridgeline and couldn't have fallen behind the mountains. Channel 10 suggested cryptically that Cognitech purposely faked its test -- "Has the footage been altered? And by whom and why? The mystery continues" -- and showed its own test, which a Channel 10 production man claimed took "not long at all," proving that the 10 p.m. lights in Krzyston's video were well below the Estrella ridgeline.

New Times asked Scowen to perform the test himself, using two frames grabbed from Krzyston's original video and a 35 mm daytime photo taken from Krzyston's yard by UFO researcher Dick Motzer. After a half-hour of careful scaling, positioning, and rotation with imaging software, Scowen found a good match for the ridge visible in both shots. His results: The flares are just above the Estrella ridgeline or right at it, just as Rudin at Cognitech had found.

Afterward, Scowen was shown the "10-Files" episode and its claim that Channel 10 matched the frames quickly. He wonders how they could have checked several parameters in only a short time. "You have to make sure that the zoom is set the same way. If it's a standard camcorder, there's no numeric readout of the zoom. . . . Did the guy at Channel 10 match the scale? My guess is that he just laid the two pictures on top of each other."

Rod Haberer, producer of the "10-Files" piece, says that he's "comfortable with what we put on the air." But when he's asked what software the station used to match and scale the daytime and nighttime shots, he admits that they didn't use a computer at all. Channel 10 simply laid one image from Krzyston's video atop another in a digital editing machine.

Scowen says it doesn't surprise him. "We're used to dealing with this with the lay public. People do the minimum until they get the answer they want. In science you have to go back and check and recheck to make sure you're correct. I think Cognitech did a great job," Scowen says.

Rudin says his firm took its job seriously when the Discovery Channel asked it to match the images. "I testify in a court of law routinely; I'm a diplomate of several forensic societies," Rudin says. "Basically, you're talking to the guys who do this for a living."

Told that an astrophysics professor found the Cognitech

experiment more convincing, Haberer suggested that his station had merely presented a different point of view, as if the question of a flare falling either behind or in front of a mountain had more than one answer.

But that's entertainment, which is what the nation is likely to get on March 11, when the UPN network devotes a half-hour to the Phoenix Lights in its program "UFO: Danger in the Skies." Producer Hilary Roberts says that Dilettoso is featured prominently and that no, her network did not independently examine his claims. His "analysis" will be one of several voices presented uncritically in the program. "We want the viewer to decide who's right," she says, apparently unconcerned that the public can hardly decide what's true when media deliver unexamined claims as fact.

Perhaps no news organization, however, has been as accommodating to Jim Dilettoso as the Arizona Republic. For weeks following the March 13 incident, the Republic promoted flying saucers in nearly every section. Dilettoso could be found on the front page, claiming to have found a drawing in his attic which, underneath another image, mysteriously depicts an alien autopsy; the article suggested that Dilettoso's Shroud-of-Turin-like autopsy drawing has something to do with a flying saucer which supposedly landed in Paradise Valley in 1947.

But the Republic's business section topped that story with a glowing July 1 account about Dilettoso and the cutting-edge things he does at Village Labs.

The paper reported that Dilettoso was on the verge of creating a massive supercomputer network which would give PC owners access to supercomputing power, and claimed that Village Labs and TRW had each invested \$3 million in a computer called RenderRing1. One benefit would be the ability to send entire movies over phone lines at incredible speeds. His system would make Tempe the nexus of a special-effects processing center: Village Labs was already helping well-known firms with their special effects, Dilettoso claimed, and had a hand in the complex effects of the movie Titanic.

Dilettoso's sales pitch sounds familiar. Five years ago, New Times profiled him and his futuristic plans ("High Tech's Missing Link," April 21, 1993). Back then, those ambitions were largely the same: Village Labs would develop massive computer networks that would change the movie industry.

Dilettoso also told New Times he had an undergraduate degree from the University of Hartford and a Ph.D. in biomedical engineering from McGill University in Montreal. But records at the University of Hartford showed that he had taken a single math class there; McGill University said it had never heard of him.

Today, Dilettoso denies that he ever claimed to have college degrees. "I have 160 to 180 college credits scattered all over the place. I tell people that all the time," he says when the subject comes up.

There's another version of the Village Labs story that Dilettoso is not as quick to tell: that rather than operating from income generated by his computer wizardry, Dilettoso has for years been the beneficiary of eccentric millionaire Geordie Hormel, the heir to the Spam fortune, who pays Village Labs' bills.

Until last year, that is. Hormel pulled the plug on Village Labs in July 1997, and court records show that after Hormel stopped paying rent, the building's owner, the Marchant Corporation of California, sued to kick Dilettoso out.

Marchant's attorneys argued successfully that Hormel, not Dilettoso, was the lessee, and a Superior Court judge found in favor of Marchant, ordering Dilettoso and Village Labs to vacate the premises. But Dilettoso convinced Hormel to bail him out one last time; Hormel shelled out \$62,000 for a bond that would allow Dilettoso to file an appeal -- and he occupies the building in the meantime, the rent covered by the bond. Hormel says he now regrets paying for it.

Last week, Dilettoso's appeal ran out. He says that Village Labs will vacate the building in a matter of days.



Hormel's wife Jamie contends that Dilettoso and Village Labs have existed primarily through her husband's largess: "[Geordie] has paid everything. He's paid rent and salaries and lawsuits for when Jim didn't pay salaries."

Geordie Hormel confirms that since the company's founding in 1993, he has put about \$2 million into Village Labs. But he's reluctant to criticize Dilettoso, afraid he won't get any of his investment back.

His wife is less shy, saying, "[Dilettoso]'s just a liar . . . I mean, there was an article in the Republic in the business section on him and it was such a lie. . . . He tells Geordie that we're going to get money from TRW in three more weeks, then strings him along for a few more weeks. It's happened for years."

Dilettoso defends the Republic article, saying that Village Labs had invested \$3 million on the project with TRW. But he later admits that no actual money was put up by his firm; the \$3 million figure was a total of Village Labs' rent and salaries since its inception, most of which was supplied by Hormel. He also admitted that Village Labs' "design" work was unpaid.

TRW spokeswoman Linda Javier says that in fact neither side put up cash in the project. "We didn't make any investments. We used a system that was built on our own with R&D funding." Asked about Dilettoso's claims, Javier responds, "He has a different way of looking at things."

Says Jamie Hormel: "Supposedly he was working on that Titanic movie. [But] I haven't seen him do one thing he was supposed to have done."

Dilettoso claims that in Village Labs' work on the special effects for Titanic, he collaborated with a Digital Domain engineer named "Wook."

"Wook said that Mr. Dilettoso's and Village Labs' contribution to the production of Titanic was nothing," says Digital Domain's Les Jones. Wook concurs.

When he's pressed about the claims made in the Republic story, Dilettoso says that it's true the various deals have not materialized. But he says he was the victim of an elaborate conspiracy by a TRW executive who wanted to learn Village Labs' techniques and then promote them as his own.

In the meantime, he continues to shop his plans of linking supercomputers, and entertains reporters in front of a bank of computer screens in a studioliike room which he uses for his UFO alchemy.

Perhaps Dilettoso's greatest trick: helping transform Frances Emma Barwood into a national poster child for the UFO movement.

But he meant for that poster child to be someone who already had global notoriety: Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio.

It was to Arpaio that Dilettoso steered an EXTRA film crew on May 6. When the crew found the sheriff out to lunch, they went to City Hall in search of another public official to interview. Frances Emma Barwood says she found their questions reasonable -- why hadn't local government done anything about the sightings? And she brought it up in that afternoon's city council meeting. She wasn't prepared for the avalanche of attention, praise and ridicule that would follow.

She also didn't expect to see Arpaio grovel.

Barwood's instant celebrity was the kind of attention Arpaio craves. So, at a veterans' function a few days later, Barwood says Arpaio begged her to send him a letter, officially asking his office to investigate the March 13 lights.

She says she promised to do so. But only hours later, Arpaio aide David Hendershott called her and told her not to send it. She says he didn't explain why.

Hendershott says Barwood remembers things incorrectly. He claims it was Barwood who asked if she could send a letter to Arpaio

requesting the posse's help interviewing witnesses.

"That's not it at all," counters Barwood, who says that Arpaio pleaded with her in front of veterans who later told her they were surprised to see him so agitated.

Barwood pressed on as the only public official asking why local, state and federal governments didn't take an interest in what seemed to be a questionable use of Arizona airspace, at the very least. Barwood was told that the city had no air force and could do nothing about the sightings. The Air Force, meanwhile, told her that it had gotten out of the business of investigating UFOs and that it was a local matter.

Barwood and the many who saw the lights were understandably frustrated.

Davis-Monthan Air Force Base's spokesman Lieutenant Keith Shepherd didn't help matters. Shepherd told news organizations, including New Times, that the base had no planes in the air at the time of the 8:30 and 10 p.m. events. In her investigation, however, Captain Eileen Bienz of the Arizona National Guard later heard from National Guard helicopter pilots from a Marana air base that they had spotted a group of A-10s heading for Tucson at about 10 p.m.

Only after Bienz asked Davis-Monthan about the planes did Shepherd confirm that the Maryland Air National Guard had used the base for its winter exercises and had dropped flares southwest of Phoenix that night.

Shepherd told New Times that he had earlier spoken about the base's own planes. Reporters had simply asked him the wrong question.

It's no wonder that so many people believe the military maintains a UFO cover-up.

The military's reluctance to divulge information also led to confusion about what was seen on radar that night. The media have widely circulated reports that the 8:30 and 10 p.m. lights were mysteriously invisible to radar.

But a formation of a craft or crafts traveling at high altitude over Phoenix would have been monitored by FAA radar operators in Albuquerque, not at Sky Harbor Airport, says air traffic controller Bill Grava, who was on duty at Sky Harbor that night and witnessed the later, 10 p.m. lights. Grava says that if five planes in a vee passed over Phoenix at 8:30 p.m., they would have been represented by a sole asterisk on consoles at Sky Harbor -- not something that would have raised the curiosity of operators. As for the 10 p.m. event, Grava acknowledges that the North Tac range is beyond Sky Harbor's radar; if planes dropped flares over the range, it's no mystery why they would not have appeared on consoles at the airport.

Luke Air Force base has more powerful radar systems. But Luke's Captain Stacey Cotton says that radar operators at the base were asked if they had seen anything unusual that night, and answered no. She says that a formation of five planes -- traveling at high altitude above Sky Harbor's and outside of Luke's restricted air spaces -- would not have been considered unusual. Neither would a flare drop over the gunnery range.

Whether the 8:30 vee formation did register on the FAA's radar monitored in Albuquerque will apparently never be known. Despite the fervent activities of UFO investigators in the days following the sightings, no one bothered to make a formal request with the Federal Aviation Administration's regional office for radar tapes of the Phoenix area for March 13. If anyone had made such a request by March 28, there would be a permanent record for the public to examine, says the FAA's Gary Perrin.

Meanwhile, no base or airport has come forward to identify the five planes that traveled over Arizona seen by so many people, including Mitch Stanley and his powerful telescope.

It's hard to blame Barwood for calling for more openness in government.

On the other hand, Barwood lamely complains that she's been

unfairly labeled the UFO candidate. She asserts that her campaign really has nothing to do with space aliens.

She says this as she waits to speak at the International UFO Congress, sitting at a table with her paid UFO campaign consultant, while they're entertained by the piano playing of a man who wears a cross of his own blood on his forehead in his efforts to spread his message that angels and space aliens are one and the same.

Her January 13 press conference to announce her candidacy was only slightly less weird.

Barwood was flanked by a collection of oddballs that included several UFO dignitaries as well as emissaries representing Arizona's militias, patriot movement and anti-immigrant groups.

Barwood did her best to deflate the weirdness by talking about mundane, secular secretary of state things. Such tasks are the nominative reward for winning the post, but Barwood admits that she wants it simply because it would put her only a heartbeat away from the governorship. "If Arizona had a lieutenant governor, I'd run for that," she says.

Barwood says she's frustrated that reporters only want to hear about her thoughts on UFOs (she's never seen one, but at the UFO Congress, she makes it clear she thinks the Phoenix Lights must have been some gigantic, triangular spacecraft or military project). The militia-friendly conservative tries to make reporters understand that she's more interested in other issues, such as guaranteeing Arizonans the right to carry arms in any place and in any way.

But the UFOs will not go away.

When Barwood finishes her press conference, a woman ascends the podium to make her own, unscheduled announcement.

"I would like to speak to the press also. I know what the lights over Phoenix are. I know what's going on with the federal government," she says. "It's my husband. Col. Berger J. Addington, who is the king of kings, the lord of lords. He flies the stealth. He builds cities. And he should flesh up here pretty soon in his multiracial skin. . . . He is the true president of the United States."

The woman is politely led away from the podium, and Barwood can't suppress a grin.

Expect more of the same in the coming months.

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>> Michel Deschamps (Sudbury Section Director, MUFON Ontario), Rob  
>> McConnell, Joe Nichol (CSICOP) and a few others will be on the  
>> show Friday, March 13 at 3:00 p.m. EST on Channel 9 (the CTV  
>> Network). This was taped Friday, Feb. 27. The show is also  
>> carried in some parts of the States.

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>I was one of those \*few others\* and yes, it was an unruly  
>audience.

>Barbara and Patrick (two of the 'others') were at my house last  
>night and we all agreed that we didn't mind the audience  
>response. We all feel that if one or two people watch the show  
>and get something positive from it, then it is worth the time and  
>effort and left out statements we weren't given time to make.

>Mary Keller (Lyra)

Hi Mary,

I apologize for calling you, Barbara and Patrick the 'others'.  
I wasn't sure if you were using your real names and if you  
weren't and I put the names in the message, it wouldn't have  
meant much to some people.

I always feel that the messages should get 'out there' to the  
public through the media or any other devices. I hope you didn't  
feel I was saying you didn't get anything across.

I've been to a couple of shows and various lectures where there  
are far too many and too little time to impress the seriousness  
of what we feel/know is going on. I think there is a lot to get  
out and I simply didn't feel any of you had your fair share of  
time to get into any great length about the subject.

I agree if a few people get a positive message from the show, it  
was worth doing. Please don't get me wrong. I support all of  
you in what you are trying to do and you are better than I for  
getting up in front of the public and speaking about it. And if  
more people had your courage, maybe something could finally be  
confirmed in your favour. I'm sure you don't need confirmation  
but the general public does.

I know how hard it is to come out and talk about these things to  
a bunch of people who don't have a clue what's going on except  
for what they see on the i.e. X-files or TV tabloid shows, which  
is always very limited. I don't think the public will really  
understand until they either get involved, read it as the

Headline on the front page of the newspaper, or hear it on the news as a top story from the government, that the experiences, etc. are real.

Hope this clears up any misunderstandings if there were any.

Sue

"Truth is a shining goddess, always veiled, always distant, never wholly approachable, but worthy of all the devotion of which the human spirit is capable." -Bertrand Russell

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## The Prophets Conference - Contact panel discussion

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Subject: The Prophets Conference - Contact panel discussion

Notes From The Prophets Conference...Dr. Edgar Mitchell, Ted Loman and Dr. Steven Greer comment on Corso's "Day After Roswell"

The Prophets Conference - "Contact" panel discussion - Phoenix, October, 1997

Question:

What are your opinions and ideas regarding the best-selling book - "Day After Roswell" by Col. Philip J. Corso? Specifically, what do you feel about Col. Corso's important allegations that we are using alien technology in our everyday life and in our military arsenals?

TED LOMAN -

"I had the opportunity, when in Roswell, to spend a couple of hours with the Colonel and his co-author Bill Birnes. This gentlemen could sit down and talk with anybody for three or four hours about anything you wanted to hear. But he does make a point, one that has been mentioned earlier here today, that any of the technology which he received, through these other means, that he didn't know what it was at the time. He ended up sending it out for R&D to back-engineers in order to let it work itself through the private sector. And now we're hearing more and more coming out from private sector people saying that... 'yes, they did receive things like this.'

"I personally believe that some of the craft that we might be seeing could be, and are most likely are our own. That's not to say that there aren't any ET's coming here, but I do believe that we have to look to Earth first. We simply don't know enough about what's going on on this planet.

"Col. Corso, in his interview, explains some of the positions, and mentions some of the places where he had been, which I also have on video tape from other people who haven't come out yet, but who were at the same places, at the same times, talking about the same things. And I have had these interviews for about two years. So, some of the things that Col. Corso is talking about I must stand behind.

"While talking to him about some of the evidence, regarding what I know was going on at White Sands at the time that he was there, this gentleman has a very good way of going right away from the question and changing the question and the answer entirely. When trying to bring him back, he'll just move away from it.

"So, I believe that what Col. Corso is saying is a least half-truth."

DR. EDGAR MITCHELL -

"I'd like to comment just a little bit in addition to what Ted has said.

"A group that I work with has interviewed Col. Corso quite extensively. He was who he said he was. He did what he said he did. He's a good witness. However, there are some flaws because we know that some of the technologies were very likely native grown and not reverse engineered. Unfortunately, Col. Corso did not review the final manuscript of his book before it was published, and it would appear that either his co-author or the editors made some claims that are very offensive to some of our own scientists and engineers of the period, and that there are more and more claims that still need to be substantiated.

"Basically though, Col. Corso himself was involved in the transfer of technology business just as he said he was."

DR. STEVEN GREER -

"I would also comment that about six or seven years ago I was speaking about the fact that I had met with people who had worked directly in those technology programs. We have a number of witnesses that are basically telling the same story as Col. Corso, people from different eras, and different positions, and different agencies and different companies. So I think that his story is essentially correct.

"The one thing that I would say, that is alarming about this, is that there are parts of the book that sort of reenforce the old Ronald Regan speech at the UN, where he said something like - 'gee, you know, our job of creating world unity would be easier if we could have a common alien threat to unite against and fight.' And the military took this in a militaristic way: that since we couldn't control it or fully understand it, that it was therefore a threat to us. I think that's a typical human psychological reaction, but I would caution against it and I've said so before publicly.

"But I think for the most part Corso's testimony about what he saw and what he handled was correct...."

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From: **Francisco Lopez** <d005734c@dc.seflin.org>  
Date: Sat, 7 Mar 1998 17:10:26 -0500 (EST)  
Fwd Date: Sun, 08 Mar 1998 00:36:31 -0500  
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Independently of the veracity of the allegations regarding the shady character of Mr. Dilettoso, it can be a little premature to assert all what is in the article as true, specially regarding the confession mentioned in the article.

For all I know, the author of the photos never confessed that the photos were a hoax [we are not saying that they are real], instead, a person named Wilson Sosa, has been filtering fakes in his efforts to discredit Amaury Rivera, the author of the photos, after Rivera refused to make Sosa his "manager."

This person [Sosa] is currently in a plot with a rogue a very well financed militaroid UFO group similar to the Argentinian group "Radar 1" which is related to the FBI agent/MUFON state director Remus affair (Remus, Sosa, Andrew Alvarez, Federico Alvarez, Orlando Rimax and others had a series of meetings in which they planed to destroy Jorge Martin by, among other things, associating him with the "fraud of the century," as they call it, and Amaury Rivera, the photographer, who Wilson Sosa promised to destroy in the presence of several witnesses when Rivera refused to make Sosa his manager).

We are not saying that the photos are real, but the circumstances that surround the case and the systematic and well financed campaign against them, and those who, in one way or another, are associated to them, has to be taken into account before emitting judgment.

For more information, you can e mail to [jmartin@coqui.net](mailto:jmartin@coqui.net)

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From: **ParadigmRG** <[ParadigmRG@aol.com](mailto:ParadigmRG@aol.com)> [Stephen G. Bassett]  
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Fwd Date: Sun, 08 Mar 1998 10:31:43 -0500  
Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

> From: TotlResrch <[TotlResrch@aol.com](mailto:TotlResrch@aol.com)> [Kal K. Korff]  
> Date: Fri, 6 Mar 1998 14:42:46 EST  
> To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
> Subject: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good??  
>

> Dear List:

> It is with a feeling of mixed emotions, that I must announce to  
> you, that this week's issue of the Phoenix New Times, has an  
> extremely devastating expose of UFO photo "analyst" and image  
> computer "expert," Jim Dilettoso.

> This new, shocking expose can be found at:

> <http://www.phoenixnewtimes.com>

> The expose, with photos, is their LEAD COVER story for this  
> issue.

> I recommend that everyone read this piece and tell others about  
> it, since it covers numerous subjects about ufos and is not "just  
> another expose" about Jim Dilettoso.

<snip>

> This expose should serve as a warning notice to everyone like  
> Dilettoso -- people like Bob Dean, Tom King, Wendelle, Sean  
> Morton, Hesemann, Mantle, Santilli, and others.

> And let's be honest with ourselves here: We all know this list is  
> a lot longer than the above-mentioned names.

<snip>

> Respectfully and sadly,  
> Kal Korff

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It is fortunate that after 50 years, the extraordinarily complex substance and history that represents the extraterrestrial enigma and its pursuit by fallible human beings has finally been clarified via the multi-month research effort of Mr. Anthony Ortega of the "Phoenix New Times." Of equal benefit to our understanding is the further clarification by Mr. Korff.

The above invective invites only one further comment.

There are not two but many "schools of thought" among the thousands of individuals addressing the ongoing phenomena we awkwardly call UFOlogy. However, "two basic camps" can, indeed, be discerned.

The majority camp consists of an amazing array of people from all ranks and stations who have elected to invest a significant portion of their one and only life to somehow understand and deal with the most extraordinary event in human history. People with limited resources, mismatched educations, conflicting life demands and little social support moving against great

resistance, making many mistakes, but pressing forward when every institution that history has brought forth (academia, journalism, science, governmental agencies, elected bodies, the church, the military) have chosen to either stand down or subvert understanding for ulterior agendas.

The minority camp consists of arrogant, self-serving, self-absorbed, self-aggrandizing and self-appointed purveyors of aggressive invective, libel, slander and personal attacks. Individuals who, by chance or design, found themselves nicely positioned in the gap between an amazing citizen science initiative and a confounded and cowering scientific establishment and elected to feast on the mistakes and imperfections of the former for no other reason than the targets were easy. Individuals who are less concerned with the impact of the unfolding truths on the global public than gorging themselves on their own self-importance as critics, executioners, debunkers and McCarthyesque holders of lists of the unworthy and misguided.

This minority camp persists because the larger, greater work is too demanding and the cascade of events too compelling to afford the waste of time required to properly address their games.

In the post paradigm world we inevitably approach, there will be time enough for chroniclers of history to document which of these camps served humanity and which served themselves.

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Fwd Date: Sun, 08 Mar 1998 10:16:47 -0500  
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>From: TotlResrch <TotlResrch@aol.com> [Kal K. Korff]  
>Date: Fri, 6 Mar 1998 14:42:46 EST  
>To: updates@globalserve.net  
>Subject: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good??

>Dear List:

(snip diatribe)

Kal Continues,

>It is with a feeling of mixed emotions,  
>End of soap box diatribe.

Would that t'were so, but alas, I fear we have not heard  
the end of this (or Kal) yet!

Kal, I want to take strong issue with your inclusion of  
Tom King. I don't know any of the others personally,  
but Tommy King is a friend of mine. You paint Tom with  
the same brush that you paint J Dilettoso and in doing so  
blithely dismiss the -hours- of extraordinary daylight  
footage that Tom and a few others have painstakingly  
accumulated over the last several years.

I have about six or seven hours worth of Toms' 'UFO'  
footage and much of it is remarkable and tough to explain  
away as quickly or as easily as you would have us do.  
You publicly hang Tom without benefit of explanation  
as to (how) Tom perpetrated or participated in a fraud  
or any evidence at all that proves that he has  
knowingly participated in the perpetration of a hoax.

It's guilt by association. If he had any doings with Dilettoso  
he must be a fraud too. Is that it? Because I didn't see  
anything specific or incriminating about Tom in your  
(orgasmic) post. Tom lives in Phoenix, if I lived in Phoenix  
I might have taken my video to Village Labs myself! That  
doesn't make the guy a 'hoaxer' or a 'fraud'. About the only  
thing that that connection may indicate is that Tom was  
lazy and didn't look elsewhere to get his own stuff analysed.

\*You conveniently forget to mention that (other sources)  
have analyzed Toms' UFO footage and deemed it to be of  
"genuine unknowns." Folks like several of the local TV  
newscasts that had their own people analyze the video and  
declare (on air) that they think it's genuine and not faked!  
I have video copies of those newscasts from their local  
Fox and ABC affiliate newscasts. Why don't you mention  
that stuff when you include Tom in your hit list of  
ufological 'bad guys'!

I cannot speak for any of the others, but I know Tom King. I  
have, as I have said, hours of daylight footage that he has taken  
over the years. Until you can publish the facts of his  
involvement in a hoax or fraud or whatever it is that you are  
accusing him of, I'd think before posting accusations like these  
again. I don't care if you are quoting someone else. If you  
mention someones name, provide the evidence! Simple, and more

importantly \_fair\_!

Joe McCarthy was the 50's!

>Respectfully and sadly,  
>Kal Korff

I strongly doubt either of the above. I'm willing to bet that after you posted this you had to go through a 'wardrobe change' due to the rapid increase in humidity down south! <G>

Oh, and try not to drool too much when you go after your 'pet adversarys' it doesn't look good on you.

Speaking strictly for myself, (and on behalf of one good, honest friend.)

John Velez

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## Re: Alfred's Odd Ode #229

From: [natural.state@erols.com](mailto:natural.state@erols.com) [Melanie Mecca]  
Date: Sun, 08 Mar 1998 08:53:54 -0600  
Fwd Date: Sun, 08 Mar 1998 10:33:37 -0500  
Subject: Re: Alfred's Odd Ode #229

> Date: Sat, 07 Mar 1998 11:45:03 -0600  
> From: Alfred Lehmborg <[Lehmborg@snowhill.com](mailto:Lehmborg@snowhill.com)>  
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
> Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #229

> And this, a small room when compared to the ship, a fraction of  
> its volume; and nothing at ALL to hold it all up, not a pillar,  
> or a scaffold or a column.

> And the sight's and the smells, an assault to the senses of this  
> ape (not that long) from the plains -- Afarensis. Everything's  
> catching the eyes in my head, my ears snatched away, in pleasure  
> and dread. All of it's new, and exciting, and fearful in beauty  
> so plain I am made (truly) tearful. But it's too much too fast,  
> (and I'm not sure I like it). I'm blowing a gasket; I try and I  
> fight it.

> But it's just no damn use, and I slip to the floor, mind blown  
> and knocked cold, out in shock -- through the door.

Wow, Alf, an epic this time in ???? many verses - I love it, I'm  
all ears!

Melanie

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## Re: The Camilla Scott Show

From: "Mary A. Keller" <mrees@ix.netcom.com>  
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Fwd Date: Sun, 08 Mar 1998 11:06:30 -0500  
Subject: Re: The Camilla Scott Show

> >> Date: Wed, 04 Mar 1998 13:21:06 -0500  
> >> To: updates@globalserve.net  
> >> From: SKvs <bradford@globalserve.net> [Sue Kovios]  
> >> Subject: Camilla Scott Show

> Hi Mary,

>I apologize for calling you, Barbara and Patrick the 'others'. I  
>wasn't sure if you were using your real names and if you weren't  
>and I put the names in the message, it wouldn't have meant much  
>to some people.

>I always feel that the messages should get 'out there' to the  
>public through the media or any other devices. I hope you didn't  
>feel I was saying you didn't get anything across.

>I've been to a couple of shows and various lectures where there  
>are far too many and too little time to impress the seriousness  
>of what we feel/know is going on. I think there is a lot to get  
>out and I simply didn't feel any of you had your fair share of  
>time to get into any great length about the subject.

>I agree if a few people get a positive message from the show, it  
>was worth doing.

>Please don't get me wrong. I support all of you in what you are  
>trying to do and you are better than I for getting up in front of  
>the public and speaking about it. And if more people had your  
>courage, maybe something could finally be confirmed in your  
>favour. I'm sure you don't need confirmation but the general  
>public does.

>I know how hard it is to come out and talk about these things to  
>a bunch of people who don't have a clue what's going on except  
>for what they see on the i.e. X-files or TV tabloid shows, which  
>is always very limited. I don't think the public will really  
>understand until they either get involved, read it as the  
>Headline on the front page of the newspaper, or hear it on the  
>news as a top story from the government, that the experiences,  
>etc. are real.

> Hope this clears up any misunderstandings if there were any.

> Sue

Sue,

No need to apologize. There was no offense taken. I understand totally.

I agree wholeheartedly with your post. In fact, before the show, when the producer went over what we had spoken about in our two pre-show interviews, it was stressed that everything we had told them was wonderful and extremely interesting, but that we must not be too esoteric or technical as it would go right over the audiences' heads. They also wanted us to try to find a part of what we had to say that would grab the interest of this same audience. This was not quite what we had been led to believe we would be allowed to chat about. (Not to mention the short notice

that we would have to change directions in our planned topics.)

As far as my being brave enough to come out about this, I'm not very brave, believe me. I have been on this and several other lists for a LONG time and never had the nerve to post. <G>

The irony of that statement is that my husband and I are staff on the UFO forum on Compuserve and I do two live conferences a week, not to mention posting constantly. It's funny what I considered remaining hidden and what I thought of as coming out in public. :-)

Times are swiftly changing, Sue. Connections were made on that show between the members of the panel. Southern Ontario individuals involved in this phenomenon are being drawn together in a common bond.

I think it is fantastic!

Mary

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## Carl Sagan & Time Machines - Toronto Star 03-01-98

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From: [www.thestar.com/thestar/editorial/news/980301NEW01v\\_FO-WORM1.html](http://www.thestar.com/thestar/editorial/news/980301NEW01v_FO-WORM1.html)

Opening the door on time machines

By K.C. Cole  
Special to The Toronto Star  
Sunday, March 1, 1998

PASADENA, Calif. - Carl Sagan had a problem.

In 1983, the author and astronomer was searching for a rapid interstellar transport system that could whiz the heroine of his science fiction saga, Contact, billions of kilometres to the star Vega to meet the newly discovered alien and then return her safely home the next day.

He toyed with the extraordinary idea of sending Ellie Arroway down a black hole. But he worried: Would the physics be right?

Sagan, who died 14 months ago, had a friend in Kip Thorne, the California Institute of Technology physicist who specializes in space and time warps.

Not only is a black hole a one-way street to oblivion, Thorne told Sagan, it would crush Arroway with a force of billions of tons per cubic inch.

So Thorne began to think about possible alternatives - in particular, ``wormholes,' ' or tunnels through space and time, which few scientists had thought about very seriously. Thorne's work on wormholes not only gave Sagan a scientifically respectable way to get Ellie to Vega, it also opened up a new area of scientific research: the idea that the laws of physics might allow what Thorne calls ``closed time-like curves' ' - in other words, ``time machines.' '

What's a respectable physicist doing studying time travel? Thorne works on the boundary between science and speculation, on the cusp of what is and what might be. He's made a specialty of exploring the often outrageous consequences of Albert Einstein's theory of gravity: black holes, wormholes and various other bizarre objects that bend the mind almost as much as they distort space and time.

Still, Thorne doesn't see himself as ``that far out on the edge.' ' After all, time machines (possibly) and gravity waves (certainly) are consequences of Einstein's well-tested theory of gravity. Thorne has made a specialty of stretching Einstein's laws to their limits.

In this context, even a time machine isn't necessarily a crazy idea. ``Ideas are crazy if they don't have any chance of being right,' ' he says.



Finding out where Einstein's equations lead is Thorne's life's work. The fundamental question that drives him is: What has Einstein's legacy left us? What kinds of objects should be produced by extremely warped space-time, and how should they behave?

Space-time theorists like Thorne usually rely on an interplay of equations and imagination, but Thorne also pursues experiments that put his ideas to the test. Like Christopher Columbus, this requires having not only the vision, but also equipment and crew. "Then, if you need a substantial amount of money, you have to have a certain ability to deal with the politicians, like Queen Isabella or the (U.S.) National Science Foundation," Thorne says.

Back to the question Sagan first set him to pondering more than 10 years ago: Could extremely warped space-time create a wormhole that people could travel through, and if it could, would time travel be possible?

A skeptic wonders: Where are the tourists from the future?

Wormholes are theoretically plausible objects first discovered lurking in Einstein's equations in 1916. Unlike a black hole, a wormhole has two "mouths," an entrance and an exit - essential requirements for any viable transport system. A wormhole mouth is a tear in the fabric of space-time; it connects to the other tear, or mouth, which might be many light-years distant. Since the wormhole tunnels through four-dimensional hyperspace, it creates a shortcut through space and time.

As an analogy, imagine an ant walking from the left edge of this page to the right edge. The ant's flat, two-dimensional "space" (the page) is analogous to our everyday three-dimensional space, and the ant's route from the left to the right side of the page is analogous to a person's 26 light-year trip to the star Vega.

If you curl up the newspaper page so that the right edge touches the left edge, the ant could take a shortcut from one edge to the other. But the paper has to curve through three-dimensional space.

In the same way, a wormhole bores through four-dimensional space to make a shortcut from Earth to Vega.

The problem - amid the intense curvature of space-time - is keeping the wormhole open long enough to pass through. But after Sagan posed his question, Thorne put in some time "playing around with Einstein's equations" and discovered that a wormhole could be kept open. This would require filling it with exotic "negative" energy, which might not even exist.

The methods he used to arrive at this conclusion offer insights into Thorne's way of approaching problems far beyond the known.

First, he says, he makes some "guesses, based on knowledge and experience," about what might happen to time in such a wormhole. He thinks about the problem in pictorial terms, "mostly shapes and curves."

Thorne's thought experiments suggest that a wormhole could become a time machine.

The next step is to build a simple mathematical model - or description - and then to solve the equations. The math led him to the same conclusion: "The equations say unequivocally that (in the simplest case) if you had such a wormhole, it would convert itself into a time machine."

In fact, he said, it's "embarrassingly simple" to make a time machine with wormholes based on Einstein's laws of gravity.

Alas, in the real world, gravity alone doesn't rule the universe. There are other forces at work - specifically, the quantum mechanics that govern the inner world of the atom. Exploring the quantum world of the wormhole, Thorne and his colleagues discovered an unexpected disaster. Calculations showed that if a wormhole were used as a time machine, subatomic fluctuations would pile up on each other inside the wormhole and explode. The time machine would self-destruct.

No one knows what would actually happen inside the wormhole, because physicists don't yet understand how gravity and quantum mechanics marry under extreme conditions.

However, even if the time machine could survive the explosion, it would pose conundrums for cause and effect. If would seem that if you can travel back in time, you can murder your grandfather, and then you don't exist. Like Hollywood scriptwriters, Thorne and other physicists have explored various scenarios for getting around this problem. "It is not hopeless," says Thorne, "but I'd give heavy odds that explosions destroy all time machines, so we needn't face the conundrums."

One of Thorne's colleagues, physicist Stephen Hawking, shares his pessimism.

He believes the universe protects itself against time travel with a "chronology protection" mechanism that "keeps the world safe for historians," as he likes to put it.

Hawking has also said the best experimental proof that travel back in time isn't possible is the noticeable absence of hordes of tourists from the future.

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No pienses que es imposible,  
confia en tu corazon,  
nada es lo que parece,  
el mundo es una ilusion.

(translation:

Don't think it's impossible,  
trust your heart,  
nothing is what it seems  
the world is an illusion.)

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NEWSFLASH - NEWSFLASH - NEWSFLASH

This month we feature (just received at time of print)  
a NEWSFLASH from NICK REDFERN, a UFO investigator  
and author of A COVERT AGENDA. This is followed by  
a STATEMENT from MOD official, NICK POPE, who was  
appointed to Secretariat (Air Staff) Department 2A during  
1991 - 1994. He is the author of OPEN SKIES, CLOSED  
MINDS & THE UNINVITED.

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NEWSFLASH FROM RESEARCHER NICK REDFERN  
STATEMENT RE: REDFERN=92S NEWSFLASH - FROM NICK POPE

UFOLOGIST TIM GOOD - UK TOUR

This month sees the launch of Tim Good's latest book  
ALIEN BASE, which promises to be his best ever. Indeed,  
I am looking forward to reading it and reviewing it for another  
issue of Hot Gossip UK.

TIM GOOD is probably one of Britain=92s most respected  
ufologists. A tall attractive 56 year old, looking far younger  
than his years. You could say he=92s the perfect English  
gentleman, charming, elegant and reserved. Tim Good  
has been researching ufology for almost 40 years, and has  
written several good books on the subject. When he=92s not  
travelling the world investigating UFOs, he lives with his  
German girlfriend in Beckenham, Kent. Apparently, he has  
two adjoining apartments, one exclusively for his huge  
collection of UFO related books and files. A ufologist=92s dream.

Tim Good is also a musician - a violinist - and has backed  
some great British artists such as ELTON JOHN,  
WET WET WET, SIMPLY RED, and many, many more.

Meanwhile, I attended one of Tim's lectures in London,  
arranged by UFO conference organiser, Graham Birdsall.  
Graham never fails to put on a good event, and this was no  
different. Well organised, and needless to say, a full house.  
Not only that, but he deserves full marks for managing to  
persuade the elusive Mr Good to actually perform in the first  
place. Good doesn't usually do public appearances unless of  
course he=92s launching a new book. This time, with a =A3200,000

advance - I suppose it=92s a must to promote ALIEN BASE.

The London lecture was part of three, the others being arranged in the north of England.

It was interesting to note, that come Q&A time, the audience were posing questions about a number of subjects which weren't related to Good's book, but then I suppose many folks have not had a chance to read it yet!

When questioned on the Corso book " The Day After Roswell", Good stated that he thought it was grossly exaggerated, with lots of BS and porky pies. The latter meaning "lies" in English rhyming slang. He's also changed his mind about BOB LAZAR, and dismisses the MJ12 documents, which he covered extensively in a previous book. He says the TWINING MEMO is convincing, but firmly believes the others are bogus. I understand he has always had his doubts about them.

When asked if he'd ever been threatened, he remarked that he hadn't, but that he'd experienced some interference on a visit to the United States. Apparently, his hotel was close to a US Army Base, and he was booked to do a talk about US bases. That same day, while he was out, his room was broken into and air tickets and documents were removed (but no valuables). He claims that the local police were not at all helpful!

The last but by no means least - statement - from the Guru of ufology

"We have more to fear from the people of this planet than from those of other planets".

After the lecture, NICK POPE and I joined Tim for a drink, where I'd hoped to get a brief interview for our readers. Unfortunately we got into a conversation about Tim's other life - the music business - my fault, we both have mutual friends in that area. But I will be conducting an interview shortly, and will write this up in the near future.

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#### SIGHTINGS RADIO

I had a very pleasant trip to the outskirts of Birmingham with two ufologists, RICHARD CONWAY and ROBERT LA MONT, who invited me to speak on Sightings radio, the US popular radio show. IRENE BOTT, president of the Staffordshire UFO Group, does a regular phone in from the UK with British ufologists in attendance.

Also on the show with Irene was NICK REDFERN, author of A COVERT AGENDA. Nick's latest book THE FBI FILES is about to be published in April. Watch out for it!

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#### LA MONT ON MEXICO SIGHTINGS

ROBERT LA MONT recently arrived back from Mexico and claims to have several hours of genuine footage showing UFO sightings - and landings. This is expected to include a most interesting phenomena which turned itself into a Sphinx. During his recent visit there, he met up with actress SHIRLEY MACLEAN, and filmed with a local TV company. La Mont is starting to make a name for himself as a conference speaker, and is quoted as Britain's equivalent to BUD HOPKINS, so I'm told! La Mont tells me he is a qualified hypnotherapist who has been working with abductee cases.

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#### ASBESTOS FOUND ON BENTWATERS BASE

RICHARD CONWAY is the son of STAN CONWAY, a researcher for BUFORA. Stan told me he tried to warn Richard away from ufology, but like father - like son. Richard is known for his interest in underground bases. On a recent visit to the infamous BENTWATERS base - known for its alleged UFO landings - he discovered a large quantity of asbestos. This is interesting in the light of a conversation I had with an ex RAF chap from RAF Watton, who tells me that asbestos was used as a shield for uranium - or as part of a shield for nuclear

weapons. =93It=92s a cheap way of doing it. It depletes radiation killing personnel - gamma causes harm.=94 he said. Wasn=92t it LARRY WARREN who insisted that Bentwaters was housing nukes?

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#### LATEST ON BENTWATERS CASE

Conway also organises UFO conferences, and this month he=92s booked PETER ROBBINS. Peter is co author of LEFT AT EAST GATE, written with LARRY WARREN. Warren experienced weird activity at the Bentwaters base when he was stationed there in December 1980, at the time of the alleged UFO incidents. Larry=92s story has been publicly denounced by another witness to the event, (Ret Col) CHARLES HALT, and, incidentally, Halt is not available for anything these days because he=92s writing a book on the Bentwaters incident and his publishers have asked him to stay low profile until publication. This should be an interesting addition to the ongoing saga of Bentwaters. Halt has always claimed that the most important part of the incidents were what happened immediately afterwards. Will he finally reveal all - now that he=92s no longer in the service and worried about his pension? PETER ROBBINS is in the UK early this month and apart from Richard Conway=92s conference, he appeared at GRAHAM BIRDSALL=92s Sollihull big event - along with other researchers, such as TIM GOOD, TONY DODD, NICK REDFERN, GREGORY KANON, OMAR FOWLER, RUSSEL CALLAGHAN and GRAHAM.

Having met both PETER ROBBINS and LARRY WARREN, I have always believed in their sincerity. Peter has been researching for more than 20 years and is a very thorough investigator in my opinion. Larry=92s story is a hard one, I know, but then isn=92t the whole world of ufology?

Following my interest in LEFT AT EAST GATE I decided to try to find some witnesses who might verify Warren=92s story. I managed to contact one of his ex girlfriends (also based at Bentwaters) who was most helpful and claimed that Larry was indeed telling the truth, but that she and others kept quiet about that sort of thing for fear of being ridiculed and sent away. Since then I=92ve managed to find several other US personnel who were stationed at both Woodbridge and Bentwaters. Their stories are very interesting, and prove that something strange was going on at the bases, and not just during the last week of December 1980. There=92s still a lot of research to do on this but I hope to publish my findings at some stage.

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NICK REDFERN sent us a NEWSFLASH  
This was followed by a STATEMENT from NICK POPE

#### NEWSFLASH - From NICK REDFERN

In January 1998, the Ministry of Defence de-classified into the public domain a number of previously withheld files on the UFO subject, which add greatly to our understanding of the MoD=92s handling of the UFO controversy in the 1960s.

Perhaps the most significant file is one which details the investigative activities of a specific Defence Intelligence Staff department whose involvement in the UFO subject has long been a matter of keen debate: D155.

In my book A COVERT AGENDA I revealed that D155 was one of a number of specialist diversions which was tasked with examining UFO data; however, at the time of publication little was known beyond that basic fact. That situation changed dramatically in January 1998.

As the file in question reveals, the public office of the MoD which was responsible for investigating UFO encounters at the time (1967) was S4 (AIR); however, the file makes it abundantly clear that S4 (AIR)s only mandate was to make provisional enquiries with RAF Fylingdales in an attempt to determine if the reported phenomena was in any way related to the mis-identification of satellites.

The file also reveals the eye-opening fact that, in those instances where Fylingdales were unable to make a positive identification, S4 (AIR) were required to cease their investigations,

and any further action was to be undertaken by D155. Most astonishing of all, the files reveal that the department within D155 tasked with investigating UFO activity over the United Kingdom was none other than: =91The Space Division=92!

Moreover, the files reveal that the Space Division assumed this investigative role as far back as May 1967! Given that the Ministry of Defence would have us believe that the focal point for UFO investigations is the Secretariat of Air Staff, these particular files make a mockery of the MoD=92s assertions - particularly in the light of the fact that D155 is still heavily implicated in analysing UFO data to this day.

There can now be absolutely no doubt that the Secretariat of the Air Staff is mandated to carry out only the most basic and preliminary investigations into UFO encounters over the UK, and that the truly in-depth investigations fall (and have done for more than 30 years) into the domain of D155.

This is a remarkable breakthrough, and one which should not come as a surprise to those of us who maintain that officialdom knows a great deal more about the UFO controversy than has previously been realised.

Comments and questions can be directed to:

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#### A STATEMENT FROM NICK POPE

There has been much discussion about whether or not other Ministry of Defence divisions aside from Secretariat (Air Staff) are involved in investigating UFO sightings. Such speculation has featured in a number of books and magazines, and has most recently appeared in a paper circulated to researchers by Nick Redfern. These claims stem from information contained in newly released files at the Public Record Office, and the central allegation seems to be that Sec (AS) had only a subordinate role in UFO investigations, while the lead responsibility fell to others. The truth is somewhat different.

I have never disputed the fact that other MoD divisions have been involved with the subject over the years, and this was a point that I freely admitted, two years ago, in my first book *Open Skies, Closed Minds*. The problem, as ever, is one of interpretation.

Conspiracy theorists make much of lengthy distribution lists found on UFO reports held in old MOD files, saying this proves there are various secret departments investigating the phenomena. The truth is that this represents the extensive circulation of information among specialists, so that UFO data can be examined by all those who might be able to explain a particular sighting.

The other specialist divisions concerned have particular knowledge in fields such as radar signal analysis and satellite tracks, consideration of which forms part of any properly conducted investigation into a UFO sighting - such as the several hundred such investigations that I carried out between 1991 and 1994, whilst working in Sec(AS). Other interested parties include the Ballistic Missile Early Warning Centre at RAF Fylingdales, where staff might be able to correlate a UFO sighting with the re-entry into the Earth=92s atmosphere of a piece of space junk. Investigation procedures have varied considerably over the years, but it would not surprise me if a UFO case where re-entry of space debris is the likely explanation was passed to RAF Fylingdales so that this possibility could be explored. This is simply a case of Sec (AS) or its predecessors ensuring that the appropriate experts are brought into investigation.

In summary, and contrary to the recent claims, lead responsibility for UFO investigation in the MoD has always rested with Sec(AS) and its predecessors. If this were not the case, and if some covert and sinister research effort had been hidden behind these divisions, you would not be reading about it in freely available files.

Nick Pope - London -1st March 1998

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Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

> >From: TotlResrch <TotlResrch@aol.com> [Kal K. Korff]  
> >Date: Fri, 6 Mar 1998 14:42:46 EST  
> >To: updates@globalserve.net  
> >Subject: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good??

> >Dear List:

> (snip diatribe)

> Kal K continues,

Blah, blah, blah.

Bravo John Velez and Stephen Bassett.

Look Kal: I encountered a UFO 3 miles west of the Y-12 nuclear plant in Oak Ridge (Atomic City) Tennessee. You know: the "Manhattan Project?" I was 18 yrs. old at the time and a buddy and I were looking for a good time, not saucers that night when the darn thing dropped in on us from out of the blue. As big as a mobile home, the object maneuvered into a position dead center and 25 ft. above of the road we were traversing, then hovered silently as we drove underneath it. Not miles, not yards but feet, Kal. You get the picture? It twern't nothing I'd ever seen before. Fully luminous and moving in a very controlled fashion, the disk shaped object was certainly not Mars, Venus, ball-lightning, swamp gas, a meteorite/bolide, helicopter, stealth bomber, high-flying seed pods or a swarm of horny fireflies. It was by any frame of reference, an Unidentified Flying Object.

My certainty is absolute, not because I refuse to be objective and/or embrace your skepticism Kal, but because I was there. Close enough to hit the damn thing with a rock if I'd wanted, much like some of those folks in Phoenix. Don't know what it was or where it came from, but I do know it was real...a real unknown. Wishful thinking won't alter that fact or make it go away. Indeed, I have reams of documentation from the FBI and elsewhere attesting to the long term surveillance Oak Ridge and her sister cities of Hanford, Washington and Los Alamos, New Mexico (and other nuclear installations) have undergone by these objects. I am hardly unique. I'd suggest you forget the tabloids and do a little remedial reading.

Jerry Washington  
SD Kentucky/MUFON and SKYWATCH

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Hi John.

If I were you I would disassociate myself totally with Mr. Kal Korff.

I don't care if he placed his hand on a Bible and swore on his mothers head that the next word out of his mouth was the "gospel truth," I wouldn't believe a word of it.

Ever since his first dealings with William (Bill) Moore, at age 16, and his assassination of the early Meier accounts, his word has been worth nothing, as far I am concerned.

Don't get me wrong. I am not saying that the Meier story is true, neither am I saying it is a hoax, as Mr. Korff PREACHES. I just let it alone. Time will prove or disprove it's truthfulness, as it will with this whole phenomena. If we happen to live long enough to see it become a matter of public record. But, at some point in present or future history, it will become public record.

Kal Korff has made it his life goal to add chaos to an already chaotic phenomena. He makes Phil Klass look like the Tooth Fairy.

Mr. Korff uses his wiles to play on the emotions of those in this field who have an "emotional attachment" to it. He claims to be a "UFO Researcher," a "reporter of truth," and sympathetic to the "way the victims have/are being used" by nefarious researchers who have a personal agenda.

Yes, Mr. Kal Korff, I know you from your public history. I know how you were caught in a "LIE" by Art Bell and for a time after that you conveniently took a vacation away from the Net. But, with the passage of time, and human capacity for forgetfulness and forgives, you come charging back, fully armed with your claws exposed, jumping on the slightest chance to "slander" anyone who happens to not sit well with your agenda.

John, as you saw, he was not content just to attack, his arch nemesis, Jim Dilettoso, he also turned on Tom King and others.

This is the true nature of Kal Korff showing itself. My advice to anyone is to totally ignore anything he says. You can bet your best bet that any slander or "exposure" of "dark dealings" of any researcher in this field, who threatens "HIS" position of GREATNESS,

will be included in his "public revelations" because he "wants to inform and protect the gullible public."

The best thing all of us can do is "TOTALLY IGNORE MR. KAL KORFF." Do not respond to anything he posts on the list. I don't care if he sets you on fire with his personal attacks, or attacks you softly and subtilely and softly.

This is just my opinion. I WILL NOT respond to any post he makes to myself. He can choose, as I will, to ignore my posts as well. But, when you empower him, by responding to his posts, you make him stronger.

There is a Biblical injunction which says: "Resist not evil and it will flee from you."

Stay focused and remain "UNITED." In Unity there is strength, in division there is confusion and a falling away.

REgards, Mike

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UFO ROUNDUP  
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Editor: Joseph Trainor

FIREBALL UFOs SIGHTED  
THROUGHOUT COLORADO

Mysterious fireballs were sighted throughout Colorado last week, with an unprecedented number of sightings on February 26, 1998, the day of the solar eclipse.

On Saturday, February 14, 1998, at 6:15 p.m., a witness in Glenwood Springs (population 6,561), a town on Interstate Highway 70 approximately 157 miles (251 kilometers) west of Denver, sighted a triangle-shaped UFO.

"It was a large triangular object," he reported. "At each tip there were large lights. It was noiseless and it left no jet-trail (contrail). It was crossing the sky at incredible speed. It didn't move straight forward. It turned as it moved."

On Wednesday, February 25, 1998, a man traveling southeast of the city of Colorado Springs (population 281,144), located 67 miles (107 kilometers) south of Denver, spotted a mysterious fireball in the sky.

According to local researcher Chandra Chandler, the witness described the object as "traveling east and was green and (was) the size of a tennis ball at arm's length. The tail was one and one-half to two times the size of the object's length."

Thursday, February 26, 1998, saw fireball UFOs reported in several Colorado cities.

In Denver, a private pilot told radio station KHOW, 630 AM, that he had nearly suffered a mid-air collision with a black helicopter over the city at 6:45 a.m. that morning. He described the chopper as "a black Huey (UH-1D) that did not have communication ID (transponder) or (regulation FAA) running lights." The helicopter pilot "did not acknowledge radio transmissions." The pilot said he was startled when the black helicopter intruded into his flight path and kept the mysterious aircraft in view "for about three minutes."

At 8 p.m. on February 26, strollers on Colfax Avenue in Denver were startled when "two bright objects" suddenly appeared in the sky. "They saw one fireball suddenly plunge straight down, as if headed for Denver" while the other "headed due west."

In Leadville (population 2,629), a town on Colorado Highway 91 about 100 miles (160 kilometers) southwest of Denver, reporter Jeff Dick of the Leadville Herald-Democrat, spotted a fireball "in the east and saw it flash and blink out in a line of sight northwest of Leadville at about 30 degrees (above the horizon)."

The Denver Museum of Natural History received 50 calls about the "fireball," which "traveled west over

central Colorado."

The 8 p.m. fireball was also seen in Pagosa Springs and South Fork.

In Salida (population 4,737), a town on Highway 50 164 miles (262 kilometers) southwest of Denver, Jill Peacock, 18, and a friend were driving south of town at 8 p.m. when they spotted a fireball.

The girls "were looking north when they viewed an orange fireball with a purple tail. Object was described as a little smaller than the full moon and (was) moving southwest to northwest. Before reaching the horizon at about 60 degrees (elevation), the object broke apart into six distinct red objects" which they described as "very shiny, glittering and chrome-like...what appeared to be structured objects."

The sighting lasted about five seconds. Jill said, "It was totally spectacular."

The UFO was also seen by Aaron Simonson and "another woman named Jill." The couple "thought it was fireworks at first."

Three hours later, at 11 p.m., two witnesses driving north on Highway 17 in Saguache County, at the northern end of the San Luis Valley, saw "a large, an unusually large and slow 'shooting star' traveling from southwest to northeast. The duration of the sighting was four seconds."

The following evening, Friday, February 27, 1998, at 7:30 p.m., a couple driving on Highway 285 through Poncha Pass (elevation 9,010 feet), about 12 miles (18 kilometers) southwest of Salida, saw "a large pulsating white light" cross the sky. "The light pulsed twenty times and appeared to descend, then rise, descend, then rise, as it traveled slowly towards the west."

Ninety minutes later, at 9 p.m., a man traveling west on Highway 160 just east of Blanca Peak, about 18 miles (29 kilometers) east of Alamosa, spotted "a formation of three or four orange lights hovering over Blanca Peak. Lights seemed to fade out, then fade in like (as if) clouds were dimming them. The witness stopped his car, got out and realized that there were no clouds. The sky was perfectly clear. He stopped twice more to watch. As he reached his home at the base of Blanca Peak, the lights disappeared."

On Sunday night, March 1, 1998, at 9 p.m., Adam T. was astounded to see the second appearance of a V-shaped UFO with "five burnt orange lights" over his home in Longmont, Colorado (population 51,555), a city on Highways 119 and 287 located 50 miles (80 kilometers) north of Denver.

"Every time I go in the backyard now, I watch the evening sky, hoping to see something," Adam reported, adding that he saw "only three orange lights this time, much higher in the sky (than his February 21 sighting) but more to the north. Watching this thing, the object moved like rocks skipping on a pond. That's the best description...I can come up with. They also, like last time, moved with incredible speed."

Also on March 1, "a mysterious fireball pierced the dawn sky" over Grand Junction (population 29,034), a city on Interstate Highway 70 located approximately 246 miles (394 kilometers) west of Denver.

Maj. Mike Birmingham of the U.S. Space Command said the "fireball" was "a missile test." The missile was fired from the old Fort Wingate Army depot and "left behind a squiggly, colorful contrail on its seven-minute, 200-mile flight" to the White Sands missile range in New Mexico.

According to Don Montoya, chief of command information at White Sands, the missile "landed successfully in the middle of the range."

On Monday night, March 2, 1998, a UFO was sighted at the Baca Grande development near Alamosa. The "bright ball appeared traveling in a slight arc from west to east and left a smoke trail behind it. Then the light jiggled south and appeared to ascend higher, then started to curve eastward and slowed. As it slowed, the ball of light and the smoke trail slowly went out."

(Editor's Note: Let me thank a multitude of sources for this story, including Christopher O'Brien, author

of THE MYSTERIOUS VALLEY, Tim Edwards, Chandra Chandler, Bob Hetsko and Steve Wilson Sr. See also the Denver Post for March 3, 1998, "Meteors Over Colorado.")

#### MORE UFOs SIGHTED ALONG THE NEW JERSEY SHORE

A new witness claims to have seen the UFO involved in the "missing time" case in Toms River, New Jersey (population 7,524) on February 19, 1998.

John B., who lives in South Toms River, N.J. (population 3,869), wrote, "I believe I saw the UFO mentioned in the (UFO ROUNDUP) report on February 19 at about 10 p.m. I looked out the back window to see the stars. But instead I saw what looked like a large meteor fly over my house. The speed was too fast to be a plane. I thought nothing more of it until I read the report about the two men from New Jersey who saw the UFO near Route 37. It (the UFO) looked like it took off near Route 37 and the Garden State Parkway (Route 9)--the exit is 82." (Email Interview)

On Friday, February 27, 1998, at 1:35 p.m., architect Allen Wahl was walking his dog along an Atlantic Ocean beach in Ocean Grove, N.J., 30 miles (48 kilometers) south of New York City. Wahl "decided to rest and look at the ocean since it was a crystal clear and deep blue sky. A strange-looking, ball-shaped UFO with fins flew over him heading from east to west and close by the Great Auditorium" in Ocean Grove.

"I never saw a UFO before, but this made me a believer," Wahl reported. "It looked like a diving bell or a bathysphere about 10 feet (3 meters) in diameter. It reminded me of a Jules Verne science fiction antique with lines of rust running down the side."

Thirty minutes later, Wahl spied "an Army helicopter that appeared to have guns sticking out the front... flying over the beach at a very low level, probably searching for the craft."

Six hours later, at 7:30 p.m., Mike Niemcyk, 17, "spotted a large triangular craft moving over his house" in Neptune, N.J. (population 28,326), located 22 miles (35 kilometers) north of Toms River and 50 miles (80 kilometers) south of New York City.

"Mike called his mother to observe the craft in the night sky. They both said the UFO looked like a Stealth bomber. However, it had too many lights and was too large for a standard aircraft. They could hear a slight humming sound as the craft headed southwest."

George A. Filer, MUFON's Eastern Director, interviewed the Niemcyk family by telephone and is investigating this case. (See Filer's Files #9 for 1998. Many thanks to George A. Filer for this report.)

#### UFO FLAP BREAKS OUT IN SOUTHERN OHIO

On Tuesday, February 3, 1998, at 7:45 a.m., Gina Fontanelli was driving south on Route 8, near Tallmadge Avenue, in Akron, Ohio (population 223,019), a large city 40 miles (64 kilometers) south of Cleveland, when she spotted a UFO.

"As she was approaching the Tallmadge Avenue exit, she sighted a very bright light to the south about 30 degrees up (from the horizon). It was 'completely light at the time,' she reported, describing the UFO as 'being bigger and brighter than any star or planet.'"

"She watched the light for 90 seconds while she was crossing the high level bridge (over the Cuyahoga River, one mile northeast of Quaker Square--J.T.). While she was rumbling across the bridge, she saw that the light, which had remained constant, suddenly streaked west and vanished. She tried to follow it, but it was gone in an instant. She said the light had the same brightness as it headed towards the west..."

On Monday, February 23, 1998, at 5:55 p.m., Larry W. spotted a UFO crossing the sky in Beverly,

Ohio (population 1,444), a small town on Highway 266 approximately 186 miles (297 kilometers) south of Cleveland.

Larry described the UFO as being "approximately 45 degrees azimuth on a heading of 180 to 200 degrees true" and "a large bright ball of light," which he "initially presumed to be a star...which did not move. It appeared to be a ball of plasma which grew to one-eighth the size of the full moon...slowly dimmed in intensity and disappeared." The case is being investigated by Clint Stone of Kentucky MUFON.

On Saturday, February 28, 1998, a former security guard at the Kenwood Towers apartment complex in Cincinnati, Ohio (population 364,040) spotted a strange light in the sky.

The man, who describes himself as "a skeptic," was "looking to the south from Kenwood Towers, overlooking the Lunken Municipal Airport" when he "saw a pulsing red light, initially thinking it was the water tower on Mount Washington." Then he "spotted a string of four objects, in a line, heading east. Seemed to be the exact same color as the lights on top of cell (cellular telephone) towers... The four separate objects seemed to make a course change and turned to the north."

He estimated that the UFOs were "one quarter mile (0.6 kilometers) east" of his location "at an elevation of less than 1,000 feet (300 meters) and moving at the speed of a slow-moving airplane or helicopter." The condition of the sky was clear, and temperatures were in the mid-40s on the Fahrenheit scale. (Many thanks for Kenneth Young, public information director of Tri-States Advocates of Scientific Knowledge, T.A.S.K., for these reports.)

#### UFO SIGHTED HOVERING OVER CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA

A UFO was seen hovering above the University campus in Charlotte, North Carolina (population 395,934), a large city 168 miles (269 kilometers) southwest of Raleigh, on Saturday, February 28, 1998.

Mark F. was in the Mint Hills section of the city, near Harris Boulevard and Independence Boulevard, when he saw "three, maybe four, lights" blinking off and on along my drive home...I would estimate them to be at 25 degrees above the horizon. I never saw them depart, just disappear."

Mark estimated the lights to be "around two radio towers that were 15 minutes away in the UNCC area, northeast of the city, or University area, as it's called." (Email Interview)

Local ufologist Aaron L. said the UFO "appeared to be either landing or coming at me." He saw it for a few seconds while driving with his father.

"Oh, I'd say it was about 65 degrees (above the horizon)...The strobe light was white. I didn't see any structure. This wasn't a vague and off-in-the-distance thing. It was pretty close and the lights appeared larger than most planes I have seen. It was larger than Venus appears." (Email Interview)

#### USAF VET SEES SPHERICAL SILVER UFO IN FLORIDA

On Friday, February 27, 1998, at 9:40 a.m., Hal B., a U.S. Air Force veteran, spotted a spherical silver UFO in the sky over Clearwater, Florida (population 98,789), a city on Gulf of Mexico 293 miles (469 kilometers) northwest of Miami and 20 miles (32 kilometers) north of Tampa.

Hal, a former USAF radar technician and trained weather observer, "observed what appeared to be a silver sphere darting in and out of the base of a thunderstorm cloud. He described the UFO as 'stopping, brightening and then resuming the 'darting' motion for approximately 15 to 20 seconds."

"Judging from the cloud cover, he estimated the object to be about 4,000 to 5,000 feet (1,212 to 1,515 meters) above the ground in the Clearwater area near Old Tampa Bay. When the sphere stopped

suddenly, Hal was able to see that the structure seemed to 'shimmer.'"

"I was observing the approaching thunderstorm when I watched the object appear," Hal reported. "The motion was unlike anything I have ever seen. It could not have been a conventional aircraft." (Many thanks to Tim Hagemeister of NACOMM for this report.)

#### RECTANGULAR UFO SEEN IN SEMMES, ALABAMA

On Saturday, February 21, 1998, at 11:40 p.m., two witnesses saw a UFO from their front porch in Semmes, Alabama (population 2,250), a town on Highway 98 about 11 miles (17 kilometers) west of Mobile.

The pair "simultaneously noticed a red glow in the west...The UFO's shape was generally rectangular. The ends of the rectangle seemed to bend inward. One witness described the sighting as 'eerie,' adding 'it must have been some kind of flare.'"

"The light drifted downward from 20 degrees to disappear in the west. It dropped behind the tree-line west of the witnesses at 10 degrees. Witnesses described the movement as 'drifting' downward, diagonally. The UFO was an estimated one-quarter mile (0.6 kilometers) away." (See Filer's Files #9 for 1998. Many thanks to George A. Filer and John Thompson of MUFON for this report.)

#### GLOWING UFO SEEN OVER KERRVILLE, TEXAS

On Friday, February 20, 1998, at 7 p.m., rancher Cody Stauffenberger spotted a strange light in the sky over Kerrville, Texas (population 17,384), a city on Interstate Highway 10 approximately 90 miles (144 kilometers) west of Austin.

"I first saw a long white glowing streak," he reported. "At first I took it for an aircraft. Then it turned bright orange and streaked across the sky like a comet. Then it stopped again and just stayed stationary and glowed orange for about five minutes...Then it slowly floated further away." (Many thanks to Jim Styck for this report.)

#### UFOs SIGHTED IN QUEBEC AND BRITISH COLUMBIA

Two UFO incidents were reported in Canada recently.

On Thursday, February 19, 1998, at 2:14 a.m., Dennis R. "was driving on Highway 31, near Highway 40" in Joliette, Quebec (population 17,396) 80 kilometers (50 miles) north of Montreal, "when I saw a bright white light in the sky."

"The light was blinding me. I cannot describe exactly what I saw but I am sure that the thing in the sky was not normal. All I know is that the light was very bright, and I had to stop my car." (Many thanks to Jim Styck for this report.)

On Sunday, March 1, 1998, at 8:15 p.m., a 28-year-old man and his parents were watching TV at their home in Richmond, British Columbia (population 126,624), a suburb south of Vancouver "when something came into view in the living room window."

"What caught my eye was the nearness and positioning of the lights on the underbelly of the object," he reported. "The lights numbered between six to eight and some were of diamond shape. The lights were all very bright and were white.. Another oddity was the one very large strobing white light in the center of the object. This caught my eye, and I instinctively went to get up to see what it was."

Seeing the large UFO hovering outside, he yelled for his elderly parents to join him. His mother did so, viewed the huge object, and remarked, "It must be one of those special satellites."

"What my mother and I saw was an object unlike an airplane or anything we have seen before,"



he added, "the object overhead at approximately 80 degrees, and the shape of the object was rectangular. The object appeared to make no sound and was flying at around 150 knots, which puzzled me because how could an object of that size and shape with no wings stay in the air?" (Many thanks to Michael Strainic of MUFON Canada and Steve Wilson Sr. for this report.)

#### BRAZILIAN TV AIRS VIDEO OF UFO OVER CAPAO REDONDO

On Sunday, February 15, 1998, the Rede Globo television network in Brazil broadcast a startlingly clear UFO video on its Fantastico show.

The video was shot by Alan Oliveira, 10, from his high-rise apartment house in Capao Redondo, a cidade satellite (suburb) of Sao Paulo in late January.

According to Brazilian ufologist Vitorio Pacaccini, Alan "spotted it from his balcony" and described it as "a small weird light 30 to 50 centimeters (15 to 25 inches) in diameter and standing still in the air... some 150 to 200 meters away.

"Suddenly, the light turned and flew for four minutes over the rooftops of Capao Redondo...The light didn't touch anything. It was totally zigzagging through the sky very slowly. It seemed to be reviewing the area." (Muito obrigado a Vitorio Pacaccini por eso caso.)

A similar reconnaissance mission in Sao Paulo was reported to CNI News by Helga Reidler. She reported, "On Friday, February 7 (1998), at approximately 9:30 p.m., I saw one of those small lights fly over my house at low altitude. They are not much bigger than a tennis ball...The light flies slowly from one side of the street to the other, a lot of zigzagging, starting at one end and going up the street, flying over and around houses at the level of electric light cables." (See CNI News for March 1, 1998. Many thanks to Mike Lindemann for letting UFO ROUNDUP quote from his newspaper.)

#### ASTRONOMER SEES A UFO IN ROSARIO, ARGENTINA

On Monday, March 2, 1998, Rev. Pizzi, astronomy professor and director of the observatory at Colegio Cristo Rey, decided to put in some telescope time and got a real surprise.

At 6 a.m., Rev. Pizzi reported the condition of the sky as "clear." As he peered through the eyepiece, he "observed a strange object of a yellow color with an aura of the same magnitude as the planet Venus."

The OVNI (Spanish acronym for UFO) "hovered in the sky for a period of ten minutes" before zipping away to the west, toward the Andes. Rev. Pizzi reportedly declined to call the object "an OVNI" but added, "Evidentially there is an enigma in the skies of our planet."

Rosario is a large city in Santa Fe province, in central Argentina, approximately 260 kilometers (156 miles) west of Buenos Aires. (Muchas gracias a Luis Pacheco y Dr. Roque Mecoli del grupo UFO Argentina, y tambien Pedro Cunha, para esas noticias.)

from the UFO Files:

#### 1951: B-29 CREW SEES A UFO OVER NORTH KOREA

On March 10, 1951, a propellor-engine B-29 bomber, tail number 5369, was flying at 17,000 feet about 40 miles (64 kilometers) southwest of Chinnampo in North Korea when one of the crewmen saw "a flash of brilliant light at his nine o'clock position."

According to the U.S. Air Force report, afterward included in Project Blue Book, "The phenomenon appeared as 'a reddish-yellow glow that dropped slightly to the same elevation as aircraft, then burst with a bluish-white brilliance. It was estimated to be

as large as a basketball and did not deviate from (a) straight course toward aircraft or curve right or left. Tail gunner attracted by brilliant light and saw flash over (his) left shoulder off right wing. He did not observe any movement or any color other than silvery bright flash. Bombardier saw bluish-green flash from (his) side vision. Before he could turn his head, it was gone...Pilot saw object at three o'clock from corner of (his) eye as a flash or blue-white or blue-green. None able to describe red-orange tail. None saw any shape or shadows or anything resembling exhausts, trace (tracer bullets--J.T.) or another aircraft. None could estimate (the) distance on anything except sheer guess." (See Far Eastern Air Force, USAF, Staff Message Division Report No. A-5394 INT-IR, for March 26, 1951. Reproduced in ADVANCED AERIAL DEVICES REPORTED DURING THE KOREAN WAR by Richard F. Haines, LDA Press, Los Altos, California, 1990, pages 30-31.)

On this date, March 8, 1976, a shower of meteors fell in northeastern China. The largest meteorite tipped the scales at 3,900 pounds, just under two tons, making it the biggest meteor to strike the Earth in recorded history.

Join us next week for more saucer news from "the paper that goes home--UFO ROUNDUP." See you then.

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### San Luis Valley Mute Site Visit

From: "Christopher O'Brien" <tmv@pop.amigo.net>  
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Fwd Date: Sun, 08 Mar 1998 20:57:32 -0500  
Subject: San Luis Valley Mute Site Visit

Site Visit to Alamosa County Mute  
Christopher O'Brien/tmv c 1998

Sanford, CO, rancher Kim Miller has verified the unusual death of his six year-old white-colored gelding named Skip, who was the lead horse of the herd of sixteen animals. The animal was probably killed early Thursday, March 5, 1998. The air temperature had been in the single digits. Miller and his 19 year old son met this investigator at the animal death site, ten miles directly south from the town of Alamosa on Friday, March 6, 1998 at 10:00 a.m.

As we drove across the field toward the carcass in two trucks, the remaining fifteen horses in the herd came galloping toward us from the far southeastern end of the three-square-mile pasture of chimisa, sage and alkali flats. Miller noted that the herd was "still very agitated," and was exhibiting unusual behavior. He said, "I've been running them out in this field for three years and they've never acted like this before... they're trying to tell us something." The horses milled around in front our vehicles and seemed to purposefully block the dirt road leading to the carcass. The rancher literally pushed them out of the way with his truck. The herd then galloped full speed to the southwestern corner of the pasture, directly upwind of the dead gelding. The wind was gusting to 35, or so mph and the air temperature was around 38 F.

The dead horse lay in a dry, undisturbed alkaloid flat. There was a flowing well and small pond 120 yards to the east. A larger well and running stream lay 1/2 mile to the north and west. Spotty chimisa bushes grew in the sandy dry soil.

The carcass exhibited apparent evidence of being killed by knowledgeable, proficient professionals. The softball-sized brisket hole was especially impressive. A 12" plug of brisket/muscle had been completely removed with not a single spilled drop of blood. It was surmised by the rancher that the animal's heart had been removed, although I did not explore the hole completely. The mandible and penis removal operation left irrefutable sign of a sharp scalpel-like cutting instrument. The course winter coat; about 2 1/2 inches in length, had been cut to 1/8th of an inch around the upper muzzle portion of the mandible excision. The cut hair evidence was unmistakable, and no scavenger or predator could possibly have done this. The perpetrator was probably right-handed, and began the mandible cut at the top of the jaw--circling clockwise down the muzzle, and then around the snout and the bottom of the jaw.

We obtained three sets of forensic incisional samples for separate testing by: a veterinarian pathology department, the Rocky Ford State Pathology lab, and testing by a noted hemotologist in Denver. Results will be forwarded when they are made available to me.

The crime-scene showed no sign of tracks except the tracks of dozens of eagles that had scavenged the carcass. The eagles had already eviscerated the rear-end and most of the lower internal organs, but seemed to have stayed away from the head, although the upside right eye had been pecked out. There was obvious sign of bird scavenging; drops of blood and bits of hide that littered

the ground around the rear-end of the animal and droppings on the haunch and side. The eagle element is intriguing. Three-to-four dozen eagles together for any reason is highly unusual. Neither the rancher nor myself can explain this and do not know if this fact is important.

The animal showed unmistakable sign of being agitated just before death. A large amount of dried sweat laid the course winter hair flat, and the rancher noted that this indicated that the horse had been running, and he was convinced that the horse had been chased by the perpetrators. " He also noted that Skip had been the only white colored horse in the herd, and if the perpetrators had spot-lit the head, " ...he would have stuck out like a sore thumb." We searched carefully for sign of the geldings tracks, but were unable to locate sign of animal or human tracks. The rancher also noted that this part of the large pasture was not frequented by the herd, thus explained the complete lack of incidental tracks.

The semi-arid field where the animal death occurred is about three miles west from the Rio Grande, just south from the confluence of the Alamosa River, La Jara Creek, and The Rio Grande. It is three miles north of the Conejos River's entry into the Rio Grande.

A mapping of southern Alamosa cases since 1995 shows a near-perfect arc of sites along the various canals that are associated with the Alamosa River drainage system. The only measurable pollution in the San Luis Valley is located up the Alamosa River in the San Juan Mountains, 40 miles away to the west at the Summitville Mine Super fund clean-up site.

If SLV livestock are a control group against which environmental data from other regions is compared, the perpetrators appear diligent in adjusting their baseline data. This latest case is the third rare cold weather unusual animal death case in the San Luis Valley since November 30, 1997. As most of you are aware, the vast majority of UAD cases are a last frost to first frost phenomenon.

I would appreciate any and all feedback concerning this and other cases...

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## New links added to Condon & McDonald pgs at UFOMind

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Subject: New links added to Condon & McDonald pgs at UFOMind

To list: UPDATES AT UFOMIND

Just wanted to announce some new links on the Condon page at UFOMind:  
<http://www.ufomind.com/people/c/condon/>

As a supplemental link to "Amateur Science Solves the UFO Mystery" we have added "Exactly 'who' is the Amateur regarding UFO data?" (Which includes a reference to a study which was done by a member of the USAF which totally refutes Menzel's "Mirage Theory" of UFOs.)

Also:

An "Overview of the Condon Study" with a supplemental link containing a great deal of information concerning James McDonald and the Condon Study, researched by Brian Zeiler and Jean van Gemert and located at their website.

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On James McDonald's page,  
<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/people/m/mcdonald/>  
we have added: "Some information re: McDonald/Menzel/Hynek", which briefly discusses and compares the three ufologists, and gives testimonial to McDonald's sincerity in his research and beliefs.

Respectfully,  
Jerry Cohen

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## Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

From: **Bob Shell** <[bob@bobshell.com](mailto:bob@bobshell.com)>  
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Fwd Date: Sun, 08 Mar 1998 21:45:15 -0500  
Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

>From: TotlResrch <[TotlResrch@aol.com](mailto:TotlResrch@aol.com)> [Kal K. Korff]  
>Date: Fri, 6 Mar 1998 14:42:46 EST  
>To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
>Subject: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good??

>Dear List:

>It is with a feeling of mixed emotions, that I must announce to  
>you, that this week's issue of the Phoenix New Times, has an  
>extremely devastating expose of UFO photo "analyst" and image  
>computer "expert," Jim Dilettoso.

>This new, shocking expose can be found at:

><http://www.phoenixnewtimes.com>

>The expose, with photos, is their LEAD COVER story for this  
>issue.

>I recommend that everyone read this piece and tell others about  
>it, since it covers numerous subjects about ufos and is not "just  
>another expose" about Jim Dilettoso.

Hi Kal,

As I have said several times on this list, I have seen no  
indication in the material I have viewed that Mr. Dilettoso knows  
anything about photo analysis. I went to the site and read the  
article, and all I can say is "Right On!" to the Phoenix New  
Times.

When I first started hearing about "photo expert" Dilettoso I  
asked a friend of mine who lives in Phoenix and is an expert in  
optics to check him out. He did and reported back that "this guy  
doesn't know his ass from a hole in the ground about optics,  
photography or video."

So I have written Dilettoso off a long time ago.

Thanks for bringing this to everyone's attention.

Bob

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## Nua Blather: Frog Fall

From: Dave Walsh <dave@nua.ie>  
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### MARCH SPAWNED A FROG FROG FALL

Suzanne Charlton the BBC Weather Centre had a rather intriguing weather report to make on the 5th of March. A 'distraught' woman in Croydon (The Times say Croydon, while several people reckon that the BBC said Crawley), in the southern U.K., phoned the Meteorological Office to inform them of a deluge of frogs which were proceeding to cover her garden and much of the surrounding neighbourhood.

Neil Lofthouse, the U.K.'s national forecaster, was quoted as saying that : "You do get reports of things getting sucked up by water spouts, which are rotating columns of water, or tornadoes. They would have to go over a lake or something with a lot of frogs on it." Unfortunately Mr. Lofthouse is fumbling in the dark with this fairly weak, if typical explanation. [The Times (London) (<http://www.sunday-times.co.uk>)]

For more on anomalous falls, see The Anomalist's 'Super-Sargasso Surfin' (<http://www.users.cloud9.net/~patrick/anomalist/sargasso.html>) and Blather's 'Raining Toads' (<http://www.nua.ie/blather/archives/issue1no9.html>)

### LAYMEN'S PRIVILEGE

[In last week's Blather (<http://www.nua.ie/blather/archives/issue1no42.html>), we reported on a forthcoming 'lake monster' expedition in Norway, due to take place in August of this year. Blather invited Jan-Ove Sundberg, the organiser of the expedition to comment on the words of zoologist Torfinn Oermen, and Jan-Ove has very kindly written this piece for us.]

With all due respect for science, many of them are prejudiced when they ought to be the other way around. No other fraternity that I know of are as afraid to be left behind as zoologists who, while they have given the world the impression that they already know all about what's out there, are surprised and flabbergasted again and again as new species of animals are discovered, even mammals on land.

A zoologist at the Zoological Museum in Oslo, Norway, fisheries expert Mr. Per Pethon, whom I spoke to before I held the press conference in Norway about our GUST98 expedition in August, told me that Lake Seljordsvatnet have never been subjected to a limnological\* examination and agreed that one therefore, could not say what was hidden beneath it's surface.



He wouldn't agree, however, that there could be anything down there, but held the door ajar for a possible eel species, either a known one that have grown out of all proportions or possibly an entirely new one.

It's the name "sjoormen" (lake serpent) that's controversial here and would make scientists everywhere to shake their heads, but most of them are sceptical for all the wrong reasons. Had they been more open to what very reliable witnesses have seen, I don't think they would've been so dismissive. Unfortunately, no one seems interested enough to study the evidence.

Zoologists in Sweden recently told me that they're not interested in "lake monsters" at all, since they are non-profitable and in themselves "impossible". That's an interesting view, especially coming from scientists.

I would love to prove them all wrong in August but this is not our objective. The purpose of our expedition is to find out if there is any substance to all the witness testimonies and if so, what is down there.

Our instrumental results would to begin with be in the hands of technicians, while any documentation on the surface, either by a camera or a camcorder, would be presented by the TV media of the world. Science would come second to all of this I'm afraid, but this is our privilege as laymen who they refuse to take seriously.

Best Regards,  
Jan-Ove Sundberg  
GUST: Global Underwater Search Team  
(<http://www.tiftarea.com/serpent/>)

\*limnology:the scientific study of bodies of fresh water

#### LOCHNESSNESS

Staying with Lake Monsters, on March 2nd, Reuters (via Nando News) informed the great unwashed of the experiences of Scottish pet food salesman Richard White, as he pootled alongside the great loch in his van. Luckily he was armed with a camera (he said he always carries one in case of accidents. Perhaps he meant anti-abduction insurance)

"I was on my way to Foyers, a small village above the loch, as part of a regular sales run, when I noticed an unusual disturbance halfway across the loch towards Urquhart Castle on the opposite bank.  
"I stopped to take a look and remembered I had the camera, so I got it out and just started reeling off the photos," he said.

The photos have not been released to the public yet, pending analysis by 'scientists using computer enhancement techniques'. We await their release with reserved anticipation. . .

#### BOOK REVIEW - 39 YEARS TOO LATE

Twas only recently (I am ashamed to say) that I got round to studying a copy of analytical psychologist Carl Gustav Jung's 1959 essay 'Flying Saucers: A Modern Myth of the Things Seen in the Sky'. This is by no means a book that will entertain everyone, especially those who are partial to a sweet slice of the extraterrestrial hypothesis, i.e. that UFOs are most definitely craft from other worlds. Jung attacks the phenomenon from (obviously enough) a sceptical and psychological angle, with an emphasis on the \*psychic\* aspect, and correctly predicts how 'ufology' was to spawn a plethora of quasi-religious cults.

Rather than immediately treating UFOs as external phenomena, 'visionary rumours', presented to the conscious mind, he spends much of the book comparing them to phenomena known to come from the unconscious - dreams. He spends much of the \*rest\* of the essay interpreting the artwork of various artists, and their use of disc like objects, and unconscious 'fourth dimension' references within their artworks. It is at this point that I began feeling a smidgen irritated, and wondered whether or not Jung was tried to milk too much from too little evidence.

The author appears quite sure of his findings, but from a cautious fortean perspective Jungian theories would appear to be no more than important \*models\* for examining the UFO phenomenon. However, this can be said about the proponent of any theory, and shouldn't really be regarded as a criticism, but rather something worth bearing in mind.

So, whilst not a comprehensive bible of psycho-social ufology, 'Flying Saucers' is indeed an inexpensive and indispensable jigsaw puzzle piece, and it's addition to the library of anyone with a serious interest in the field is certainly recommended.

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From: **Ufojoel** <[Ufojoel@aol.com](mailto:Ufojoel@aol.com)> [**Joe Murgia**]  
Date: Sun, 8 Mar 1998 17:21:10 EST  
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>From: **TotlResrch** <[TotlResrch@aol.com](mailto:TotlResrch@aol.com)> [**Kal K. Korff**]  
>Date: Fri, 6 Mar 1998 14:42:46 EST  
>To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
>Subject: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good??

>The expose also criticizes the the USAF for not dealing with the  
>public in the best way they could (and probably should have) over  
>the Phoenix lights -- but most importantly, provides new  
>evidence that the "UFOs" were definitely flares -- evidence  
>that Tom King would even be hardpressed to deny.

Kal,

Huh? What about the witnesses who said they saw a mile long triangle "float" directly over their heads? Surely, you can't be referring to this sighting. You must be referring to the later sighting right? Because if your writing a blanket statement and saying that everything reported seen that night was flares, then you're the least critical person I have ever seen on this list. I hope you clarify your statement. Otherwise, don't bother posting anything to this list because I don't think people will bother to take the time to click their mouses on any of your biased messages.

If you want to say that the earlier sighting was a secret gov't craft, a hologram, a big kite?, a laser hoax or whatever, fine, show us the evidence. But to say that everything was a flare is ludicrous and I doubt anybody (almost anybody) on this list will even consider that viewpoint. It's unscientific considering what the witnesses reported seeing.

Of course, if I'm wrong here and you were only referring to the later sightings, I apologize. But then again, the later sightings haven't been proven to be flares, spaceships or whatever. I don't know what they were and nobody else does. Flares? Maybe? Positively? No.

I'm curious to see your response.

Also, whatever happens to Village Labs and Dilettoso has nothing to do with what actually happened that night. I could care less what the "experts" say because they usually don't know jack. (Not Nickelson)

>The few who think critically in the UFO field, and now the  
>mainstream media, will be watching -- and you will be exposed  
>accordingly, and rightly so.

Unless you explain some of your comments, I wouldn't put you in that company. Your views were critical alright, critical of what people claimed to have seen. And what about the Barwood & Bassett comments. Right wing? I guess they're also a part of that group that is bringing down the President. Hilary was right!!! I should have known it!

Barwood and Bassett are both very respectable people in my eyes. Both want to get to the truth. If you have ever bothered to listen to either one of them speak, you would realize this. I realize you didn't write the article, but you did bring it up in your diatribe. Why? What gives? I am really confused to why

you're on this list. Please enlighten us all.

You have made some strong comments and I think you really need to clarify some of them before you're labeled another Phillip Klass in disguise. Only a more secretive one.

Joe in Tampa

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Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

Dear List:

Recently, Mr. John Valez posted a response to my announcement about the Phoenix Times exposing Jim Dilettoso and his con-artist-related activities and scientific incompetence and outright fraud. This is my response, and I am sorry if it is not the best organized. I am in shock, and still need to recover from his... I don't know what to call it. Here goes...

Dear John:

I will not dignify your attempt at humor regarding my various bodily fluids (which you called "orgasmic"). I don't care what you believe, or chose to accept.

Your comments uncalled for.

I think you missed an important issue here. The fact is, Tom King has remained silent (publicly) on the issue of everything from Jim Dilettoso's "scientific" test procedures (which are not scientific and aren't even good pseudoscience) to his blatantly fabricating his so-called "Ph.D."

Maybe Tom should post a list for the public of everything he disagrees with, or knows that Jim has not been honest about.

Being his "good friend," John, I would like to think that you could "encourage" him to do this.

My reasoning is this: those who knowingly associate with people who perpetrate frauds, and say nothing about it, are guilty as well. Tom is on record as saying that "Jim is really doing a good job" regarding his "analysis" of the Phoenix lights.

Either Tom didn't know better, knows better, is just innocently mistaken, or he's blatantly lying like Dilettoso does all the time.

Again, Tom should clarify this for the public -- he is the only one who can do so.

Also, John, with all due respect, I really did NOT have anything to do with the expose on Dilettoso. While I spoke with the reporter briefly, it turns out he had borrowed a copy of my book from Richard Motzer, and then the reporter lifted (verbatim) several paragraphs from my Meier expose book that he used. I did not even really do an interview with him about much at all. So, those "quotes" from me are just verbatim excerpts from my book.

You may check this yourself, by comparing the quotes to my book.

The writer did not mislead by any means, the important thing is that he called Ken Dinwiddie of (formerly) De Anza Systems, and Dinwiddie verified that my quotes of him that I use in my book were TRUE and that Jim LIED, and other remarks about Jim not being a scientist, doesn't know what he's doing, but that he plays the piano well, etc.

Prior to interviewing Dinwiddie years ago (I was the first to

ever do so), I did not even know that Jim ever played piano until Dinwiddie told me and personally, I could care less. If Jim really does play piano well, good for him. At least there's two things we now know he IS qualified to do: play piano and con people. He has shown a remarkable set of skills for both.

Unfortunately, everytime someone exposes Jim, (which is easy to do because all one has to do is make phone calls to check what he says) I get "blamed" for it. This really makes me unhappy and it is patently untrue.

I am sick and tired of both the Roswell and Meier cases and IF you knew what I was working on now, you'd believe me. You don't of course, and right now it would be inappropriate to comment.

All I can say is this: I am NOT working on another expose/hoax book [and at this point in time have no intentions of ever writing one again] and I am glad to see that everyone is finally waking up to the truth about Dilettoso and starting to do their own critical thinking. It's about time: the UFO field needs this and we MUST start cleaning house as they say.

Right now, my efforts are focused on trying to get the government to release UFO documents that remain classified, and so far we are making (slow) progress. The key has been to NOT work with people like Stephen Basset and others, whom our government has either no respect for, or thinks are simply way off base.

And given the crap I hear coming from people like Basset, I can't blame them.

You may think of me what you wish, John, and accuse me of "changing wardrobes" or whatever other verbiage you wish to articulate, but unless your psychic you don't know what you're talking about.

I am a pretty straightforward person: I believe hoaxers and scamsters hurt the UFO field and the public as a whole. I work with law enforcement to go after criminals. The media as well needs to be more objective and critical in their coverage, and the UFO field must call people on the carpet for their questionable activities.

Independent of the UFO field's stupidity on occasion, the U.S. government is withholding UFO-related documents that I believe, we have a legal and constitutional right to have declassified. I believe this cover-up is illegal and violates our constitutional rights and I am working to try and bring this issue to a head -- all with law and legal types and law enforcement.

If you know anything about me, John, you would know about my police/detective background and how I have helped nail terrorists and other sickos and have helped kept them from killing innocent people.

I could care less about Dilettoso, I said all I have to say about him in my book, and that's pretty much why the reporter had no quotes from me and decided to lift them (without my prior knowledge) from my book.

Recently, several weeks ago, Jim Dilettoso on MSN ADMITTED (finally!) that he LIED about having a Ph.D from McGill University. I THANKED him for finally coming clean, but let's be perfectly clear here -- he did so only AFTER I relentlessly pressed him, and even though he admitted this finally, there's no excuse for the fact he still tried to deny the issue and such an admission from him is just one very small step for Jim into the arena of "truth," -- a concept and place he is not too familiar with.

Finally, regarding Tom King, my position on his "UFO" videos are as follows:

I am not saying that Tom King has never filmed or photographed UFOs. Having never analyzed any of his videos, except for the Phoenix one of march 13th, which shows flares, I am in no position and have no opinions about his other material. Having never seen or analyzed it, how could I?? Tom may very well have filmed UFOs, but if he has, the burden of proof is on him, and no one else, and if he values his credibility and the integrity of his "evidence," he should not have Jim Dilettoso "authenticate"

his footage. Jim is not capable of doing any such thing, and Tom should know better. If he doesn't by now, then his evidence cannot be taken seriously.

To put it another way: If you claim to be a human rights advocate, yet serve under the regime of Saddam Hussein, you're a hypocrite at best -- possibly a mass murderer/accomplice at worst.

What is Tom?

Since I will be tied up trying to get these new government documents published and made available to the UFO community, I will NOT waste my time on anything regarding Dilettoso. Since I had nothing really to do with the expose, I am not going to allow my valuable time to be wasted on something that only confirms what any half-wit would find obvious: that Jim is a FRAUD, his Meier "analysis" (which people like Jim Deardorff just "love,") is a FRAUD and that Jim is a con-artist.

Just ask Jordi Hormel, who is now several MILLION \$\$ poorer, and OTHER victims Jim has scammed.

As you will find out, more people are coming forward who Jim has scammed, because enough people have had enough.

Yes, I am sad that this episode has taken place. I told the truth here, and I do not delight in news of this nature. This expose of Jim, or of ANYONE like him, HURTS the field of UFO research and I don't like to see people victimized, by anyone. That's why I work in the law enforcement field and anti-terrorist sectors, and other areas -- and right now, I feel that the American public is being victimized because its' own government is withholding UFO documents under a pretense that violates the very foundation that this country was founded on.

I hate this, will not tolerate it, and feel morally obligated to try and change this. Jim Dilettoso is of no interest to me, and as I said to him on the MSN chat, (check the transcript yourself, John) now that he's FINALLY told the truth about his FAKE Ph.D. LIE (although it took him YEARS to do it) I won't pester him on it again.

Case Closed.

With all due respect, John, please get a clue.

Hastily,

Kal (long-winded and very busy with criminal and terrorist investigations and government UFO document initiatives) Korff

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> Date: Sun, 08 Mar 1998 11:53:41 -0600  
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
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> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

> >Date: Sun, 8 Mar 1998 01:43:32 -0500  
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> >From: John <[jvif@spacelab.net](mailto:jvif@spacelab.net)> [John Velez]  
> >Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

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> Hi John.

> If I were you I would disassociate myself totally with  
> Mr. Kal Korff.

<snip>

> The best thing all of us can do is "TOTALLY IGNORE MR.  
> KAL KORFF." Do not respond to anything he posts on  
> the list. I don't care if he sets you on fire with  
> his personal attacks, or attacks you softly and  
> subtilely and softly.

> This is just my opinion. I WILL NOT respond to any post  
> he makes to myself. He can choose, as I will, to ignore  
> my posts as well. But, when you empower him, by responding  
> to his posts, you make him stronger.

> There is a Biblical injunction which says: "Resist not  
> evil and it will flee from you."

> Stay focused and remain "UNITED." In Unity there is  
> strength, in division there is confusion and a falling  
> away.

> REgards, Mike

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Mr. Christol,

Your suggestion that an appropriate course of action is to disassociate and ignore is well meant, but neglects an important aspect of this particular matter.

Mr. Korff's post was an expansion on a lengthy article in the Phoenix New Times by Anthony Ortega. Mr. Korff was interviewed and provided significant content to this article. Mr. Ortega's article was clearly intentioned to show the Laughlin Conference in the worst possible light, attack as many people as space would permit within the context of the article, and above all, to damage the efforts of Frances Emma Barwood to seek the office of Secretary of State of Arizona.

This is reality, this is politics. You are seeing an interactive

process between mainstream media and certain elements within the general field of ufology which is designed to feed on itself and do damage. This damage will have consequences. I am a believer that the work is primary, the internecine personal conflicts secondary. However, there will be times, and this is one, when the majority camp of this field must step forward and speak out.

Stephen Bassett  
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> Date: Sun, 08 Mar 1998 14:44:41 +0000  
> To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
> Subject: HOT GOSSIP

> March 1998

> HOT GOSSIP UK MAGAZINE  
> the hottest gossip at the coolest site  
> [www.hotgossip.co.uk](http://www.hotgossip.co.uk)

> ASBESTOS FOUND ON BENTWATERS BASE

> RICHARD CONWAY is the son of STAN CONWAY, a  
> researcher for BUFORA. Stan told me he tried to warn Richard  
> away from ufology, but like father - like son. Richard is known  
> for his interest in underground bases. On a recent visit to the  
> infamous BENTWATERS base - known for its alleged UFO  
> landings - he discovered a large quantity of asbestos. This is  
> interesting in the light of a conversation I had with an ex RAF  
> chap from RAF Watton, who tells me that asbestos was used  
> as a shield for uranium - or as part of a shield for nuclear  
> weapons. "It's a cheap way of doing it. It depletes radiation  
> killing personnel - gamma causes harm." he said. Wasn't it  
> LARRY WARREN who insisted that Bentwaters was housing nukes?

This is an idiotic leap to conclusions...many many old buildings used Asbestos for insulations etc, the pipes at my old school were clad in the stuff. It has become a major issue to remove Asbestos from old buildings or those being knocked down because what we now know about breathing in its fibres (ie its not a good idea). Finding the material on a cold-war era base means nothing and I fail to see how it could stop gamma radiation. Nuclear weapons dont emit large doeses of lethal radiation unless some idiot takes to them with a pick axe (or they're used of course)..and who stores them around personnel?

Sorry to be going off about a minor point but all this "1+1 Must = 97!!" stuff in the UFO field is getting really annoying...what has happened to some people's critical thinking and even simple research abilities?

K

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>choose, as I will, to ignore my posts as well. But, when you  
>empower him, by responding to his posts, you make him stronger.

Dear Mike:

Thanks for your letter. I am very happy that you won't respond to me. I really don't want you to, anyway, as you ignored the relevant issues here.

I am so glad you are going to be quiet about these issues...the less you respond with denials of the truth, the better for the UFO field.

You can ask Jeff Rense of sightings and Laura Lee of the Laura Lee Show about Art Bell. My "disappearance" from the UFO field is entirely in your imagination...they know why I was very busy during that time, you think you do.

I even did the Leeza Gibbons show during the Art Bell episode, so I hardly "disappeared" -- in fact, I was seen and heard by more than 25 million people that week!!

Man, are you not only way off base, but now that you won't respond, I can pelt you with facts and you will just have to find a way to rationalize how wide of the mark you really are.

Glad to have to deal with one less individual in this field who makes statements that are not based on fact (at least here -- don't know about anywhere else and don't care).

Kal Korff

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>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

<snip>

>I am hardly unique. I'd suggest you [Kal] forget the tabloids  
>and do a little remedial reading."

Dear Jerry,

Your suggestion that I "do a little remedial reading" misses the point entirely -- and I suggest that you think of this very carefully, because it will save you from being embarrassed further.

I am and do not doubt your UFO sighting. How could I? Until your posting, I knew nothing about it and since I have NOT investigated it, I have no opinion on it. You, however, sir, are a different matter entirely.

Did YOU know that I, myself, have seen a UFO and that as far as I know, what I saw was not from this world? To be honest I cannot explain it. I have posted my sighting on this forum over 9 months ago -- go read it yourself!! You can quote me on this, and now go ask yourself WHY you would write such an insulting letter to me which 1) misses all the relevant points, 2) Is overloaded with irrational emotionalism 3) slams me for things I did NOT say and you are just plain wrong about.

I care very much about the crdeibility of ufology. That's why, as an objective researcher, I call it as it is -- Jim Dilettoso is a fraud and a con artist -- case closed. His photo "analyses" are not scientific and now they have been disproven (yet again) for the umpteenth time for nearly 20 years now. People are finally waking up to this fact, I am on to other things and let those bozos who supported Jim and knew he was questionable deal with the fallout!!

Are you listening Bob Dean? Wendelle Stevens? Michael Hesemann? Billy Meier? Jaime Moussan? Lee and Brit Elders? Tom Welch? Tom King? Bill Hamilton? Frances Emma Barwood? Stephen Bassett (who often borrows Jim's car)? The list is much longer, because the UFO field is overloaded with con artists and people who have an agenda that is NOT based on the truth!

Why don't you try to take on the reporter who wrote the story?? Go bother him.

I have told you that accountability is coming to this field, and thanks to con artists like Dilettoso the media is becoming hostile, and rightly so. Mark my words, everyone -- a series of devastating exposes are being written by various journalists on many of you and I am just standing by the wayside, waiting for the bullpuckey to hit the fan, (those who are being exposed deserve it) and focusing on my government UFO document retrieval efforts.

Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

Do you have a problem with this, Jerry??? Are my efforts to separate fact from fiction hurting the UFO field?

Why don't you remember that I am a researcher who has 25 years in this field and am not afraid to face or publish the facts. I also am certainly willing to admit when I am wrong, and even did so on the Art Bell show, remember?

I don't like writing emotional responses, sir, but since you fired at me, you missed the mark and I hope for the sake of MUFON's credibility, that you control yourself.

I saw a UFO also. Don't ever forget this!

I am NOT a skeptic nor a debunker. Prometheus has no problem with this. Deal with it, and feel free to write, if you like, after you've thought this matter through.

Disappointed that you missed the relevant points and hoping this will change,

Disappointed,

Kal Korff

P.S. Please share with us what YOU think of Jim Dilettoso's photo analysis, how he lied about having a Ph.D., how he scammed Jordi Hormel out of millions of dollars, etc. those are the important issues here, and of the piece, not how you feel about your UFO sighting. That topic, sir, is best left for another thread on this forum.

Konfuscius saying #232: "No matter what the state of the facts, some people will never get it."

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## UK.UFO.NW change IRC servers

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Date: Mon, 09 Mar 1998 21:17:10 -0500  
Fwd Date: Mon, 09 Mar 1998 21:17:10 -0500  
Subject: UK.UFO.NW change IRC servers

UNITED KINGDOM UFO NETWORK

Moves IRC (internet relay chat) Servers

For the last few years uk.ufo.nw has been holding it's weekly IRC meetings on the Ultranet servers. Unfortunately Ultranet are no more. So currently we are looking for a new home.

Until further notice uk.ufo.nw will be meeting on channel #ufo on the Chatnet servers. Nothing else has changed.

We will notify you when our new home channel is confirmed. Listed below are a number of Chatnet servers for your IRC software.

London.UK.EU.ChatNet.Org  
Frogn.NO.ChatNet.Org  
LosAngeles.CA.US.ChatNet.Org  
SF.CA.US.Chatnet.Org  
WalnutCreek.CA.US.ChatNet.Org  
Pensacola.FL.US.ChatNet.Org  
Pocatello.IS.US.ChatNet.Org  
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## Re: 'Beyond Roswell' Q&A Site

From: **RGates8254** <[RGates8254@aol.com](mailto:RGates8254@aol.com)> [Robert Gates]  
Date: Sun, 8 Mar 1998 23:55:43 EST  
Fwd Date: Mon, 09 Mar 1998 21:25:26 -0500  
Subject: Re: 'Beyond Roswell' Q&A Site

> Date: Fri, 6 Mar 1998 17:58:44 +0000  
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> From: Sean Jones <[tedric@tedric.demon.co.uk](mailto:tedric@tedric.demon.co.uk)>  
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: 'Beyond Roswell' Q&A Site

> >Date: Wed, 25 Feb 1998 07:37:14 -0500  
> >To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
> >From: Bob Shell <[bob@bobshell.com](mailto:bob@bobshell.com)>  
> >Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: 'Beyond Roswell' Q&A Site

> Hi Bob, Hi Errol, Hi All

> >But whether he is the cameraman or not, the film itself still  
> >defies easy explanation.

> >Bob

> I totally agree.

> Take the film on its own and without all the paraphenalia and  
> Santilli circus surrounding and it stands on its own.

May I point out that the Mark Hoffman/Mormon murder documents also defied "easy explanation" not to mention the Hitler diaries, Piltown man and many other frauds that have permeated the 20th century. You could also say that many of these frauds "stood on their own" until they were found out.

In most of these cases it took anywhere from months (Hitler diaries) to years to discover the frauds, and usually because of a "newly discovered mistake" (generally after they passed through the hands of experts who pronounced them real) in the questioned item.

My prediction for the film is that 10 years from now we will still be where we are today. Not quite provable real, and not quite provable fake.

Cheers,  
Robert

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Fwd Date: Mon, 09 Mar 1998 21:15:33 -0500  
Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

> From: TotlResrch <[TotlResrch@aol.com](mailto:TotlResrch@aol.com)> [Kal K. Korff]  
> Date: Fri, 6 Mar 1998 14:42:46 EST  
> To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
> Subject: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good??

<snip>

> While Billy Meier and his unobjective, religious, and fanatical  
> believers such as Jim Deardorff, Michael Hesemann, and good old  
> "Jerome" in the Netherlands will undoubtedly find ways to  
> rationalize the startling revelations in this devastating expose,  
> the burden of proof is on them to DISPROVE these new  
> allegations.

Over the years I have seen many alleged "media exposes" which themselves have twisted the facts. Those who are not closed minded will realize that paper lays still, and you can say anything, about anybody.

In light of that we should wait till we hear the Dilettoso side of the story.

I am intrigued by the mentality of all you have to do is make an allegations, then it is up to the person the allegations is directed at to "disprove" it.

According to this logic trail, if someone/anyone/the local garbage collector makes an \*hypothetical\* allegation say to the effect of Mr X is a sexual deviant, then it is entirely up to Mr. X to DISPROVE the allegations to the satisfaction of the accusers and or the people that believe them. Now for discussion sakes this proof would \*naturally\* take the form of sworn depositions taken from any and all friends of Mr. X from grade school forward...especially any female friends, not to mention having Mr. X provide a complete copy of his entire medical records from the day he was born through present time etc etc.

Naturally you could get 12 experts to analyze the records and come up with 12 expert that were all different

> I "psychically" predict that they will not be able to do so,  
> and will just ignore this expose because it makes them look like  
> very gullible idiots who don't think critically. I realize this  
> is a blunt term, but these are the adjectives that come to mind.

I predict that no matter what evidence, information, or documentation surfaces that suggests otherwise Kal will not change his mind or his position.

Needless to say that was a "predictably" easy prediction.

> The truth is, the investigative reporter for the Phoenix New  
> Times, decided to independently research Dilettoso and Meier, and  
> found (surprise!) that Dilettoso is 100% guilty of doing  
> everything from lying about having various degrees from assorted  
> universities, to outright swindling millionaire Jordi Hormel to  
> the tune of several million dollars.

Gee, the investigative reporter and Kal make these guys sound so criminalistic, next they will be saying that Dilettoso is Saddam

Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

Hussains 'Phoenix contact'. :)

Cheers,  
Robert

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Date: Mon, 9 Mar 1998 08:36:58 -0600 (CST)  
Fwd Date: Mon, 09 Mar 1998 21:38:38 -0500  
Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

> Date: Sun, 8 Mar 1998 15:52:12 -0500  
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
> From: Bob Shell <[bob@bobshell.com](mailto:bob@bobshell.com)>  
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> >To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
> >Subject: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good??

> >It is with a feeling of mixed emotions, that I must announce to  
> >you, that this week's issue of the Phoenix New Times, has an  
> >extremely devastating expose of UFO photo "analyst" and image  
> >computer "expert," Jim Dilettoso.

> When I first started hearing about "photo expert" Dilettoso I  
> asked a friend of mine who lives in Phoenix and is an expert in  
> optics to check him out. He did and reported back that "this guy  
> doesn't know his ass from a hole in the ground about optics,  
> photography or video."

Then why has he been featured on so many TV specials about UFOs,  
shown making authoritative comments on everything from the Meier  
photos to the Phoenix mile-wide saucer videos?

Why have so many people in UFODom been so eager to endorse his  
expertise and use it to build upon their own beliefs?

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## Media Alert - 'Sightings' Two Hour Special

From: **Steven Kaeser** <[steve@konsulting.com](mailto:steve@konsulting.com)>  
Date: Mon, 09 Mar 1998 10:44:05 -0500  
Fwd Date: Mon, 09 Mar 1998 21:43:55 -0500  
Subject: Media Alert - 'Sightings' Two Hour Special

'Sightings' is to air their second two hour special this next Saturday (3/14/98) at 8:00pm (est) on the Science Fiction Channel cable network. Details haven't been added to their web site as of yet, but their schedule confirms that it is airing. The title for the show is 'SIGHTINGS: The Secrets of Alien Abduction'. Their first special was fairly good, and hopefully this will be as well.

While 'Sightings' is still featured each evening on the Sci-Fi Channel, the one hour shows are all repeats and I believe they have stopped production on all but 'long form' specials.

Steve

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## Waco - One More Once

From: [shawomet@webtv.net](mailto:shawomet@webtv.net) (Charles Naugatuck)  
Date: Mon, 9 Mar 1998 12:29:03 -0500  
Fwd Date: Mon, 09 Mar 1998 21:58:51 -0500  
Subject: Waco - One More Once

Hi. Just heard on NBC news that the man who held police at bay in Waco, Texas has his own web page dedicated to combating government secrecy on ufos. Didn't catch his name, but I thought I'd let you all know. Get ready!

Charles Naugatuck

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**Dr. Jason Leigh**

From: [jan@cyberzone.net](mailto:jan@cyberzone.net) (Jan Aldrich)  
Date: Mon, 09 Mar 1998 10:52:04 -0800  
Fwd Date: Mon, 09 Mar 1998 22:13:05 -0500  
Subject: Dr. Jason Leigh

Jan,

Also check out Sightings on the Radio's web site at:

<http://www.sightings.com/political/leigh.htm>

The text below is from that location.

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Sightings Guest/UFO Researcher Surrenders In Waco Standoff  
3-8-98

Note: Dr. Jason Leigh, former Navy Seal and noted UFO researcher, surrendered Sunday evening in Waco. No one was injured in the 12 hour standoff. As a result of severely broken back, Dr. Leigh had numerous steel pieces surgically implanted into his spine which resulted in his having to suffer through 24 hour intractable, excruciating back pain. It is our sincere hope that Dr. Leigh receives the best support and assistance the VA and our system of compassion and justice has available.

From the The Waco Tribune-Herald and COX Interactive Media, Inc.  
<http://www.accesswaco.com/>

Jason Leigh The man who crashed into the Waco VA regional office this morning has surrendered to police. The man, 49-year-old Jason Leigh, gave himself up shortly before 9 p.m. He had been in a standoff with police since he crashed his pickup into the VA office about 6:30 this morning. He had a rifle and explosives, police said, and had been demanding \$1 million and benefits to veterans. Police said Leigh left three suicide notes in his apartment in Cleburne. He has an active interest in UFOs and has reported seeing them in the Texas sky. Accounts of his sightings are featured on his Web page.

Cleburne residents surprised by Leigh's standoff By JODI WETUSKI  
Tribune- Herald staff writer

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Jason Leigh is well-known in his hometown of Cleburne for his two-minute home video of a UFO he claims to have seen over the municipal golf course in 1995.

Some also know him as Vietnam veteran who complained about governmental red tape tying up his benefits.

But the news that Leigh, 49, was the involved in a standoff with local and federal officers in Waco on Sunday shocked many people in Cleburne, a town of about 23,000 in Johnson County.

"He is a character, but I never knew he would do something like that," said Rob Frazier, editor of the Cleburne Times-Review.

"He's not a bad guy. I can't believe he's doing this," said Lori Elmore-Moon, a former reporter and editor for the Times-Review who has known Leigh for several years. "He's a gentle man as far as I'm concerned. He needs help."

Leigh's Cleburne UFO sighting occurred on June 11, 1995, at 1:22 p.m. He saw a silver, silent cigar-shaped object floating above the golf course, according to a 1995 Times-Review story written by Elmore-Moon.

Leigh contacted the Mutual UFO Network, a group that investigates strange sightings, and local television stations trying to alert the public about the presence of UFOs, according to the Times-Review.

"He was one of those people who was always at the newspaper trying to promote one thing or another," said Pam Humphrey, a former reporter at the Times-Review. When he did come by the newspaper, women always noticed him because of his good looks, Humphrey said.

Today, Leigh has a site on the Internet devoted to UFOs, including stories about other sightings he's had, government coverups of UFOs, tips on how to videotape UFOs and his experiences with talk shows and other media.

"Our city streets are not safe. Our homes and families are not safe from the evils of this world," Leigh wrote on the site. "Therefore, what is there to fear from an advanced civilization from another world, provided that they are civilized?"

On that Internet site, Leigh claims to have worked in television news, a job he says he left to work for NASA. He also said on that site that he is now a writer.

Leigh's relatives said that he worked for KCLE 1120 AM radio in Cleburne a few years ago, but KCLE station manager Gary Moss said he did not recall Leigh ever working there. Leigh's family declined any further comment.

Elmore-Moon, who is now a news anchor for KCLE, said she first met Leigh years before his UFO sighting, when he used to bring his poetry to the Times-Review.

Over the years they developed a friendship, and Elmore-Moon did the first story on his UFO sighting, she said.

Though rumors floated around Cleburne that Leigh claims to have been abducted by aliens, Elmore-Moon said he never told her point-blank that he had been abducted.

Rather, Leigh told Elmore-Moon that he was sitting in the woods playing his guitar one day and experienced a period of "lost time," Elmore-Moon said. One minute, he was playing his guitar, and the next thing he knew, his guitar was on the ground beside him and some time had passed, Elmore-Moon said.

Leigh told Elmore-Moon that he couldn't recall what had happened during that time, but he did not rule out the possibility that alien abduction might have been the cause of the lost time, Elmore-Moon said.

During some of their conversations, Elmore-Moon said, Leigh mentioned that he was experiencing trouble getting veterans benefits, and that he was "not happy with the government."

However, Elmore-Moon was more interested in his UFO stories, and didn't pay any special attention to his complaints about veterans benefits, she said.

But even if Leigh did have a problem with the government, he didn't seem like the type of person who would resort to threats or violence, Elmore-Moon said.

"He is a soft-spoken man...an educated man," she said. "This is not a side of him I've seen."



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Fwd Date: Mon, 09 Mar 1998 22:27:25 -0500  
Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

>From: Ufojoel <[Ufojoel@aol.com](mailto:Ufojoel@aol.com)> [Joe Murgia]  
>Date: Sun, 8 Mar 1998 17:21:10 EST  
>To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)

>Subject: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good? Korff Says What?  
>Also, whatever happens to Village Labs and Dilettoso has nothing  
>to do with what actually happened that night. I could care less  
>what the "experts" say because they usually don't know jack. (Not  
>Nickelson)

Joe,

I may not agree with Kal on a lot of things, although I find myself agreeing with him more than with many on this list, but the important point is that Dilettosa is one of those who doesn't know Jack.

This has nothing to do with whether the Phoenix lights were a big UFO or not.

Dilettoso is not an expert on anything photographic, and his work gets the laughter it deserves when shown in knowledgeable photographic circles.

Anyone can buy a computer and some software and make "purty pitchers" with lots of colors and such, generate graphs, and connect dots.

This makes them an expert at ----- what?????

Bob

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## Mexico City UFO video - Show?

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Date: Mon, 9 Mar 1998 10:27:04 -0800 (PST)  
Fwd Date: Mon, 09 Mar 1998 22:30:30 -0500  
Subject: Mexico City UFO video - Show?

Hello List,

Has anyone heard if the TV program due to show the analysis of the Aug. 6, 1997, Mexico City UFO video and witnesses is still on schedule? About a month ago someone on this list mentioned it would be shown this coming Wednesday, March 11th. But I haven't seen any TV listing that would point to it.

Jim Deardorff

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Date: Mon, 09 Mar 1998 23:40:45 +0100  
Fwd Date: Mon, 09 Mar 1998 22:56:08 -0500  
Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

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>computer "expert," Jim Dilettoso.

>This new, shocking expose can be found at:

><http://www.phoenixnewtimes.com>

>The expose, with photos, is their LEAD COVER story for this  
>issue.

>I recommend that everyone read this piece and tell others about  
>it, since it covers numerous subjects about ufos and is not "just  
>another expose" about Jim Dilettoso.

>While Billy Meier and his unobjective, religious, and fanatical  
>believers such as Jim Deardorff, Michael Hesemann, and good old  
>"Jerome" in the Netherlands will undoubtedly find ways to  
>rationalize the startling revelations in this devastating expose,  
>the burden of proof is on them to DISPROVE these new  
>allegations.

It seems that Korff with the words "good old 'Jerome' in the Netherlands" is referring to me. Korff doesn't know me personally, we've never had a conversation, and his remark that I'm an "unobjective, religious, and fanatical" Meier believer is groundless and insulting and obviously serves to discredit me and my work.

As you all probably know, Korff promotes the idea that the Meier case is a hoax and claims that the proof is in his book 'Spaceships of the Pleiades: The Billy Meier case'.

I've taken a close look at his book, in order to independently verify Korff's claims. Result: the book does raise some interesting questions but no irrefutable evidence for a hoax is present in his book, contrary to what Korff claims. What's more important: Korff's book obviously is biased and his research is anything but scientific as evidenced by the errors, faulty reasoning, unsupported claims and omissions of relevant data in his book.

More info about that can be found at:

<http://www.bart.nl/~edzmath/start1>.

<http://www.bart.nl/~edzmath/starta>.

(The second URL is for people with a browser which can't cope with JavaScript.)

I will take Meier's or Korff's claims and explanations for granted only if they are able to support their claims and explanations with irrefutable evidence. Korff obviously can't back his Meier hoax claim with irrefutable evidence and thus shouldn't promote the hoax hypothesis as proven fact and discriminate the people who are studying the case because 'it is a proven fact that it is a hoax'.

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## Re: Sighting report

From: **Bob Shell** <[bob@bobshell.com](mailto:bob@bobshell.com)>  
Date: Mon, 9 Mar 1998 12:53:13 -0500  
Fwd Date: Mon, 09 Mar 1998 22:22:33 -0500  
Subject: Re: Sighting report

This from a friend who knows I'm interested in UFOs.

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I had a very strange experience on Friday night. I was camping with the Cub Scouts and one of the other parents and I decided to sit up for awhile and feed the fire and enjoy the clear night. We were camping just south of Cape Canaveral, so there is a relatively great number of planes, etc. that we could see going to or coming from Orlando, Melbourne, Patrick AFS, as well as commercial jets at higher altitudes. They all had blinking lights, and they all made engine noises.

About 11:00 (we're not exactly sure on the time), I saw something in the sky and assumed it was a plane with the one headlight on. As it got closer, I realized that it was moving at an incredible rate of speed and that the light didn't "go away" as the angle of my view changed. About the time I was coming to that conclusion, my fire buddy also began to look at the flying light. It kept going in a northerly track and the damned thing never dimmed! It was like looking head on into a headlight. Bob said something like "Did you see that" and I said, "Go get your binoculars. That is the strangest thing I've ever seen!" The thing kept barreling northward and by the time Bob got back with the binos, it was nearly out of sight...but while he was gone, I noticed that it seemed to be changing direction.

It got many miles north of us and did a WIDE U-TURN and came back in a southern direction! I'm not kidding when I tell you that we didn't know what to think! It did not return as close to us as it had passed going northward, but this time we had the binos. Bob looked at it first and mentioned that it had more than one light on it. I looked at it and it rotated a little--enough for me to see FIVE bright spotlights. The lights that I saw were in a sort of "V" pattern--I say "sort of" because they were not in straight "V" lines, but a little offset. It was totally lighted (to the naked eye) and we couldn't make out a shape of the object because of the glare of the lights (with the binos), but it was NOT a plane. It stayed totally illuminated the entire time we watched it. It made NO sound when we were able to hear sounds for miles and miles. Bizarre.

No, we were not shooting tequila or doing any drugs of any kind. (Mass hypnosis? Contact hallucination?) Tell me we're not crazy. Or tell me who CAN tell me we're not crazy.

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## Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

From: **UFOLAWYER1** <[UFOLAWYER1@aol.com](mailto:UFOLAWYER1@aol.com)>  
Date: Mon, 9 Mar 1998 20:02:04 EST  
Fwd Date: Mon, 09 Mar 1998 23:12:53 -0500  
Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

>From: SGB List 2 <[SGBList2@aol.com](mailto:SGBList2@aol.com)> [Stephen G. Bassett]  
>Date: Sun, 8 Mar 1998 22:20:07 EST  
>To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good??

<snip>

>Mr. Ortega's article was clearly intentioned to show the Laughlin  
>Conference in the worst possible light, attack as many people as  
>space would permit within the context of the article, and above  
>all, to damage the efforts of Frances Emma Barwood to seek the  
>office of Secretary of State of Arizona.

Steven,

You are missing the point. Are the allegations true or false?  
Only if they are false will Mr. Ortega's intentions be relevant.

Peter A. Gersten

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## Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

From: "skyeking@aye.net" <skyeking@aye.net>  
Date: Mon, 09 Mar 1998 22:29:50 -0500  
Fwd Date: Mon, 09 Mar 1998 23:35:41 -0500  
Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

> From: TotlResrch <TotlResrch@aol.com> [Kal Korff]  
> Date: Sun, 8 Mar 1998 22:58:12 EST  
> To: updates@globalserve.net  
> Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?  
  
> >Date: Sun, 08 Mar 1998 12:33:13 -0500  
> >From: "skyeking@aye.net" <skyeking@aye.net>  
> >To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>  
> >Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

> <snip>

> Dear Jerry,

> Your suggestion that I "do a little remedial reading" misses the  
> point entirely -- and I suggest that you think of this very  
> carefully, because it will save you from being embarrassed  
> further.

Embarrassed? Why I'm rather enjoying your knee jerk reactions.  
:-)

> I am and do not doubt your UFO sighting... You, however, sir, are  
> a different matter entirely.

Thank you. I try.

> Did YOU know that I, myself, have seen a UFO...and now go  
> ask yourself WHY you would write such an insulting letter to me...

Because you're full of yourself, perhaps?

> ...which 1) misses all the relevant points, 2) Is overloaded with  
> irrational emotionalism...

Thus sayeth Kal.

> ...3) slams me for things I did NOT say and  
> you are just plain wrong about.

Oh really? All I remember saying was that I wasn't buying what  
you seem to be selling: Namely your thinly veiled "Klassisisms"  
couched as objectivity.

> I care very much about the crdeibility of ufology. That's why,  
> as an objective researcher, I call it as it is...

We like ourselves, don't we Kal?

> -- Jim Dilettoso is a  
> fraud and a con artist -- case closed.

Thus sayeth Kal. Hey Jim, you need a good libel lawyer?

> ...the UFO field is overloaded with con artists and people  
> who have an agenda that is NOT based on the truth!

The Gospel according to Kal...

> Why don't you try to take on the reporter who wrote the story??  
> Go bother him.

His "expose" of Dilettoso isn't the point. However, your passionate embrace of it as ABSOLUTE fact is. Really Kal, for someone so enamored of their own objectivity...

> Mark my words, everyone -- a series of  
> devastating exposes are being written by various journalists on  
> many of you...

Big Kal is watching you...

> Do you have a problem with this, Jerry??? Are my efforts to  
> separate fact from fiction hurting the UFO field?

Until you give the man (Dilettoso) a chance to defend himself all your separating is those efforts from legitimate research. Don't you get it, Kal???

> Why don't you remember that I am a researcher who has 25 years in  
> this field and am not afraid to face or publish the facts.

Because until your recent posting you haven't registered on my radar. Nary a blip. Sorry Dude.

> I also  
> am certainly willing to admit when I am wrong, and even did so on  
> the Art Bell show, remember?

Rarely listen to it. I have a life.

> I don't like writing emotional responses, sir, but since you  
> fired at me, you missed the mark

Au contraire. Your response proves I was right on target.

> and I hope for the sake of  
> MUFON's credibility, that you control yourself.

And spoil all my fun?

> I saw a UFO also. Don't ever forget this!

Good. We'll let you in the club.

Amused,

Jerry

> P.S. Please share with us what YOU think of Jim Dilettoso's photo  
> analysis, how he lied about having a Ph.D., how he scammed Jordi  
> Hormel out of millions of dollars, etc....

Be happy to. Once I have all the facts.

> Konfuscius saying #232: "No matter what the state of the facts,  
> some people will never get it."

Kentucky saying: "Dude's ate up with it, ain't he?"

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MUFON Skywatch Investigations  
From George A. Filer: MUFON Eastern Director,  
March 5, 1998  
[Majorstar@aol.com](mailto:Majorstar@aol.com) (609) 654-0020

Increased UFO activity near New Jersey, New York, Alabama and Australia coasts.

### NEW JERSEY

On February 27, 1998, at 1:35 PM, architect Allen Wahl, was walking his dog along the Atlantic Ocean beach in Ocean Grove, NJ. This location is about thirty miles south of New York City. He decided to rest and look at the ocean since it was such a crystal clear and a deep blue sky. A strange looking ball shaped UFO with fins flew over his position moving from east to west and close by the Great Auditorium in Ocean Grove. Allen stated, "He never saw a UFO before, but this made him a believer. It looked like a diving bell or bathysphere about ten feet in diameter." It reminded him of a Jules Vern science fiction antique ship with lines of rust running down its side. The UFO appeared as it may have come from the sea, although he had not specifically see it come out of the sea. About thirty minutes later an Army helicopter with what appeared to be guns sticking out the front passed directly overhead his position. The next morning at 9:00AM more helicopters were also flying in the area at a very low level possibly searching for the craft. He is sure there were other witnesses. Thanks to: Allen Wahl, 83 Franklin Street, Ocean Grove, NJ.

NEPTUNE, NEW JERSEY. Six hours later at 7:30 PM, a few miles from the previous sighting Mike Niemcyk, a 17 year old, spotted a huge triangular craft moving slowly over his home in Neptune. Mike called his mother to observe the craft in the night sky. They felt the UFO looked similar to a stealth bomber, however, it had too many lights and was too large to be a standard aircraft. They could hear a slight humming sound as the craft headed southwest.

Interestingly, they had heard about the earlier sighting daylight sighting in Ocean Grove. I spoke with the father of the boy, since he seemed so excited.

The father a retired Navy Seal and boat captain had not observed the craft.

However, the father saw a similar craft, four years ago while fishing at night. He was with a policeman, when they both saw a craft fly in from the Atlantic Ocean a few feet above the water. It slowly moved into position 150 yards off the jetty and seemed to hover for a minute. It suddenly took off straight up giving them a great show. Telephone interview with Niemcyk family, 55 Route 35 #32; Neptune, NJ 07753.

TOMS RIVER, NJ. On February 19, at 4:30 p.m., Ellis Smith, his nine-year-old son and his five-year-old daughter watched a UFO perform aerobatics over Toms River fifty miles south of New York City. Ellis said. "We were driving home from the theater in Toms River," Smith reported, "when I noticed about 20 miles to the southwest, 40-45 degrees (above the horizon) what appeared to be an instant contrail" behind "a very bright white light. The sky was clear and I couldn't see where this thing came from." At

first the Smith family thought it was a private plane, but then it stopped and very, very slowly began to level out. It took about three minutes for it to complete what appeared to be a J, then glowed very brightly, changing sizes, and then appeared to change into a very large, bright, solid object with a mist-like substance surrounding it." The UFO repeated these maneuvers six times. Each formation of the J took about four minutes, Smith reported. "The first event...lasted nearly two minutes. whereas toward the last one, it was barely 30 seconds." At the end, "it looked to us like the saucer slowed down, then turned into a ball, then hazed up" before vanishing. Thanks to Joe Trainor, editor of UFO Roundup #9, March 1, 1998

BARNEGAT LIGHT, NJ. The weekend Islander News carried a photograph of a disc shaped UFO near the Barnegat Lighthouse on February 4, 1998. No one knows how this photograph came to be pinned to wall of the local post office. The postmaster Lee Kwapinski stated "Perhaps there's some truth after all, to Brad Honigburg's book, Situation Barnegat Light where aliens may be living near the lighthouse. The UFO appears quite large an estimated fifty feet in diameter and is a typical saucer shape. The local Coast Guard Station reports that unidentified craft are frequently seen along the Atlantic coastline. Thanks to Pat Marcattilio.

Two-thirds the Earth's surface is covered by water and it seems logical that the UFOs or Unidentified Submerged Objects (USOs) could hide in this vast area. One famous New Jersey resident Ivan Sanderson wrote a fine book called Invisible Residents, that pointed to the existence of underwater bases. He points out there are numerous records of eye-witness spanning centuries that told of encounters in lakes, seas and oceans around the world. For example, in August 1954, Dutch Sea Captain Jan Bos of the SS Groot Beer, reported observing a strange moonlike object rising out of the Atlantic ocean some 90 miles east of Cape Cod Light. "There were illuminated ports round the rim of the craft. The object's speed was later described as having been fantastic." Similar reports along the New Jersey coast have been told for years. Navy submarines and the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute research ships have picked up the sounds of fast moving craft in the deep waters off Puerto Rico. Hydrophones and sonar equipment picked up fast moving underwater craft at an estimated depth of 30,000 feet where no known submarine could operate. Divers operating off Norfolk, Virginia reported observing fast moving underwater craft of roughly disc shape. The Bristol Channel and Long Island Sound often have reports from multiple witnesses of craft diving into them. Frequently, air and sea rescue searches are conducted, but no remains or debris is found. I just received a phone call of a possible landing site in central New Jersey, our investigators are preceding to the site in a ladies back yard.

#### NEW YORK

On February 26, at 7:00 PM Andrew Cavaseno and his daughter were driving home westbound on the Southern State Parkway on Long Island. Near the Cross-Island Parkway, they observed a large pattern of lights, half the size of the moon. There were five or six bright lights spread out from south to north.. He pulled his car to a stop on the side of the road to observe more closely. The lights were perfectly stationary almost in a slight "arch" shape. It reminded him of the sightings on television over Phoenix, Arizona. Although, there were hundreds of cars, the others did not pull off the road. The span from one end to the other was a huge arch. The object itself was dark about the size of large stadium. After 15 minutes, it literally "switched off" It did not look like any known aircraft. Thanks to Andrew Cavaseno.

#### OHIO

Sunday morning, February 28, 1998, at 12:30 AM the witness was looking to the south from the Kenwood Towers apartment complex, overlooking the Cincinnati Municipal Lunken Airport. The witness reported a pulsing red-light, initially thinking it was the water tower in Mount Washington. Spotted were a string of four objects, in a line, headed east. They were said to be 'the exact same red color as the lights on top of cell towers.' They were thought to be a formation of planes, but there were no conventional 'strobe lights' commonly seen on planes. The four separate objects seemed

to make a course change and turned to the north, headed approx. 1/4 mile east of the witness' location. As they were coming toward his direction, the witness exited his car. The first three objects flew past at a low elevation, separated by a distance of about 50 to 100 feet apart. No sound could be heard. The witness added that the fourth object, in the rear, DID have the noise of a plane, like a Cessna. He again stressed that the other three objects did not have any sound, but that the fourth object had a muffled sound 'like a hang-glider, airplane or helicopter.' The red lights could be seen across "maybe 45-degrees of the sky" at an elevation of less than a thousand feet, and moving at speed of a slow-moving airplane or helicopter. The third object at one point appeared to speed up and then slow down moving slightly out of formation and then back. No engine noise was heard to accompany this movement. The witness is a former security guard at the apartment complex, who describes himself as a skeptic. They appeared to come from across the Ohio river from Kentucky, passing over Lunken Airport. The witness contacted the Airport Police and the FAA. Thanks to: KENNY YOUNG task@fuse.net

#### FLORIDA

At approximately 1 to 1:30 PM EST on Thursday, February 26, an aerospace engineer and former Air Force officer who lives in Deltona, FL, noticed a very conspicuous, high-altitude contrail passing over his home. The object producing the trail was not visible due to altitude, but the rate at which it was generating the trail indicated that it was moving at extremely high speed - possibly 2-3 times faster than conventional aircraft. The path was from SW to NE. No sound was heard. The object disappeared but the contrail remained visible for several minutes. The individual called an investigator while the object was actually under observation; he was extremely agitated, almost incoherent at times. Before hanging up, the individual said he would make a video of the trail.

#### ALABAMA

The Mobile, Alabama Fox Television Channel 10 news on Monday evening, February 9, ran a videotape of a UFO taken by Christie Edwards of Robertsedale, Alabama. The object was a bright silver object in a disc or ball shape. The object was videotaped on Saturday, February 7th, about 25 miles southeast of Mobile. Christie also saw a similar craft Monday morning but apparently was unable to get this one on tape. The circular object was flying in a clear blue sky. " She said, "It looked like a bright light, but it was real big. And it's nothing I've ever seen before," she told Fox news.

On February 21, 1998 EST in Semmes (Mobile County), Alabama, two witnesses on the front porch simultaneously noticed a red glow in the west at 11:40 PM Central Time. The UFOs shape was generally rectangular. The edges of the rectangle seemed to be bowed inward; although the outside edges of the rectangle were comparatively sharply defined. The interior of the rectangle was somewhat diffuse. One witness described the observation as "eerie," but stated "it must have been some kind of flare. "No aircraft were heard or seen, although the sighting location was within three miles of the municipal airport, which is directly south of witnesses. The light drifted downward from about 20 degrees to disappear further west of the point it was originally noticed. It disappeared below the tree-line west of witnesses at about 10 degrees elevation. The witness described the movement as "drifting" downward, diagonally. The craft was estimated to be at more than one quarter of a mile away. It's apparent size was 1" high by 1/3" wide at arm's length. The sighting lasted for one to two minutes. The glow was constant throughout the observation. Thanks to John Thompson.

#### SAN LUIS VALLEY, COLORADO MUTILATIONS

Christopher O'Brien reports on animal mutilations and UFOs in his Mysterious Valley Report V-1 dated 02/22/98. In December, January and February there are a series of unusual animal deaths in The San Luis Valley (SLV), that appear associated with numerous reports of anomalous object sightings. There are numerous reports of fantastic aerial activity still under investigation by David Perkins. Massive military activity was followed by reports of huge "disco-ball" craft, which shot out of smaller red lights that criss-crossed the Huerfano Valley for

hours for three nights.

A flurry of sightings occurred on December 13, 1997, when Thomas Paye and a friend were driving north on State Highway 285, north of La Jara, CO. They witnessed two unusual lights or objects, the first at 7:05 PM, and the second at 10 PM. Both objects flew in the general area of the mutilation of a gelding. The first object was an orange globe, the second, a blue one. A few hours later, between 1:15 and 1:40 AM two witnesses saw a large object slowly crossing the valley from east to west near Mesita. They estimated that it took 25 minutes to traverse fifty miles. An hour later at 3:00 AM, a female witness about two miles north of Center, also witnessed the object and wrote:

"I saw out my back door one of those triangular UFO's hovering over my south field. The UFO moved slowly and hovered by the roof of the house and over by the silos. Then it came back over the house and a beam of white-blue light came out of the middle and something was taken up in the beam. I couldn't see what, but its shape was smallish. I was so scared I couldn't talk. It played some kind of musical rhythm when the lights around the edge flashed off and on.."

On December 17, 1997, another horse mutilation occurred near the Alamosa River. At 10:30 AM, rancher Ron Gardiner discovered a dead gelding five miles SW of Alamosa. The animal was found lying on it's right side at the bottom of a dry, seven feet deep irrigation canal. Broken Chimisa bushes and thrashing marks showed evidence of a struggle, but only the unfortunate gelding's tracks were visible. The carcass was still warm and the rancher estimated the animal was mutilated sometime around dawn. The Sheriff's investigator, the rancher and Chris investigated the-site shooting videotape and photographs. They took samples for forensic testing. The horse was missing its penis and an 8 inch circular patch of hide behind the sheath. The rear-end was neatly cored out in a slightly elongated circle to a depth of 8 to 9 inches. No apparent scavenger interest was noted and two horses in the small herd seemed curious and unafraid of the carcass. A five inch shallow gash was carved in the t on the neck. Several drops, which appeared to be blood, were found in snow about 60 feet away over the fence and across the road. There was no wind, fog and a temperature just below zero at the approximate time of death. There was dense fog in both this horse killing and the November 30, 1997, Hooper case.

On January 5, 1998, three pigs were discovered mutilated by two San Luis ranchers. A local man named Arnie reported: "Three white 100 to 150 pounds pigs were mutilated. Each pig had a cored out rectum and other round holes in the abdomen. They had been discovered three days before I saw them." Bob Green from La Sierra News took photos with a digital camera.

Like five other cases from the southern Alamosa County area since 1994, the horse was found near the Alamosa River. This latest "mutilation" report and the recent November 30, 1997, calf death case seem unusual. The vast majority of San Luis Valley these unusual animal deaths (UADs) occur from last-frost to first-frost, during the warmer months. Rarely do deaths occur during cold sub-zero nights, so this may be a new wrinkle. The only measurable pollution near the valley is located 23 miles up the Alamosa River at the Summitville Mine Superfund Site. Results of forensic testing will be posted when it's made available.

On January 7, 1998, from 5:45 PM to 3:00 AM, massive aerial activity was reported by five witnesses near La Veta. They observed "Disco balls" shooting off multi-colored lights and smaller red lights while craft criss-cross the Huerfano in a "grid-like pattern." One witness said, "He thought it was the end of the world!" The next day around 10:30AM in Huerfano County, a La Veta witness reported "20 to 30" jets criss-crossing the in a grid pattern that was "highly unusual." Six hours later, at 5:20 PM, over the Baca Ranch, on State Highway 17, two witnesses saw a brightly blinking light east of their location. They then observed a "150 foot diameter disc" with a small, low cupola light on its underside. The UFO was "between 1500 to 2000 feet "in altitude and traveling south down the center of the valley at 550 mph." Three witnesses in Costilla County coming home from basketball practice also noticed two lights emanating from the sky in San Luis Valley at the approximate location where the three pigs were discovered.



On January 10, 1998, in Huerfano County there were more reports of those pesky fireballs that have been reported here in the valley for decades. On January 12, 1998, A mysterious object lit up the night sky followed by a deafening explosion. Military spokesmen denied the object was a military aircraft. Local scientists speculated it could have been a meteor. " It is interesting the January 11, the Colorado object's glow was again a captured by the same security camera that caught last year's alleged meteor. It is fascinating that last October's huge New Mexico to Texas meteor occurred on the same flight path --almost a year to-the-day -- from a similar object seen on the same flight path last year.

January 20, 1998, at 6:00 PM south of the Great Sand Dunes, a Hooper resident reports watching a "big star doing some big twists" over his friend's house. Stephanie Sylvester of The Denver Post-1/28/98 reports from Breckenridge. Several people saw a large fiery object trailed by a plume of smoke crash to the ground near here about noon Tuesday. "It was a large object that was on fire with smoke that was spiraling off the back of it," said Blue River Marshal, Steve Ford. "My first thought was that it was a meteor."

Chris is working with well-known scientist Dr. W.C. Levensgood's who does soil and plant analysis on Crop Circles. Nancy Talbot, coordinator for Dr. Levensgood will present these results at the National MUFON Conference in Denver this coming June. Preliminary analysis has been highly intriguing. Abnormal levels of magnetite and depressed redox-levels in plant mitochondria are mentioned extensively. Christopher O'Brien, <http://home.amigo.net/tmv>

Bob Hetsko writes radio news programs have started reporting frequent UFO sightings over Douglas county. The witnesses report the object looked like an airplane crashing, however no aircraft was reported missing. Thanks to KHOW radio 630AM news.

#### NEW MEXICO

Paul Cook is investigating the Bill Sauter case regarding a video he took over Deming, New Mexico on January 31, 1998. Bill stated, "Something out there was not an airplane and it wasn't a blimp. It looked like a 747, but without wings and without a tail section." The correct Website address for Paul Cook is <http://n6rpf.com-us.net/sauter.html>.

#### AUSTRALIA

Respondents reported sighting a very large Orange triangular shaped illumination over the Wodonga area, Victoria, Australia on February 6, 1998, from 11:30 to 11:45 PM. A very large intense bright orange light appeared in the southeast sky. One respondent said that he "was even looking at the stars in that area of the sky when this triangular illumination just seemed to appear from no-where." The Orange object moved from the South east towards Wodonga (NNW) and then appeared to hover for about 30 seconds in the east. It changed direction and took five minutes to travel out of sight towards the Hume Power Station. It was the size of a commercial jetliner traveling at only 600 feet with no sound. On February 2nd, at 11.55 PM in Tasmania, Australia witnesses report sighting two bright white triangular objects ripping through the night sky over Devenport. On February 14th, at 5:45 AM, on the Gold Coast, Queensland a large black disc shape object was sighted.. The disc shaped object heading due north flew on a straight an level course. Its speed was slower than a commercial aircraft but too fast for a balloon since there was only a 10 knot breeze SSW to NNE.

Ross Dowe reports that an Australia train crew saw a giant UFO. A very large UFO landed at a remote railroad crossing in northern Australia in late December 1997 and was seen by the entire crew aboard the freight train. The sighting took place at Kajabbi, Queensland also known as the Milk StopKajabbi located 1,210 miles northwest of Brisbane. As the freight train rolled into Kajabbi, the crew spied what looked like "a large building" beside the track. One witness remarked, "When did that go up?" The object was described as "a large, almost transparent, rusty brown building large enough to accommodate a line of trains." It

was in excess of 1,000 feet or 300 meters.  
The UFO "was seen to lift off the ground and take off straight up into the sky" as the train approached the siding. The crew was rattled by the sight, and a few even said, "They will never go to that area again." Elsewhere in northern Queensland, aboriginal people "have reported sighting many Min Min lights." (Thanks to Ross Dowe and the Australia/New Zealand National UFO Hotline and for this report.)

Please report your sighting to George Filer at Majorstar@aol.com.

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## Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

From: **Rob Irving** <[RobIrving@aol.com](mailto:RobIrving@aol.com)>  
Date: Mon, 9 Mar 1998 23:53:47 EST  
Fwd Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 09:40:42 -0500  
Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

> Date: Mon, 09 Mar 1998 23:40:45 +0100  
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
> From: Jeroen Jansen <[jj4747@dds.nl](mailto:jj4747@dds.nl)>  
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

Jeroen,

> I will take Meier's or Korff's claims and explanations for  
> granted only if they are able to support their claims and  
> explanations with irrefutable evidence.

Was Meier ever able to support his claims and explanations with  
irrefutable evidence?

> Korff obviously can't back his Meier hoax claim with irrefutable evidence  
> and thus shouldn't promote the hoax hypothesis as proven fact...

Meier and his supporters don't have such a problem with promoting  
Meier's claims as proven fact. What is the irrefutable evidence?  
Don't tell me... Jim Dilettoso's analysis.

Rob

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From: **Rob Irving** <[RobIrving@aol.com](mailto:RobIrving@aol.com)>  
Date: Mon, 9 Mar 1998 23:34:18 EST  
Fwd Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 09:27:50 -0500  
Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

> From: Chris Rutkowski <[rutkows@cc.UManitoba.CA](mailto:rutkows@cc.UManitoba.CA)>  
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?  
> To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net) (UFO UpDates - Toronto)  
> Date: Mon, 9 Mar 1998 08:36:58 -0600 (CST)

Chris,

> Then why has he been featured on so many TV specials about UFOs,  
> shown making authoritative comments on everything from the Meier  
> photos to the Phoenix mile-wide saucer videos?

Because for some strange reason the kind of TV companies that produce these kind of shows seem to think there's more mileage to be had pushing 'genuine' mystery than no mystery, and 'experts' like Dilettoso give enough 'scientific' validation to keep the ruse going. It's fun, a game, until you start wondering if they really are cynically preying on people's gullibility, or think people are so stupid as to fall for it (which apparently they are).

> Why have so many people in UFODom been so eager to endorse his  
> expertise and use it to build upon their own beliefs?

Because for equally strange reasons they feel stronger in their belief if it appears to be 'scientifically' validated. Because, despite the efforts of TV to present 'genuine' mysteries, some people have little or no tolerance for ambiguity, preferring to impose meaning and solution. Dilettoso and his ilk make this easier - pseudoscientific bunk or otherwise, there's no crucial difference.

But your questions were rhetorical, right? ;}

Rob

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Fwd Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 09:24:57 -0500  
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March 9, 1998

My secret benefactor has recently upgraded the way the mailing list works. However, in adapting to the new system, I may have not gotten the lists appropriately updated. If you need to change your status on any of the lists (to receiving or not receiving), please let me know.

Oh, and one other side thing: if anyone wants to participate in my annual Bufo's Oscar Prediction Madness, just drop me an e-mail.

On to the listings!

### ON-LINE

OMNI MAG (<http://www.omnimag.com>)  
TUESDAY  
10-11 pm ET  
HIGH STRANGENESS

Leading Nessie researcher and cryptozoologist, Roy P. Mackal.  
Chatting about an upcoming NOVA Nessie special.

### RADIO

I haven't been having the time to list Jeff Rense's top-notch SIGHTINGS ON THE RADIO (<http://www.sightings.com>) lately. Let me remedy that for this week:  
Monday-Friday 6-10 pm PST, 10-1 pm EST  
Sundays 8-11 pm PST, 11-2 am EST  
Monday Bill Hamilton: Phoenix Lights: More Evidence, More Sightings  
Tuesday David Icke: World In Bondage - How So Few Control So Many  
Wednesday Michael Lindemann: Weekly UFO/ET Update  
Scott Corrales: Latest Chupacabra/UFO News From Puerto Rico and SA  
Thursday Zecharia Sitchin: UFO/ETs Throughout Human History  
Jack Shulman: ACC Says TCAP Technology Now In Its Laptop  
Friday Brad Steiger: Yet Another Friday the 13th!

### TELEVISION

ABC  
8:00 PM, Saturday, March 14, THAT'S INCREDIBLE (includes haunting)

THE DISCOVERY CHANNEL  
2:30 PM, Saturday, March 14, ARTHUR C. CLARKE'S MYSTERIOUS UNIVERSE: CIRCLES IN THE CORN (crop circles)  
7:00 PM, Saturday, March 14, WOULD YOU BELIEVE IT?...includes haunting  
6:00 PM, Sunday, March 15, ARTHUR C. CLARKE'S WORLD OF STRANGE POWERS: STIGMATA

THE SCI-FI CHANNEL

SIGHTINGS continues to run every night at 5:00 PM and 9:00 PM. Also, this Saturday (March 14) at 4:00 PM cath the second SIGHTINGS: IN DEPTH AND BEYOND special, SECRETS OF ALIEN ABDUCTION.

SYNDICATED

MAURY POVICH, Friday March 13, psychic James Van Praagh, author of ( <A HREF="<http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/ISBN=0525942688/bufosweirdworlda/>"> Talking to Heaven : A Medium's Message of Life After Death</A> )

STRANGE UNIVERSE

March 9, 1998 #2071

Texas Bigfoot; Loch Monster Stalker Parts 1 & 2; Strange San Francisco

March 10, 1998 #2072

Hermaphrodites; Solara; Enzyme Baths; Strange Miami; Wearable Computers

It's the future of fashion...computers that are part of your clothes.

March 11, 1998 #2073

Secrets of India; Psychic Hit Squads; Yoruba House; Strange L.A.; Fashion Show

March 12, 1998 #2074

Proud Spirit; Erotic Magician; Fireball; Strange Minneapolis; Toxic Cure

March 13, 1998 #2075

Belly Button Miracle; Marijuana Conspiracy; Thrill Pills; Strange New York;

Bungee Sex

This is Bufo saying, "If =everything= seemed normal, that =would= be weird!"

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## Phoenix V-Object Disinformation

From: "K. Young" <[task@fuse.net](mailto:task@fuse.net)>  
Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 02:03:55 -0800  
Fwd Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 09:55:29 -0500  
Subject: Phoenix V-Object Disinformation

The recent article by Tony Ortega has brought about a new round of debate concerning the Arizona sightings. A number of UFO researchers have been opposed to the conclusions of the article, and various writers have cited the 'massive V-shaped craft' sighted by so many people to bolster their contentions. One writer even states:

"There were at least three massive V shaped craft, a solid triangle, and the amber orbs. The massive black/brown triangle came in from the EAST!"

However, I wish to state that there are certain problems with such comments which should be discussed.

How can it be determined that the word "craft" is adequate to describe a V-shaped formation of lights? The use of this leading term may illustrates an intent to sway the opinion of the unlearned reader.

There have been studies indicating that the lighted objects were not connected, as per the recent article by Tony Ortega.

Contrary to the studies which have shown the objects to be unconnected, there is NO evidence indicating that a 'craft' was situated behind the lights that were observed. The witness testimony promoting this claim is nebulous and non-specific, and an objective researcher should remember that these claims could be subject to and the result of honest visual misinterpretation on the part of the confused observer.

If these researchers were to approach this situation with investigative neutrality, then the term 'OBJECT' would be more appropriate, rather than 'craft,' as the latter term implies something of a structured design and intelligent creation.

The Ohio data from March 26, which duplicates the Arizona incident, has been rejected by those seeking to propogate an Arizona/ET scenario. The Ohio event, happening two weeks after Arizona, was explained as military flares. This same massive V-shaped object was spotted by witnesses, some of whom recognized that they were flares being dispenced from overflying military jets also traveling in a V-formation.

By and large, these details are not considered by those who reject the flare explanation as they prefer a more sensationalistic answer to the drama.

The need for some to maintain that a 'craft' was situated behind the lighted objects only indicates a predisposition toward things extraterrestrial. This predispostion, regrettably, constrains these researchers within a certain mindset whereby they reject data which is contrary to their position. In some instances, I fear, some may support the use of the term 'craft,' regardless of its baseless fortitude.

There is no evidence to indicate the V-shaped formations were a sort of 'craft.' It is a deliberate, baseless claim, and subsequent disinformation. Those who propogate such reckless claims are guilty of disinformation. I would like to see the data which would indicate otherwise.

Kenny Young  
Cincinnati, Ohio  
March 8, 1998  
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UFO Research  
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## Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

From: Don Ledger <dledger@istar.ca>  
Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 01:43:35 +0100  
Fwd Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 09:43:56 -0500  
Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

> From: SGB List 2 <SGBList2@aol.com>  
> Date: Sun, 8 Mar 1998 22:20:07 EST  
> To: updates@globalserve.net  
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good??

> > Date: Sun, 08 Mar 1998 11:53:41 -0600  
> > To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>  
> > From: Michael Christol <mchristo@mindspring.com>  
> > Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

> > >Date: Sun, 8 Mar 1998 01:43:32 -0500  
> > >To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>  
> > >From: John <jvif@spacelab.net> [John Velez]  
> > >Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

> > >>From: TotlResrch <TotlResrch@aol.com> [Kal K. Korff]  
> > >>Date: Fri, 6 Mar 1998 14:42:46 EST  
> > >>To: updates@globalserve.net  
> > >>Subject: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good??

> > Hi John.

> > If I were you I would disassociate myself totally with  
> > Mr. Kal Korff.

> <snip>

> > The best thing all of us can do is "TOTALLY IGNORE MR.  
> > KAL KORFF." Do not respond to anything he posts on  
> > the list. I don't care if he sets you on fire with  
> > his personal attacks, or attacks you softly and  
> > subtilely and softly.

> > This is just my opinion. I WILL NOT respond to any post  
> > he makes to myself. He can choose, as I will, to ignore  
> > my posts as well. But, when you empower him, by responding  
> > to his posts, you make him stronger.

> > There is a Biblical injunction which says: "Resist not  
> > evil and it will flee from you."

> > Stay focused and remain "UNITED." In Unity there is  
> > strength, in division there is confusion and a falling  
> > away.

> > REgards, Mike

> Mr. Christol,

> Your suggestion that an appropriate course of action is to  
> disassociate and ignore is well meant, but neglects an important  
> aspect of this particular matter.

> Mr. Korff's post was an expansion on a lengthy article in the  
> Phoenix New Times by Anthony Ortega. Mr. Korff was interviewed  
> and provided significant content to this article. Mr. Ortega's  
> article was clearly intentioned to show the Laughlin Conference  
> in the worst possible light, attack as many people as space would

> permit within the context of the article, and above all, to  
> damage the efforts of Frances Emma Barwood to seek the office of  
> Secretary of State of Arizona.

> This is reality, this is politics. You are seeing an interactive  
> process between mainstream media and certain elements within the  
> general field of ufology which is designed to feed on itself and  
> do damage. This damage will have consequences. I am a believer  
> that the work is primary, the internecine personal conflicts  
> secondary. However, there will be times, and this is one, when  
> the majority camp of this field must step forward and speak out.

> Stephen Bassett  
> Paradigm Research Group

Steve, Mike and John,

One question. Did this Dilettoso have a Ph.D from McGill or not?  
If not I'll bet I can give you three or four good reasons why he  
picked McGill.

The rest is moot guys if the answer is no.

Don

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Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 09:32:41 +0100  
Fwd Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 09:58:42 -0500  
Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

>From: ParadigmRG <[ParadigmRG@aol.com](mailto:ParadigmRG@aol.com)> [Stephen G. Bassett]  
>Date: Sun, 8 Mar 1998 05:18:54 EST  
>To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

<snip>

>Stephen Bassett

>Friend of: Robert Dean  
> Jim Marrs  
> Jim Delittoso  
                  ^^^^^^^^^^^^^^

Stephen!

I assume you are not fluent in Italian, so I presume it was just an inadvertent slip (or a Freudian lapsus?) on your part, and not an intentional offense to Jim Dilettoso.

I mean: changing the place of a "e" and a "i" in his (Italian) surname resulted in an unexpected change of meaning.

"Dilettoso" means something akin to "pleasant" or "agreeable".

"Delittoso" means "criminal".

Our Latin ancestors had the saying "nomen omen" (name is an omen). Be careful not to change it (the name, I mean)!

Regards

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## The Houston Chronicle On Leigh's Standoff

From: [Stig\\_Agermose@online.pol.dk](mailto:Stig_Agermose@online.pol.dk) (Stig Agermose)  
Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 12:52:56 +0100  
Fwd Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 10:10:03 -0500  
Subject: The Houston Chronicle On Leigh's Standoff

Found at the site of the Houston Chronicle. URL:

[http://www.chron.com/cgi-bin/auth/story.mpl/content/chronicle/metropolit  
an/98/03/10/va-standoff.2-0.html](http://www.chron.com/cgi-bin/auth/story.mpl/content/chronicle/metropolit<br/>an/98/03/10/va-standoff.2-0.html)

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8:24 PM 3/9/1998

Angry vet in Waco standoff says he got his point across

UFO buff sought to air grievances against VA

By T.J. MILLING  
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WACO -- A disgruntled veteran involved in a 14-hour standoff with authorities at a Veterans Affairs office faced a federal magistrate Monday, while police removed barricades erected during the Sunday siege.

Jason Leigh, 49, a Vietnam veteran, UFO enthusiast and unpublished poet, was arraigned on felony charges of possessing a firearm in a federal facility while committing extortion. Leigh had asked for \$1 million for veterans as a condition for his surrender, a demand he later dropped.

Outside the federal courthouse Monday, Leigh said he had made his point.

"There's no other way to get them to listen," he said. "I tried letters, I tried e-mail, I tried phone calls, I tried friends -- I tried everything I possibly could."

Leigh rammed a white Jeep Cherokee through a wrought iron security gate and into a back entrance of the Waco Veterans Affairs Regional Office about 6:45 a.m. Sunday. He called 911 on a cellular phone, told police what he had done and that he was armed. He also claimed he was carrying explosives, a claim he later recanted before his 8:50 p.m. surrender.

He was arraigned before U.S. Magistrate Dennis D. Green on Monday and returned to the McLennan County Jail, where he was held without bond to await transfer to a federal facility. The charge carries a maximum sentence of five years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.

"We feel like he is a danger to the community," Assistant U.S. Attorney Bill Johnston said. "We don't want people coming to Waco, Texas, thinking it's a place where you can make a point."

John Hurley, Leigh's court-appointed attorney, said he couldn't comment on his defense because he was so new to the case.

"We'll have to see what I can come up with," he said.

Three bomb-sniffing dogs checked every office in the two-story building early Monday, but the hundreds who were evacuated from the 30-square-block area were not allowed back until noon.

"I'm so ready to go home; I feel like a homeless person," said 31-year-old Alisa McCoy after spending a night at the city convention center. "I need a bath."

The VA building will reopen today, Police Chief Gil Miller said, though the smashed custom-made doors and other damage may take several days to repair.

Leigh stayed in the building's cafeteria most of the time, Miller said, and did not cause any more damage after the initial break-in. Police negotiators have said Leigh made it clear from the beginning he did not want to hurt anyone, only to air his grievances against the VA.

Leigh had called the Waco VA office at some point during an appeal for his veteran's benefits, which may have been why he chose the site, negotiator Pat Swanton said Sunday night.

Leigh's driver's license shows he lives in Cleburne, at the same address as his 71-year-old mother. He has numerous postings on the Internet about UFOs in which he claims to hold a doctoral degree and a job history with network television news, none of which could be confirmed.

His claim of sighting a cigar-shaped UFO in Cleburne was reported in the Waco newspaper.

"He's a gentle man as far as I'm concerned," said Lori Elmore-Moon, a former reporter and editor for the Cleburne Times-Review who has known Leigh for several years. "He needs help."

The UFO sighting allegedly occurred on June 11, 1995, at 1:22 p.m. He saw a silver, silent cigar-shaped object floating above the golf course, according to a 1995 Times-Review story. Leigh contacted the Mutual UFO Network, a group that investigates strange sightings, and local television stations trying to alert the public about the presence of UFOs, according to the Times-Review.

Elmore-Moon, now a news anchor for an AM radio station in Cleburne, said she met Leigh years before his UFO sighting, when he used to bring his poetry to the Times-Review. Over the years, they developed a friendship, and she did the first story on his sighting.

Though rumors floated around Cleburne that Leigh claims to have been abducted by aliens, Elmore-Moon said he never told her that point-blank. Rather, he said he was sitting in the woods playing his guitar one day and experienced a period of "lost time," Elmore-Moon said. One minute, he was playing his guitar, and the next thing he knew, his guitar was on the ground beside him and some time had passed, she said.

Leigh told Elmore-Moon that he couldn't recall what had happened during that time, but he did not rule out the possibility of alien abduction.

During some of their conversations, Elmore-Moon said, Leigh mentioned that he was experiencing trouble getting veterans benefits and that he was "not happy with the government."

But, she said, she was more interested in his UFO stories and didn't pay any special attention to his complaints about veterans benefits.

A neighbor who answered the phone at Leigh's driver's license address Sunday night said the suspect was "all right" but "weird."

Chronicle news services contributed to this story.

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## Mass Sighting In Florida March 7

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National UFO Reporting Center Case Brief  
Florida  
March 7, 1998

INTRODUCTION=97On Saturday evening, March 7, 1998, at sometime between 1840-1850 hrs. (Eastern), two very bright, anomalous lights were observed by many witnesses on the ground to move across the State of Florida, coursing generally to the northwest. At times, and from some vantage points, the objects appeared to move very rapidly; at other times, and in other locations, they were observed to be moving relatively slowly.

The objects were first reported to the National UFO Reporting Center by Mr. Danny Oakes, a =93warbird=94 pilot with the Confederate Air Force, who resides in Okeechobee, FL, located approximately 5 miles north of the northern tip of Lake Okeechobee. Mr. Oakes witnessed two brightly lighted objects approaching his location from the southeast at seemingly a very high velocity. The objects appeared to Mr. Oakes to slow suddenly, after which one of the objects =93shot=94 off, and then returned to its position beside the other object. Then both objects appeared to shoot up in the atmosphere, and suddenly disappear.

We also received an excellent report from Dr. James Acker, M.D., a cardiologist vacationing in Florida from Knoxville, TN, and former U.S. Navy flight surgeon, who witnessed the event with his wife and two other individuals. Dr. Acker was driving north on Fiddlesticks Boulevard near Ft. Myers, Florida, approximately 1 mile from the local airport, when their party witnessed two objects moving across the sky in formation for an estimate 15-20 seconds. Both of the objects, he reported, appeared to be bright white lights, and each of them appeared to have a =93halo=94 around the center core of light. In addition, =93tails=94 appeared to stretch behind the objects, much the way a =93tail=94 is seen streaming behind a comet in space.

In addition, we received telephone and e-mail reports from many points in Florida, stretching from W. Palm Springs, across the Florida Peninsula to the Tampa area. Some of the specific locations from which our Center received reports are Lake Okeechobee, Port Charlotte, Tampa, Bonita Springs, Sarasota Springs, St. Petersburg, Punta Gorda, and Lehigh Acres, Florida. We suspect that the event, in fact, was witnessed by thousands of people, both on the ground and, we presume, in the air, as well.

We include one report our Center received from Norfolk, VA, which describes an unusual event=97perhaps caused by a meteor=97on Thursday night, March 5, 1998.

One of many interesting aspects of the event was the fact that

several witnesses reported that the two objects appeared to be maneuvering in a complex manner, and they were moving relative to each other. Also, they were reported to slow, then speed up again, and several witnesses reported that the objects appeared to climb to a higher altitude.

Some of the raw reports we have received over the internet are posted below, with names, addresses, and all personal data deleted. They are posted here in their original, unedited form, and we indicate where we feel minor errors of fact appear.

NOTE: Another interesting aspect of the sighting over Florida is that a somewhat similar incident occurred over northern California approximately 3 hours later, principally in the area of Sacramento, and surrounding cities. The incident in California is being described by news and scientific personnel as having been caused by a meteor shower, and we have no reason to question that conclusion.

However, noteworthy is the fact that some of the reports the National UFO Reporting Center received indicate that several of the objects reported over California were seen moving parallel to the horizon, which although by no means impossible for a meteor, is nevertheless rather unusual.

In addition, the event there lasted, according to preliminary data our Center received, from approximately 1845 hrs. on Sunday, March 8, 1998, to 0230 hrs. on Monday morning, March 9. It seems unusual that a meteor shower would occur in a geographically isolated area, and not be witnessed over a wider area.

Date: 03/07/98  
Time: 18:45  
Duration: 2.5 minutes  
Sighting City: Northern Vero Beach  
Sighting State: Fl.  
Sighting Zip: 32967  
Sighting County: Indian River  
Number of Craft: 3  
Witnesses: 2  
Shape: Formation

Summary: 2 bright lights moving toward us one lower the other. One turns and disappears leaving an illuminated doughnut shaped fog. Then the other light did the exact same thing.

Description: Two bright white lights were observed by my wife, niece, and myself. It was March 7, 1998 at 6:45 P.M. The lights were moving in a westerly direction at the same speed, but different heights. The light on the right was slightly lower than the one on the left. No sounds were coming from the lights. They looked as if they were shining a light in a Downward glow. Suddenly the lower light on the right pivoted approx 180 degrees and disappeared, leaving an illuminated doughnut shaped glow, that lasted approximately 10-15 seconds and then dissipated.

The other light never stopped moving. It continued going in the same direction at the same speed for at least 15 seconds after the doughnut glow disappeared. Then just like the other light, it turned away from us and disappeared, leaving the same doughnut glow, which as the first, lasted around 15 seconds and dissipated as well. No object observed; just 2 distinct lights. After the lights turned away from us they simply disappeared, they didn't seem to fly away, or go in any direction, they just disappeared, leaving the dough shaped signature, and our thoughts running wild.

Like nothing we have ever seen before. This was also witnessed by our neighbors who were having a party. 10 of their guests also witnessed the lights.

Date: 030798  
Time: 1900  
Duration: 1 to 3 min.  
Sighting City: Port Charlotte  
Sighting State: FL  
Sighting Zip: 33952



Sighting County: Charlotte  
Number of Craft: 6 (sic??)  
Witnesses: 2 (sic??)  
Shape: Light

Summary: Observed 2 flickering white lights to the east 4 fingers above horizon moving erratically. Light on left above right, right faded out first then left disappeared.

Description: 6 Adults sitting on a lanai in Port Charlotte FL at about 7 pm and observed 2 white lights about 3 finger breaths apart moving erratically and skyward up. They were white round lights. We saw on the 6 O'clock WINK TV news out of Ft. Meyers FL a video of the same 2 objects and to report them. 6 adults 1-RN 1-Teacher 1-Mortgage Broker 1-Naval Architect 1-Plumber 1-Unknown

Date: 3/7/98  
Time: 19:30  
Duration: 15 seconds  
Sighting City: in the east as seen from bonita springs florida  
Sighting State: FL  
Sighting Zip: 34134  
Sighting County: Lee  
Number of Craft: 2  
Witnesses: 2  
Shape: Other

Summary: rocket plumes, apparently rising into the sky in the east

Description: nothing to add to summary

Date: 03/07/98  
Time: 18:50  
Duration: 3 min  
Sighting City: Lehigh Acres  
Sighting State: FL  
Sighting Zip: 33936  
Sighting County: Lee  
Number of Craft: 1  
Witnesses: 2  
Shape: Fireball

Summary: Two glowing fireball objects with a large afterglow spread out behind them.

Description: While traveling east on 23rd street, and then north on Beth Stacy blvd, observed objects traveling southeast and upwards. It was approximately 6:50 pm. The object on the left was higher on the horizon than the one on the right. About two minutes after the objects were spotted, the one on the left faded out for about two seconds but the afterglow remained. The weather was clear and the skies were blue. It was about dusk. The local news station has a video tape of the sighting. The one on the right faded out before the one on the left.

Date: 03/7/98  
Time: 18:50  
Duration: 30 seconds  
Sighting City: Sarasota  
Sighting State: FL  
Sighting Zip: 34236  
Sighting County: Sarasota  
Number of Craft: 10 (sic)  
Witnesses: 2 (sic)  
Shape: Cone

Summary: Object observed coming from SE at twilight, sky very clear and not yet dark. Object was white with small white core moving towards us (direction NW) and a cone shaped haze behind it. It moved steadily towards NW then suddenly seemed to dissolve.

Description: There were about 10 people around me at the time - in Island Park in Sarasota on the bayfront, a popular place for taking walks. The sky was perfectly clear and calm, the sun had set in the west and it was dusk but not dark in the east. We all saw the object coming towards us -- others saw 2 objects, I just saw the one. I

realized it was not a plane. The only other possibility was a launch from Cape Canaveral which we can see from our coast when it is clear. Except, CC is further north and object launched from it leave a clear vertical vapor trail. This object was very white with a cone-shaped white haze behind it - could have been moving quickly, it was hard to say. I observed it for about 20-30 seconds then it suddenly seemed to dissolve and disappear. The front (core) part of the object was very solid, very real, it was not a trick of light or anything else we could figure out. Afterwards I discussed it with a few others who had seen it -- no one had any idea what it could be.

Date: 03/07/98  
Time: 1950 EST (sic??)  
Duration: 5 minutes  
Sighting City: Punta Gorda  
Sighting State: FL  
Sighting Zip: 33955  
Sighting County: Lee  
Number of Craft: 4  
Witnesses: 2  
Shape: Disk

Summary: Two brightly glowing objects sighted about 100 degrees during twilight at about 40-50 degrees above the horizon.

Description: Two brightly glowing, disk-shaped objects sighted 3-7-98 at approximately 1855 EST. Objects were at about 100 degrees magnetic and 60 degrees elevation above horizon. Relationship to each other was line-abreast formation, and movement was extremely slow, and toward East. Unable to tell altitude due to bright glowing aura about them.

After 3-4 minutes object on right started to fade rapidly until it disappeared about 15 seconds later. Object on left of formation also faded similarly, but a minute or so after first.

Individual objects were very similar in shape to those captured on video tape over Phoenix, AZ in 1997.

Incident observed by 4 adults:

1. 53-year old male, retired F-15 pilot, with 35 years flying and DoD industry experience (no prior sightings)
2. Wife of observer #1, 52-year old female (no prior sightings)
3. 58-year old male, retired USAF EWO/Navigator, with almost 40 years flying and DoD industry experience (no prior sightings)
4. Wife of observer #3, 54-year old female (no prior sightings)

((Note: Please note date and location of the following report, which occurred on March 5, 1998, near Norfolk, VA.))

Date: 03/05/98  
Time: 1900  
Duration: 3 seconds  
Sighting City: Norfolk  
Sighting State: Va  
Sighting Zip: 23320  
Sighting County: City of Norfolk  
Number of Craft: 1  
Witnesses: 1  
Shape: Fireball

Summary: Intensely bright green fireball almost the diameter of the moon shot across the sky. Long bright green trail. Visible for 3 seconds or less

Description: Was getting out of my truck on Boissevain Avenue in Norfolk, Va. and was facing North when the event occurred. Saw the brightest object I have ever seen in the sky except for the sun. It was a bright green fireball with a tail that was extremely long of the same color.

I have seen many meteors/meteorites in my 50 years but never anything to equal this. It was a dark evening and I was on a well lit city street. Will send you a sketch if desired.

Date: 3/7/98

Time: 18:45  
Duration: 3 minutes  
Sighting City: Tampa  
Sighting State: FL  
Sighting Zip: unknown  
Sighting County: Hillsborough  
Sighting Country: USA  
Number of Craft: 2  
Witnesses: 2  
Shape: Other

Summary: On the date and time listed above my girlfriend and I saw two unknown objects over the Tampa Bay area. They were appeared to be trapezoidal in shape. The event lasted approximately 3 minutes.

Description: On the date and time listed above, my girlfriend and I were traveling from Clearwater, Florida to our home in Tampa. That would place us traveling almost due east. It was approximately 6:45 to 6:50 pm when I noticed these two objects at about 45 degrees above the horizon. The objects were appeared to be trapezoidal in shape...wider at the bottom than at the top. I asked my girlfriend if she saw what I saw...and she replied that she did. Since we were heading toward the causeway we had an unobstructed view of these objects. They appeared to me to be silvery and I asked my girlfriend if they looked to be in a haze and she thought perhaps they were. I looked up through the sunroof of the car and saw the moon as clear as could be...there was no haze in the sky. We continued to watch the objects, which appeared to be side by side. They then separated for a bit, moving very rapidly. Then after about 3 minutes or so they darted towards the north and disappeared in the blink of an eye. These objects seemed to be very large. At first I wondered if they were military aircraft, as we were heading towards McDill AFB in Tampa. I asked my girlfriend and she agreed with me that neither one of us had seen any aircraft like those and that they seemed to move too fast. I am a 39 year old male with a 20 year sales background. My girlfriend is 34 and has a 15 year sales background. We are both college educated. Neither one had any alcohol prior to our sighting.

((Following reports received by e-mail.))

Dear Peter:

Last evening my girlfriend and I were traveling east from Clearwater, Florida to our home in Tampa. We were on the Gandy Bridge (causeway) that connects Clearwater to Tampa. It was approximately 6:50 pm and I happened to notice these two lights in the sky. They appeared to be rather large. I asked my girlfriend if she saw them and she said that she did. I wondered if they might be some sort of airplane, as we were heading in the direction of McDill AFB. They were traveling too fast and were too large to be airplanes. These objects seemed to be silvery in color and kind of looked trapezoidal in shape. At first sighting they seemed fuzzy... like headlights shining through haze or fog. However, I looked up through my open sunroof and saw the moon shining just as clear as can be. We continued to watch these objects for maybe three minutes. They traveled parallel to each other for a time, then separated and then came back together. At the end of the 3 minute time period they darted to the north and were gone. I have never seen anything like this before. Had I not heard you on the Art Bell Show earlier this evening, I would not have discussed this with anyone again...for fear of being labeled a kook! I know what I saw. I hope that this has been helpful to you. Should you need any other information, I may be reached at my e-mail address or at home ((Number deleted)).

Respectfully submitted,

((Name deleted))

Hello Mr. Davenport/

Why do you not list 1998 sightings on your web site as they occur ? In addition I do not see anything listed on our recent Florida sighting that still remains a mystery - I'm still poking around on this one. However I find it increasingly interesting that I am not able to locate any \*news\* coverage or mention on this not even in the Newsgroups!.

I did observe the re-entry (?) It was not barrium being released nor a bolide and was not typical of boosters or other space debris I have observed on other occasions falling back and they did not appear to be a definate shape other than "cometary" in appearance right down to the tails.

If you hear anything on this please let me know.

Thank you/

((Name deleted))

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> Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

> >From: ParadigmRG <[ParadigmRG@aol.com](mailto:ParadigmRG@aol.com)> [Stephen G. Bassett]  
> >Date: Sun, 8 Mar 1998 05:18:54 EST  
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> >Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

> > Jim Delittoso  
> > ^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^

> Stephen!

> I assume you are not fluent in Italian, so I presume it was just  
> an inadvertent slip (or a Freudian lapsus?) on your part, and not  
> an intentional offense to Jim Dilettoso.

> I mean: changing the place of a "e" and a "i" in his (Italian)  
> surname resulted in an unexpected change of meaning.

> "Dilettoso" means something akin to "pleasant" or "agreeable".  
> "Delittoso" means "criminal".

> Our Latin ancestors had the saying "nomen omen" (name is an  
> omen). Be careful not to change it (the name, I mean)!

And I always say: "If the shoe fits, wear it."

What great little post, Edoardo. One of those little coincidences, I guess.

Thanks

Rebecca

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From: **Bob Shell** <[bob@bobshell.com](mailto:bob@bobshell.com)>  
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Fwd Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 18:23:18 -0500  
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>Then why has he been featured on so many TV specials about UFOs,  
>shown making authoritative comments on everything from the Meier

>Why have so many people in UFOdom been so eager to endorse his  
>expertise and use it to build upon their own beliefs?

>--  
>Chris Rutkowski - [rutkows@cc.umanitoba.ca](mailto:rutkows@cc.umanitoba.ca)  
>(and now, also: [Chris.Rutkowski@UMAlumni.mb.ca](mailto:Chris.Rutkowski@UMAlumni.mb.ca))  
>University of Manitoba - Winnipeg, Canada

Chris,

Are you serious, man??? Since when does being featured on TV mean that a person is credible? I've watched this photo "expert" on a number of these shows myself, and had to just shake my head at the nonsense he was spouting. I do know photography, and I do know real photo experts. So far in the field of ufology, I have met one man who knows his stuff about photo analysis. That's Bruce Maccabee. There may be other photo experts in the field who are not graduates of the P.T. Barnum School of Photo Analysis and Heavy Equipment Operating, a division of Close Cover Before Striking University, but if so, I have not encountered them.

Why do people in UFOdom endorse him???? Why do they endorse Bob Dean? I don't know, other than that they are simply uneducated on technical subjects and will accept anything which supports their personal agenda.

I am not a UFO debunker, but I sure would like to see some serious standards imposed on who we call experts in this field. Otherwise we will remain stuck in this GIGO mode.

Bob

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>Subject: V-Object DISINFORMATION

>The recent article by Tony Ortega has brought about a new  
>round of debate concerning the Arizona sightings. A number of  
>How can it be determined that the word "craft" is adequate to  
>describe a V-shaped formation of lights? The use of this leading  
>term may illustrates an intent to sway the opinion of the  
>unlearned reader.

That phenomenon is well known in psychology of perception  
applied to astronomy, and is also called "airship effect".

Scientific literature on UFOs is rich of discussions about it,  
from the oft-abhorred "Condon Report" onwards. As far as reports,  
astronomer Clyde Tombaugh's own sighting is one of the best  
oldies, dating back frmo 1949.

From my own investigation experience, EVERY time a  
bolide (large meteor) passes over Italy while fragmentating  
itself, we get reports of a dark cigar-shaped craft with  
lighted portholes.

>If these researchers were to approach this situation with  
>investigative neutrality, then the term 'OBJECT' would be more  
>appropriate, rather than 'craft,' as the latter term implies  
>something of a structured design and intelligent creation.

Your comment is quite appropriate, but do they want "to approach  
this investigation with investigative neutrality"? That's the  
point!

>The need for some to maintain that a 'craft' was situated behind  
>the lighted objects only indicates a predisposition toward things  
>extraterrestrial.

Not necessarily, if you mean by the witnesses: as I said, it's a  
well knwon fact in psychology that the eye+mind tend to build  
order out of disorder, shapes behind individual spots, and the  
like. I suggest anybody interested in that subject to check the  
Gestalt psychology literature.

Regards

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>To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

>Was Meier ever able to support his claims and explanations with  
>irrefutable evidence?

>> Korff obviously can't back his Meier hoax claim with irrefutable evidence  
>> and thus shouldn't promote the hoax hypothesis as proven fact...

>Meier and his supporters don't have such a problem with promoting  
>Meier's claims as proven fact. What is the irrefutable evidence?

Mmmh!

I guess that it's that good, old-fashioned matter of whom the  
burden of proof is onto, isn't it?

Unfortunately, a great part (though not all) of those calling  
themselves ufologists seem to have completely reversed the  
logic about that, these dark days.

Regards

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From: **Bob Shell** <[bob@bobshell.com](mailto:bob@bobshell.com)>  
Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 12:13:41 -0500  
Fwd Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 21:20:03 -0500  
Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

>Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 09:32:41 +0100  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>, [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
>From: Edoardo Russo <[edoardo.russo@torino.alpcom.it](mailto:edoardo.russo@torino.alpcom.it)>  
>Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

>>From: ParadigmRG <[ParadigmRG@aol.com](mailto:ParadigmRG@aol.com)> [Stephen G. Bassett]  
>>Date: Sun, 8 Mar 1998 05:18:54 EST  
>>To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
>>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

><snip>

>>Stephen Bassett

>>Friend of:   Robert Dean  
>>                  Jim Marrs  
>>                  Jim Delittoso  
>                  ^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^

>Stephen!

>I assume you are not fluent in Italian, so I presume it was just  
>an inadvertent slip (or a Freudian lapsus?) on your part, and not  
>an intentional offense to Jim Dilettoso.

>I mean: changing the place of a "e" and a "i" in his (Italian)  
>surname resulted in an unexpected change of meaning.

>"Dilettoso" means something akin to "pleasant" or "agreeable".

>"Delittoso" means "criminal".

>Our Latin ancestors had the saying "nomen omen" (name is an  
>omen). Be careful not to change it (the name, I mean)!

>Regards

>Edoardo Russo

Edoardo,

Yes, and perhaps more appropriately, Dilettante means "amateur"!

Bob

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## Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

From: "Greg Sandow" <[gsandow@prodigy.net](mailto:gsandow@prodigy.net)>  
Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 14:43:16 -0500  
Fwd Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 21:29:28 -0500  
Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

> From: ParadigmRG <[ParadigmRG@aol.com](mailto:ParadigmRG@aol.com)> [Stephen G. Bassett]  
> Date: Sun, 8 Mar 1998 05:18:54 EST  
> To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

Stephen Bassett writes this amazing screed about Kal Korff and the Phoenix New Times article:

> It is fortunate that after 50 years, the extraordinarily complex  
> substance and history that represents the extraterrestrial enigma  
> and its pursuit by fallible human beings has finally been  
> clarified via the multi-month research effort of Mr. Anthony  
> Ortega of the "Phoenix New Times." Of equal benefit to our  
> understanding is the further clarification by Mr. Korff.

> The above invective invites only one further comment.

> There are not two but many "schools of thought" among the  
> thousands of individuals addressing the ongoing phenomena we  
> awkwardly call UFOlogy.  
> However, "two basic camps" can, indeed, be discerned.

> The majority camp consists of an amazing array of people from all  
> ranks and stations who have elected to invest a significant  
> portion of their one and only life to somehow understand and deal  
> with the most extraordinary event in human history. People with  
> limited resources, mismatched educations, conflicting life  
> demands and little social support moving against great  
> resistance, making many mistakes, but pressing forward when every  
> institution that history has brought forth (academia, journalism,  
> science, governmental agencies, elected bodies, the church, the  
> military) have chosen to either stand down or subvert  
> understanding for ulterior agendas.

> The minority camp consists of arrogant, self-serving,  
> self-absorbed, self-aggrandizing and self-appointed purveyors of  
> aggressive invective, libel, slander and personal attacks.  
> Individuals who, by chance or design, found themselves nicely  
> positioned in the gap between an amazing citizen science  
> initiative and a confounded and cowering scientific establishment  
> and elected to feast on the mistakes and imperfections of the  
> former for no other reason than the targets were easy.  
> Individuals who are less concerned with the impact of the  
> unfolding truths on the global public than gorging themselves on  
> their own self-importance as critics, executioners, debunkers and  
> McCarthyesque holders of lists of the unworthy and misguided.

> This minority camp persists because the larger, greater work is  
> too demanding and the cascade of events too compelling to afford  
> the waste of time required to properly address their games.

> In the post paradigm world we inevitably approach, there will be  
> time enough for chroniclers of history to document which of these  
> camps served humanity and which served themselves.

Now, excuse me, Steve.

That New Times article may or may not be correct. But it's certainly clear, and makes allegations which can easily be checked. The scientists the writer quotes either did or did not

say what they said about Dilettoso. D's relationship with Hormel either was or wasn't what the writer said it was.

The people with Barwood when she announced her candidacy either were or were not militia supporters.

Etcetera.

I don't see one word about this in your response. I don't see answers to the specific points the article raised. All you do is ask us to take sides. Do we believe in UFOs or not? If we do, then we should hate anything the article says...which, of course, is nonsense. You distantly acknowledge some problems with Ufology, saying that some of us are "fallible human beings." But that's hardly an answer to charges of outright fraud. Nor is it an answer to the New Times writer's description of a UFO conference, which, from sad experience, I (and, I hope, you too) know is all too likely to be true.

You talk about McCarthy, and that strikes a chord with me. My parents, long-time leftists, were frightened during the McCarthy years, and though my father never lost his job, plenty of people he knew did.

But Steve -- McCarthy used precisely the same kind of rhetoric you're now using. Whenever anyone challenged his facts, he challenged their loyalty. Anyone who disagreed with him, he'd charge, was either a communist or helping the communists.

Which was really ironic, since the communists (as my parents should have known, but didn't) worked the same way. If you told them that Stalin slaughtered millions of people, they'd say you were siding with the capitalist warmongers, supporting armed violence against labor unions and the lynching of black people in the American south.

And now here you are, doing exactly the same thing. You're ignoring everything specific the New Times article says, and instead asking us which side we're on. Do we believe in UFOs or not? Do we support the brave people fighting for a new paradigm, or the repressive scientists and media who oppose it?

I'm sorry, but this is bullshit. Back in the '50s, it was indeed possible -- no matter what McCarthy said -- to be an American patriot, and still think McCarthy was lying when he claimed Communists were everywhere. In the '90s, it's possible to believe in UFOs and new paradigms, and still think Jim Dilettoso is a fraud. It's even possible to believe in UFOs and entertain the possibility that the Phoenix sightings might have been planes or flares.

If this is your best response to what looks, on the surface, at least, like a serious investigation, then I'm bitterly disappointed in you. You've sunk to the lowest level of American politics.

Greg Sandow

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Fwd Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 21:18:17 -0500  
Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

>Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 01:43:35 +0100  
>From: Don Ledger <[dledger@istar.ca](mailto:dledger@istar.ca)>  
>To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

>One question. Did this Dilettoso have a Ph.D from McGill or not?  
>If not I'll bet I can give you three or four good reasons why he  
>picked McGill.

>The rest is moot guys if the answer is no.

>Don

Apparently, he has admitted faking his PhD.

What do you know about McGill U? I never heard of it until it  
came up here. Apparently not a well-known university.

Bob

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## Hawking mentions UFO's at White House

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Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 12:52:06 -0700  
Fwd Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 21:53:01 -0500  
Subject: Hawking mentions UFO's at White House

During a White House science and technology speech, Stephen Hawking made a rather left field comment about UFO's and government cover-up.

A nice video of the speech can be viewed at the CSETI website.

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<http://www.cseti.org/position/addition/hawking.htm>

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From: Jeroen Jansen <jj4747@dds.nl>  
Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 22:05:40 +0100  
Fwd Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 21:56:28 -0500  
Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

>From: Rob Irving <RobIrving@aol.com>  
>Date: Mon, 9 Mar 1998 23:53:47 EST  
>To: updates@globalserve.net  
>Subject: Re: UFO Update: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

>Jeroen,

>> I will take Meier's or Korff's claims and explanations for  
>> granted only if they are able to support their claims and  
>> explanations with irrefutable evidence.

>Was Meier ever able to support his claims and explanations with  
>irrefutable evidence?

>> Korff obviously can't back his Meier hoax claim with irrefutable  
>> evidence  
>> and thus shouldn't promote the hoax hypothesis as proven fact...

>Meier and his supporters don't have such a problem with promoting  
>Meier's claims as proven fact. What is the irrefutable evidence?  
^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^

>Don't tell me... Jim Dilettoso's analysis.

Rob,

In my previous posting, I wrote that I only take Meier's claims and explanations for granted when he backs them up with irrefutable evidence, which means that I'm not convinced of the truth of Meier's claims and explanations, contrary to what Korff claims and contrary to what you are implying now. You're falsely inferring that I claim that there's irrefutable evidence for the reality of Meier's contacts and for some reasons you fail to respond to the key points in my previous posting, which were:

1) Korff claims that the Truth behind the Meier case is: a hoax. However, he can't back up his claim with irrefutable evidence. So I say: he should not promote the hoax hypothesis as proven fact and base a discrimination policy for people studying the case on that 'proven fact'.

2) Korff's book 'Spaceships of the Pleiades: the Billy Meier story' obviously is a good example of biased and unscientific reporting. Take a look at:

<http://www.bart.nl/~edzmath/starta.htm>

<http://www.bart.nl/~edzmath/start1.htm>

Jeroen

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## Re: More Fireballs Seen in the Western US

From: Sean Jones <tedric@tedric.demon.co.uk>  
Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 21:27:18 +0000  
Fwd Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 22:35:28 -0500  
Subject: Re: More Fireballs Seen in the Western US

>Date: Fri, 06 Mar 1998 11:13:21 -0500  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>  
>From: Steven Kaeser <steve@konsulting.com>  
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: More Fireballs Seen in the Western US

>>Date: Tue, 24 Feb 1998 19:52:38 +0000  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>  
>>From: Sean Jones <tedric@tedric.demon.co.uk>  
>>Subject: UFO UpDate: Re-More Fireballs Seen in the Western US

Hi Steve, Hi Errol, Hi All

>>I don't know I could be way out on a limb here but could these  
>>fireballs, meteorites and associated bits and pieces be from the  
>>comet Hale-Bopp. We do know that the comet shed loads of debris  
>>and that it went outwards from the comet.

>>Could this possibly account for the increased meteorite activity?

>There are likely better experts regarding astronomy than I on  
>this list, but I'm curious as to your source of information  
>regarding the comment "that the comet shed loads of debris and  
>that it went outwards from the comet". It is possible that I  
>missed postings on this, but this would seem to indicate  
>something more is going on here than simple orbital mechanics if  
>this is the case.

>Hale-Bopp is in a very large elliptical orbit around the sun, and  
>after swinging around the sun it flew outward toward the outer  
>reaches of the solar system, becoming dimmer as it moved away  
>from the sun and finally fading from view. The shedding of  
>material by comets was caused by the energy of the sun as it  
>"excited" the water molecules on the comet's surface, which  
>wouldn't generally increase as the comet was moving away from the  
>sun. Further, any large material that became separated from the  
>main body of the comet would follow in the same trajectory,  
>unless it came under the influence of another gravity source, so  
>I would be a loss to explain why that material would now be  
>hitting earth's atmosphere.

>The fireballs, meteorites and the like hitting the earth's  
>atmosphere may well be the leavings of comets and other objects  
>that are floating around our solar system. But the trajectory of  
>Hale-Bopp is known, and we can plot the orbital path of any  
>debris that is generated. IMHO, we have much more to fear from  
>those objects that are not "known", and which might become  
>discovered just a matter of months or weeks before they come  
>close to (or crash into) our world. I should add that there are  
>several known fields of debris that cross the Earth's orbit, and  
>they result in meteor showers that occur annually. There are  
>several fairly famous ones that have been well publicized, but  
>the reports we've seen the past several weeks don't fit into this  
>category.

>Just a few thoughts.

>Steve

Steve I don't know if you are aware but the reason we have

regular annual meteor showers like the Leonids is because hundreds or thousands of years ago a comet passed near the earth's orbit and dumped a lot of debris. Every year the earth passes through this same region of space between the 15th and the 20th of November and we have meteor shows to show for it.

When Hale-Bopp passed near to the Earth and through the earth's orbit last year on its way to and back from circling the sun, it dumped a lot of debris (just dust and the occasional pebble) in and around a section of the Earth's orbit. I would be willing to bet that there will be an annual meteor shower every year until all the debris has been caught in the Earth's gravity well and pulled down as meteors.

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Life is but a dream, death is the only reality.

Sean Jones

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Quote of the Week

"I don't have any clue about what we're going to do legally, regulatorily, technologically -- I don't have a clue. But I do think we always have to keep competing interests in balance. I'm a big pro-balance person. I don't know what -- that's why I said I don't know what I'm in favor of. And I don't know enough to know what to be in favor of, because I think it's one of those new issues we've got to address."

-- Hillary Rodham Clinton commenting during a recent "policy luncheon" on the idea of regulating or otherwise restricting reporting, and other journalistic endeavors, on the Internet.

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Rant of the Week: "You Are Already Dead"

Every week we pick the wackiest, scariest, nastiest or funniest rant from the hundreds of letters received by us here at ParaScope headquarters, and present it to you as our Rant of the Week. This week, "Rosie" explains how 26,000 years of lies have convinced us all that immortality is outside our reach. Or is it? Enjoy.

"There are immortals here on Earth whose collective chronological age is in excess of one hundred thousand years. You are an immortal, or at least you have the inherent potential to achieve complete physical immortality. At 89 years of age, I am relatively young, with health and fitness that lacks in most of today's 30 year olds. I am not being critical.... I fear that if I am direct I may lose you and thus cost you the only opportunity you may get to look at the subject of life and death and choose whether to live or die. Either way it is forever. Death is exactly the opposite of true life, it is nothing, and I cannot say nothingness because that makes it something. Life is a universe that shines of its own accord, it is self generating and self sufficient.

"Those of you who have been changed by 26,000 years of lies have learned to accept death as a normal and inescapable condition of life. Because the universe in which you exist, has been rendered static, death appears to be the only true balance, the vacuum that keeps the waters of life moving, giving it thus its dynamic nature. This, however, is an illusion; Already scientists and mathematicians are beginning to realize that death is a contradiction an impossibility. According to the way the universe evolves, death should not exist. But for you and for 90% of the people you know, aging and death are an actuality. Why? If I were to answer this question in a nutshell it would be as follows. The universe in which you are made to exist is static and this makes your life appear dynamic, ever changing, ever evolving and developing. The fact is that, however alive you may feel, you are in fact already dead.

"All is nothing to the dead and the living quickly forget, in spite of their monuments and ceremonies. You can change all that. You can resolve to live and realize your true inherent potential. Become part of a dynamic universe with no limits in terms of power, wealth, health, happiness and endless time to contemplate the simplest thought in its minutest detail. Once you have reached that stage (it doesn't take long) you will see the truth for yourself. In June

this year I am celebrating my 90th birthday. Vanity is no longer one of my vices but as sure as I am writing this, I get a lot of pleasure looking at myself in the mirror and seeing my wrinkles disappear with every year that goes by."

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All rants are printed "as is," with spelling and grammar goofs left uncorrected. Some rants may be edited for brevity or clarity, to the extent such a thing is possible. If you've got a rant you'd like to share, send it to pscplady@aol.com with "possible rant" in the subject line of your letter.

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Coming Up Next Week!

Catch a number of great stories next week on a daily basis on America Online or all at once next Friday on the web site, including daily updates to our Conspiracy Newsline and Daily Dose features. Among the articles you'll want to check out:

Madam Marie Laveau: New Orleans' "Voodoo Queen"

There's much more to Voodoo than the stereotypical witch doctor fiendishly jabbing needles into dolls! Marie Laveau, the legendary "Voodoo Queen," was feared and revered throughout 19th century Louisiana. The ancient rites of Voodoo -- along with a heaping helping of down-to-earth shrewdness -- propelled her to a profound level of influence among the common folk and the aristocratic gentry alike, a feat nearly unimaginable for a black woman in the age of slavery. In this special report, New Orleans native Adrian Nicholas McGrath profiles the remarkable Madam Leveau and traces the historical migration of Voodoo from Africa to New Orleans via the Caribbean. Get ready to learn everything you ever wanted to know about mojo, juju, hoodoo, gris-gris bags and zombies, but were afraid to ask!

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Pelican Bay Olympics: Batonga, Batonga, Batonga

While some of America's greatest athletes were going for the gold in Nagano, inmates at California's Pelican Bay State Prison were going for the throat in a series of deadly gladiator-style fights which were organized by the prison's guards. During one such competition, a guard shot a prisoner to death. And since 1996, eight prisoners have been killed deep in the prison's double-celled security housing unit. Deputy District Attorney James Fallman believes these killings were arranged by corrections officers as a form of extra-judicial retribution, and he has tied the violence to a "reign of terror" carried out by the Aryan Brotherhood prison gang. We'll have the details on this disturbing situation, along with information on the proliferation of white supremacist gangs in prisons across the nation. Are Amerika's prisons being transformed into a new paradigm of slavery?

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Dr. Jason Leigh Adds Drive-Thru Service to VA Office

Last July, while cybercasting live from Roswell for the 50th anniversary of the Roswell Incident, ParaScope invited UFO researcher Dr. Jason Leigh out to our makeshift bunker to chat with our users across the nation. Little did we know that just a few months later, we'd all be watching national news broadcasts on Leigh's enraged assault on the Veterans Affairs office in Waco, Texas. Leigh, a 48-year-old former Navy Seal, had a bone to pick regarding benefits which had been soaking in red tape. So, he took his Jeep Cherokee through the front door and began a brief standoff which he ended peacefully a few hours later. ParaScope will have a full report on the incident, along with transcripts and photos of online chats with Leigh from last summer.

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Conspiracy Newsline

All the news that's fit to freak you out Judge rejects Internet censorship law; new technology to monitor beatings and abuses by the Pittsburgh police; Judge Brown removed from James Earl Ray case; Veterans coalition says Pentagon knew of depleted uranium risks to Gulf War troops; lots more breaking news.

...All this, and much, much more!

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Jane, Stop This Crazy Thing!

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> > >From: TotlResrch <[TotlResrch@aol.com](mailto:TotlResrch@aol.com)> [Kal K. Korff]  
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> > >To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
> > >Subject: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good??

> > >It is with a feeling of mixed emotions, that I must announce to  
> > >you, that this week's issue of the Phoenix New Times, has an  
> > >extremely devastating expose of UFO photo "analyst" and image  
> > >computer "expert," Jim Dilettoso.

> > >When I first started hearing about "photo expert" Dilettoso I  
> > >asked a friend of mine who lives in Phoenix and is an expert in  
> > >optics to check him out. He did and reported back that "this guy  
> > >doesn't know his ass from a hole in the ground about optics,  
> > >photography or video."

> > >Then why has he been featured on so many TV specials about UFOs,  
> > >shown making authoritative comments on everything from the Meier  
> > >photos to the Phoenix mile-wide saucer videos?

Two points. On people being featured as "experts" Phil Klass has been featured as an "expert" from time to time over the years. Now Phil doesn't have a "degree" in UFOs nor do any of the "experts" in the field of UFOlogy BUT their opinion is recognized as such.

These people are recognized because of the many years and amount of time on their own they put into the field. Even in other "degree" fields, I have seen this occur over the years.

As a general rule once any scientist gets his Nobel prize, that entitles him to speak as an expert on anything and any subject he wants to speak about.

As in the "non degree" side, you can get 40 "experts" all with Phd's, in a particular field, and get 40 different opinions and analysis about the same set of data i.e. they all got computer software, made their own pretty pictures, graphs, and connected the dots to suit themselves. This is called "I want to get a government grant to conduct research on such and such."

> > >Why have so many people in UFOdom been so eager to endorse his  
> > >expertise and use it to build upon their own beliefs?

Many people in the UFO field do endorse others expertise and use it to build upon their own beliefs to one degree or another.

For example on the skeptical side those that believe with a one track skeptical mind think everything "expert" Phil Klass has to

say is the absolute gospel truth and use his words as a crutch for their own beliefs.

To those who were inclined to believe Lee Shargel and his claims (because he was a NASA scientist, with a phd, blah blah) took him and his claims about ET radio waves going to bathe the earth...at face value. Naturally when it didn't happen, you don't hear Shargels name bantered about.

Bill Moore was considered to be the "expert" about Roswell until his fall from grace in 1989 when he admitted to assisting in a govt disinformation plot against UFO researcher. The list can go on and on.

Cheers,  
Robert

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> >--  
> >Chris Rutkowski - rutkows@cc.umanitoba.ca  
> >(and now, also: Chris.Rutkowski@UMAlumni.mb.ca)  
> >University of Manitoba - Winnipeg, Canada

> Chris,

> Are you serious, man??? Since when does being featured on TV mean  
> that a person is credible? I've watched this photo "expert" on a  
> number of these shows myself, and had to just shake my head at the  
> nonsense he was spouting. I do know photography, and I do know  
> real photo experts. So far in the field of ufology, I have met  
> one man who knows his stuff about photo analysis. That's Bruce  
> Maccabee. There may be other photo experts in the field who are  
> not graduates of the P.T. Barnum School of Photo Analysis and Heavy  
> Equipment Operating, a division of Close Cover Before Striking  
> University, but if so, I have not encountered them.

> Why do people in UFOdom endorse him???? Why do they endorse Bob  
> Dean? I don't know, other than that they are simply uneducated on  
> technical subjects and will accept anything which supports their  
> personal agenda.

> I am not a UFO debunker, but I sure would like to see some serious  
> standards imposed on who we call experts in this field. Otherwise  
> we will remain stuck in this GIGO mode.

> Bob

Hi, Chris, Bob, and everybody,

This continuing discussion raises an interesting question, one to which I, as a historian of this subject with long memory and long experience in it, increasingly give thought. Are we living in the golden age of the saucer charlatan, or is it just that with all the media outlets available today that did not exist in the earlier history of the UFO controversy, the charlatans and bullshingers are more visible than ever? I still don't have an answer to that question.

Cheers (or something),

Jerry Clark

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## Paul Villa: Info Please

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Subject: Paul Villa: Info Please

With the compliments of the Duke of Mendoza:

Kevin McLure (British publisher of several ufologically related zines over the years, his current one being "Abduction Watch") called me this evening asking if anyone had done a (reliable, thorough) analysis of contactee Paul Villa's UFO photos from the 1960s, and what were the results.

I know Blue Book concluded the pictures were fake, but that they had been made to bolster a genuine "encounter" experience; but I have only a copy of their summary record card. Margaret Sachs, in her "UFO Encyclopedia" (Corgi/Transworld 1980; p355) says "Analyses ... have revealed them to the fakes", but doesn't substantiate this comment. The indices of Jerome Clark's and Ronald Story's separate encyclopedias don't mention Villa.

I believe Bill Spaulding/GSW digitally enhanced some of the Villa pictures & concluded they were fakes, but I have no detailed account of the analysis or the results.

Can anyone, please, help with some more, hard(er) info - not only on the pictures, but on Villa and his claims? On Kevin's behalf, I should be most grateful.

best wishes  
Peter B

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## Mystery Lights Over Bermuda Explained

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Subject: Mystery Lights Over Bermuda Explained

The lights mentioned below were caused by a US Navy missile-firing exercise off the US East Coast as the second article shows. They were moving towards the east and have nothing to do with the lights crossing Florida's sky on March 7, 1998, at sometime between 1840-1850 hrs. (Eastern), coursing generally to the northwest according to the reports that have been published by the National UFO Reporting Center. See

<http://www.nwlink.com/~ufocntr/CB980308.html>

or my post on March 10!

The articles on the lights over Bermuda are taken from a local newspaper, The Royal Gazette, and the URL of the first one is

<http://www.accessbda.bm/01/01/01010103.htm#10107S>

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General News

Switchboards jammed over UFO sighting

By Gareth Finighan

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Bermuda, March 9, 1998

Police are investigating a UFO sighting after dozens of witnesses saw mysterious lights hovering over the Island on Saturday night.

Police and Harbour Radio switchboards were jammed with callers who spotted the strange lights in the night sky between 7.45. p.m. and 8. p.m.

Eye witness Jean Flath was driving along Middle Road with her husband when they saw the lights.

"It was huge, as big as a stadium arena light," Mrs. Flath said.

"At first it looked like a helicopter with a searchlight on it. I can't say how high up it was but it wasn't that high. It was really white and had a shaft coming down.

"Then it just evaporated. It turned into two hazy lights and took off into the air. Then something even stranger happened. I looked across the street and there was this sort of pink haze everywhere, like a mist."

She added: "I reported it to the Police and they said they had had lots of calls. They suggested it might have been a flare but my husband, who

was in the navy for four years, said he knew it wasn't.

"At first I was excited but afterwards, when I realised that I had just seen something really extraordinary, I became frightened. It was the weirdest thing I have ever seen - just phenomenal."

A Police spokesman confirmed they had received reports of the lights but were baffled as to what they might have been. "Members of the public reported that two streaks of light were seen to pass across the sky from west to east over the south shore," the spokesman said. "The first caller reported the lights off Daniel's Head moving east. Other calls were received as the light streaks were seen to apparently travel slowly past Warwick, Paget, Devonshire and Smiths."

He added: "The streaks then went to a higher altitude through the clouds, leaving a swirling trail of light until it disappeared. This was very mysterious and we haven't been able to come up with a solution as to what it was. It's just something that can't be understood."

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'UFO' lights caused by US missile launch

By Raymond Hainey

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Bermuda, March 10, 1998

Mystery lights in the sky over Bermuda were caused by a US Navy missile-firing exercise off the US East Coast - not little green men from Mars.

And the cause of Saturday night's scare was a test launch at sea of a pair of three-stage rockets designed to carry nuclear warheads from the huge Ohio-class submarine USS West Virginia.

NASA at Cape Canaveral in Florida said they had no launches at the weekend.

But a spokeswoman added: "The US Navy had some operations at sea on Saturday night - that was probably what people saw."

US Consul General Robert Farmer said he had been given a briefing by the Pentagon on the light show.

He said: "They do this on a regular basis and particularly when it's done in the evening, you get quite a show."

He added: "If we upset anyone it was inadvertent."

US Navy sources would not reveal exactly what their ships were up to at the weekend.

But a spokeswoman confirmed two massive Trident 2 D5 missiles - minus their deadly payload - were test-fired from the West Virginia off the East Coast of the USA on Saturday night.

Bermuda Police Service and Harbour Radio were flooded with calls after the lights appeared in the sky around 8 p.m.

Eyewitnesses described the phenomenon as "two streaks of light" and "a swirling trail of light".

One woman said at first it looked like "a helicopter with a searchlight on it" which "just evaporated."

A spokesman for Harbour Radio said: "A missile launch would certainly explain the stuff going up into the air - it's what we expected."

And the spokesman added one of the Harbour Radio staff, an ex-member of the Royal Navy's civilian support arm, the Royal Fleet Auxiliary, had suggested a rocket as the probable cause of the alarm.

He said: "We had a flood of calls in the space of 15 minutes. I was so busy, I didn't get a look at it myself."

The sub launch explanation was backed by a Scots chartered accountant, who watched the lights travelling west to south through powerful binoculars from a Paget vantage point.

The man said: "The lights were flame-out from booster rockets - I watched booster rockets fall off and spiral away.

"It looked like a magnesium burn, it was so bright and there was a lot of condensation.

"There was no noise so it had to be high and with the split, it had to be some kind of rocket launch."

Trident 2 D5s are carried mostly in the Ohio class fleet - the US Navy's frontline nuclear deterrent.

The ballistic missiles, also deployed by the Royal Navy, are designed to carry multiple warheads which can be individually targeted.

Trident rockets - created to strike at the heart of the former Soviet Union from their hard-to-find nuclear submarine platforms - have a range of around 6,500 nautical miles and power themselves to enormous heights before descending on their designated targets.

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Star-Telegram (Texan newspaper) article taken from the Waco Tribune-Herald and distributed by the Associated Press. URL:

<http://www.startext.net/news/doc/1047/1:STATE21B/1:STATE21B031098.html>

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Waco man liked to put a Ph.D. after his name

By JEN SANBURY

Waco Tribune-Herald

WACO, Texas -- Jason Leigh liked to put a Ph.D. behind his name.

But his phony doctorate fell away in court Monday. The man who held police at bay Sunday for 14 hours outside Waco's Veterans Affairs Regional Office told U.S. Magistrate Dennis Green that he's still shy of his associate's degree.

Leigh, 49, is not quite who he seems to be.

In fact, he used to be Randal Leigh Brown, born Nov. 30, 1948, in Corsicana.

During his court appearance Monday morning, he told federal officials he legally changed his name in 1980.

On his Internet web page, Leigh claims to have a "degree in electronics" and appends "Dr." or "Ph.D." to his name. But Monday he said his "electronics education" at Delgado Community College in New Orleans did not result in a degree. He said he attended several other universities.

Leigh apparently spent a good deal of time online. An Internet search of Leigh's name turns up scores of references to UFOs and the paranormal, but not a single reference to veterans' issues. Even fellow believers appear to question Leigh.

The Ufomind Paranormal Research Index web page lists Leigh among the "UFO researchers and witnesses whose educational credentials are challenged by evidence to the contrary."

On the computer bulletin boards of ParaScope, a site featuring UFO and conspiracy theory reports, he was criticized as "a person who blows a lot of hot air."

The director of the International UFO Museum and Research Center in Roswell, N.M., which gives Leigh the computer memory space for his website, said he has misrepresented himself.

"Basically, we don't have any connection to him other than that he had a UFO sighting," director Deon Crosby said. "He needed to hang his hat on someone and I understand that he has actually claimed to be a

representative of this museum and he's not."

Leigh also purports online to be "absent any police record," but court records show he was convicted in 1992 for carrying a .22-caliber handgun into the Johnson County Community Credit Union. He was given a year's probation and a \$300 fine on the misdemeanor charge, said Karen Alexander, chief deputy for court services for the Johnson County clerk's office in Cleburne.

In writings found on the Internet, Leigh says he is a Vietnam Veteran who served as a military policeman and Navy SEAL.

Leigh served in the U.S. Navy from November 1966 to May 1967, according to Rick DuCharme, regional director of public affairs for the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

"That's not long enough to even become a SEAL," said Lt. Cmdr. Hal Pittman, director of the news desk for the Navy Office of Information in the Pentagon in Washington, D.C.

In fact, in six months in the Navy, one could accomplish "pretty little," Pittman said.

Neither VA nor Naval officials could confirm Monday what Leigh's rank, specialty or assignment was in the Navy.

However, DuCharme said Leigh's assertion that the VA has lost his claim for benefits is not true.

"It's present and accounted for," he said.

Officials have not discussed details about Leigh's complaints against the VA, but U.S. Attorney Bill Johnston said more information will come out Thursday during a scheduled hearing.

A federal agent close to the case said Leigh appears to have "a very active imagination."

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Bob:

Did I say I was serious?

> one man who knows his stuff about photo analysis. That's Bruce  
> Maccabee. There may be other photo experts in the field who are

... and then there are those who would disagree about Bruce, too ...

Unpindownably yours,

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## Anthony Ortega, Kal Korff and "The Hack and the

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As a consequence of additional posts to Updates by Mr. Kal Korff, please indulge a consolidation and expansion of two previous posts of mine. Repost or reprint as you like.

ANTHONY ORTEGA, KAL KORFF AND "THE HACK AND THE QUACK"

The circumstances regarding the publishing of Anthony Ortega's "Phoenix New Times" article, "The Hack and the Quack" and the involvement and subsequent follow-up by Mr. Kal Korff are not unprecedented. We have been through this before, many times. What is at issue here is not spirited disagreement over the research and viewpoints of others. What is at issue here is McCarthyism.

For those not old enough to recall this episode of eponymous demagoguery, it concerned the use of ideological differences to justify disrupting the rights and opportunities of others. It utilized the tools of innuendo, guilt by association, lies, implied threats, invasion of privacy, economic sanction and much more. You may also recall that it was not merely the agenda of its namesake, but the actions of many dispersed throughout the political, military and entertainment communities.

Can you here the sucking sound as the time, attention and resources are directed toward new acts of disruption and distraction?

Mr. Korff's well established game has been given the imprimatur of a newspaper article which significantly relied on Mr. Korff's published works as well as his interview with Ortega. This article was much more than a broad attack on Jim Dilettoso, it was clearly intentioned to show the Laughlin Conference in the worst possible light, attack as many people as space would permit within the context of the article, and above all, to damage the efforts of Frances Emma Barwood to seek the office of Secretary of State of Arizona.

This is real politik. You are seeing an interactive process between mainstream media and certain elements within the general field of ufology which is designed to feed on itself and do damage. This damage will have consequences. I am a believer that the work is primary, the internecine personal conflicts secondary. However, there will be times, and this is one, when the majority camp of this field must step forward and speak out.

It is fortunate that after 50 years, the extraordinarily complex substance and history that represents the extraterrestrial enigma and its pursuit by fallible human beings has finally been clarified via the multi-month research effort of Mr. Ortega. Of equal benefit to our understanding was the further clarification by Mr. Korff.

In his initial post New Timeis article diatribe, he claimed that ufology is now divided into two "schools of thought," "two basic camps" - those who think critically and those who do not.

There are not two but many "schools of thought" among the thousands of individuals addressing the ongoing phenomena we awkwardly call ufology. However, "two basic camps" can, indeed, be discerned.

The majority camp consists of a broad array of people from all ranks and stations who have elected to invest a significant portion of their one and only life to somehow understand and deal with the most extraordinary event in human history. People with limited resources, mismatched educations, conflicting life demands and little social support moving against great resistance, making many mistakes, but pressing forward when every institution that human civilization has brought forth (academia, journalism, science, political agencies, elected bodies, the church, the military) has elected to either stand down or subvert understanding for ulterior agendas.

The minority camp consists of arrogant, self-serving, self-absorbed, self-aggrandizing and self-appointed purveyors of aggressive invective, libel, slander and personal attacks. Individuals who, by chance or design, found themselves nicely positioned in the gap between an amazing citizen science initiative and a confounded and cowering scientific establishment, and elected to feast on the mistakes and imperfections of the former for no other reason than the targets were easy. Individuals who are less concerned with the impact of the unfolding truths on the global public than gorging themselves on their own self-importance as critics, executioners, debunkers and McCarthyesque holders of lists of the "unworthy and misguided."

This minority camp persists because the larger, greater work is too demanding, the cascade of events too compelling, available funds too limited to afford the waste of time and money required to properly address their games.

In the post-paradigm world we inevitably approach, there will be time enough for chroniclers of history to document which of these camps served humanity and which served themselves.

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>Joe,

>I may not agree with Kal on a lot of things, although I find  
>myself agreeing with him more than with many on this list, but  
>the important point is that Dilettosa is one of those who doesn't  
>know Jack.

>This has nothing to do with whether the Phoenix lights were a big  
>UFO or not.

>Dilettoso is not an expert on anything photographic, and his work  
>gets the laughter it deserves when shown in knowledgeable  
>photographic circles.

>Anyone can buy a computer and some software and make "purty  
>pitchers" with lots of colors and such, generate graphs, and  
>connect dots.

>This makes them an expert at ----- what?????

>Bob

Bob,

I don't get it, You read my posting and then quote from it  
and still comment about Dilettoso. I thought I made it clear  
that I didn't care what he had to say about the videos of  
the "flares". Did you also read the whole Phoenix Times  
article? There was A LOT more than just comments &  
facts about Dilettoso.

Please, anyone on this list correct me if I'm mistaken but,  
Kal K's original posting failed to bring up the fact that the  
article in question states that the 8:30pm sighting was  
probably a formation of jets. Does Kal agrees with this?  
If he does, then he must also agree that all of the  
eyewitnesses were totally unreliable as the article  
insinuates.

Kal does conclude, along with the author of that slanderous  
article, that the later sightings were flares. He doesn't bother  
to explain how they stayed in the air for so long. At least he  
didn't in his original post. They may turn out to be flares  
but nobody knows yet. Except Kal & the author it seems.

Kal states that he has proclaimed 1998 the year of  
accountability. Proclaimed? What is a King now?

I'm sorry, but Kal along with stating what he did about the  
article, should have also told us that the article makes fun  
of abductees who claim that some sort of hybrid program may  
be going on with us and "them". Whoever "they" are. Why didn't  
he say he was disappointed in that aspect of the article? Maybe

because he thinks the abductees who tell that type of story are dilusional? I would be curious to hear his view on some of the negative things that were inferred in that article regarding some of the people that have claimed to have experiences. That includes a jab a Steven Greer's experience. I guess Greer made it up too huh?

Please, anyone please tell me if I'm the one being unobjective here. I may be wrong but I consider myself very open minded, objective & a critical thinker. I don't know what to think of the whole ET, UFO, Abductee and Secret Gov't claims. I do want to keep searching for the truth and not come to any conclusions until we have concrete evidence.

Maybe Kal is good for the UFO community. You tell me. At this moment, I don't think so.

Joe in Tampa

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## NASA Declares Pathfinder Officially 'Dead'

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Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 05:32:37 +0100  
Fwd Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 09:50:28 -0500  
Subject: NASA Declares Pathfinder Officially 'Dead'

>From the Nando Times. URL:

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NASA declares Pathfinder officially 'dead'

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LOS ANGELES (March 10, 1998 8:12 p.m. EST <http://www.nando.net>) -  
Scientists failed in a bid to contact the Mars Pathfinder on Tuesday,  
declaring the craft officially "dead" four months after the end of a  
mission that produced the closest look at the red planet's surface.

Team members at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory said goodbye to the  
lander and its little rover Sojourner 250 days after its dramatic  
landing on July 4 last year -- and shortly after getting no response to  
one last set of commands.

"The team has officially declared the time of death of the Mars  
Pathfinder lander at 1.21 p.m. Pacific Standard Time" said Jennifer  
Harris, flight director.

"To the world who watched us on July 4 and in the months afterward, we  
say thank you for all your enthusiasm."

The Pathfinder project had essentially ended on Sept. 27 of last year,  
when NASA scientists abruptly lost communication with the lander, for  
reasons that have not been determined.

By that time the lander had exceeded its original mission by about  
eight weeks and the rover had traversed the rock-strewn terrain for 11  
times longer than its planned one-week operation.

Scientists had only expected Pathfinder to "live" in the hostile  
Martian environment for 30 days.

The team continued to send signals to Pathfinder at regular intervals  
until Tuesday.

No new attempts will be made and scientists will devote their time to  
poring over the the 2.6 billion bits of scientific information, 16,000  
images and 15 complete chemical analyses of rocks and soil sent back by  
the craft.

Team members said they were not really saddened by Pathfinder's failure  
to respond on Tuesday, because they considered the transmission a long  
shot.

But Harris admitted feeling "a little more emotional" than usual when  
she heard a colleague officially declare the end of the mission.

Scientists said Pathfinder paved the way for future interplanetary  
missions. It was the first in the National Aeronautics and Space  
Administration's new line of "cheaper, better" space missions,

including four more Mars landings culminating in the planned return of rock samples in 2005.

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## Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

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Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 23:22:00 -0600 (CST)  
Fwd Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 10:14:31 -0500  
Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

>From: **Bob Shell** <[bob@bobshell.com](mailto:bob@bobshell.com)>

>What do you know about McGill U? I never heard of it until it  
>came up here. Apparently not a well-known university.

>Bob

Dear Bob:

Talk about stepping in it! I'll leave the native Canucks (or is it Canooks?) to explain in detail, but McGill is an OUTSTANDING university. Hell, I once went there myself. OK, the lady I was living with at the time went there, but who's quibbling about details if Dilettoso isn't? (Personally, I graduated from UT, Austin, although they probably won't admit it.) When she went off to class I would hoof it downhill toward St. Catharine (sp?) Street for the best (and cheapest) breakfasts on the North American continent: 99 cents at the time. McGill and Montreal were a collective sight to see and behold, Canada's equivalent of Haight-Ashbury/Berkeley and San Francisco. But that was long ago--before the frogs took over and forced everyone to speak French under penalty of a public tongue-lashing.

Oops, is that politically incorrect? Then I stand corrected: McGill is still a wonderful university--for all I know. However, any conspiratorialists out there (and fancy finding a conspiratorialist in this field!) would do well to remember that the late Dr. D. Ewen Cameron (do your own Web search) once taught there--if that's the word for it--when he wasn't moonlighting for the CIA. And, no, my girlfriend didn't take any courses under him. At least not that I remember...

Dennis

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From: **Don Ledger** <dledger@istar.ca>  
Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 01:27:58 +0100  
Fwd Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 10:25:14 -0500  
Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

> Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 12:13:41 -0500  
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>  
> From: Bob Shell <bob@bobshell.com>  
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

> >Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 01:43:35 +0100  
> >From: Don Ledger <dledger@istar.ca>  
> >To: updates@globalserve.net  
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Well Bob,

You just highlighted reason No.1. McGill is one of the oldest and most prestigious Universities in Canada and is well known around the world. I imagine Dilettoso ran across it in his travels at one time and when he needed some University that he could say he attended that he was sure nobody in the States would recognize, he used McGill.

Reason No.2 If someone did decide to check it out he could always claim that well they probably don't keep records up there way the hell and gone up north where all the cold fronts come from.

Reason No.3 He could always claim that we did things differently up here and would bury university records at the request of American Intelligence Services.

You know we have enough of our own screwballs up here without having someone making application to become one on our behalf. You would think the guy would have had the common good taste to pick an American University he didn't attend.

Thanks for confirming the fact that he didn't have a degree from McGill Bob.

regards,

Don Ledger

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From: [koch@wad.berlin.fido.de](mailto:koch@wad.berlin.fido.de) (Joachim Koch)  
Date: 10 Mar 98 23:36:00 +0000  
Fwd Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 10:33:01 -0500  
Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

>Date: Mon, 09 Mar 1998 23:40:45 +0100  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
>From: Jeroen Jansen <[jj4747@dds.nl](mailto:jj4747@dds.nl)>  
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

>As you all probably know, Korff promotes the idea that the Meier  
>case is a hoax and claims that the proof is in his book  
>'Spaceships of the Pleiades: The Billy Meier case'.

[...]

>I will take Meier's or Korff's claims and explanations for  
>granted only if they are able to support their claims and  
>explanations with irrefutable evidence. Korff obviously can't  
>back his Meier hoax claim with irrefutable evidence

[..]

Dear Jeroen,

Maybe I can help here. Some time ago, we posted the following  
article here to the list. Please read on:

-----Posted on: Date: 30 Mar 97 20:36:00 GMT-----

Subject: Billy Meier - Another Guru's Finale

Hello!

It seems that we can drain another quagmire to prevent future  
desasters in case "some Pleiadians" again command to "leave the  
containers".

We can achieve this by exposing the gurus of this world by  
bringing bright light into these dark corners of our reality and  
spreading the information about these beings all over the planet  
- and beyond.

So did Luc Buergin in the latest issue of the German UFO-KURIER  
(NO. 30) with his article:

"Kalliope Meier bricht ihr Schweigen" (Transl.: "Kalliope Meier  
speaks out")

Nearly one year ago, Swiss author and UFO researcher Luc Buergin  
reported about his doubts in the case of Billy Meier. He caused a  
real flood of controversial reactions. I have read what was  
published about Meier's reaction - again nothing else than the  
well-known unpleasant verbal injuries.

This is the reason why his former wife (up to become divorced)  
now has decided to break her silence after twenty years of being  
together with Billy Meier and of helping to lie to countless  
people. In an exclusive interview with Luc Buergin, for the first  
time ever, she admitted that the alledged contact experiences of  
Billy Meier

\*are entirely fictitious\*.

In the seventies she had seen photo negatives she prevented from being burnt where she easily could see (UFO)models. In the interview she explains that the lid of a plastic vat was used as an "UFO". In the UFO-KURIER there is a photograph of such a lid on page 15.

Mrs. Meier reported that for example in 1995 the Swiss newspaper "Neue Zuericher Zeitung" reported about Billy Meier and presented a photograph with Billy Meier in front of a plant which was put in such a lid.

Some of Meier's "mothership's" were the outdoor lamps at their house. Mrs. Meier reports of a woman, Mrs. G., who arrived one day at he Meier's home. Her hair style looked like the one of the female "Extraterrestrial" who was later presented on a photograph. That day, all the others were told to go away for some time. For the golden coloured suit of Mrs. G. Billy Meier used a foil which one can buy in every Swiss warehouse.

During the last months Mrs. Meier was severely attacked by her husband in his articles and was , of course, named a liar etc..

This will happen to Luc Buergin (again) and we expect threatening letters to the UFO-KURIER and to others. There will shurely be some statements in the newsgroups the next time.

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Kindest regards

Joachim Koch

\*Homepage International Roswell Initiative, Germany:\*  
> <http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/jkoch1> <  
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From: **SGB List 2** <[SGBList2@aol.com](mailto:SGBList2@aol.com)> [Stephen G. Bassett]  
Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 00:41:55 EST  
Fwd Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 10:28:11 -0500  
Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

> From: "Greg Sandow" <[gsandow@prodigy.net](mailto:gsandow@prodigy.net)>  
> To: "'UFO UpDates - Toronto'" <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?  
> Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 14:43:16 -0500

> > From: ParadigmRG <[ParadigmRG@aol.com](mailto:ParadigmRG@aol.com)> [Stephen G. Bassett]  
> > Date: Sun, 8 Mar 1998 05:18:54 EST  
> > To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
> > Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

> Stephen Bassett writes this amazing screed about Kal Korff and  
> the Phoenix New Times article:

> Now, excuse me, Steve.

> That New Times article may or may not be correct. But it's  
> certainly clear, and makes allegations which can easily be  
> checked. The scientists the writer quotes either did or did not  
> say what they said about Dilettoso. D's relationship with Hormel  
> either was or wasn't what the writer said it was.

> The people with Barwood when she announced her candidacy either  
> were or were not militia supporters.

> I don't see one word about this in your response. I don't see  
> answers to the specific points the article raised. All you do is  
> ask us to take sides. Do we believe in UFOs or not? If we do,  
> then we should hate anything the article says... which, of course,  
> is nonsense. You distantly acknowledge some problems with Ufology,  
> saying that some of us are "faillible human beings." But that's  
> hardly an answer to charges of outright fraud. Nor is it an  
> answer to the New Times writer's description of a UFO conference,  
> which, from sad experience, I (and, I hope, you too) know is all  
> too likely to be true.

> You talk about McCarthy, and that strikes a chord with me. My  
> parents, long-time leftists, were frightened during the McCarthy  
> years, and though my father never lost his job, plenty of people  
> he knew did.

> But Steve -- McCarthy used precisely the same kind of rhetoric  
> you're now using. Whenever anyone challenged his facts, he  
> challenged their loyalty. Anyone who disagreed with him, he'd  
> charge, was either a communist or helping the communists.

> Which was really ironic, since the communists (as my parents  
> should have known, but didn't) worked the same way. If you told  
> them that Stalin slaughtered millions of people, they'd say you  
> were siding with the capitalist warmongers, supporting armed  
> violence against labor unions and the lynching of black people in  
> the American south.

> And now here you are, doing exactly the same thing. You're  
> ignoring everything specific the New Times article says, and  
> instead asking us which side we're on. Do we believe in UFOs or  
> not? Do we support the brave people fighting for a new paradigm,  
> or the repressive scientists and media who oppose it?

> I'm sorry, but this is bullshit. Back in the '50s, it was indeed

> possible -- no matter what McCarthy said -- to be an American  
> patriot, and still think McCarthy was lying when he claimed  
> Communists were everywhere. In the '90s, it's possible to believe  
> in UFOs and new paradigms, and still think Jim Dilettoso is a  
> fraud. It's even possible to believe in UFOs and entertain the  
> possibility that the Phoenix sightings might have been planes or  
> flares.

> If this is your best response to what looks, on the surface, at  
> least, like a serious investigation, then I'm bitterly  
> disappointed in you. You've sunk to the lowest level of American  
> politics.

> Greg Sandow

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Mr. Sandow,

If it is your position that Mr. Korrf's posts are balanced, fair,  
reasonable and my post was a "screed" and invoked McCarthy  
actively rather than responsively, then you are operating from an  
intellectual platform and mode of logic of which I am not  
familiar.

I stand by my post on Mr. Korrf. In fact, I reiterate it and  
have reposted an expanded and condensed piece in response to  
further posts by him.

If you believe that Mr. Ortega and Mr. Korff represent an  
exemplary rhetoric and approach to the issues, there is little to  
say. I act and comment on the basis of what I think is right and  
from no other basis. Your disappointment is of no concern to me  
- it is rather a matter for you to deal with.

Stephen Bassett  
Paradigm Research Group

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## Missiles over Tampa?

From: **Ufojoel** <[Ufojoel@aol.com](mailto:Ufojoel@aol.com)> [**Joe Mirgia**]  
Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 00:58:48 EST  
Fwd Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 11:05:47 -0500  
Subject: Missiles over Tampa?

My wife and I, along with 12 other co-workers & friends saw the lights over Florida on 3/7/98. It was sometime between 6pm & 7:30pm. (It was a party and we weren't keeping track of time.) It was dark out at the time. Our "sighting" was just like everybody elses. Two white lights. At first they stayed together as if they were mounted on the wing of the plane they were attached to. At least that's what we thought. Then, to our mild surprise, they broke off and separated. About 15 seconds later they both "faded" out within seconds of each other.

At arms length they were about the size of a tennis ball. They seemed awfully close. They made no sound and had no discernable contrail.

If these were missiles shot off the coast of Florida then I would be really surprised. Missiles never crossed our minds as a possibility.

Of course, we're not experts on that type of thing so you never know.

All of the workers at the party work for the local government access television station for the City of Tampa. A lot of us are video producers and videographers but none of us caught it on tape!!! We are all professionals and none of us were drunk at the time. Later on is a different story!

Joe in Tampa

P.S. - The lights were traveling towards the NW before they faded out. There was no discernable cloud cover.

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McGill is a Major University in Montreal. Quebec, Canada.. (you know that big country North of the US??) with a fine medical school and world famous researchers. Arguably in the top 3 universities of Canada. I have spoken there 4 times over the years.

STF

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From: **Ufojoel** <[Ufojoel@aol.com](mailto:Ufojoel@aol.com)> [**Joe Murgia**]  
Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 01:17:36 EST  
Fwd Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 11:08:12 -0500  
Subject: Re: Mexico City UFO video - Show?

>Date: Mon, 9 Mar 1998 10:27:04 -0800 (PST)  
>To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
>From: Jim Deardorff <[deardorj@proaxis.com](mailto:deardorj@proaxis.com)>  
>Subject: Mexico City UFO video

>Hello List,

>Has anyone heard if the TV program due to show the analysis of  
>the Aug. 6, 1997, Mexico City UFO video and witnesses is still on  
>schedule? About a month ago someone on this list mentioned it  
>would be shown this coming Wednesday, March 11th. But I haven't  
>seen any TV listing that would point to it.

>Jim Deardorff

Jim,

According to UPN's website, they have a show entitled  
"Danger in our Skies - the UFO threat." scheduled to air  
on April 8th at 8pm/7c. The description of the show is:

"Videotapes can be doctored. Experts can be bought.  
But an entire city of eyewitnesses can't be wrong."

This sounds like the Mexico City video. I, like you was  
hoping to see the special tomorrow. Unfortunately, we'll  
have to wait. I get to see the 'UFO' video in Gulf Breeze  
next week when I get to see Jaimie Maussen lecture.

Joe in Tampa

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>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?  
>Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 14:43:16 -0500

>Now, excuse me, Steve.

>That New Times article may or may not be correct. But it's  
>certainly clear, and makes allegations which can easily be  
>checked. The scientists the writer quotes either did or did not  
>say what they said about Dilettoso. D's relationship with Hormel  
>either was or wasn't what the writer said it was.

>The people with Barwood when she announced her candidacy either  
>were or were not militia supporters.

>Etcetera.

>I don't see one word about this in your response. I don't see  
>answers to the specific points the article raised. All you do is  
>ask us to take sides. Do we believe in UFOs or not? If we do,  
>then we should hate anything the article says...which, of course,  
>is nonsense. You distantly acknowledge some problems with Ufology,  
>saying that some of us are "faillible human beings." But that's  
>hardly an answer to charges of outright fraud. Nor is it an  
>answer to the New Times writer's description of a UFO conference,  
>which, from sad experience, I (and, I hope, you too) know is all  
>too likely to be true.

>You talk about McCarthy, and that strikes a chord with me. My  
>parents, long-time leftists, were frightened during the McCarthy  
>years, and though my father never lost his job, plenty of people  
>he knew did.

>But Steve -- McCarthy used precisely the same kind of rhetoric  
>you're now using. Whenever anyone challenged his facts, he  
>challenged their loyalty. Anyone who disagreed with him, he'd  
>charge, was either a communist or helping the communists.

>Which was really ironic, since the communists (as my parents  
>should have known, but didn't) worked the same way. If you told  
>them that Stalin slaughtered millions of people, they'd say you  
>were siding with the capitalist warmongers, supporting armed  
>violence against labor unions and the lynching of black people in  
>the American south.

>And now here you are, doing exactly the same thing. You're  
>ignoring everything specific the New Times article says, and  
>instead asking us which side we're on. Do we believe in UFOs or  
>not? Do we support the brave people fighting for a new paradigm,  
>or the repressive scientists and media who oppose it?

>I'm sorry, but this is bullshit. Back in the '50s, it was indeed  
>possible -- no matter what McCarthy said -- to be an American  
>patriot, and still think McCarthy was lying when he claimed  
>Communists were everywhere. In the '90s, it's possible to believe  
>in UFOs and new paradigms, and still think Jim Dilettoso is a  
>fraud. It's even possible to believe in UFOs and entertain the  
>possibility that the Phoenix sightings might have been planes or  
>flares.

>If this is your best response to what looks, on the surface, at  
>least, like a serious investigation, then I'm bitterly  
>disappointed in you. You've sunk to the lowest level of American  
>politics.

>Greg Sandow

Greg,

I was mentally composing a response to Bassett when I read your  
post. You said it much better than I would have.

We must distinguish between believing in UFOs and supporting  
shysters and hucksters.

I'm pretty disgusted with what passes for analytical thought  
in this field.

Bob

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>Did I say I was serious?

Uh, now that you mention it, I guess not!

>> one man who knows his stuff about photo analysis. That's Bruce  
>> Maccabee. There may be other photo experts in the field who are

>... and then there are those who would disagree about Bruce, too ...

What I can say about Bruce is simply that I have "talked tech"  
with him on some pretty damned technical photographic stuff and  
he was either with me or ahead of me on all of it. When I have  
tried that with other UFO "experts" they invariably wander off  
into pseudo scientific bullshit.

>Unpindownably yours,

No problem. Those danged pins hurt!!

Bob

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> Why do people in UFOdom endorse him???? Why do they endorse  
> BobDean? I don't know, other than that they are  
> simply uneducated on  
> technical subjects and will accept anything which supports their  
> personal agenda.

> I am not a UFO debunker, but I sure would like to see some serious  
> standards imposed on who we call experts in this field. Otherwise  
> we will remain stuck in this GIGO mode.

> Bob

Couldn't agree more, Bob. ufology is one of the last areas where enthusiastic amateurs can make a real contribution (indeed, it is almost entirely made up of enthusiastic amateurs), and that is both it's strength and weakness.

IMHO, it is very difficult to make a useful contribution to this field without some training (preferably formal) in a scientific discipline. Some may argue that such training inevitably closes the mind and is detrimental to research in such a field. But without it, ufology collapses into a mess of competing interests, with no objective standards to judge the merit of one position over another.

With respect, many of the posts on this list ignore the most basic tenets of scientific methodology (there are lots of variations on the "you can't prove it DIDN'T happen" argument). Without an application of such methods, the conclusions we draw from the data we gather are meaningless, and even the data itself becomes suspect.

Like Bob, I'm not a sceptic (I've seen what I would class as a true UFO myself), and I've experienced first hand closed minds. We need to be open-minded, rigorous, and, yes, skeptical (in the best sense of the word). Extraordinary claims require extraordinary proof. That proof, I believe, is out there. Let's make sure we're trained to recognize it when we find it.

Brian

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>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?  
>Date: Tue, 10 Mar 98 20:22:52 PST

>Hi, Chris, Bob, and everybody,

>This continuing discussion raises an interesting question, one to  
>which I, as a historian of this subject with long memory and long  
>experience in it, increasingly give thought. Are we living in the  
>golden age of the saucer charlatan, or is it just that with all  
>the media outlets available today that did not exist in the  
>earlier history of the UFO controversy, the charlatans and  
>bullslingers are more visible than ever? I still don't have an  
>answer to that question.

>Cheers (or something),

>Jerry Clark

Jerry,

I think the media WANT bullshit.

I've talked to a number of producers of TV and radio programs in the last several years. They say they want to do an on-camera or on-mike for their program. After they talk to me for a while and find that I won't say what they want me to say, the invitation to appear on their program evaporates, or they just never call back. Later I find that they've used Bob Dean or some other crackpot instead.

They get what they want. Ratings, after all, is all they care about.

Kiviat's a little better than most, but even he never used any of the interview he did with me in London.

Bob

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## McGill University [was Jim Dilettoso Finally]

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> >From: Bob Shell <[bob@bobshell.com](mailto:bob@bobshell.com)>  
> >What do you know about McGill U? I never heard of it until it  
> >came up here. Apparently not a well-known university.

> Talk about stepping in it! I'll leave the native Canucks (or is  
> it Canooks?) to explain in detail, but McGill is an OUTSTANDING  
> university. Hell, I once went there myself. OK, the lady I was  
> living with at the time went there, but who's quibbling about  
> details if Dilettoso isn't? (Personally, I graduated from UT,

Yes, thank you, Dennis. :)

We Iglooniks (more politically-correct term) look at McGill as  
one of the world's better universities, right up there with the  
best of them. In Canada, it's equivalent to Harvard.

> to class I would hoof it downhill toward St. Catharine (sp?)  
> Street for the best (and cheapest) breakfasts on the North  
> American continent: 99 cents at the time. McGill and Montreal  
> were a collective sight to see and behold, Canada's equivalent of  
> Haight-Ashbury/Berkeley and San Francisco.

Downtown Montreal is a very "in" and "happenin'" place, to be  
sure. :)

> But that was long ago--before the frogs took over and forced  
> everyone to speak French under penalty of a public  
> tongue-lashing.

Ah. You saw that 60 Minutes segment, too?

> Oops, is that politically incorrect? Then I stand corrected:

Incorrect? No more so than calling Manitobans "ukabobs",  
Albertans "rednecks", Newfies "Newfies" or Ontarians "idiots".  
(Or is that what you call people in BC? Hmm ....)

(this reminds me of a Lenny Bruce routine, somehow.)

> McGill is still a wonderful university--for all I know.

Still is, yes. The University of Plum Coulee is a close second.

> However, any conspiratorialists out there (and fancy finding a  
> conspiratorialist in this field!) would do well to remember that  
> the late Dr. D. Ewen Cameron (do your own Web search) once taught  
> there--if that's the word for it--when he wasn't moonlighting for  
> the CIA. And, no, my girlfriend didn't take any courses under  
> him. At least not that I remember...

Yes, McGill was the site of those nasty mind-control experiments  
which blossomed into MKUltra and other CIA covert projects  
vaguely related to ufology. There's an "isolation chamber" at the  
U of M, too, and I knew a few people who were guinea pigs for



sleep deprivation experiments there. Weird stuff.

Now, why do Canadians know so much more about American colleges and institutions such as Yale, UIC, Bowling Green and Purdue?

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## Alfred's Odd Ode #230

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Fwd Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 15:22:17 -0500  
Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #230

Apology to MW #230 (For March 11, 1998)

I come to myself and the light was retreating. I wobble a bit on my knees but it's fleeting. That was abduction? It's so inconclusive! It's all liability, it's all too intrusive. I'm not even sure, if at all, that I'd gone. I heard some strange music, but I can't sing the song! I could sing it in meter; I could sing it in verse, you could call it an art work and not be obverse. Then it would slide, and be paid =85 no attention=85 Though that might be what's usual, that's not my intention <g>.

Things being equal I'd rather be read -- that I'd reach out and touch a new mind with my head. That you'd open my bottle from out of the sea and live for a moment my message for free. Be of some help to a \*fellow\* of note, cure a depression, tell a good joke. Raise up the spirit, praise what is good, do it together, or laugh if you would.

Though enough of all that -- the best kind of glory; it's just what we need, but the rest of the story=85

I walk in the house, and everything's normal. Too normal in fact, and I look at the clock. I was up there for hours -- there was time that went missing, mere \*minutes\* had happened back here on the block! My son hovered past me to dig in the fridge. The wife was her usual -- cool and abridged. The dog was on guard for what dropped in the kitchen =85

-- and I was the nut who had read too much Sitchin.

I guess it's enough that I know it's the truth. I'd wish for autonomy -- to study it through. The money to make up the difference that's made when you work for the man as his tool -- as his slave. The money to live where the mind is set free to work out the kinks in his ethos -- you see? The time that is used to implode and preclude the ethics of misery foresworn and abused. For this is the heaven that's found here on Earth, as the scramble is ceased between death, and it's birth. The time to ask questions, and live with the answers. The time to appreciate paintings and dancers. To orbit in music, to live all our dreams, to get off our rock, to ride the light beams=85

And all of it possible -- as sure as a plow! And not from the watchers, but our own stuff, right now! =85Confronted with life forms so countless in space -- thinking races of humans, but just ONE human race=85 We learn to cooperate; we learn to live free -- of our hatreds, our bias =85 slow death to our seas. It is then we ascend to a place in the stars that is there, that is real, that is right -- that is ours!

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No -- for the record. No. The only thing abducted, in my case, was idle imagination. But I speak for thousands who do suffer something, and they're not ALL crazy. Further, the many that are, may be driven to it!

Restore John Ford.

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Explore the Alien View?

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"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, while burning at the fundamentalist's stake.

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JPL RECRUITS TWO EXPERTS TO HELP HUNT FOR NEW PLANETS AND LIFE

Two newly-arrived scientists at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory will play a key role in the search for planets around other stars and the hunt for life beyond Earth. The appointments highlight a new JPL initiative to unite scientists from various disciplines, such as biology and astronomy, to study the evolution of planets and life in the universe.

Dr. Didier Queloz, a Swiss astronomer who co-discovered the first known planet around a star similar to our Sun, is a distinguished visiting scientist at JPL for the next year and a half. Dr. Kenneth Nealson has joined JPL as a senior researcher in astrobiology, a new field whose goal is to understand how planets and life co-evolve.

While at JPL, Queloz will continue his search for planets and help the Lab develop sophisticated search technologies. His work will benefit NASA's Origins Program, a series of planned missions to study the formation of galaxies, stars, planets and life. The program has gained momentum from discoveries by Queloz and, subsequently, other astronomers, of several planets orbiting stars beyond our Sun. Many scientists believe this raises the odds that an Earth-like planet exists with suitable conditions for life.

Queloz, a Swiss citizen, received his degree in physics in 1990 from the University of Geneva and worked on his doctoral thesis at Geneva Observatory with Professor Michel Mayor from 1991 to 1995. Using the French Elodie telescope in Haute Provence, France, they looked for signs of a Doppler shift in nearby stars. As a star moves closer and then farther away from Earth, the star's color shifts from red to blue. By detecting this motion, astronomers can infer that the star is being tugged by gravity from an orbiting planet.

"Back then, these experiments were considered a bit nutty," recalled Queloz. When Queloz and Mayor first detected a Doppler shift from the star 51 Pegasus, Queloz said their first reaction was, "We'd better check our instruments."

Even after they verified the instruments' accuracy, Queloz and Mayor

spent several weeks monitoring 51 Pegasus to confirm the discovery. In July of 1995, they were confident enough to buy a large cake and hold a celebration party in the south of France for family and friends. Queloz and Mayor formally announced their discovery, a Jupiter-sized planet orbiting 51 Pegasus, at an October 1995 scientific meeting in Florence, Italy.

Queloz has received several honors, including the Swiss Society for Physics' Balzers Award, the Bioastronomy Medal from the International Astronomical Union, Commission 51, and a Best Thesis in Science honor from a Swiss corporation, Vacheron Constantin.

Queloz is continuing his hunt for new planets with the Elodie telescope and its twin, Coralie, a Swiss telescope in La Silla, Chile. But he and other astronomers face great challenges in finding new and better ways to detect planets more like Earth. Current techniques allow only for the detection of giant, Jupiter-sized planets, which are considered unlikely candidates for life.

While at JPL, Queloz will share his planet-finding experience with engineers who are designing more advanced technologies. Queloz is using a testbed interferometer at Caltech's Palomar Observatory to run tests on stars and prepare for an observing program. This work will help pave the way for other Origins projects, including the W.M. Keck Observatory interferometer in Hawaii, the Space Interferometry Mission, and the Terrestrial Planet Finder, all being planned by NASA.

Interferometry combines and processes light from several telescopes to simulate a much larger telescope, and holds great promise as a tool in the search for Earth-sized planets. "I'd like to play a role in future exploration by helping to define interferometry techniques," Queloz said.

During his stay at JPL, Queloz is living in Pasadena with his wife and their two children.

Until very recently, an astronomer like Queloz would have had little if any interaction with a biological scientist like Dr. Kenneth Nealson. But various disciplines, such as astronomy, geology, biology and chemistry, are joining forces to study the development of life on Earth and the prospects of life elsewhere. Therefore, the work of scientists like Nealson and Queloz is converging to form a broad, interdisciplinary approach.

"After all," said Nealson, "life is not a simple system and no science operates in a vacuum. Younger students are studying several disciplines to gain a more comprehensive view."

Nealson is part of this new wave of scientific training, as a geobiology teacher and faculty associate in Caltech's geology and planetary sciences division. At JPL, a division of Caltech, Nealson has been appointed to head a new astrobiology unit. Nealson said over the next few years, his astrobiology group will develop an understanding of the way life and planets have evolved, and will define the signatures of life.

"Not many foolhardy souls have ventured into this area," Nealson said. "After all, how can you find life if you don't know what you're looking for? This is a very, very important problem to be solved because right now we're not sure how to distinguish life from non-life. Our goal is to develop tools to make that distinction clearly."

In recent years, microbiologists have made startling discoveries about the hardiness of life on Earth, studying living organisms in thermal vents, acid lakes and other unlikely environments. Nealson pointed out, "This has opened the eyes of scientists to the notion that life could exist under seemingly inhospitable conditions on other planets."

Astrobiologists will also study changes in Earth's chemical composition over billions of years. They will then apply this knowledge to other planets to look for "chemical signatures" that might indicate that life has existed or could exist there.

Nealson said astrobiology will be useful for numerous space missions, including the Mars sample return mission, scheduled to bring back Martian rocks in the middle of the next decade. Astrobiology will also benefit the Origins Program's Terrestrial Planet Finder, which will look for Earth-like planets around other stars and hunt for signs of life-sustaining chemicals. Nealson said astrobiological studies may prove valuable in the study of Jupiter's moon, Europa, which may have liquid oceans under its frozen surface. This icy moon is currently

being studied by NASA's Galileo Europa Mission, and a new Europa Orbiter has a planned launch in 2003.

Originally from West Liberty, Iowa, Nealson got his bachelor of science degree in biochemistry in 1965 from the University of Chicago. He earned his Ph.D. in microbiology from the University of Chicago and did postdoctoral studies at Harvard University. Nealson taught at Scripps Institution of Oceanography, San Diego, CA, and at the Center for Great Lakes Studies, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, WI. His honors include the Guggenheim Fellowship for Sabbatical Leave in 1981, and an appointment as an elected fellow in the American Academy of Microbiology, which he received in November 1993.

Nealson and his wife live in South Pasadena, CA.

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> Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 01:27:58 +0100  
> From: Don Ledger <dledger@istar.ca>  
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> > From: Bob Shell <bob@bobshell.com>  
> > Subject: Re: UFO Update: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

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> > >From: Don Ledger <dledger@istar.ca>  
> > >To: updates@globalserve.net  
> > >Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

> > >One question. Did this Dilettoso have a Ph.D from McGill or not?  
> > >If not I'll bet I can give you three or four good reasons why he  
> > >picked McGill.

> > >The rest is moot guys if the answer is no.

> > >Don

> > >Apparently, he has admitted faking his PhD.

> > >What do you know about McGill U? I never heard of it until it  
> > >came up here. Apparently not a well-known university.

> > >Bob

> Well Bob,

> > You just highlighted reason No.1. McGill is one of the oldest and  
> > most prestigious Universities in Canada and is well known around  
> > the world. I imagine Dilettoso ran across it in his travels at  
> > one time and when he needed some University that he could say he  
> > attended that he was sure nobody in the States would recognize,  
> > he used McGill.

> > Reason No.2 If someone did decide to check it out he could always  
> > claim that well they probably don't keep records up there way the  
> > hell and gone up north where all the cold fronts come from.

> > Reason No.3 He could always claim that we did things differently  
> > up here and would bury university records at the request of  
> > American Intelligence Services.

> > You know we have enough of our own screwballs up here without  
> > having someone making application to become one on our behalf.  
> > You would think the guy would have had the common good taste to  
> > pick an American University he didn't attend.

> > Thanks for confirming the fact that he didn't have a degree from  
> > McGill Bob.

> > regards,

> > Don Ledger

Folks ,

I'm not often ashamed of being an American, but I am every time one of my fellow citizens betrays shocking and embarrassing ignorance of our good neighbors to the north and their rich culture. Any educated North American who has not heard of McGill University ought to apologize profusely for his boneheaded ignorance.

Incidentally, Don C. Donderi, psychologist, ufologist, and all-around good guy, has long been on the McGill faculty.

Jerry

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## Re: McGill University [was Dilettoso Finally]

From: **Whitewolf** <[witewolf@neptune.on.ca](mailto:witewolf@neptune.on.ca)> [Paul Whitewolf]  
Date: Wed, 11 Mar 98 15:32:17 -0000  
Fwd Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 17:27:26 -0500  
Subject: Re: McGill University [was Dilettoso Finally]

Dear (fun at your expense) Bob,

you wrote:

>> Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 12:13:41 -0500  
>> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
>> From: Bob Shell <[bob@bobshell.com](mailto:bob@bobshell.com)>  
>> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

>> >Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 01:43:35 +0100  
>> >From: Don Ledger <[dledger@istar.ca](mailto:dledger@istar.ca)>  
>> >To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
>> >Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

<snip>

>> >Don

<snip>

>> What do you know about McGill U? I never heard of it until it  
>> came up here. Apparently not a well-known university.

>> Bob

Ignore all the other messages Bob, I know for a fact Montreal is nothing more than a small village, and McGill U. is only a few buildings with a small area to park your dog sled. A small trail leads down to the St. Lawrence where there is a dock for your canoe.

The single largest event in McGill's history was when Stanton Friedman showed up, the total combined population of Ontario and Quebec showed up, making McGill seem like a busy place and Montreal a sprawling populace.

Meanwhile the largest UFO flap in Canadian history took place in a small capital to the NNW then called Bytown.

..all in fun,

Paul.

"If you can't laugh at yourself, you might be missing the joke of the century..."  
Dame Edna, 1997

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## Re: Nua Blather: It's the End of the Millennium as

From: Dave Walsh <dave@nua.ie>  
Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 16:58:10 +0000  
Fwd Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 17:29:07 -0500  
Subject: Re: Nua Blather: It's the End of the Millennium as

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Weekly free email of Dogma Destruction,  
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By Daev Walsh Email: blather@nua.ie  
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March 11th 1998 Published By: Nua Limited Vol 1. No. 44  
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IT'S THE END OF THE MILLENIUM AS WE KNOW IT

Blather has been idly comparing the news of these past few days to our hypothetical dramatisation (adapted for the 'net) of the Book of Revelations. On March 8th, traffic on 200 mile stretch of North Californian highway slowed to a near halt as it was illuminated by flaming objects falling from the sky, convincing many that an aircraft had crashed. According to Griffith Observatory in Los Angeles, it was a large meteor shower (The Associated Press, Via Nando News, and the San Francisco Examiner on March 10th).

This was preceded by a disclosure concerning a 32-year-old Chinese farmer who had just been divested of two of his three tongues (Agence France-Presse March 9th, Reuters March 8th), and a Canadian cow which gave birth to four calves, a rather rare and momentous occurrence (The Associated Press, via Nando March 8th).

### MIRACLE ALERT

We nearly didn't get round to mentioning this little gem. Paper Round in the Irish Times of February 9th (<http://www.irish-times.com/irish-times/paper/1998/0209/opt3.html>) quoted 'Kerry's Eye' (<http://www.kerryseye.com/>), who in turn quoted one Kevin Tracey, a Christian Brother who reckons that "a Heavenly warning, that will precede a great miracle, will be seen and experienced all over the world at the same time. This warning will be seen in the sky and will be so frightening that men will die. Those who believe in the apparitions of our Lady of Garabandal believe this warning will come within the next two years, very possibly this year."

Apparently the miracle will take place on some unknown Thursday at 8.30 p.m., or so sez Conchita Gonzalez, the "principal visionary of Garabandal" who resides in the good old town of New York. Conchita is one of the four child visionaries of Garabandal who allegedly witnessed apparitions of the Blessed Virgin in the 1960s (<http://www.missionnet.com/catholic/miracles/garaband/index.html>).

Kerry's Eye cheerily adds "We'll have eight days' notice of a miracle, but even then some of us will die from emotional shock at seeing this fire in the sky which doesn't burn the skin", before letting Brother Tracey let us know that "It will be visible all over the world in whatever place anyone might be, whether you're downtown shopping, at work or at home. It will be like the revelation of our soul, and it will be seen and felt equally by believers and people of any religion . . . Even if you hide in your room and close the blinds, you will not escape it,".

Consumerism to the death! Fortunately in Ireland, there's late shopping on Thursdays.

#### WHICH OF THE DARWINS ACTED ALONE?

The eternal folkloric conundrum concerning the elusive 'Darwin Awards' has been made manifest at the 'The Darwin Awards & Simple Human Travesties' page (<http://www.officialdarwinawards.com/>).

'Following the ideas of Charles Darwin, the Darwin Awards are given, usually posthumously, to the individual(s) who remove themselves from the gene pool in the most spectacular fashion. However there is an exception to the requirement to die. If said individual does not die, however does render him/her self incapable of producing any children - they may be eligible for the dubious honour of receiving the award while still alive'.

We at Blatherville, Dublin 2, suffer not a little consternation at actually finding an 'official' Darwin Awards site. Previously, the awards seemed to be a product of the internet division of the collective (un)consciousness, a transient organic myth which seeped into Friday night pub conversations - the masses reeled in horror at the idea that any party could or would lay claim to them.

#### OUT OUT OUT

The Times (London) on 26th February informed us that the Vatican are set to simplify their rites for the casting out of devils, because of a recent 'demand' for exorcisms. This seems a bit odd or even unnecessary, considering a 'leading exorcist' has admitted that he has 'yet to encounter a case of genuine demonic possession'. This hasn't, however, stopped the 'The Congregation for the Divine Sacraments and Divine Worship' from spending 10 years doing a rewrite of the original 400 year old documents, shortening the prayers and strengthening the language.

Rather interesting was a quote from a Father Louis McRaye 'the official exorcist for the Birmingham archdiocese', who said that although he has been involved with more than 80 'exorcism' cases, not one had demonstrated real 'possession'. What they \*had\* demonstrated was evidence of disturbed or psychiatrically ill individuals.

Several years ago, I was given cause to wonder how many medical conditions which we are familiar with today were once perhaps stigmatised as 'demonic possession', and in some countries, quite possibly still are.

How does an exorcist decide?

Dave Walsh  
11th March 1998

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## Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

From: Henny van der Pluijm <hvdp@worldonline.nl>  
Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 21:40:03 +0100 (MET)  
Fwd Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 17:32:12 -0500  
Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

>Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 07:28:14 -0400  
>From: "Stanton T. Friedman" <fsphys@brunnet.net>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>  
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

>McGill is a Major University in Montreal. Quebec, Canada.. (you  
>know that big country North of the US??) with a fine medical  
>school and world famous researchers. Arguably in the top 3  
>universities of Canada. I have spoken there 4 times over the  
>years.

>STF

On a slightly different note: as much as I am 'enjoying' the ongoing debate about Mr. Dilettoso, I am missing one voice in this parade of opinions and that is the voice of Mr. Dilettoso himself.

For the record, can anyone state where and when exactly did Jim Dilettoso claim that he had a degree from McGill University?

Furthermore, what degree did he claim to have?

Thank you.

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 /      Met vriendelijke groet/Best wishes      \  
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## Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

From: Steve Neeley <stneeley@mail.bright.net>  
Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 16:54:25 -0500 (EST)  
Fwd Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 18:38:35 -0500  
Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

>From: Brian Straight <brians@mdbs.com>  
>To: "'UFO UpDates - Toronto'" <updates@globalserve.net>  
>Subject: RE: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?  
>Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 09:25:21 -0500

>>Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 11:21:06 -0500  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>  
>>From: Bob Shell <bob@bobshell.com>  
>>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

>Like Bob, I'm not a sceptic (I've seen what I would class as a  
>>true UFO myself), and I've experienced first hand closed minds.  
>We need to be open-minded, rigorous, and, yes, skeptical (in the  
>best sense of the word). Extraordinary claims require  
>extraordinary proof. That proof, I believe, is out there. Let's  
>make sure we're trained to recognize it when we find it.

>Brian

I am firstly a sighter of something anyone would call a UFO,  
secondly I am a "repeater". Which means that I have seen  
something of this description more than once throughout the  
years.

Third, I have become an enthusiastic researcher of UFO events  
and related phenom. since I photographed genuine "unknown"  
objects and lights in the sky.

I have posted my photos on a website and joined Skywatch  
International. I am current and up to date on UFO events.

It is the cumulative total of cogent witnesses soberly and  
sincerely reporting what they have seen that makes ufology the  
grass roots phenomena that it is.

Frank and unabashed witnesses are the heart and soul of ufology.  
Common sense will prevail over pretentious importance.

Sightings and acceptance of same are a personal challenge each  
person must face individually. It is the personal nature of  
these sightings that we must discuss.

We are not being invaded militarily, we are being invaded  
mentally with visions of high technology hardware. Where it will  
lead can only be determined by the decisions each of us face  
daily.

And so, we make own future.

Steve of Ohio

Steve Neeley, Director  
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## Re: Upgraded website - Mr. Oberg, quiet out there?

From: " Jerry Cohen" <[rjcohen@li.net](mailto:rjcohen@li.net)>  
Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 17:33:15 -0500  
Fwd Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 18:56:49 -0500  
Subject: Re: Upgraded website - Mr. Oberg, quiet out there?

Sorry to temporarily interrupt this "major controversy," but....

When all is said and done, and we figure out whether or not the article was correct or not concerning Jim Dilettoso (by contacting the University to check at least part of it out), the following still exists and also needs to be addressed: (How deeply is up to Mr. Oberg)

Re: Mr. Oberg's comments regarding my website

He's had more than a year to respond to the Oberg/Cooper website and has now, finally seen fit to comment. (see end of this post) I briefly replied.

Is it my imagination or did it get quiet out there? With all the writing I did in the rebuttals, it certainly is not impossible I might have made some mistakes in my thinking or data somewhere. Perhaps Mr. Oberg could cordially help me correct anything he finds? I'd be happy to make any necessary changes if:

- 1) he would point them out to me
- 2) we discuss them and
- 3) the majority of readers agree with his assessment.

BTW: It is the same "general innuendo, with minimal or no support" exhibited in Mr. Oberg's post to me, which I find great fault with in his "circa 1983" essay.

Respectfully,  
Jerry Cohen

Author: Oberg/Cooper rebuttals  
Website: <http://www.li.net/~rjcohen/>  
UFOMind: <http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/people/c/cohen/>

JC: Mr. Oberg, thanks for your acknowledgement. There are those who would say the rebuttal is not as "pitiable" as you seem to think. Is there something specific in the essays you wish to comment upon? :-)

Jerry Cohen

Re: Notice to Researchers: Upgraded website

From: [JamesOberg@aol.com](mailto:JamesOberg@aol.com)  
Date: Mon, 16 Feb 1998 08:37:37 EST  
Fwd Date: Mon, 16 Feb 1998 08:53:46 -0500  
Subject: Re: Notice to Researchers: Upgraded website

>Date: Sun, 15 Feb 1998 12:36:24 -0500  
>To: " UFO UpDates - Toronto" <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
>From: " Jerry Cohen" <[rjcohen@li.net](mailto:rjcohen@li.net)>  
>Subject: Notice to Researchers: Upgraded website

Re: Upgraded website - Mr. Oberg, quiet out there?

>Just wanted to let everyone know that the Oberg/Cooper Website  
>has been upgraded

>Considering the low level of the pitiable "rebuttal" to my circa  
>1983 study of why Cooper's UFO stories (and stories \_about\_  
>Cooper and UFOs which do not originate from him) are not reliable  
>evidence for "true UFOs", any change is likely to be an  
>improvement.  
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## Re: Re: McGill University

From: **Dennis Stacy** <[dstacy@texas.net](mailto:dstacy@texas.net)>  
Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 16:53:04 -0600 (CST)  
Fwd Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 19:37:04 -0500  
Subject: Re: Re: McGill University

>From: "Jerome Clark" <[jkclark@frontiernet.net](mailto:jkclark@frontiernet.net)>

<Giant snip>

>Folks,

>I'm not often ashamed of being an American, but I am  
>every time one of my fellow citizens betrays shocking  
>and embarrassing ignorance of our good neighbors to  
>the north and their rich culture. Any educated North  
>American who has not heard of McGill University ought to  
>apologize profusely for his boneheaded ignorance.

>Incidentally, Don C. Donderi, psychologist, ufologist,  
>and all-around good guy, has long been on the  
>McGill faculty.

>Jerry

Jerry:

Cut poor Bob Shell some slack--the guy lives in California, fer  
gawd's sakes, which is about as far as one can get from McGill  
and still be in the good ol' U.S.

That said, I'm constantly surprised at how this synchronicity  
stuff works. Today, for example, I was rearranging books on my  
shelves and came across a spine labeled "Bull's Eye" by James  
Adams. I couldn't for the life of me remember what it was about,  
so I pulled it down for a quick looksee. Turned out to be a bio  
of Gerald Bull, who was unceremoniously assassinated by the  
Mossad for selling Saddam Hussein one of his superguns. It had a  
picture section, which I turned to and thumbed through. The  
caption of the first one that caught my attention reads as  
follows:

"The sponsor and the scientist: Dean Donald Mordell (left) of  
McGill University was an early believer and helped get the HARP  
[High Altitude Research Project] off the ground. Here, in March,  
1962, at one of the first of many press conferences, the two men  
explain how the Martlet rocket could be fired from the HARP  
gun."

The HARP here is not to be confused with the Alaskan HAARP  
(except by extremely dedicated conspiracy theorists). Still,  
coupled with Dr. Cameron's presence and activities at McGill,  
this leads me to wonder if the latter might not have been some  
sort of fertile "off-shore" proving ground for the CIA. Just a  
thought, in case anyone needs a booklength research project.

Now that North American Bob has been thoroughly castigated and  
briefed as to McGill's illustrious history and status, I'm  
thinking of next trying to teach Jerry how to clip the  
unnecessary portions of his e-mail replies. (Hey, Canadians do it  
all the time!) This could take some time, though, so please bear  
with me.

Meanwhile, I'm curious. Who the hell was this Mr. McGill, anyway?  
An 18th century CIA operative or merely a disaffected Scot? And

why did they name name an entire university after him, instead of, say, a mere library, study hall or student center? I bet he didn't speak French, either. Curiouser and curiouser...

SA Sasquatch

BTW: While we're talking conspiracies here, specifically as to how Dilettoso's name is spelled and what it means in Italian, it's worth noting that in the made-for-TV movie about Bull, he was played--and I thought rather well--by Frank Langella. And that's no bull.

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## Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

From: **RGates8254** <[RGates8254@aol.com](mailto:RGates8254@aol.com)> [**Robert Gates**]  
Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 20:28:49 EST  
Fwd Date: Thu, 12 Mar 1998 01:02:41 -0500  
Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

> To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
> From: "Jerome Clark" <[jkclark@frontiernet.net](mailto:jkclark@frontiernet.net)>  
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?  
> Date: Tue, 10 Mar 98 20:22:52 PST

<snip Bob Shells msg>

> Hi, Chris, Bob, and everybody,

> This continuing discussion raises an interesting question, one to  
> which I, as a historian of this subject with long memory and long  
> experience in it, increasingly give thought. Are we living in the  
> golden age of the saucer charlatan, or is it just that with all  
> the media outlets available today that did not exist in the  
> earlier history of the UFO controversy, the charlatans and  
> bullsinners are more visible than ever? I still don't have an  
> answer to that question.

Jerry,

Personal opinion is that we DO NOT live in a golden age  
of the saucer charlatan. We do live in an age where anybody  
and everybody can post their tale on a Web site, go on the  
lecture circuit, release their own videos etc etc.

Had Adamski or Van Tassel been around today they probably would  
have had their own videos, web sites with their tales and stories  
and would have been invited on to the UFO lecture circuit. The  
sponsors of the lectures would have justified with the rational  
of "well our job is to just put the story out so that people can  
agree or disagree with them and come to their own conclusions.

The ease and availability of mass communication has also led to a  
marked (in my opinion) increase in UFO documentarys, videos etc.  
Unlike the 50s when the movie U.F.O. was considered to be the big  
"event" of the UFO community.

Overall, I think this is and has been good, you just must  
hopefully use sound judgements in the material that we see.

My opinion, for whatever its worth.

Cheers,  
Robert

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Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 22:04:28 +0100  
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> From: Whitewolf <witewolf@neptune.on.ca> [Paul Whitewolf]  
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> Dear (fun at your expense) Bob,

> you wrote:

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> >> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

> >> >Date: Tue, 10 Mar 1998 01:43:35 +0100  
> >> >From: Don Ledger <dledger@istar.ca>  
> >> >To: updates@globalserve.net  
> >> >Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

> <snip>

> >> >Don

> <snip>

> >> What do you know about McGill U? I never heard of it until it  
> >> came up here. Apparently not a well-known university.

> >> Bob

> Ignore all the other messages Bob, I know for a fact Montreal  
> is nothing more than a small village, and Mcgill U. is only a few  
> buildings with a small area to park your dog sled. A small trail  
> leads down to the St. Lawrence where there is a dock for your  
> canoe.

> The single largest event in Mcgill's history was when Stanton  
> Friedman showed up, the total combined population of Ontario  
> and Quebec showed up, making McGill seem like a busy place and  
> Montreal a sprawling populace.

> Meanwhile the largest UFO flap in Canadian history took place  
> in a small capital to the NNW then called Bytown.

> ..all in fun,

> Paul.

Now you've gone and let the cat out of the bag Paul.

But you know it's not as starng as you would think.

6 or 7 years ago I had a crew setting up up a mother of a outdoor PA  
system in a parade square in front of City Hall in Halifax, Nova Scotia.  
Princess Ann was coming for a visit and was going to address the masses.

This was the first week of August.

I was sitting on a wall watching the crew work which of course is

a lot more fun than actually doing it.

Anyway this women about 30, with a southern accent, asked me what we were doing. I told what and why. She was thrilled that she was going to have an opportunity to see one of the Royal Family since they were in the area for a few days to see the Interanational Tattoo and were going to sail on the Bluenose.

I asked her where she and her family was from. She said Georgia. I asked her if they had packed their snowshoes, skis and winterclothing for the trip. She said, "Oh, no." Then she reddened. "We did that the first time we came up here."

Don Ledger

From "The Great White North"--Ook kook kook.kook kook coo coo.

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## Re: McGill University

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<snippage>

> Folks,

> I'm not often ashamed of being an American, but I am  
> every time one of my fellow citizens betrays shocking  
> and embarrassing ignorance of our good neighbors to  
> the north and their rich culture. Any educated North  
> American who has not heard of McGill University ought to  
> apologize profusely for his boneheaded ignorance.

> Incidentally, Don C. Donderi, psychologist, ufologist,  
> and all-around good guy, has long been on the  
> McGill faculty.

You can be ashamed of being an American, if you like, but I am  
ashamed of many other things.

So-called ufology and researchers, being but two such things of  
which I am ashamed.

It wasn't until some months ago, that even I, an uneducated  
American, didn't know where McGill University was. I do know how  
to look things up, so I did. It didn't take long and it probably  
would have been better had Bob looked it up, but he didn't. I  
don't think "shaming" him or calling him boneheaded is called  
for. Not for that anyway. There are so many other things for  
which we can call Bob boneheaded -- the Santilli saga comes to  
mind.

As for this mess about the Phoenix New Times article, I think  
Greg Sandow said it best. I must concur with old boneheaded Bob  
on that.

Kal Korff is definitely 'over the top' and annoying as hell, but  
let's not let the message of the article get lost because of our  
dislike of Kal.

If someone has a problem believing the claims made in the  
article, check 'em out for yourself. And remember just because  
the sighting may have an explanation doesn't mean that all  
sightings have explanations.

Rebecca

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## Lynne Bishop on #Visitations

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Lynne Bishop meeting on #Visitations.

Saturday, March 14th  
7pm Pacific / 9pm Central / 3am GMT

Where: #Visitations on the Undernet

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Web Links for Lynne Bishop:

Lynne Bishop's BORDERLINE:  
<http://www.geocities.com/Athens/3862/>

The Reading Room is currently featuring the work of Lynne Bishop.  
A FEARFUL SYMMETRY: A TRUE STORY OF ALIEN INTRUSION  
INTO HUMAN LIVES  
By D. Lynne Bishop  
<http://bookfinder.simplenet.com/reading1.htm>

Lynne Bishop's Bio From Her Web Page:  
<http://www.geocities.com/Athens/3862/page3.htm>

BIO:

Lynne Bishop is an Abductee/Experiencer currently living in the Mountain Home, Arkansas area with her husband. Lynne's childhood was spent on various military bases throughout the United States and Europe.

Her discovery of alien intrusion in her and other family members' lives was verified both through conscious (ongoing) encounters and individual corroborating hypnosis sessions in 1992 and 1993. Her desire to educate the public regarding the alien presence and abduction phenomenon has led her to both write and speak about the subject in public and private forums.

Lynne was a featured speaker at the 6th Annual UFO Conference in Eureka Springs, Arkansas in 1994, and has spoken on several panels at previous conferences in Springfield, Missouri and Eureka Springs. She has also been a featured speaker in Atlanta, Georgia, St. Louis, Missouri, and Little Rock, Arkansas. She has appeared on the television program The Other Side, and also in the Netherlands production Tineke and the Paranormal World. In 1997, Lynne was a featured guest on Sightings on the Radio, hosted by Jeff Rense.

Her unpublished manuscript A Fearful Symmetry describes several multiple abductions involving her, her mother, and her sister, and details more current encounters involving conscious recollections of both multiple and single abductions. She is currently writing a sequel titled What Rough Beast, which is currently being serialized on her web page. Her first manuscript can be read online at <http://bookfinder.simplenet.com>

Lynne's home page on Internet (Lynne Bishop's Borderline) can be accessed at <http://www.geocities.com/Athens/3862> and she can be reached by e-mail at [lynnebishop@geocities.com](mailto:lynnebishop@geocities.com)

"As each human voice from the UFO abduction syndrome is offered for public consideration, I am impressed by the similar patterns of events from case to case. Lynne Bishop's story, like so many others, involves orange, glowing discs, small spheres of white light, night paralysis, her body transported literally through walls, physical examinations, body marks and rashes, animal mutilations, telepathic communication, encounters with non-human beings that include small 'gray' and tall 'ant-like' entities, humanoids, glowing 'angel-like' beings, and Bigfoot-type creatures.

The reason for all this, in the alien intelligence's own words: 'This is how we breed.'

The increasing number of human testimonies that insist an alien lifeform is harvesting genetic material from our planet should give us all pause. Who -- or what -- is interacting with our planet? And what are the implications for our past, present, and future?"

-- Linda Moulton Howe  
TV Producer and Author  
An Alien Harvest and Glimpses of Other Realities

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## Arizona Republic Column on Phoenix Lights

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From: <http://www.azcentral.com/news/digest.shtml>

3-11-98 -- The Arizona Republic

'Phoenix Lights' witnesses credible, hard to dismiss  
Steve Wilson - Republic Columnist -  
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When the "Phoenix Lights" were reported last year, I yawned. I didn't see them, and breathless TV broadcasts were underwhelming. It seemed easy enough to dismiss the lights as flares or military aircraft. UFOs? You've got to be kidding.

Still, as the March 13 anniversary of the sightings approached, I was curious enough to seek out some witnesses. I suspected most would turn out to be UFO devotees. My skepticism was heightened by a New Times story last week that debunked the extraterrestrial theorizing and discredited a leading local theorist, Jim Dilettoso, as a "quack scientist."

I found several people with credible credentials who witnessed the lights. At the least, their stories are interesting. Even if you regard their accounts dubiously, as I do, they raise legitimate questions.

Enough questions, says Peter Davenport, director of the National UFO Reporting Center in Seattle, that what happened that night "may rank as the most dramatic UFO event in the past 50 years."

First, a little background. The lights were spotted between 7:30 and 10:30 in the evening over a 300-mile corridor from the Nevada line through Prescott Valley and Phoenix to the northern edge of Tucson. Some reports indicate that a single "V" formation traveled across the state, while others suggest multiple UFO events. The lights were seen by hundreds of people.

Here are four:

Dr. Bradley Evans, 47, is a clinical psychiatrist from Tucson. He and his wife, Kris, were driving north on Interstate 10 to a swimming meet in Tempe. They watched the lights for 20 minutes or so move slowly south in a diamond formation and pass over them at an estimated 1,500 feet. Even then, with the car's moon roof open, they heard not a sound from the sky. He was "awed" by the experience and has no idea what he saw. Kris said she couldn't explain it either and guesses it was "something military."

Trig Johnston, 50, is a retired commercial airline pilot who lives in north Scottsdale. His 22-year-old son was looking for Comet Hale-Bopp that night when he noticed the lights and told his dad.

"I looked up and remember saying out loud, 'I'm going to chalk this up to an illusion.' It was the size of 25 airliners, moving at about 100 knots at maybe 5,000 feet, and it didn't make a sound.

I've flown 747s across oceans and not seen anything like I saw that night," Johnston said.

"I don't expect anybody to take my word for it," he added.  
"This was something you had to see for yourself to believe."

Max Saracen, 34, is a real estate consultant who lives in north Phoenix. He and his wife, Shahla, were driving west on Deer Valley Road when they saw a huge triangular craft. They pulled off the road, got out and watched it pass overhead. "It was very spooky -- this gigantic ship blocking out the stars and silently creeping across the sky. I don't know of any aircraft with silent engines."

Dr. X is a physician who lives near Squaw Peak in Phoenix and asked to remain anonymous for fear of ridicule.

Her home has an elevated, panoramic view of the Valley, and she has some of the best known videotape and photographs of the lights. Though she had no prior interest in UFOs, the episode prompted her to begin her own investigation.

"I think what happened is mind-boggling," she said. "I'm trying to be as scientific as I can, and a number of things just don't compute. "

I'm not given to an otherworldly answer. But neither do I think these four people and so many others who saw the lights are all exaggerating or delusional.

Of all the explanations, a U.S. military operation of some sort, maybe testing experimental aircraft, seems most likely. Mitch Stanley of Scottsdale said he could clearly see several planes when he pointed his telescope at the lights. But if it was a classified operation, why conduct it directly over the nation's sixth-biggest city?

And if it wasn't, why hasn't the military simply acknowledged it?

You don't have to be a ufologist to be puzzled about what lit the sky that night.

Steve Wilson - Republic Columnist - e-mail: [steve.wilson@pni.com](mailto:steve.wilson@pni.com)

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## More News Reports On Asteroid 1997 XF11

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This report contains material from The Boston Globe, The New York Times and Cox News Service, and was found on the site of the Star-Telegram (Texas).

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Updated: Thursday, Mar. 12, 1998 at 00:34 CST

Asteroid's big bang may hit Earth in 2028

By Paul Recer

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON -- A milewide asteroid described as "the most dangerous one we've found so far" may be on course for a 2028 collision with Earth and certainly will pass closer than any such object in modern times, astronomers said yesterday.

"The chance of an actual collision is small, but one is not entirely out of the question," according to a notice filed by the International Astronomical Union. But asteroid specialist Jack G. Hills said the speeding space rock, called asteroid 1997 XF11, poses a real danger to Earth.

"This is the first really big one to pass this close," said Hills, a Los Alamos National Laboratory scientist. "This is the most dangerous one we've found so far."

He added: "It scares me. It really does. An object this big hitting the Earth has the potential of killing many, many people."

Steven Maran of the American Astronomical Society agreed.

"It has enormous destructive potential," Maran said, but he added it will take several more years of observations before experts are certain of its path.

Asteroid 1997 XF11 was discovered Dec. 6 by the University of Arizona Spacewatch program and was added to a list of 108 asteroids considered to be "potentially hazardous objects."

Observations made this month by University of Texas astronomers indicated the asteroid would make its nearest approach to the Earth on Oct. 26, 2028, a Thursday, at about 12:30 p.m. CDT.

Maran noted that no asteroid the size of 1997 XF11 has ever been predicted to pass so close to the Earth.

Asteroids are routinely observed and plotted by astronomers around the world because of their potential for great destruction on Earth.

An asteroid 6 to 10 miles across collided with the Earth about 65 million years ago and is thought to have caused the extinction of the dinosaurs, along with 75 percent of all other species.

Hills said an asteroid the size of 1997 XF11 colliding with the Earth at more than 17,000 mph would explode with an energy of about 320,000 megatons. That equals roughly 20 million Hiroshima-sized atomic bombs. A megaton equals the explosive force of 1 million tons of TNT.

Such an asteroid hitting the ocean, Hills said, would create a tidal wave hundreds of feet high, causing extreme flooding for thousands of miles of coastline.

"If one like this hit in the Atlantic Ocean, all of the coastal cities would be scoured by the tsunami," Hills said. "Where cities stood, there would be only mudflats."

If such an asteroid hit on land, he said, it would instantly dig a crater 20 miles across and so clog the sky with dust and vapor that the sun would be darkened "for weeks, if not months."

Maran said the best estimate is that the mile-wide 1997 XF11 will pass inside the orbit of the moon, with the most likely separation from the center of the Earth of about 30,000 miles. The Earth has a radius of about 4,000 miles.

Brian Marsden of the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics in Cambridge said that at 30,000 miles, the asteroid should be a spectacular sight.

"That evening, the object should be visible with the naked eye. In Europe, where it would be dark by that time, the object should be a splendid sight as it moves from northwest to southeast across the sky over a couple of hours."

Better estimates of the collision potential will be generated as astronomers plot the course of the asteroid during the next few years.

The notice said the asteroid, which is on a wide-swinging, independent orbit of the sun, will move out of view to all but the largest telescopes during the next few months. It will become more visible once again in 2000. And in 2002, it is expected to pass within about 6 million miles of Earth on Halloween Eve.

The asteroid takes about 21 months to circle the sun, and it may have been photographed during previous approaches to the vicinity of the Earth, particularly in 1957. Marsden said an early priority will be to search photographic plates for evidence of the object.

Hills said the asteroid is lost from view when it passes behind the sun, but that it will emerge into telescope range about every two years.

Its actual size has drawn some conjecture. Depending on its composition, it could be a half-mile wide, but bright, or 2 miles wide, but dim.

Astronomers will eventually be able to track the object using radar, he said, and this will enable them to establish a precise orbital path years ahead of the possible impact. Only then, Hills said, will the true risk of collision be known.

Experts long concerned about the potential danger of asteroids have said that the Earth could be protected by exploding a missile near the speeding rock while it was far away. The intent would be to nudge the asteroid onto a path that would send it safely away from the planet.

"If it is going to hit the Earth, there's no question that we should try to deflect it," Hills said. "It would be money well spent."

This report contains material from The Boston Globe, The New York Times and Cox News Service.

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## CNN: Mile-Wide Asteroid May Hit Earth In 2028

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Mile-wide asteroid on course for near-miss with Earth

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March 12, 1998  
Web posted at: 12:07 a.m. EST (0507 GMT)

CAMBRIDGE, Massachusetts (CNN) -- Astronomers say a mile-wide asteroid described as "the most dangerous one we've found so far" may be on course for a near-miss -- or even a collision -- with Earth in the year 2028.

Some astronomers say the asteroid will come within 30,000 miles of the Earth, and they agree with Dr. Brian Marsden of the International Astronomical Union (IAU) who says, "Chances are it will miss" Earth.

"The chance of an actual collision is small, but one is not entirely out of the question," says a notice filed by the IAU.

But there are those, including asteroid specialist Jack G. Hills, who find the asteroid designated as 1997 XF11 frightening.

"It is the first really big one to pass this close," says Hills, a Los Alamos National Laboratory scientist. "This is the most dangerous one we've found so far. It scares me, it really does. An object this big hitting the Earth has the potential of killing many, many people."

"It has enormous destructive potential," agreed Steven Maran of the American Astronomical Society, but he added it will take several more years of observations before experts are certain of its path.

Asteroid 1997 XF11 was discovered December 6 by Jim Scotti of the University of Arizona Spacewatch program, and has been added to a list of 108 asteroids considered to be "potentially hazardous objects."

Should pass 30,000 miles from Earth

The Central Bureau for Astronomical Telegrams -- which tracks asteroids -- conducted further observations that determined 1997 XF11 should pass

just under 30,000 miles from Earth on October 26, 2028.

The estimate, Maran said, has a margin of error of more than 180,000 miles. This means a collision with Earth is theoretically possible, but uncertain at this time, he said.

Astronomers say the asteroid is projected to pass within 30,000 miles of the Earth on October 26, 2028 =BF

Better estimates will be generated as astronomers plot the course of the asteroid during the next few years.

=B0Astronomer

(Astronomers say that even if it were on a path to hit Earth, technology might be available by then that would be capable of deflecting the asteroid.)

"What would be scary is if it were three days from now or three weeks or even three years," Marsden says. "Thirty years is just right because it's far enough in the future. If it were going to hit us, and that's a big if, we would have time to plan to do something about it."

Marsden says, "It was quite startling to find that the nominal orbit that we were using brought it as close as we did. I have not seen anything like that."

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Impact: 2 million atomic bombs

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If it struck land, he said, it would blast a crater 20 miles across and so clog the sky with dust and vapor that the sun would be darkened "for weeks, if not months."

Marsden said the announcement about the asteroid was meant to alert astronomers, not to frighten the public. "It's not intended to be scary or alarmist," he said. "The Earth as a target is not very big."

Technology by the year 2028 could probably deal with any asteroid, Marsden said.

"Suppose we knew it were going to hit ... That is the time to start doing something about it and sending missions to it. A little deflection, that's what you need, and with time on your side you don't need much of a deflection."

He added that, "If it really is as close as 30,000 miles it will really be quite bright" and would be visible in Europe -- where it will be evening -- with the naked eye.

"It would actually be a rather nice thing to see."

Reuters contributed to this report.

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March 12, 1998

Asteroid To Near Earth in 2028

Filed at 1:30 a.m. EST

By The Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) -- It's not time to panic, but Earthlings need to keep an eye on a mile-wide asteroid that will zip very close to the Earth in 30 years and could even smash into the planet, causing widespread destruction, astronomers say.

Tentative calculations are that the asteroid, called 1997 XF11, will pass within about 26,000 miles of the Earth's center in October 2028, and experts warn that there is a chance it could actually impact. Such a hit would release energy equal to thousands of atomic bombs.

"It will come extremely close," said Brian Marsden of the International Astronomical Union, which issued an asteroid alert Wednesday. "The chances of impact are very small, but not impossible. We've not had a case like this before."

The IAU has identified 108 asteroids that orbit close enough to Earth to be called "potentially hazardous objects," said Marsden, but astronomers have never seen an object this big moving on a path that would carry it so close to the Earth.

"It is not the kind of situation where people should be worried as yet," said Marsden. "If it was only a few months away, we should be deadly worried. But with 30 years, astronomers will solve the problem."

That might mean a rocket carrying an atomic explosive could be sent to the asteroid and detonated on its rocky surface. This would nudge the asteroid into an orbit that misses Earth.

The asteroid was discovered in December, and repeated observations since have steadily refined the projected orbital path of the speeding space rock. Marsden said his latest calculation was based on photos taken by the University of Texas observatory last week.

News of the Earth-approaching asteroid quickly captured the attention of astronomers.

"This is the first really big one to pass this close," said Jack G. Hills, a Los Alamos National Laboratory asteroid specialist. "This is

the most dangerous one we've found so far."

He added: "It scares me. It really does. An object this big hitting the Earth has the potential of killing many, many people."

"It has enormous destructive potential," agreed Steven Maran of the American Astronomical Society.

Marsden said astronomers may be able to precisely define the risk posed by the asteroid by studying old astronomy photos in which it might appear. If that fails, he said the asteroid will pass within 6 million miles of Earth in 2002, close enough to be tracked by radar.

With that data, he said, the path of the asteroid will be determined to within about 1,000 miles.

Asteroids are routinely observed and plotted by astronomers around the world because of their potential for great destruction on Earth.

An asteroid 6 miles to 10 miles across collided with the Earth about 65 million years ago and is thought to have caused the extinction of the dinosaurs, along with 75 percent of all other species.

Hills said an asteroid the size of 1997 XF11 colliding with the Earth at more than 17,000 mph would explode with an energy of about 320,000 megatons of dynamite. That equals almost 2 million Hiroshima-sized atomic bombs.

Such an asteroid hitting the ocean, Hills said, would create a tidal wave hundreds of feet high, causing extreme flooding along thousands of miles of coast line.

"If one like this hit in the Atlantic Ocean, all of the coastal cities would be scoured by the tsunami," said Hills. "Where cities stood, there would be only mudflats."

If such an asteroid hit land, he said, it would instantly dig a crater 20 miles across and so clog the sky with dust and vapor that the sun would be darkened "for weeks, if not months."

Marsden said his calculations of the asteroid's path have a margin of error of about 180,000 miles, plus or minus, but he believes a pass within 30,000 miles of the Earth's center was the most likely, based on the current observations. He said the closest approach would come at about 1:30 p.m. EST on Oct. 26, 2028.

He said it is "almost a certainty" that the space rock will speed by inside the orbit of the moon, which is about 250,000 miles away. Since Europe will be in darkness as the asteroid speeds by, Marsden said "it should be a splendid sight."

The asteroid is in an independent orbit of the sun and swings past the Earth's orbit about every two years. It is now passing toward the sun's horizon and will be out of view soon. Marsden said the asteroid will be only faintly seen in 2000, but on Halloween 2002 it should be easily viewed with "quite modest telescopes."

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## New Book: LA Times Journalist Meets Alien Beings

From: [rkrouse@inow.com](mailto:rkrouse@inow.com), [Stig\\_Agermose@online.pol.dk](mailto:Stig_Agermose@online.pol.dk) (Stig Agermose)  
Date: Thu, 12 Mar 1998 13:02:00 -0500  
Fwd Date: Thu, 12 Mar 1998 13:02:00 -0500  
Subject: New Book: LA Times Journalist Meets Alien Beings

Received via "alt.alien.visitors" March 12 at 10.39 local time (GMT + 1 hour):

Date: Thu, 12 Mar 1998 09:24:40 GMT  
From: [rkrouse@inow.com](mailto:rkrouse@inow.com) (robert)  
Subject: The most important UFO book ever  
Message-ID: <3507a99b.16848863@news.inow.com>

People of Earth,

I believe that I have just read the most important UFO book ever written. Not so much because of what it says but because of the source. The author, Phillip H. Krapf comes from the mainstream press. He spent 25 years of his career on the Metro Desk at the Los Angeles Times.

His book, "The Contact has Begun - The True Story of a Journalist's Encounter with Alien Beings" is what we've all been waiting for in the UFO community. It is the first communication between humans and the ETs with the intention to have formal contact between our governments.

The book is actually so fantastic in concept that it's even hard for a real UFO buff to believe.

I've said enough. Read it!

Title: The Contact has Begun  
Author: Phillip H. Krapf  
ISBN: 1-56170-506-3  
Publisher: Hay House [www.hayhouse.com](http://www.hayhouse.com)

UFO Buff,  
Robert

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## Re: McGill University

From: **Bob Shell** <[bob@bobshell.com](mailto:bob@bobshell.com)>  
Date: Thu, 12 Mar 1998 08:44:07 -0500  
Fwd Date: Thu, 12 Mar 1998 13:03:25 -0500  
Subject: Re: McGill University

>Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 07:28:14 -0400  
>From: "Stanton T. Friedman" <[fsphys@brunnet.net](mailto:fsphys@brunnet.net)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

>McGill is a Major University in Montreal. Quebec, Canada.. (you  
>know that big country North of the US??) with a fine medical  
>school and world famous researchers. Arguably in the top 3  
>universities of Canada. I have spoken there 4 times over the  
>years.  
>  
>STF

Stan,

Oh, there's a country up there under all that ice and snow???

Actually, after posting that note I did a Yahoo search and found out about McGill. But before now I'm pretty sure I never heard the name. I certainly never saw it on a tee shirt!!

Bob

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### NTSB Report on SWISS-AIR incident from Aug. 9, 97

From: "K. Young" <[task@fuse.net](mailto:task@fuse.net)> [Kenny Young]  
Date: Thu, 12 Mar 1998 10:13:29 -0800  
Fwd Date: Thu, 12 Mar 1998 13:06:24 -0500  
Subject: NTSB Report on SWISS-AIR incident from Aug. 9, 97

This is the NTSB report on the August 9, 1997 Swiss-Air incident in which the pilots reported a suspected UFO. This report was just recently posted on the NTSB Aviation Accident statistics web page.

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NTSB Identification: NYC97SA193. The docket is stored in the (offline) NTSB Imaging System.

Scheduled 14 CFR 129 operation of SWISSAIR TRANSPORT CO. LTD (D.B.A. SWISSAIR)

Incident occurred AUG-09-97 at NEW YORK, NY  
Aircraft: Boeing 747-300, registration: HBIGF  
Injuries: 3 Uninjured.

On August 9, 1997, about 1707 eastern daylight time, the flight crew of a Boeing 747-300, Swiss registration HB-IGF, and operated by Swissair as flight 127, reported an unusual sighting while in cruise flight at 23,000 feet (FL230) over New York, New York. The airplane was not damaged, and there were no injuries to the occupants. Flight 127 which had departed from Philadelphia International Airport, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, was conducted under 14 CFR Part 129, and was operated in visual meteorological conditions on an instrument flight rules (IFR) flight plan. Flight 127 was en-route to Boston, Massachusetts when the sighting was made. According to a report from a Safety Board Air Traffic Control investigator: "Swiss Air 127 was in contact with the Danbury Sector of the Boston ARTCC at Flight Level 230. Voice communications with Swiss Air 127 were of a routine nature until 2107 UTC, when the flight transmitted, '...sir, I don't know what it was, but it just over flew like a couple of hundred feet above us. I don't know if it was a rocket or whatever, but incredibly fast, opposite direction.' The controller asked, 'In the opposite direction?' Swiss Air 127 replied, 'yes sir, and the time was 2107, it was too fast to be an airplane.' The controller then asked another flight, Eastern 986 if they saw anything like a missile in the area, 'perhaps off your right.' They replied that they would take a good look, but 'didn't think that if it's going that fast they probably won't get a chance. They had just seen Swiss Air go by a little bit ago.' " "Swiss Air 127 then reported that they had no warning, & that the object was going way too fast. The controller then asked how far above Swiss Air 127 it was. Swiss Air 127 replied, 'it was right over us, right above, opposite direction, and, and I don't know, 2,3,4 hundred feet above. All that I can tell , 127, is that the three of us saw a light object, it was white, and very fast.'" "The flight was then cleared direct to Providence, and told to reduce speed to 300 knots before contacting the next sector." Interviews were conducted with the captain and first officer on August 10, 1997. The flight engineer had not observed the object and was not interviewed. The captain reported: The flight was abeam of John F. Kennedy Airport, Jamaica, New York, at 2106, and proceeding direct to RAALF intersection when the event occurred. The captain was making a public address to the passengers in the cabin when he looked ahead and saw a white object. He saw it for less than a second, and the only movement he could discern was opposite his flight track. He did not observe any wings, and was not sure it was an aircraft. He thought it was cylindrical in shape. He had never been so close to other traffic before. He was not certain whether it was stationary or was moving opposite of the flight. It passed over the cockpit, slightly right of centerline. If it had been any lower, it would have hit the aircraft. As the object passed by, there was no noise, no wake

turbulence, and no disruption or anomalies with any of the flight or engine instruments. At the time of the event, the airplane was flying on a heading of 060 degrees, at 340 KIAS, at FL230. It was clear with cumulus nimbus clouds to the west. The sun was behind them. There was no TCAS warning. In addition, there was no exhaust or smoke, no fire, and he could not accurately discern its size. The captain reported his total time as 15,000 + flight hours. He had never seen a missile in flight. The first officer reported: The flight was cruising at FL230. The captain was making a PA to the cabin. The first officer was putting on his headset, and bent over to adjust the volume. As he looked up he saw the object. It passed overhead very quickly. It was close enough that he ducked his head because he thought it would hit them. He said it was white and had a round shape. There was no smoke or fire visible from the object. He thought it passed about 100 to 200 feet above the airplane and between the right side of the fuselage and the number 3 engine. There was no drift, and it appeared to be flying exactly opposite of the aircraft. No actual movement was discerned, and no markings were visible. The object appeared to be the size of a thumbnail held at an arms length. The engine indications were steady, and the visibility was unlimited. The sun was behind the airplane. The first officer reported that he had previously encountered a weather balloon over Italy, and the object did not look like the balloon. The first officer reported his total time as 7,500 hours, all civil. He has seen missile shoots from the ground. A check with a Safety Board meteorologist revealed the following: WEATHER BALLOONS \* Weather balloons are launched twice a day. \* The normal times are 1100 UTC, and 2300 UTC. plus or minus 15 minutes. \* The time to reach 23,000 feet is normally about 25 to 28 minutes. Sounding balloons are light tan or brownish in color. \* PIBAL (used for wind observations) and Ceiling Balloons are black and red in color. \* The closest launch point to the JFK was Upton, New York, about 43 NM east of JFK on a bearing of 085 magnetic. A check of winds aloft data from Upton, New York, revealed the following: Date Time Altitude Velocity Direction Temperature  
9 Aug 12Z 500 MB 35 kts 350 degrees -14 C 10 Aug 12Z 500 MB 15 kts 360 degrees -12 C 9 Aug 00Z 400 MB 20 kts 330 degrees -22 C 10 Aug 00Z 400 MB 20 kts 330 degrees -22 C  
Radar data was supplied by the Boston Air Traffic Control Center (ARTCC), in the NTAP format. The data contained both secondary targets (beacon), and primary targets (non-beacon). The data was plotted and Swissair Flight 127 was identified. There was no evidence of an opposite direction target, either beacon or non-beacon.

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## Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

From: "Jerome Clark" <jkclark@frontiernet.net>  
Date: Thu, 12 Mar 98 10:14:34 PST  
Fwd Date: Thu, 12 Mar 1998 23:19:01 -0500  
Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

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> From: RGates8254 <RGates8254@aol.com> [Robert Gates]  
> Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 20:28:49 EST  
> To: updates@globalserve.net  
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

> > To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <updates@globalserve.net>  
> > From: "Jerome Clark" <jkclark@frontiernet.net>  
> > Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?  
> > Date: Tue, 10 Mar 98 20:22:52 PST

> > Are we living in the  
> > golden age of the saucer charlatan, or is it just that with all  
> > the media outlets available today that did not exist in the  
> > earlier history of the UFO controversy, the charlatans and  
> > bullshingers are more visible than ever? I still don't have an  
> > answer to that question.

> Jerry,

> Personal opinion is that we DO NOT live in a golden age  
> of the saucer charlatan We do live in an age where anybody  
> and everybody can post their tale on a Web site, go on the  
> lecture circuit, release their own videos etc etc.

> Had Adamski or Van Tassel been around today they probably would  
> have had their own videos, web sites with their tales and stories  
> and would have been invited on to the UFO lecture circuit. The  
> sponsors of the lectures would have justified with the rational  
> of "well our job is to just put the story out so that people can  
> agree or disagree with them and come to their own conclusions.

> The ease and availability of mass communication has also led to a  
> marked (in my opinion) increase in UFO documentarys, videos etc.  
> Unlike the 50s when the movie U.F.O. was considered to be the big  
> "event" of the UFO community.

> Overall, I think this is and has been good, you just must  
> hopefully use sound judgements in the material that we see.

> My opinion, for whatever its worth.

> Cheers,  
> Robert

Robert,

Excellent points.

One of ufologists' less attractive qualities, it seems to me, is their ever more pronounced affinity for self-laceration -- expressed in overheated rhetoric which might even pass for self-loathing. Yes, ufology and ufologists have their faults, but we are far from the worst thing that ever happened to the world, and we're certainly much more likely to be right than all those authority figures who continue to assure us nothing out of

the ordinary or scientifically interesting is going on in our skies. In that sense history will judge us charitably.

None of the above is to say that we ought not to engage in the essential practice of self-policing. It is to urge, however, that we keep things in perspective. What may be happening -- what may be giving some the impression that we are in the golden age of the saucer charlatan -- is that since we humans now have more avenues of communication and expression than ever before in history, there is more of EVERYTHING, good stuff, bad stuff, and all between.

Jerry Clark

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## Re: Kalliope Meier Speaks Out [Was: Jim

From: **Jeroen Jansen** <jj4747@dds.nl>  
Date: Thu, 12 Mar 1998 18:03:15 +0100  
Fwd Date: Thu, 12 Mar 1998 23:25:36 -0500  
Subject: Re: Kalliope Meier Speaks Out [Was: Jim

>From: koch@wad.berlin.fido.de (Joachim Koch)  
>Date: 10 Mar 98 23:36:00 +0000  
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Re:Dilettoso<-->Korff<-->Meier<-->Jansen  
>To: updates@globalserve.net

>Dear Jeroen,

>Maybe I can help here. Some time ago, we posted the following  
>article here to the list. Please read on:

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>So did Luc Buergin in the latest issue of the German UFO-KURIER  
>(NO. 30) with his article:

>"Kalliope Meier bricht ihr Schweigen" (Transl.:" Kalliope Meier  
>speaks out"

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Joachim,

I very well remember that posting; after reading it I wrote an e-mail to you with the question if perhaps the whole article was on-line somewhere on the web, and if not, how to obtain the article etc. I'm very interested in the details of this negative evidence and your help is certainly appreciated.

Regarding the lid which according to Kalliope Z. was used by Meier as a part of a UFO model: I wonder what are the dimensions (diameter & height) and what's the color, what's the exact shape. Are there any pictures available on the web of the rim?

Jeroen

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## AUFON, American UFO News - On-line

From: "Stefan Duncan" <[duncan@tarheel.net](mailto:duncan@tarheel.net)>  
Date: Thu, 12 Mar 1998 13:04:48 -0500  
Fwd Date: Thu, 12 Mar 1998 23:45:29 -0500  
Subject: AUFON, American UFO News - On-line

Hello,

My name is Stefan Duncan, editor of AUFON, American UFO News, that has just got on-line. AUFON is a weekly electronic newspaper that covers the latest ufo sightings, related breaking news, letters to the editor, interviews, etc.

I just wanted to say your work is great and highly appreciated. I hope soon to become a news source for you and others. My website can be viewed at [www.aufon.com](http://www.aufon.com) and first issue at [www.aufon.com/3-11-98](http://www.aufon.com/3-11-98)

It's going to take me awhile to let everyone know I exist. I'm trying to get all the exposure I can not only to gain subscribers but gaining contacts for incoming news sources.

Sincerely,  
Stefan Duncan  
Editor of AUFON

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## Re: McGill University

From: **Bob Shell** <[bob@bobshell.com](mailto:bob@bobshell.com)>  
Date: Thu, 12 Mar 1998 13:27:16 -0500  
Fwd Date: Thu, 12 Mar 1998 23:58:20 -0500  
Subject: Re: McGill University

>To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
>From: "Jerome Clark" <[jkclark@frontiernet.net](mailto:jkclark@frontiernet.net)>  
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?  
>Date: Wed, 11 Mar 98 13:08:58 PST

>Folks,

>I'm not often ashamed of being an American, but I am  
>every time one of my fellow citizens betrays shocking  
>and embarrassing ignorance of our good neighbors to  
>the north and their rich culture. Any educated North  
>American who has not heard of McGill University ought to  
>apologize profusely for his boneheaded ignorance.

>Incidentally, Don C. Donderi, psychologist, ufologist,  
>and all-around good guy, has long been on the  
>McGill faculty.

>Jerry

Jerry,

I hereby give you my abject, down on my knees, apology  
for being a bone-headed American who doesn't know zip about  
Canada. Sorry, but I've only been there once, and that was  
to Toronto. All I know about Canada was learned from Doug  
and Bob McKinzie.

Ever hear of my school? My degree is in Industrial  
Metaphysics and was granted by Miskatonic University.

Bob

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## Re: Missiles over Tampa?

From: John Heptonstall <Heptonstall@mac-tcm.demon.co.uk>  
Date: Thu, 12 Mar 1998 16:25:32 +0000  
Fwd Date: Thu, 12 Mar 1998 23:39:41 -0500  
Subject: Re: Missiles over Tampa?

>From: Ufojoel <Ufojoel@aol.com> [Joe Mirgial]  
>Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 00:58:48 EST  
>To: updates@globalserve.net  
>Subject: Missiles over Tampa?

>My wife and I, along with 12 other co-workers & friends saw the  
>lights over Florida on 3/7/98. It was sometime between 6pm &  
>7:30pm. (It was a party and we weren't keeping track of time.) It  
>was dark out at the time. Our "sighting" was just like everybody  
>elses. Two white lights. At first they stayed together as if they  
>were mounted on the wing of the plane they were attached to. At  
>least that's what we thought. Then, to our mild surprise, they  
>broke off and separated. About 15 seconds later they both "faded"  
>out within seconds of each other.

<snip>

Hi Joe,

I have been forwarded your message by a colleague, Phil Mantle,  
who you may have heard of as he features highly in the UK and  
International 'UFO community';

I am interested in your message as on 2nd February over Leeds,  
UK, where I live many people experienced 'two very bright lights  
flying in formation without sound from West to East' across  
country originating in Lancashire and moving through Yorkshire. I  
am currently investigating their origin for The British UFO  
Research Association ( BUFORA ) and any information you have on  
the lights, or any internet location/site which may offer me  
additional data, would be very gratefully received.

Phil is also interested in this event which was covered on UK TV  
News in the North of England.

(your message actually reads 3/7/98, was your sighting 3/7/97 or  
3/2/98?)

Kind regards from England

John

In message <3.0.5.32.19980311110547.00a2cd20@mail.globalserve.net>,  
UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net> writes

>From: Ufojoel <Ufojoel@aol.com> [Joe Mirgial]  
>Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 00:58:48 EST  
>To: UASR@MyList.net, updates@globalserve.net  
>Subject: Missiles over Tampa?

>  
>My wife and I, along with 12 other co-workers & friends saw the  
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>least that's what we thought. Then, to our mild surprise, they  
>broke off and separated. About 15 seconds later they both "faded"  
>out within seconds of each other.

>  
>At arms length they were about the size of a tennis ball. They



Re: Missiles over Tampa?

>seemed awfully close. They made no sound and had no discernable  
>contrail.  
>  
>If these were missiles shot off the coast of Florida then I would  
>be really surprised. Missiles never crossed our minds as a  
>possibility.  
>  
>Of course, we're not experts on that type of thing so you never  
>know.  
>  
>All of the workers at the party work for the local government  
>access television station for the City of Tampa. A lot of us are  
>video producers and videographers but none of us caught it on  
>tape!!! We are all professionals and none of us were drunk at the  
>time. Later on is a different story!  
>  
>Joe in Tampa  
>  
>P.S. - The lights were traveling towards the NW before they faded  
>out. There was no discernable cloud cover.

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John Heptonstall

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## Luc Buergin's article [Was: Jim Dilettoso]

From: **Jim Deardorff** <[deardorj@proaxis.com](mailto:deardorj@proaxis.com)>  
Date: Thu, 12 Mar 1998 11:51:08 -0800 (PST)  
Fwd Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 00:06:13 -0500  
Subject: Luc Buergin's article [Was: Jim Dilettoso]

>From: [koch@wad.berlin.fido.de](mailto:koch@wad.berlin.fido.de) (Joachim Koch)  
>Date: 10 Mar 98 23:36:00 +0000  
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Re:Dilettoso<-->Korff<-->Meier<-->Jansen  
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>>Date: Mon, 09 Mar 1998 23:40:45 +0100  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
>>From: Jeroen Jansen <[jj4747@dds.nl](mailto:jj4747@dds.nl)>  
>>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

Jeroen wrote:

>>[...]

>>I will take Meier's or Korff's claims and explanations for  
>>granted only if they are able to support their claims and  
>>explanations with irrefutable evidence. Korff obviously can't  
>>back his Meier hoax claim with irrefutable evidence

>Dear Jeroen,

>Maybe I can help here. Some time ago, we posted the following  
>article here to the list. Please read on:

>-----Posted on: Date: 30 Mar 97 20:36:00 GMT-----

>Subject: Billy Meier - Another Guru's Finale

>Hello!

>It seems that we can drain another quagmire to prevent future  
>desasters in case "some Pleiadians" again command to "leave the  
>containers".

If a piece like this goes unanswered, it is because those of us  
who have looked into the Meier case in depth don't believe there  
are many on this list so credulous as to believe the claims that  
Luc Buergin made. At this point, the poster (Koch?) seems to  
have gotten Meier's contactors mixed up with the Hale-Bopp  
group's leader. But perhaps Buergin has enough credibility to be  
able to influence some others by what he claims, so here is a  
response.

>We can achieve this by exposing the gurus of this world by  
>bringing bright light into these dark corners of our reality and  
>spreading the information about these beings all over the planet  
>- and beyond.

>So did Luc Buergin in the latest issue of the German UFO-KURIER  
>(NO. 30) with his article:

>"Kalliope Meier bricht ihr Schweigen" (Transl.:" Kalliope Meier  
>speaks out"

>Nearly one year ago, Swiss author and UFO researcher Luc Buergin  
>reported about his doubts in the case of Billy Meier. He caused  
>a real flood of controversial reactions. I have read what was  
>published about Meier's reaction - again nothing else than the  
>well-known unpleasant verbal injuries.

Here we keep in mind that if Buergin's claims are false, and Meier knows them to be false, then Meier's reaction indeed should be one of reprimand rather than one of acceptance of false claims.

>This is the reason why his former wife (up to become divorced)  
[now divorced in 1998]  
>now has decided to break her silence after twenty years of being  
>together with Billy Meier and of helping to lie to countless  
>people.

The apparent meaning here is that his wife, Kalliope, lied in support of the reality of Meier's contacts up to 20 years ago. That's a claim that could only be verified if Meier's contacts were shown to be hoaxed. This just hasn't been done; as Jeroen has pointed out, Korff and his book certainly didn't do it. But if she's accused of lying then, what good is her word now, especially when she is now under the influence of an ardent anti-Meier ufologist?

Some of us who have been keeping up on the Meier case have a video tape of an interview made in Switzerland in 1979 by Jun-Ichi Yaoi of Nippon TV in which Herbert Runkel, then of Meier's group, translated Kalliope's testimony of her having seen a "beamship" in the daytime (afternoon) along with some other witnesses. This was immediately after Meier had returned from a contact. A couple of Meier's children were interviewed too, as they had been the first to spot the departing UFO and had seen it when it was somewhat closer. One of them had sketched a picture of it (in 1976) and this was shown in the video interview. It's the picture on p. 44 of vol. 2 of Lee & Brit Elders' pictorial Meier-case photo journal, for those who may possess a copy. One has to show that these two kids, aged 6 & 9 at the time of their sighting, lived a lie, too, for at least three years, before beginning to have a basis for Buergin's claim.

Those who are interested might be able to obtain a copy of this video from the Elders (<genesis@genesis-3.com>). They didn't include it within any of their primary videos on the Meier case because the sound track is of poor quality and one has to turn up the sound all the way. Yet you can hear Runkel translate Kalliope's testimony, which includes once having witnessed Meier suddenly vanish in front of her eyes while being whisked away to a contact (but no blue beam involved).

I suspect that it's this high-tech aspect of Meier's contacts that have made many ufologists into Billy Meier foes. It's OK for Carl Sagan to have admitted in his younger days that what advanced ETs could do ought to seem like magic to us; it's quite another thing to have this actually happen. Many do not want our own level of science to actually be infantile in comparison with that of aliens who somehow got from "there to here," and so cry "hoax" without evidence of hoax. Many are unwilling to try to persuade any mainstream scientists of what it could mean for alien science to be millions of years ahead of our own, for fear of ridicule from them.

One of the early members of Meier's support group seems to have been in this category; he finally couldn't take it any longer and left the group. He is Hans Schutzbach, who was one of the adult witnesses to the June '76 daytime beamship sighting. It may be informative to quote the translation of what he had to say about this sighting, since he is not now a Meier-case supporter. The quotation is taken from Wendelle Stevens' \_Message from the Pleiades, vol. 3 (1993, pp. 80-81), which is a re-translation of the same report supplied in \_UFO Contact from the Pleiades: A Preliminary Investigation Report\_ (1982, pp. 142-143; out of print):

"On Monday, the 28th of June 1976, at 15:30 in the afternoon, Billy had just telephoned me and asked me to carry his wife and children in my car and drive out with him to a meeting with Semjase. He would like us to be near then. Exactly at 16:00 hours we should drive away. And at this point in time the Meier family and Mrs. Stetter got into my 2-CV auto as Billy prepared his motor-bike. With the help of a drawing, he explained to me whereto we should drive and wait for him. We drove there and sat about half an hour in the shade of a lonely tree, well outside of Hinwil. At 16:55 the children suddenly began to shout. I turned around to see, at a distance of about 700 meters, an object lift

up over a part of the forest. At first I thought of an oversized hot-air balloon. But the form was not correct for such. Here it was a bit more disc-like, was silvery gray in color, and was fast climbing up high. During this, it made a wide radius to the left side, and turned, seen from the ground, that is, from the northwest towards a southern direction. How silly, no telescope is at hand, by means of which every detail could have been seen on this object. At the first moment we were not aware of what this object was. But the solving of the matter had to be, that it was a beamship starting out! We strained our eyes to pursue it for [10?] full minutes, as the object disappears more and more in the air, until finally we can see only a little point high up in the sky. Then the hitherto constantly shrinking point starts to move rapidly fast to the right. At this point of time, Billy had come up to near us unseen, and at the same moment, when he appears to us and greets the children, the point is away, like it was rubbed out....

"If we were interested, he would guide us to the landing place, where traces of the two beamships could be seen. And how we wanted to see this! So we drove down the small sightseeing hill and into the forest about 500 meters, in which there extends a long narrow view. It is somewhat marshy and covered by high sedge. Carefully, so as not to trample nothing [sic], Billy led us to a very interesting place... what appeared overwhelming to us were the impressions of the landing supports. There were in the half a meter high grass, six giant round marks, arranged in two groups of triangles. The grass was pressed flat on the ground in a counter-clockwise spiral-form. ..."

Original signed by Hans Schutzbach

Like someone else on the list recently pointed out, it's the testimony of witnesses that forms the backbone to the UFO phenomenon, though photos taken back in 1975-76 should carry more weight than they do nowadays when anything can be faked.

> In an exclusive interview with Luc Buergin, for the first  
>time ever, she admitted that the alledged contact experiences of  
>Billy Meier

> \*are entirely fictitious\*.

>In the seventies she had seen photo negatives she prevented from  
>being burnt where she easily could see (UFO)models.

The models Billy was presented with, and some of which he photographed to see how they looked, are documented in Wendelle Stevens' books. The handful of such appearing in his photo albums, and numbered along with his beamship photos, are described as being models in Meier's "Verzeichnis" (photo index), and were never passed off as being anything other than models.

> In the interview  
>she explains that the lid of a plastic vat was used as  
>an "UFO". In the UFO-KURIER there is a photograph of such a lid  
>on page 15.

>Mrs. Meier reported that for example in 1995 the Swiss newspaper  
>"Neue Zuericher Zeitung" reported about Billy Meier and >presented a  
photograph with  
>Billy Meier in front of a plant which was put in such a lid.

Perhaps someone with access to both the UFO-KURIER and Meier's beamship photos could do us the favor of pointing out which type of UFO, of the 8 or so varieties of craft Meier ended up photographing, this lid most resembles. Then we'd be interested in hearing of the dissimilarities also. I've asked Michael Hesemann if he would do this, since he has had access to many of the Meier photos; he's no longer monitoring this list.

>Some of Meier's "mothership's" were the outdoor lamps at their  
>house. Mrs. Meier reports of a woman, Mrs. G., who arrived one  
>day at he Meier's home. Her hair style looked like the one of  
>the female "Extraterrestrial" who was later presented on a  
>photograph. That day, all the others were told to go away for  
>some time. For the golden coloured suit of Mrs. G. Billy Meier  
>used a foil which one can buy in every Swiss warehouse.

These claims are also unsupported, though not in dispute is that a golden tinted foil can be purchased. Just like an earlier

claim that the picture of Asket (Meier's contactor of the 1960s whose photo appears in amongst his 4 albums) was that of a model. The alleged model was never identified, nor the catalogue in which the picture exists specified, so that no comparison could be made.

>During the last months Mrs. Meier was severely attacked by her  
>husband in his articles and was , of course, named a liar etc..

Again, Meier has the option of remaining silent and allowing his silence to be construed into acceptance of a guilt that isn't there (isn't there from his viewpoint of being the experiencer), or of speaking out against those who claim his contacts didn't occur. Even mere abductees (sorry John V. or others, :- ) don't like to take such attacks lying down.

Jim Deardorff

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## Re: Krapf book [Was: The most important UFO book

From: **Brian Cuthbertson** <[brianc@freeside.fc.net](mailto:brianc@freeside.fc.net)>  
Date: Thu, 12 Mar 1998 13:57:36 -0600 (CST)  
Fwd Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 00:17:28 -0500  
Subject: Re: Krapf book [Was: The most important UFO book

Robert Rouse wrote

> Date: Thu, 12 Mar 1998 09:24:40 GMT  
> From: [rkrouse@inow.com](mailto:rkrouse@inow.com) (robert)  
> Subject: The most important UFO book ever

> People of Earth,

> I believe that I have just read the most important UFO book ever  
> written. Not so much because of what it says but because of the  
> source. The author, Phillip H. Krapf comes from the mainstream press.  
> He spent 25 years of his career on the Metro Desk at the Los Angeles  
> Times.

> His book, "The Contact has Begun - The True Story of a Journalist's  
> Encounter with Alien Beings" is what we've all been waiting for in the  
> UFO community. It is the first communication between humans and the  
> ETs with the intention to have formal contact between our governments.

> The book is actually so fantastic in concept that it's even hard for a  
> real UFO buff to believe.

> I've said enough. Read it!

> Title: The Contact has Begun  
> Author: Phillip H. Krapf  
> ISBN: 1-56170-506-3  
> Publisher: Hay House [www.hayhouse.com](http://www.hayhouse.com)

Funny, I just finished reading this book last nite, having  
recieved it only yesterday afternoon from amazon.com. Its very  
short and readable in one sitting. An extremely interesting  
piece, BUT ...

The book contains at least one "red flag" that hit me  
immediately, which hast to cast some doubt on it. Among the many  
things supposedly told to Krapf by his hosts were some facts  
about their reproduction, of all things. These included the  
following tidbits:

1. They once toyed with artificial reproduction, but dropped it  
as unfulfilling.
2. To control population growth, each female is genetically  
programmed so she can bear only ONE child during her 20,000  
year life-span. This fact must be mentioned at least half a  
dozen times in Krapf's short book.

Well, hold on there! One child per female? Forgive me just a  
bit of basic demographics. But if, for every male/female pair,  
each female bears only one child, then with each succeeding  
generation the size of the population would drop by half  
(assuming equal numbers of males and females). In short, if this  
claim is true then this race is rapidly on its way to extinction.

But there it is, specifically mentioned multiple times in  
Krapf's book.

Well, no starfaring race worth its salt is going to genetically

program itself out of existence! So something is wrong here, somewhere along the line. The only possibilities I can see are:

1. Krapf isn't being level with us. (Skeptics would of course stop right here and be done with it :-)
2. Krapf is honest but didn't get his facts straight (not likely given the condition of "total recall" under which the book was supposedly written, but you'll just have to read the book to understand that).
3. Krapf's hosts were being less than level with him. Why? That's anyone's guess. Maybe it was a deliberate ploy to give skeptics a peg to hang their hat on so they could say, "see, this is bunk", and thus not freak-out. Krapf's hosts claim they have done that sort of thing before. Or it could be something else entirely. But, if they weren't being honest with Krapf about this, how much of what else he was told is also fiction?

There were also several other problems I had with the book. One was the hosts' claim that the time for abductions had now passed, and the time for open contact was here. That totally flies in the face of apparent abductions which have occurred since the book was published (such as the New Jersey incident reported just this week involving a sighting of a landed saucer, and consequent missing time reported by the observers).

Anyway, the book is an amazing story, but it still gives any skeptic a solid leg to stand on.

I do suggest you read it. True or no, it sure is an interesting trip!

-Brian C.

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## Re: Media Reportage [Was: Jim Dilettoso.....]

From: [stardust@psnw.com](mailto:stardust@psnw.com) [Terry Hannel]  
Date: Thu, 12 Mar 1998 14:25:33 -0600  
Fwd Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 00:25:30 -0500  
Subject: Re: Media Reportage [Was: Jim Dilettoso.....]

>Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 08:09:25 -0500  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
>From: Bob Shell <[bob@bobshell.com](mailto:bob@bobshell.com)>  
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

>>To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
>>From: "Jerome Clark" <[jkclark@frontiernet.net](mailto:jkclark@frontiernet.net)>  
>>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?  
>>Date: Tue, 10 Mar 98 20:22:52 PST

>>I think the media WANT bullshit.

>I've talked to a number of producers of TV and radio programs in  
>the last several years. They say they want to do an on-camera or  
>on-mike for their program. After they talk to me for a while and  
>find that I won't say what they want me to say, the invitation to  
>appear on their program evaporates, or they just never call back.  
>Later I find that they've used Bob Dean or some other crackpot  
>instead.

>They get what they want. Ratings, after all, is all they care  
>about.

>Kiviat's a little better than most, but even he never used any of  
>the interview he did with me in London.

>Bob

As a freelance writer who written articles for a local newspaper,  
I feel compelled to defend my profession. Sometimes a reporter  
will write an article and enclose the quotes he feels is  
important. But after the editor edits the pieces, the quotes  
that are left may look very different than the original piece,  
and people who were good interviews with relevent comments may  
end up being edited out. The same process works in TV. A  
reporter has only a limited control over the piece he writes.  
Many things can affect the way a piece is edited: available  
space, the attitudes of the public or the editor, the slant that  
a newspaper or a TV director choses to take. It is frustrating,  
but the reality of working in the media.

Terry

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## Re: McGill University

From: "Roger R. Prokic" <[rprokic@ibm.net](mailto:rprokic@ibm.net)>  
Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 01:22:00 GMT  
Fwd Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 00:46:30 -0500  
Subject: Re: McGill University

>Date: Thu, 12 Mar 1998 08:44:07 -0500  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
>From: Bob Shell <[bob@bobshell.com](mailto:bob@bobshell.com)>  
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed  
>for Good?

>Actually, after posting that note I did a Yahoo search and  
>found out about McGill. But before now I'm pretty sure I  
>never heard the name. I certainly never saw it on a  
>tee shirt!!

Neither have I Bob!

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Roger R. Prokic  
Denver, Colorado USA

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## Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

From: "Greg Sandow" <[gsandow@prodigy.net](mailto:gsandow@prodigy.net)>  
Date: Thu, 12 Mar 1998 12:12:40 -0500  
Fwd Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 00:41:21 -0500  
Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

> Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 07:52:06 -0500  
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
> From: Bob Shell <[bob@bobshell.com](mailto:bob@bobshell.com)>  
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

> Greg,

> I was mentally composing a response to Bassett when I read your  
> post. You said it much better than I would have.

> We must distinguish between believing in UFOs and supporting  
> shysters and hucksters.

> I'm pretty disgusted with what passes for analytical thought  
> in this field.

> Bob

Many thanks to Bob and Rebecca for their support, not just of me,  
but of honest debate in UFOs and politics.

Steven Bassett can bluster all he wants. But in what appears to  
be his first foray into politics, he's joined more experienced  
politicians in the old, sad game of "don't debate your opponents  
-- denounce them.":

Let's be clear about McCarthy. He didn't debate his opponents,  
either, and didn't bother with inconvenient facts. He just waved  
pieces of paper in the air, claiming they were lists of 256  
communists in the State Department (the number would change from  
time to time). He never offered proof. And when he was attacked  
-- as, most famously, during the Army-McCarthy hearings, when he  
denounced a member of an opposing lawyer's firm as a communist --  
he wouldn't rebut the charges, but instead demean the patriotic  
loyalty of his attackers.

I don't see one trace of McCarthyism in the New Times article.  
Instead I see assertions of fact, almost all of them with sources  
attached, sources that can be checked. I'm still waiting for  
Bassett's equally factual rebuttal. By not making one, he  
suggests that he doesn't have one, and that the charges made in  
the New Times piece might be correct.

Greg Sandow

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Dear (we can't let it go just yet) Bob,

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>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

>>Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 07:28:14 -0400  
>>From: "Stanton T. Friedman" <[fsphys@brunnet.net](mailto:fsphys@brunnet.net)>  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
>>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

<snip>

>>STF

>Stan,

>Oh, there's a country up there under all that ice and snow???

>Actually, after posting that note I did a Yahoo search and  
>found out about McGill. But before now I'm pretty sure I never  
>heard the name. I certainly never saw it on a tee shirt!!

>Bob

Bob,

No, you're absolutely right. On October 1st of each year we get a six foot dump of snow and immediately are forced to dig out and live in quinzies [sic]. (small snow home, not an igloo).

I found the attached gif file on the McGill site for you. It was at the URL [www.mcgill/ufo/photo/bob](http://www.mcgill/ufo/photo/bob).

A small gift from your cold neighbors. How I wish I lived in California (but not right now).

Best regards always,  
Paul.

...beware of asteroids and soft data...

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Found on MSNBC's site. URL:

<http://www.msnbc.com/news/149837.asp>

I bring the text part only, but on the web page you'll find a lot of interesting links.

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Astronomers calm asteroid worries

NASA lab says its calculations put Earth out of harm=92s way=BF

By Alan Boyle MSNBC

March 12 -NASA=92s Jet Propulsion Laboratory says Earth will dodge a mile-wide bullet in the year 2028. The laboratory=92s projections indicate that our planet is outside the "error ellipsoid" that forms the bull=92s-eye for Asteroid 1997 XF11 - but that will need to be confirmed by further observations and calculations.=BF

AN ALERT about the asteroid=92s close approach created a media sensation Wednesday when it was issued by the International Astronomical Union=92s Central Bureau for Astronomical Telegrams. Even if the asteroid passes harmlessly past Earth in 2028 - which always has been considered the likeliest scenario - astronomers say this closest of close calls will help society prepare for future threats.

"Most likely this will fizzle, but the next one may not," said Tom Gehrels, a leader of the Spacewatch Project at the University of Arizona. "So this is a good exercise."

Asteroid 1997 XF11 was discovered just last December by Jim Scotti, a senior research specialist for the Spacewatch Project, which keeps track of asteroids and comets. The chunk of space rock is thought to be about a mile wide and is currently about 150 million miles away from Earth. It circles the sun every 1.7 years; thus, astronomers will have ample opportunities to track its orbit over the next few years.

As the observations mount up, scientists will be able to generate more precise projections of the asteroid=92s orbit. The latest projections indicate that the most likely path would come within tens of thousands of miles of Earth on Oct. 26, 2028. But the key factor in the predictions is the error ellipsoid - a football-shaped area of probability surrounding the asteroid=92s most likely course.

Wednesday=92s alert indicated that Earth was within the error ellipsoid, meaning that based on the limited amount of data gathered so far, there was a very small chance that the asteroid would strike the planet. Such an impact would be the equivalent of an atomic-bomb blast, setting off a global catastrophe. Scientists believe the impact of a larger asteroid 65 million years ago caused the extinction of the dinosaurs and many other species.

But the Jet Propulsion Laboratory said its projections put Earth outside the error ellipsoid, meaning that there was no chance of a collision. Thursday afternoon=92s forecast indicated that the asteroid would probably not come closer than 600,000 miles. Calculations earlier

in the day showed that the greatest margin of error would still put the asteroid 50,000 miles away from Earth.

The difference between a hit and a miss is very slight in astronomical terms, and small adjustments in the asteroid's mass or velocity would lead to different conclusions.

"Different calculations give slightly different numbers on the miss distance, and that's understandable due to the fact that there are uncertainties in the measurements that astronomers make," said Paul Chodas, an astronomer at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory. "You'll get different predictions depending on whether you disbelieve those measurements."

Stephen Maran, a spokesman for the American Astronomical Society, said the different projections pointed up the need for more observations.

"We certainly need better tracking data on the asteroid," Maran said. "Independent experts of very high reputation are getting different results."

Gehrens said it was clear that the chances of an asteroid collision in 2028 were very slim at best. But he said he "was a bit taken aback that they made such a firm statement at JPL" that a collision was out of the question.

The primary purpose of Wednesday's alert, Gehrens said, was to enlist more astronomers for the observing effort - by turning large telescopes toward XFl1 and reviewing past sky images for traces of the asteroid that may not have been noticed before. He said any questions about the asteroid's path would be settled in the next few years.

The asteroid is currently too faint to be seen with the naked eye, and even if it passes mere tens of thousands of miles from Earth in 2028, it would probably look much like a star, satellite or comet in the night sky.

#### CHICKEN LITTLE?

Reaction to the alert has ranged from skepticism about a "sky-is-falling" false alarm to fatalism about personal retirement plans. On MSNBC's Space News bulletin board, many Internet correspondents focused on the need for closer monitoring and the formulation of an official plan to avoid collisions with passing comets and asteroids.

There are several programs that monitor near-Earth objects, including the Spacewatch Project as well as the Near-Earth Asteroid Tracking project, operated by NASA and the Air Force. But the plans to avert a projected asteroid strike are still largely in the sci-fi arena - ranging from blasting objects out of the sky with lasers or nuclear weapons to nudging them into different orbits using rocket interceptors.

The more dramatic methods will be illustrated in two Hollywood movies due to be released in the next few weeks. "Deep Impact" tells the story of an impending comet collision, while "Armageddon" focuses on an asteroid threat.

On a more down-to-earth note, Rep. Dana Rohrabacher, R-Calif., chairman of a House subcommittee on space and aeronautics, urged President Bill Clinton to restore funding for Clementine 2, an asteroid interceptor experiment that was axed last year in a line-item veto.

"This project would have been a low-cost proof of concept for any future attempt to protect our planet from an asteroid collision," Rohrabacher said in a written statement.

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Fwd Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 08:19:19 -0500  
Subject: New Roswell 'Testimony'?

URL:

<http://www.inergy.com/ncubus/>

The creator of the webpage doesn't tell his name, but his e-mail address is

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if you want further information.

The page has some interesting and lesser known Roswell stuff (the images shown on "UFO Coverup - Live" in October 1988), but the testimony below is brand new.

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(snipped)

Yesterday I returned to Roswell. I hadn't been there since the 50th anniversary in July.

I met a lady at the museum who had some new and never heard before information.

She worked as a nurse in Alamogordo, N.M. in 1993. There, her partner told her to come in and hear the story of a heart attack patient. He was dying and he wanted them both to know that he was involved with the Roswell Incident.

According to her, this man was ordered to drive alien debris and a body to Texas. She had no idea what she was hearing and didn't think anything of it. Only after her husband stopped at the museum, did she come forward with this information - to her husband or anyone.

Glenn Dennis, one of the last remaining people directly involved in the incident, took her testimony and let her fill out an eye witness questionnaire.

She then was directed to a man named Dennis Balthaser, who is the head research investigator for the museum. She went on to tell him of a sighting she had had years ago. She put it in the back of her head and she may never have brought it out.

Outside of Alamogordo on the way to El Paso, she was looking at what she thought was a train. As it approached, the head light split into two separate lights and shot abruptly into the sky.

Mr. Balthaser asked her to step around the corner to a painting on the wall. He showed her a picture of U.S. Highway 54 where there had been a sighting. It was the exact same spot she had described!

Now, it would be easy to debunk what this woman claims to have seen and heard. She could've had knowledge of the incident and what happened to the bodies, like the rest of us. She also could have seen that painting on the wall and fabricated a story around it. According to her she knew nothing about the crash at Roswell, nor had she ever been to the Museum there.

I don't think she was making it up and neither did Mr. Dennis or Mr. Balthaser or anyone else. She is either telling the truth or a superb actress because she was visibly disturbed. She had information that had never been heard before and I got it all on video.

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Mr. Sandow:

McCathyism = Kal Korff

Very biased news article = Tony Ortega

The two work together, but are not the same.

See: Anthony Ortega, Kal Korff, and the "The Hack and the Quack"

That's about as simple as I can state it.

Stephen Bassett

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While there are similarities between ufology and politics (in  
some respects), we probably shouldn't carry that analogy too far.  
. . . . <g>

Name calling and rhetoric are apparently part of both genres, and  
probably will be for all time. Political "truth" is usually  
defined by the ballot box (or at least what the politician  
believes to be the "will of the people"), but I hope (and pray)  
that UFOlogical "truth" isn't selected through a vote of those  
who are so vocal in this genre on the "net".

If I remember correctly, Bassett's background is in "lobbying",  
which has grown as a parallel industry to "politics". But  
without a large amount of "grass roots" support, any lobbying  
effort is doomed to failure in the political arena. IMHO,  
Bassett has jumped onto the wrong train, and will never obtain  
the support that he'll need to succeed.

Steve

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Reuters Business News on the Volkswagen ads for the new version of the Beetle (excerpt):

"In a print ad aimed at the computer generation, the text reads "Beetle 2.0" and another treatment for print and television says the Beetle is "Reverse engineered from UFOs."

Full text at

<http://www.canoe.ca/ReutersNews/ADVERTISING-VOLKSWAGE.html>

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March 12, 1998

VW keeps ads for new Beetle simple and quirky

NEW YORK (Reuters) - With a nod to its heritage and a '90s update, Volkswagen of America on Thursday unveiled a campaign of quirky advertising for its new version of the car that helped define quirk -- the Beetle.

Last sold in the United States in the 1979 model year, the new Beetle is a thoroughly modern car in a shell that closely resembles the squat, inexpensive bug that was highly popular with Americans in the 1960s and '70s.

VW is hoping to pique the public's interest again with a campaign that employs humorous lines with a picture of the car on a plain white background. There are no models, no celebrities, no people.

"We just wanted to show the car," Liz Vanzura, marketing director for Volkswagen of America, said at a Manhattan news conference. "The car is so strong on its own ... we really needed to get out of the way and show the car on its own terms."

"Less flower, more power" and "Comes with wonderful new features, like heat," are the lines on two print ads in a reference to the Volkswagen Beetle's favor among young people seeking cheap, if not altogether comfortable, transportation in the 1960s.

In a print ad aimed at the computer generation, the text reads "Beetle 2.0" and another treatment for print and television says the Beetle is "Reverse engineered from UFOs."

Television ads will break on March 23. A Volkswagen spokesman said the car will be in showrooms by the end of this month although some dealers have already reported brisk orders.

The campaign from ad agency Arnold Communications uses the "Driver's Wanted" umbrella brand message developed by Arnold when it became VW's agency of record in 1995.

VW officials declined to disclose spending levels for the new Beetle campaign but said it would be about a third of the company's annual ad budget. According to Competitive Media Reporting, Volkswagen spent \$106



million on U.S. advertising in 1997.

Ron Lawner, chief creative officer at Arnold, said formal and anecdotal research showed a great deal of affection for the Beetle, and the ads were designed to capitalize on those feelings.

"It's not the fastest. It's not the smallest. It's just the coolest," he said.

Volkswagen plans to sell about 50,000 of the new Beetles in the United States in the first year it is available. Made at VW's plant in Puebla, Mexico, the new Beetle has a water-cooled engine in the front, modernized interior and dash and disc brakes. Suggested price is \$15,200.

Officials said the marketing goal is for the new Beetle to serve as a "magnet" which they hope will draw attention to the higher selling Jetta and Passat models.

"The goal is to make the Volkswagen brand important in the United States," Vanzura said.

The new Beetle has already generated considerable media attention, and "it will be a little tight for people to get the car in the next month or so," a spokesman said.

Ads for the new Beetle resemble the groundbreaking work done by the forerunner of ad agency DDB Needham for the Volkswagen Beetle in the 1960s. That campaign, which used such lines as "Ugly is only skin deep," put simple, self-deprecating humor into advertising and helped make Volkswagen the best-selling foreign automaker.

VW's U.S. sales topped out at 569,000 in 1970, according to Automotive News. Last year Volkswagen sold 137,885 cars in the United States, nearly 91,000 of them Jettas.

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>Many thanks to Bob and Rebecca for their support, not just of me,  
>but of honest debate in UFOs and politics.

>Steven Bassett can bluster all he wants. But in what appears to  
>be his first foray into politics, he's joined more experienced  
>politicians in the old, sad game of "don't debate your opponents  
>-- denounce them.":

>Let's be clear about McCarthy. He didn't debate his opponents,  
>either, and didn't bother with inconvenient facts. He just waved  
>pieces of paper in the air, claiming they were lists of 256  
>communists in the State Department (the number would change from  
>time to time). He never offered proof. And when he was attacked  
>-- as, most famously, during the Army-McCarthy hearings, when he  
>denounced a member of an opposing lawyer's firm as a communist --  
>he wouldn't rebut the charges, but instead demean the patriotic  
>loyalty of his attackers.

>I don't see one trace of McCarthyism in the New Times article.  
>Instead I see assertions of fact, almost all of them with sources  
>attached, sources that can be checked. I'm still waiting for  
>Bassett's equally factual rebuttal. By not making one, he  
>suggests that he doesn't have one, and that the charges made in  
>the New Times piece might be correct.

>Greg Sandow

Greg,

I'm after the same thing you and all honest UFO researchers are  
after -- the truth.

You don't get to the truth by accepting the word of "experts" who  
manifestly don't have a clue about their field of purported  
expertise.

The author of the newspaper article has posted his rebuttal to  
attacks, and he has everything from Dilettoso on TAPE. He has  
offered to let any doubters come and listen to good old Jim make  
a fool of himself on the record.

Steve Bassett seems to have an exaggerated opinion of his own  
importance. People who bluster and put their credentials at the  
end of notes, along with "Friend of", betray themselves. I find  
him just as abrasive as Kal Korff!

If there weren't good people like you and Rebecca, and a FEW more  
around here, I'd just chuck it all.

Bob Shell

Photographic Expert par excellence  
Founder of Nearsight Institute  
Frequent guest on TV shows  
Author of many unrelated books

Once visited Iceland

Friend of:

Fred Flintstone  
Bugs Bunny  
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## Re: Media Reportage

From: **Bob Shell** <[bob@bobshell.com](mailto:bob@bobshell.com)>  
Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 09:04:20 -0500  
Fwd Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 09:13:11 -0500  
Subject: Re: Media Reportage

>From: [stardust@psnw.com](mailto:stardust@psnw.com) [Terry Hannel]  
>Date: Thu, 12 Mar 1998 14:25:33 -0600  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

>As a freelance writer who written articles for a local newspaper,  
>I feel compelled to defend my profession. Sometimes a reporter  
>will write an article and enclose the quotes he feels is  
>important. But after the editor edits the pieces, the quotes  
>that are left may look very different than the original piece,  
>and people who were good interviews with relevent comments may  
>end up being edited out. The same process works in TV. A  
>reporter has only a limited control over the piece he writes.  
>Many things can affect the way a piece is edited: available  
>space, the attitudes of the public or the editor, the slant that  
>a newspaper or a TV director choses to take. It is frustrating,  
>but the reality of working in the media.

>  
>Terry

Terry,

So???? I make my living editing a national magazine. I know all of what you are saying.

But, what I am saying is not that some person in TV wants to slant a story, which is normal, but that they don't want to let any reality at all intrude on their bullshit.

The people I am talking about are not journalists, they are promoters, entertainers, carny barkers, hucksters. They do not adhere to journalistic ethics because they are not of this profession. They have no code of ethics.

Bob

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## Re: McGill University

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Subject: Re: McGill University

>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: McGill University  
>Date: Thu, 12 Mar 98 20:31:03 -0000  
>From: Paul Whitewolf <[witewolf@neptune.on.ca](mailto:witewolf@neptune.on.ca)>  
>To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>

>Bob,

>No, you're absolutely right. On October 1st of each year  
>we get a six foot dump of snow and immediately are forced  
>to dig out and live in quinzies [sic]. (small snow home,  
>not an igloo).

>I found the attached gif file on the McGill site for you.  
>It was at the URL [www.mcgill/ufo/photo/bob](http://www.mcgill/ufo/photo/bob).

>A small gift from your cold neighbors. How I wish I lived  
>in California (but not right now).

>Best regards always,  
>Paul.

>...beware of asteroids and soft data...

Thanks Paul,

I'll wear it proudly on my virtual hairy chest!

BTW, I'd like to know where this rumor that I "live" in  
California came from. In actual fact, I live in Virginia,  
up in the Blue Ridge Mountains, where it is a warm and  
sunny 16 degrees F at the moment!!!!

Or is it just assumed that all the flakes and fruitcakes  
live in California, so I must live there???

Bob

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## Filer's Files #10-1998

From: [skywatch\\_ok@msn.com](mailto:skywatch_ok@msn.com)  
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Fwd Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 09:31:28 -0500  
Subject: Filer's Files #10-1998

Filer's Files #10-1998 MUFON Skywatch Investigations  
From George A. Filer: MUFON Eastern Director,  
March 12, 1998 Majorstar@aol.com (609) 654-0020

"Of course it is possible that UFO's really do contain aliens as many people believe, and the government is hushing it up" Comment by Stephen Hawking on C Span Television.

THE WHITEHOUSE, WASHINGTON DC

Cambridge University physicist, Stephen Hawking was the guest lecturer at the second Millennium Evening at the White House on March 6, 1998. With President Bill and Hillary Clinton looking on, Stephen Hawking admitted the possibility of a UFO cover-up during the C-Span television's coverage of "Imagination and Change: Science in the Next Millennium." Professor Stephen Hawking often considered one of brightest men on Earth, who authored "A Brief History of Time" was a guest lecturer. Stephen Hawking after comments about the growth of population and scientific knowledge stated, "Clearly the present exponential growth cannot continue indefinitely. So what will happen? One possibility is that we wipe ourselves out completely by some disaster such as a nuclear war. "There is a sick joke that the reason we have not been visited by extra-terrestrials is that when a civilization reaches our stage of development it becomes unstable and destroys itself. "Of course it is possible that UFO's really do contain aliens as many people believe, and the government is hushing it up" I wouldn't like to comment on that. "Personally I believe there is a different explanation why we have not been contacted, but I won't go into it here. "However, even without that, there is a very real danger that we will kill everything on this planet now that we have the technological power to do so. Even if we don't destroy ourselves completely, there is a possibility that we might descend into a state of brutalization and barbarity like the opening scene of "Terminator": Thanks to Pat and Tony Craddock, [webmaster@cseti.org](mailto:webmaster@cseti.org)

NEW YORK

Alex Cavallari from Brooklyn reports photographing a cigar shaped UFO on March 1, 1998 at 11:50 AM. The object was first seen entering the perimeter of a cloud formation when it disappeared from sight for a few seconds. It appeared to back up or exit the cloud from the same area before it reentered the clouds again. Alex got his camera and was able to catch the UFO exit the cloud formation once again. Alex states, "I took some pictures as it flew through the clear sky area. It then entered another cloud formation." The cigar slid in and out of the clouds and finally it was not visible anymore. Alex states, "As I was taking a picture, I saw a very bright flash of white light like a fireworks rocket exploding. There was no sound and the flash looked like a point of white light exploding quickly into many small white lights. I then saw spheres or white orb colored dots all over the sky that disappeared in about five seconds. As the UFO exited a cloud and headed north at 10,000 feet, I took a few more pictures. Finally, it entered a cloud formation and disappeared. It was about 1/8 inch long when viewed at arm's length. The object was emitting a white shimmering light with a

slight blue to purple haze indicating it was rotating slowly. The cigar was seen in the eastern sky heading north after five minutes. I was able to take a few pictures even though the movements were fast, and abrupt as it could stop instantly, hover, and accelerate quickly. The movements were unlike any aircraft! Thanks to Alex Cavallari, NY State Director Skywatch xelauf@aol.com

#### NEW JERSEY

Mike Neadon reports I am a resident of Eatontown, not far from the Atlantic Ocean I am writing your group to request the e-mail addresses of the "missing time" case witnesses in Toms River. My home is ten minutes from Ocean Grove's Great Auditorium; where Allen Wahl sighted a strange ball shaped UFO fly over on February 27, 1998. I live just five minutes from Neptune where Mike Niemcyk and his mother saw a large triangular craft on that very same night.

Myself and a few friends have sighted many strange craft in both Monmouth and Ocean counties during the last ten months. We have seen craft hovering over the Electronic Weapons and Night Vision Development building and the CECOM building in Tinton Falls. We saw a UFO hovering over the Pulse Power Station that's surrounded by barbed wire fences and surveillance cameras. A triangular craft was observed flying low over Earle Naval Weapons Base moving from the east to the west. Another one was over the Fort Monmouth Army Base. UFOs have also been observed moving east towards the Atlantic Ocean along the Navasink & Shrewsbury River on many occasions. On two occasions both my girl friend and friend Paul Davidson, and myself saw a round band of fluorescent blue light on the under belly of a hovering craft directly above the Garden State Parkway. We followed the craft until it suddenly extinguished its lights. We could hear a low hum, as the large triangle flew west over Route 537 and then took off at an incredible speed. We've spent many sleepless nights sky watching. Thanks to Michael Arnold, nebadon250@aol.com and Joe Trainor Masinaigan for this e-mail.

Our investigation of a possible UFO landing site in Hillsborough began over the weekend. Moving balls of light, strange noises, and Electro-magnetic disturbances were observed within fifty feet of the potential landing site. A 30 foot area of tall reeds had been knocked over by an unknown force. The site was located behind a series of apartments that may have funneled strong winds into the possible landing site. The site was low and some water had collected in the area allowing the strong winds to push over the 3 to 4 foot tall weakened reeds. There were no apparent indentations from landing pods or other evidence of an actual landing. There were no nodules on the tall reeds to indicate infra-red crop circle like damage. There was no apparent difference in the soil inside or outside of the disturbed area. However, photographs taken of the disturbed area specifically showed a strange white ghost light cloud like phenomenon. This may indicate geoelectricity or paranormal phenomenon is are at work in the area. It is apparent the area has been disturbed. The simplest plausible explanation is that strong winds were funneled around the rear of the building and the water soaked reeds bent over. The fogging over the site on a series of photographs may have been caused by lens flares, but seem to indicate other anomalies. The results were not definitive. The witness reported strange noises, and a wind chime sound on the night of 25 February.

The entire area has been called a most mysterious place by author Shannon Mullen. The headlines read a Most Mysterious Place. Among the deep woods lurk a thousand tales of ghostly demons and gruesome deeds. Over the centuries this area has been known for mystery ghosts, the Jersey Devil, Sasquatch, and other strange creatures. Have the creatures who haunted this area for hundreds of years taken on a new identity? A ghostly demon can't get any respect unless he claims he is an extra terrestrial, or is it the reverse? See February's New Jersey Monthly "The Sourlands-A Place of Mystery.

#### TIME TEST FOR LANDING SITE

Gene and Jean Browns' MUFON group of Clearwater/Tampa have developed a test for probable residual changes in the fabric of

time that would have an effect on a watch. In a MUFON Symposium's Proceedings book (1990?) There is an article about a Russian test using watches that produced a variable of 7 minutes' time difference in a watch running inside a UFO landing spot versus the watch running outside the spot. Our test uses several watches. We have made up a kit of watches (donated by Timex) with instructions available for this test. Please contact Jean and Gene at 813 596-6950 or at eugeneandjean@aol.com if you now have, or ever have in the future, a landing traces to check out. Thanks to Sara and Shannon Smith, Shannon\_Sara\_Smith@compuserve.com.

#### FLORIDA

Vicki Lyons interviewed the witness Don Rash who lives with his spouse, Cindy, and their two children in Gulf Breeze. On March 2nd, he took his daughter to her job at the Circle K convenience store on Pensacola Beach, and was traveling back from the beach to his Gulf Breeze home. While on the Bob Sykes Bridge, which connects the beach and Gulf Breeze proper, he suddenly looked up into the completely cloudless and blue sky, and saw a large, silver saucer shaped object. He checked the clock and it was 12:59 p.m. Don described the object as being the size of a quarter at arm's length. It turned up on its side and held that position for about 2 seconds and then it just disappeared "as fast as lightning." Don said he could not keep up with its movement, and when he scanned the skies following its disappearance, there was nothing. He expressed astonishment that it could disappear that quickly. When asked to specifically describe its sideways movement, he compared it to a four wheel vehicle that suddenly turned up on its side and traveled on two wheels-just a sudden movement over to its side and then it disappeared. He described the position of the object as being at about "10:00 high" using 12:00 as straight overhead. He stated that the object seemed to be over the famous Shoreline Park area of Gulf Breeze. Thanks to Vicki Lyons and Project Awareness at: projectawareness.com

March 7, 1998. St. Petersburg, FL Ron Kranz reports a UFO resembling a shuttle launch with the twin solid rocket boosters separating from the main booster at 7:00 PM. There was a white diffused light, very white, and two distinct objects close together at extreme height estimated at 12 miles. They winked out one at a time. There were many others who witnessed the twin lights and it was reported on the local news channel. Their Phone Number: (941)741-4543 Their Address: 11005 Bristol Bay Dr. Perico Island, FL 34209

#### PUERTO RICO

MUFON State Director, Cesar Remus reports that approximately two weeks ago on February 22,(?) there was a mysterious explosion and fire in the National Rain Forest Park. It may have been either UFO or meteor related. No debris was found by those that responded to the fire. Big fires are not common in the National Rain Forest, because it's always wet. So something that generated a great deal of heat was definitely involved. Cesar is also still convinced that the Chupacabras is UFO related. The attacks on animals continue and are regularly reported in local Puerto Rican newspapers.

#### UTAH

On February 26, 1998, Timothy Norton and his friend Sam Walton, both postal workers were driving to work at 1:05AM, when they spotted a UFO. It was hovering over Antelope Island in the Great Salt Lake near Syracuse, Utah. Tim said, "We both looked out over the lake and saw a very unusual and peculiar site. We couldn't quite tell what it was, so we drove towards the lake to take a closer look. Everything was strange. There were dozens of dead seagulls on the side of the road. As we got closer to the light hovering above the island, the lights in our Chevrolet truck started to flicker. This only lasted for a brief moment. As we got closer, we could tell for certain that this was not an airplane. It had a spherical shape, and was one to two hundred yards in diameter. As we got closer we could see bright flashing lights, ranging from green to yellow to blue. It was hovering, then it was moving in zigzags and figure-eight's at speeds that



were enormous. Then it stopped and paused for a moment. This is when we got our best look. It had a metallic look to it and had lights that rotated. Then it slowly moved toward the mountain and disappeared. The UFO giving off a faint hum slowly appeared from behind the mountain, then just like a flash of lightning it flew off to the west and that was the last time we saw it. The UFO flew erratically, rotated and hovered for 25 minutes at 200 feet above the terrain." Thanks to Ben Field, B.U.F.O.D  
alex@abcfld.force9.co.uk

#### LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

Everett Egbert and his spouse reports a bright object flew from north to south across the Las Vegas sky on March 3, 1998, at 7:00 PM. We thought it could be some space junk re entering. It took only eight to ten seconds to go from North to South horizon leaving a fiery trail.

#### COLORADO HORSE MUTILATIONS

Along with an USAF missile launch, numerous meteors, and UFO sightings; a second horse was found dead and disfigured in the San Luis Valley. This makes three, rare winter-month unusual animal deaths that have been reported since November 30, 1997. Christopher O'Brien reports rancher Kim Miller has verified the unusual death of his six year-old white-gelding named Skip. The animal was probably killed early March 5, 1998, when the air temperature was just above zero. Miller and his 19 year old son met this investigator at the animal death site, ten miles south of Alamosa on Friday. Skip was the lead horse of the herd of sixteen animals. As we drove across the field toward the carcass in two trucks, the rest of the herd came galloping toward us. Miller noted that the herd had never acted so agitated before. They're trying to tell us something." The dead horse lay in a dry, undisturbed alkaloid flat. The carcass exhibited apparent evidence of being killed by knowledgeable, proficient professionals. The softball-sized brisket hole was especially impressive. A 12" plug of brisket/muscle had been completely removed with not a single spilled drop of blood. It appeared the animal's heart had been removed, although I did not explore the hole completely. The mandible and penis removal operation left irrefutable sign of a sharp scalpel-like cutting instrument. The coarse winter coat; about 2 1/2 inches in length, had been cut to 1/8th of an inch around the upper muzzle portion of the mandible excision. The cut hair was unmistakable evidence, and no scavenger or predator could possibly have done this. The perpetrator was probably right-handed. Forensic samples were taken for testing by the Rocky Ford State Pathology lab, and a noted hematologist. The crime-scene showed no sign of tracks except for those of dozens of eagles that had scavenged the carcass.

The eagle element is intriguing, since three-to-four dozen eagles together for any reason is highly unusual. The animal showed unmistakable sign of being agitated just before death. A large amount of dried sweat laid the coarse winter hair flat, and the rancher noted that this indicated that the horse had been running. He was convinced that the horse had been chased by the perpetrators." He also noted that Skip had been the only white colored horse in the herd, and would be easy to spot from the air. A mapping of southern Alamosa cases since 1995 shows a near-perfect arc of mutilation sites in the Alamosa River drainage system.

On February 25, 1998, Chris O'Brien reports more of those strange fireballs were seen east of Colorado Springs. That night, military personnel at on the firing range at Ft. Carson saw several large balls of light, seemingly on fire that had smoke trails behind them that indicate fairly large objects. NORAD indicated large numbers of these strange objects have been reported. Meteors of green, blue, and orange have been observed.

Huge to medium-sized orange ones that have reportedly "chased" witnesses in the woods. The locals have a several hundred year tradition of these fireballs being "witches" in flight. If they hover, they grab their families. Thanks to Christopher O'Brien tmv@amigo.net

Delta, Colorado: Davina Ryszka reports this sighting took place March 2, 1998, between 2:00 and 3:00 a.m. The first witness noticed that his dogs were agitated. Above Cedaredge were seven

UFOs, that appeared to be about 1,000 feet up in the air, stationary, soundless and quite large with beautiful multi-colored lights, "Like Christmas lights." He said, "The way the lights were configured on these objects they all looked like octagons. All of the objects had multi-colored lights except one, that had amber colored lights. One object was located over the school, another over the golf course, and the rest at various locations. The lights did not blink, but were steady while the objects remained motionless in the sky for some time. He told his elderly mother to come look out the window. The UFO sighting occurred several hours before the New Mexico missile launch that occurred around 6:15 a.m. Thanks to: Davina Ryszka (GDRYSZKA@aol.com) UFO Investigator Delta, Colorado

#### ALABAMA

Last week, we covered a report of an UFO over Semmes, Alabama. John Thompson wrote:

Great Filer File! However, on Mobile Alabama UFO report, Duncan Crow sent that to me. So he should have gotten credit for that.

Best Regards, John Thompson.

Thanks to Duncan Crow for his report.

#### CANADA FLYING TRIANGLES

Karran wrote, "There is a UFO hotspot that has been very active in the last few years around the area of Okotoks, Alberta, Canada." (This is twenty miles south of Calgary near the Candian Rocky Mountains.) There have been numerous sightings recently (from 1996 to present). These are mainly large triangular aircraft, with three extremely bright orange lights on the bottom of the craft, and a wide variety of colored lights on the side of the craft. Most sightings are from a 10 to 15 kilometer's range, but a number have been very close, 200-500 meters. One incident involved a high speed chase of a vehicle, in which the UFO traveled remarkably close to the town limits. So far there have been no contacts, but numerous close calls. I would be very grateful if you could send me some info. Thanks to: Skywatch International and BKARRAN@TELUSPLANET.COM.

#### SOMOA

Charles Craig Mansfield reports that a UFO was observed 20 degrees above the horizon at 2230 hours on January 3, 1998. The object was moving fast and then would suddenly stop. There was a red light with green and yellow moving around the red. It remained stationery in the "same spot" for one hour. Therefore, it could not be a star, balloon or aircraft. It has been cloudy the last two nights so have not been able to check the same spot at the same time. I might add that when I called my wife out to have a look, she looked through the binoculars and said basically, "Big Deal, we have these around here all the time, I've been seeing them for years" My wife is a Samoan national. I have always believed that it would be ridiculous for us to believe that we could be the only intelligent and most advanced race in the Galaxy, let alone the Universe. What I saw the other night just confirmed my suspicions. There was no way that a manned or unmanned vehicle that we built could stop like that without its' guts coming out the other side. It sounds like inertial damping to me. Thanks to Charles Mansfield chas-coms@samoanet Apia, Samoa and John Thompson ISUR/MUFON.

#### ED ASNER

Ed Asner, who starred on the Lou Grant and Mary Tyler Moore Show, has every reason to believe that UFOs are real because he has seen them. Asner knows from personal experience that the military has gone out of its way to silence UFO witnesses. Asner says, he was caught up in an extensive UFO scare that rocked the top brass of a military installation where he was stationed. The incident took place in the summer of 1952, while the actor was on duty at Ft. Monmouth, NJ. Asner insists that many of his Army buddies in the

Signal Corps were seeing UFOs almost every day. There were both visual and radar observations. I remember one particular sunny afternoon the base was in an uproar. One of the enlisted men had come running in and told us there was a formation of flying saucers overhead. At first they thought he was crazy, but finally a number of the company engineers went outside saw them! The men were kept busy for several days tracking these strange discs through binoculars and calculating their speeds with sophisticated scientific instrumentation. I was told the speeds were astronomical. At the height of the UFO flap, Asner says, the Army asked the Air Force to chase the objects but the pursuit planes were never able to get close. The UFOs apparently outdistanced them with ease. It was at this point that the enlisted personnel at the base were told to keep quiet. Just about everyone had seen them. One day all the men, during class, were formally told, If you went home yesterday and told your wife that you saw a UFO, you will go home today and tell her that you didn't. The implication of such a statement was made perfectly clear. It wasn't our business! The UFO activity lasted about a week. Thanks to George Reynolds and the Globe Newspaper.

The latest good news is that meteor that was predicted to hit earth, will miss by 600,000 miles!

Please contact George Filer with your reports to majorstar@aol.com

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## CURRENT-ENCOUNTERS: Roswell Mystery

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Date: Thu, 12 Mar 1998 13:50:36 -0600  
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Subject: CURRENT-ENCOUNTERS: Roswell Mystery

From: Larry Miller <[Lemillerla@aol.com](mailto:Lemillerla@aol.com)>  
Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 18:02:13 EST  
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Roswell Questions and Reality Checks  
Part one: Colonel Blanchard's Press Release  
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It is my personal opinion that the UFO phenomenon is real and very complex in nature. However, I find the Roswell story full of what appear to me to be gross inconsistencies, logical absurdities and strong, unsettling indicators of hidden agendas being worked by the various "terrestrial" forces that seem to be feeding into it. I also appears to me to have been deliberately manipulated into a world class legend about extraterrestrial contact and government cover up complete with a cast of heros, villains, saints, and a rigid dogma that seems to have virtually captured most of the attention and resources of the various mainstream UFO groups at the expense of more meaningful research into the UFO phenomenon.

I will hereafter refer to this as the Roswell Legend.

For these reasons, Roswell has come to fascinate me, and I have devoted considerable time and thought to analyzing its many facets. To try to cover all of the reasons why I believe that the "king has no clothes" with respect to the Roswell Legend in one article for TAUFON is impossible.

When discussing the Roswell Legend with my friends, I like to start by sharing my thoughts about a key element in the beginning of the Legend which is the press release by the Roswell base commander, Colonel Blanchard, announcing unequivocally that the U.S. Army Air Force at Roswell had recovered a crashed disc. These comments are strictly my opinions based solely on my reading of material referenced in the next paragraph.

The authors on the subject whose work I have read and studied and who want to promote the Roswell Legend seem to use the press release as some sort of prima facie item of proof of their case without ever subjecting it to any critical examination. I would argue that a close examination of that element of the story raises significant suspicions of something else going on and something quite different from that which the pro-Roswell Legend elements would like to believe. I have read thoroughly The Roswell Incident by Berlitz and Moore, UFO Crash At Roswell by Randle and Schmitt, Crash At Corona by Friedman and Berliner, and a host of articles on the subject in various newspapers and periodicals including a recent interview with former Roswell Base Public Information Officer, Walter Haut, by the Albuquerque Journal during the Roswell 50th year celebration.

The fairly consistent basics of the story of the events leading to the press release from all my various sources are that Major Marcel returned from the debris field in the wee hours of the morning with a car load of allegedly strange material. Eventually, he had an early morning staff meeting with Colonel

Blanchard who is supposedly shown a few small pieces of this strange stuff. Blanchard's reported immediate actions are logical and consistent with standard military procedure in cases where a commanding officer doesn't know what he is dealing with and suspects potentially significant national security issues may be involved. He reportedly orders the entire area sealed off and strong security measures put in place.

So far so good, and his actions make sense, especially in light of the testing of all sorts of advanced rockets, etc. at nearby ultra secret bases such as White Sands. Then, out of the blue, Colonel Blanchard calls Lt. Haut into his office and orders him to make a press release announcing as a certainty that a crashed disc had been recovered.

I very much believe that the precipitous nature of the order and the unqualified certainty of the press release is very important to note and, to me, strongly indicate that a hidden agenda was at work. In other words, I would argue that, at this point, the story of Blanchard's role in things departs logic and common sense unless there was more going on than has been revealed. Ordering the press release was totally inconsistent with his own just delivered instructions for tight security and totally in violation of all the training in such matters that a senior military officer gets during their career.

As a former career military officer, I can assure the reader that every professional military officer knows that press releases from senior military commanders in the field on anything other than trivial, non-controversial matters must be reviewed and approved at the highest levels in Washington. Violation of this rule gets your career ruined very quickly. That Blanchard would on his own initiative order such a momentous press release, which was roughly equivalent to announcing the Second Coming of Christ, after only a cursory look at a few small pieces of the debris and a brief conversation with one major on his staff is not remotely believable to me, especially since he suffered no adverse consequences for his action and was later reportedly promoted to general.

Further, according to the above sources, a sizable force of federal agents and soldiers conveniently and instantly materialized all over not just the Roswell area, but all over New Mexico to cause what appears to have been deliberate mayhem among the local citizens with rather dramatic efficiency, speed, organization and heavy handed, gestapo-style theatrics. I would argue that the reported heavy handed actions of this army of agents and soldiers was totally unprofessional and totally unnecessary in the context of the situation unless they were part of a bigger, hidden agenda. As I study the accounts of this blitz, I sense "showmanship" at work. This certainly arouses my suspicions that these forces were pre-staged with a well orchestrated game plan and were just waiting for their cue, which was Blanchard's expected press release.

I found it interesting to note that Randle and Schmitt in their book noted above made what I regard as a rather clumsy effort to explain why Blanchard would, in the context of the story to that point, do something so illogical as to order his famous press release. Unable to come up with my postulated reason that made any sense, they finally state on page 57 of my Avon 1991 paperback copy, "Blanchard acting on orders issued in Washington, D.C., ordered Walter Haut, the PIO, to issue a press release saying they had recovered a flying disc.'" (Italics added by this author for emphasis.) Having casually dropped this devastating bomb right into the guts of the traditional Roswell Legend in the form of a definitive statement of alleged fact, they just simply ignore the incredible implications and moved on. They offer no source for such a definitive statement nor do they offer any comment or speculation as to who in Washington might give such an order and why.

In summary, based solely on the version of events related in the above referenced sources, I am forced to strongly suspect that Blanchard, when he ordered his famous press release, was following orders from the highest levels in Washington in accordance with a scripted plan. I believe that pursuing who in Washington gave him his orders for that press release and why is where real Roswell investigators ought to be looking.

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## AUFON goes online

From: "Stefan Duncan" <[duncan@tarheel.net](mailto:duncan@tarheel.net)>  
Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 11:38:09 -0500  
Fwd Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 17:30:40 -0500  
Subject: AUFON goes online

AUFON, American UFO News, has just gone online. You can view our first issue at [www.aufon.com/issue3-11-98](http://www.aufon.com/issue3-11-98) or our webpage at [www.aufon.com](http://www.aufon.com) .

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Best regards,  
Stefan Duncan  
Editor of AUFON

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## Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

From: **The Duke of Mendoza** <101653.2205@compuserve.com> [Peter Brookesmith]  
Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 11:32:48 -0500  
Fwd Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 17:28:49 -0500  
Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

With the compliments of the Duke of Mendoza...

>From: SGB List 2 <SGBList2@aol.com>  
>Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 01:51:09 EST  
>To: updates@globalserve.net  
>Subject: Re: UFO Update: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed  
for Good?

>Mr. Sandow:

>McCathyism = Kal Korff  
>Very biased news article = Tony Ortega  
>The two work together, but are not the same.  
>See: Anthony Ortega, Kal Korff, and the "The Hack and the Quack"  
>That's about as simple as I can state it.

And what a simple & nasty crock of crap it is. As Greg has pointed out, McCarthy presented no evidence. However you choose to take it, Kal Korff loads his assessments of the Meier case with evidence. There was no arguing with McCarthy, who seemed to get his "facts" off ketchup bottles ("57 Communists in the State Department" was, I believe, his final figure). You can argue with Kal's evidence all you like, although often to little avail, such as when it deals with such gems as Meier's "Eye of God" photo.

Ortega may have judgements to make against right-wing militia members and the like, and be underwhelmed by a politician who has such poor judgement that she surrounds herself with some of the dozier members of the ufological network - but is that bias, or a sign of basic political nous? As for Dilettoso himself, is Bassett proposing that the various academics who trashed Dilettoso's plainly hokum "photo analysis" are biased, lying, corrupt... or what? Is Ken Dinwiddie a disinformation agent? And so on.

Ortega's comment that Dilettoso's "technique" is as valid as trying to profile Abe Lincoln's DNA from a photo portrait is exactly right. All you can "extract" from a color photo is the reaction of the emulsions, which are based on the primary colors of pigments, not those of light (which, live from the stars, is what astronomers analyse). There is - "simply" - nothing to defend in Dilettoso's preposterous claims.

Bassett's own incapacity to defend his unsavory collation of smears, innuendo and baseless assertions - beyond repeating them - speaks for itself. Ain't ufology grand?

Yrs &c  
Mendoza

PS: when I visited Village Labs last year, I noticed a curious thing. No one seemed to be doing any work. In retrospect this observation may be more significant than it seemed at the time. Or not, as the case may be.



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## Re: McGill University

From: "Jerome Clark" <jkclark@frontiernet.net>  
Date: Fri, 13 Mar 98 10:39:08 PST  
Fwd Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 17:25:06 -0500  
Subject: Re: McGill University

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> Date: Thu, 12 Mar 1998 13:27:16 -0500  
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>  
> From: Bob Shell <bob@bobshell.com>  
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: McGill University [was Dilettoso Finally  
> Exposed for Good?]  
  
> >To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <updates@globalserve.net>  
> >From: "Jerome Clark" <jkclark@frontiernet.net>  
> >Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?  
> >Date: Wed, 11 Mar 98 13:08:58 PST

> Jerry,

> I hereby give you my abject, down on my knees, apology  
> for being a bone-headed American who doesn't know zip about  
> Canada. Sorry, but I've only been there once, and that was  
> to Toronto. All I know about Canada was learned from Doug  
> and Bob McKinzie.

> Ever hear of my school? My degree is in Industrial  
> Metaphysics and was granted by Miskatonic University.

> Bob

Bob,

I assume you took night courses. A place like that wouldn't be open during the day.

Did you ever get to meet President Lovecraft?

Deeply frightened,

Jerry

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## Chat with Astronomer Tom Van Flandern

From: "Yvonne Hedenland" <[vonni\\_h@email.msn.com](mailto:vonni_h@email.msn.com)>  
Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 11:28:43 -0600  
Fwd Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 17:44:01 -0500  
Subject: Chat with Astronomer Tom Van Flandern

The ever increasing debate over the Cydonia anomaly has caught the public's imagination as they push for NASA/JPL to deliver clear pictures of this region of Mars.

According to maverick astronomer Van Flandern, there's good reason to research this area of the red planet further.

Join us Tuesday, March 17th, 6pm, PT for a special chat with this brilliant astronomer and author as we discuss the potential for artifacts on the red planet. Also to be discussed: the new call for a team at NASA to search for life in the galaxy. This chat is available at <http://forums.msn.com/ufo>

The Briefing Room chat can be accessed by any IRC client. The chat server name is publicchat.msn.com and the room or channel name is #briefing.

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## FOIA attorney Peter Gersten chats with Randa

From: "Yvonne Hedenland" <[vonni\\_h@email.msn.com](mailto:vonni_h@email.msn.com)>  
Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 11:39:22 -0600  
Fwd Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 17:44:52 -0500  
Subject: FOIA attorney Peter Gersten chats with Randa

Randa Milliron is the founder of Trans Lunar Research, Inc, a civilian rocket company that along with the privately funded CAUS (Citizen's Against UFO Secrecy) have created the joint venture in order to send a civilian, privately funded unmanned rocket launch to the moon to transmit live photos from Sinus Medii to verify the alleged artificial structures there.

Join CAUS Director, FOIA Attorney Peter Gersten, this Monday, March 16th, 6pm, PT, to get the latest details on this project in the works. The chat is available at <http://forums.msn.com/ufo>

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## Re: Volkswagen Ad: "Reverse Engineered From UFOs"

From: [jan@cyberzone.net](mailto:jan@cyberzone.net) (Jan Aldrich)  
Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 12:02:03 -0800  
Fwd Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 17:42:59 -0500  
Subject: Re: Volkswagen Ad: "Reverse Engineered From UFOs"

> From: [Stig\\_Agermose@online.pol.dk](mailto:Stig_Agermose@online.pol.dk) (Stig Agermose)  
> To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
> Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 06:39:51 +0100  
> Subject: Volkswagen Ad: "Reverse Engineered From UFOs"

> Reuters Business News on the Volkswagen ads for the new  
version of the Beetle (excerpt):

> "In a print ad aimed at the computer generation, the text  
>reads "Beetle 2.0" and another treatment for print and  
>television says the Beetle is "Reverse engineered from UFOs."

> Full text at

> <http://www.canoe.ca/ReutersNews/ADVERTISING-VOLKSWAGE.html>

Greetings

WOW! UNBELIEVEABLE! VW SCOOPS ACC WEBSITE!

Well, it has to absolutely be so. Anyone who argues with that  
has to be a dupe or an integral part of the UFO Cover-up.

The reasons are obvious to anyone who knows Ufological Logic (a  
special sub-branch of ordinary logic however with special rules  
to make \*any\* theory valid if it fits within what a ufologist's  
opinion on the nature of things.)

Consider these facts:

1. Humans are obviously too stupid to ever design anything like  
a VW beetle. The only way to obtain a technological marvel like  
the beetle was to steal it from Alien technology. (If you want to  
help out here, send letters to every scientific and engineering  
society you can think of accusing VW and others of stealing this  
technology that belongs to all mankind. Also, ask Universities to  
revoke the engineering degrees of the thieves. This will help  
advance UFOlogy in the minds of mainstream science and society!)
2. There were no VW beetles until after UFOs were first seen.  
This obvious connection should proves the case!
3. We know that the Aliens are very concerned about our environment  
so they made it easy for us to reverse engineer this  
technological marvel from an inevitable crash. Although other  
aspects of their super-technologies like the millennium chip  
solution, allude our unimaginative scientists and engineers. How  
do we know this? Well, the VW got great gas mileage, and use hardly  
any oil, coolant or other polluting items.
4. Ralph Nader's attack on the VW years ago was part of the UFO  
Cover-up. The safety issues he brought up were part of a plot  
to remove the alien VW technology from the earth masses. He  
helped draft government safety regulations which made the VW beetle  
unavailable to the technological smart shade tree mechanics who  
would soon be designing their own warp engines unless the VWs were  
removed from the American scene.

QED.

There is more, but you have buy my next book, "How an Unlettered Boob Continues to Confound the Smartest Industrialists and Agents of the UFO Cover-Up." (In which, BTW, is an account of a super-secret meeting by representatives the Department of Transportation, the Pennsylvania Governor, VW executives, NASA, the CIA, the NSA, the reanimated brain of Albert Einstein, and certain members of the UFO community who are too-close to the UFO Cover-up.)

Since there may be new people on the list that do not know the proper form to address the above absolutely established facts, I will lay out the rules so there will not be a great number posts from negative or skeptic people.

We must remember the dictum of Philip Mantle when addressing any claim: "What we have to remember in this discipline we call ufology, is that one man's evidence is another man's bullshit."

Keep the above in mind when considering these rules:

1. The facts are true until you disprove it.
2. If you offer any "disproof," you are obviously a dupe or a minion of the UFO Cover-up.
3. Any answering argument may be met with disbelief because of your assumed "belief" system.
4. Answering arguments are rendered null and void by calling the author of such an "armchair investigator" or other more serious pejorative terms.
5. Shooting the messenger is not only allowed; it is encouraged.

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Jan Aldrich  
Colonel-in-Chief  
Canterbury Fusileers

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## I am not Travis Walton's 'Ghost'

From: "Jerome Clark" <[jkclark@frontiernet.net](mailto:jkclark@frontiernet.net)>  
Date: Fri, 13 Mar 98 12:38:45 PST  
Fwd Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 17:50:56 -0500  
Subject: I am not Travis Walton's 'Ghost'

Hi, everybody,

In the current issue of his Skeptics UFO Newsletter Philip J. Klass claims "it is rumored" that I ghostwrote Travis Walton's first book, *The Walton Experience* (1978). He further alleges that he has "evidence" that I ghostwrote much of Walton's more recent *Fire in the Sky* (1996).

For what it's worth, if anyone cares, I ghostwrote not a word of either book. I did supply Walton, at his request, with copies of a few pieces I'd written on Klass and CSICOP for the second book, and Walton indicates as much in his coverage of debunking treatments of his story. Walton is bright and gifted enough to write his own book, and I have no reason to believe he did not do so.

I find Klass' allegations not only puzzling but just plain odd.

Jerry Clark

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## Re: Volkswagen Ad: "Reverse Engineered From UFOs"

From: **Ralf Zeigermann** <[kag15@dial.pipex.com](mailto:kag15@dial.pipex.com)>  
Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 22:54:51 +0000  
Fwd Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 18:42:27 -0500  
Subject: Re: Volkswagen Ad: "Reverse Engineered From UFOs"

>From: [Stig\\_Agermose@online.pol.dk](mailto:Stig_Agermose@online.pol.dk) (Stig Agermose)  
>To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
>Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 06:39:51 +0100  
>Subject: Volkswagen Ad: "Reverse Engineered From UFOs"

>"In a print ad aimed at the computer generation, the text reads "Beetle  
>2.0" and another treatment for print and television says the Beetle is  
>"Reverse engineered from UFOs."

Yeah, well.

I work as an Art Director for a Healthcare Ad Agency and we were involved in a pitch for a new (and almost fantastic) Arthritis drug.

The brief was very tight and we were all desperately seeking for ideas. It was the day before we had to present to the client.

At one point I came up with: "Hey, if it's so new and so fantastic, why don't we just say it has been retrieved from the Roswell Crash and it's all Alien technology?! I can almost \_see\_ the most wonderful double spread pages!"

My Creative Director replied: "So we lie to the people, just because we can't come up with any proper ideas?"

In the end we finally had a much better idea and won the account.

These days, with UFOs all around everyone, everywhere on the Internet, everywhere on TV and Radio and Mags ... as soon as something is really new, someone will brand it 'Alien Technology'...

The old DDB campaign was so beautiful... runs and runs and runs and runs...

Sorry list, you may hate me for being in advertising, but that's the way it goes.

Cheers,

Ralf

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## Kal Korff - In His Own Words...

From: **ParadigmRG** <[ParadigmRG@aol.com](mailto:ParadigmRG@aol.com)> [Stephen G. Bassett]  
Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 16:24:57 EST  
Fwd Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 18:33:36 -0500  
Subject: Kal Korff - In His Own Words...

It has been 30+ years since Philip Klass stepped on the stage of ufology and began a most unusual career attacking and undermining anything and anyone not in concordance with prosaic explanations for the developing UFO phenomena. He is old now, quite a bit slowed, much of the razor wit stanchied. But as he moves to the side, we have little time to contemplate his impact on the history of things, his agenda, his motives - for now we have Kal Korff.

When Phil began his career there were no personal computers, no world wide web, little talk radio. Times of have changed. Funny thing about the web, though. It offers the ultimate medium to publish whatever you feel like printing on any subject. It also provides the means to archive it all.

As you read the following excerpts, it is important to keep in mind the following:

- 1) These excerpts are in chronological order, earliest to most recent posting and beginning to the end of the post. All are from unique documents - no duplications.
- 2) Nothing between the elipses, punctuation, capitalization, etc., has been altered.
- 3) These excerpts, of course, are out of context. While an effort has been made to avoid misrepresentation, if you have any doubt, go to the source document archived at:  
<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates/>
- 4) They most certainly are only a portion of such material posted into cyberspace by Mr. Korff. There is no representation from any private posts, private discussions, or off-the-record interviews. It is not unreasonable, however, to assume the general rule that someone is more conservative in their published, as opposed to private, communications.

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KAL KORFF: IN HIS OWN WORDS

Updates - Date: Mon, 21 Apr 1997 05:15:07 -0400 (EDT)  
Subject: Kal Korff Admits He's NOT A Spy!

...As to my consulting for the government on anti-terrorist issues, unlike certain "UFologists", I believe very strongly that international terrorists MUST be stopped...

...For the record, as my new book on Roswell due out shortly proves, I was also a consultant for the Prosecution on the O.J. Simpson case. I resigned, however, after seeing how inept they were -- much like several "UFologists" I know.

...I knew he was trying to set me up, and I don't play those games. You see, Hesemann has a lisp, the poor fellow....

...As long as the UFO field is overcrowded with kooks and charlatans as well, it will never attain the status of a legitimate area of scientific inquiry, nor should it...

...I remember when I saw Meier's wife while I was there in

Switzerland undercover. She looked like a walking zombie, as I mention in my book, and of course we've all known that Meier has abused her for years. No wonder she's finally leaving him...

...Maybe Michael should share with us what he told Glen Hoyer and I at the MUFON Seattle conference about what Meier makes the women in his cult do everyday. Go ahead, Michael, share this little sexual "gem" with the rest of the internet world, won't you?..

...Of course, you won't, because then even fewer people would believe in the Meier case and it would make you look even more gullible than you are. Get a clue, Michael, and get a life!...

...As far as Bob Shell saying my "spy" background should be investigated, I suggest that he team up with Hesemann and Mantle and form yet another International "Research" Team and "expose" me. I would rather have these clowns spend their time chasing fantasies rather than continuing to meddle in (and muddy) the UFO database of cases which deserve far better than the sorry, inexcusable efforts of these three stooges. PLEASE investigate me...and maybe while you three are busy chasing down a new, non-event, the rest of us can try and get some credible work done...

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Date: Wed, 23 Apr 1997 05:34:45 -0400 (EDT)  
Subject: Re: Kal Korff Admits He's NOT A Spy! [to Gary

...I stand behind my statement though that I wish Hesemann, Mantle and Shell would tie up all their time "investigating" me...

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Updates - Date: Sat, 3 May 1997 18:26:56 -0400 (EDT)  
Subject: Kal Korff to DRudiak

...You are also VERY WRONG ABOUT MARCEL'S RECORDS. How do you EXPLAIN THE FACT THAT MARCEL LIED ABOUT BEING A PILOT AND THAT HE HAD A DEGREE IN PHYSICS FROM LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY, WHEN THE TRUTH IS HE DID NOT! ALSO, IF MARCEL WAS SO "RELIABLE" THEN WHY DID HE LIE (BLATANTLY) ABOUT HAVING SHOT DOWN 5 ENEMY AIRCRAFT AND BEING AWARDED FIVE AIR MEDALS WHEN HE CERTAINLY WASN'T?? HE ALSO LIED ABOUT ENTERING THE ARMY as an aide to general Hap Arnold! How do you explain this?...

...There are other lies that Marcel made, need I recount the pain of all of them to you?...

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Updates; - Date: Mon, 5 May 1997 19:16:16 -0400 (EDT)  
Subject: Re: Korff Makes PEACE with Hesemann!

...Besides, it was YOU, Herr Hesemann, who was KICKED OUT of a UFO lecture given by one of your fellow Germans because YOU were SECRETLY PIRATING images that you were warned specifically against copying! You did it anyway, and got kicked out...

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Updates - Date: Fri, 9 May 1997 19:49:09 -0400 (EDT)  
Subject: Re: Korff's Message to Ed Komarek

...I certainly hope that your Operation Right To Know is more grounded in reality than your opinion(s) about me are. If it is not, then your group will fail miserably and the UFO field will have yet another black eye that has been self-inflicted...

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Updates - Date: Mon, 12 May 1997 04:57:58 -0400 (EDT)  
Subject: Disproving Ed Komarek

...The reason I am getting so much attention from the media (and it is only just beginning) is because I have always gotten lots of attention from them ever since I was 15, whenever I made myself available to them. I am using this attention to launch new initiatives...

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Updates - Date: Thu, 17 Jul 1997 22:54:01 -0400 (EDT)  
Subject: Re: Bursting the Balloon

...The UFO field has sunk to new, all-time lows...and we have people like Ray Scantilli, Richard Hoaxland, Jim DileNoShow, Art Sell and others to "thank" for this...

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Updates - Date: Fri, 1 Aug 1997 23:53:21 -0400 (EDT)  
Subject: Kal Korff's 'Open Letter To Art Bell'

...In the interim, if you could please send me an address where I can send the appropriate documentation to you for my appearance on your popular show, we can start moving this process forward towards resolution. I would like an address from you, and will send two packages of documentation via overnight mail, and I will request that you personally sign for the package and will guarantee me IN WRITING that you will receive the material AND read it and ADDRESS it with me together on your show. If what you say is true Mr. Bell, that you never made any such calls or "threats" to these radio stations, then this should prove no problem for you...

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Updates - Date: Sun, 3 Aug 1997 00:05:17 -0400 (EDT)  
Subject: Phoenix Lights & Flares

...MANY PEOPLE ARE COMING OUT EXPOSING DILETTOSO, AND THESE PEOPLE HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH ME. There is also an expose of Jim Dilettoso published by the New Times, which cites his jail record (Hoagland has one as well) and how he has conned people...

...People like Jim Dilettoso, and other con artists, give UFOlogy a very bad name. The field has so little credibility without these clowns scamming people. But this is why station KXAM plays the song "Flim Flam Man" when they have discussed Jim Dilettoso over the past month or so...

...This is why I LAUGH when Michael Hesemann and Jim Deardorff cite the "scientific analysis" and "authentication" of the Billy Meier UFO Photos, because what they are endorsing is Jim Dilettoso's FRAUDULENT activities...

...PLEASE, for the GOOD of the UFO field, we need to root out the Richard Hoaglands and Jim Dilettosos. Lying individuals who run around claiming to have PhDs when they do not only HURT the UFO field and do NOT help it...

...More importantly, because we didn't bother condemning those people we KNOW are hucksters and con artists, or expose them, we get thrown into their same bin, and judged accordingly, even though this isn't an accurate thing to do...

...IF THE UFO FIELD WANTS TO GET ITSELF TO START BEING TAKEN SERIOUSLY, THEN QUIT ENDORSING THE DILETTOSO'S AND HOAGLANDS AND BILLY MEIERS of the world...

...Otherwise, DON'T COMPLAIN if the media doesn't listen to you. And don't then cry "cover up" or "foul," because the REAL cover up and "foul" being committed is by the UFO researchers who don't have the integrity enough to call these charlatans and EXPOSE THEM for what they are!...

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Updates - Date: Sun, 3 Aug 1997 03:38:01 -0400 (EDT)  
Subject: Re: Phoenix Lights and Flares

...My ONLY concern is that Dilettoso has shown some of the SAME fraudulent scam activities regarding these Phoenix lights as he did with the Meier case and instead of the UFO field taking him to task over it, they either don't know this, ignore it, or remain silent. THIS IS INEXCUSABLE!...

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Updates - Date: Mon, 4 Aug 1997 02:58:13 -0400 (EDT)  
Subject: Re: Another Question for Kal

...Recently, Don Allen mentioned that I never sent my rebuttal to him regarding Billy Meier and Jim Deardorff states a bold faced LIE that I have a "vendetta" against Jim Dilettoso...

...Regarding Art Bell, I am still waiting to hear from him and

have done as HESks. If Bell does not let me on his show (meaning he changes his invitation to me) then of course I will post this info. I will not let Bell off the hook on this...

...To Jim Deardorff: You are WRONG about a "vendetta" against Dilettoso...

...Well, Jim? PLEASE enlighten ALL of us and your posting of Dilettoso's "paper" proves nothing. If anything, Mr. Deardorff, it makes you look pretty stupid...

...When I return, I will post JUST FOR YOU TO ADDRESS, JIM, the CONFESSION of the OTHER con artist that helped Jim Dilettoso FAKE his Meier "photo analysis." This confession was aired recently on a Phoenix radio station...

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Updates - Date: Thu, 6 Nov 1997 05:26:23 -0500 (EST)  
Subject: Tom King's Comments About Kal Korff

...Finally, I have not "discredited" myself, Tom, except perhaps in the eyes of those for which I never had any "credibility" in the first place. You know the type, Tom, those Meier/Pleadian nuts you hang out with...

...Getting back to Art Bell, you see, Tom, my sources had confused the legal threats made against radio stations and the attempts to censor me with the activities of Art Bell. I quoted my sources and they turned out to be wrong upon closer investigation...

...Unlike certain UFO "researchers" both you and I know, Tom, I ADMIT when I am wrong. Even on national radio, and I did so on Bell's show...

...Or do you believe, Tom, that people who LIE about having Ph.D.s are more credible than those researchers who make totally human, albeit very visible, mistakes?..

...While I have been accused of having a "vendetta" against Dilettoso, this is NOT true. Wrong. VERY WRONG. However, as long as the UFO field CONTINUES TO IGNORE AND NOT SPEAK UP ABOUT THOSE PHONIES WHO MAKE UP THEIR IMAGINARY COLLEGE DEGREES AND UNIVERSITIES ATTENDED, I feel I MUST speak up...

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Updates - Date: Tue, 9 Dec 1997 11:03:58 EST  
Subject: NUFORC Reports on the US Northwest Mass Sightings

...Konfuscious saying #94: "Colonel Corso will be exposed in an upcoming and devastating expose as a fraud in January, 1988, and those who have bought his book may very well be entitled to a REFUND in a CLASS ACTION SUIT AGAINST Pocket Books."...

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Updates - Date: Fri, 19 Dec 1997 01:38:26 EST  
Subject: Re: 'The X-Factor' (issue 25) - Question to Corso

...In other words, unlike SOME UFO authors, who sock away the profits to line their pockets, I am plowing it back into UFO research...

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Updates - Date: Wed, 17 Dec 1997 02:50:44 EST  
Subject: Re: Kal Korff's UFO Sighting

...Look how people (even Ufologists) have swallowed Corso's garbage without a shred of proof. I can't wait til Corso gets exposed in less than 30 days. Those bozos who supported him without any good or decent reason in the UFO field will have egg on their collective faces and rightly so....

...Personally, I hope Mantle invites Corso because considering the company Mantle keeps it is par for Philip's course...

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Updates - Date: Wed, 17 Dec 1997 03:04:43 EST  
Subject: Re: CORSO

...I hate to use such strong language, Philip, but originally I

thought Corso was just old, demented and senile. Now it has been established that he has just blatantly confabulated his Roswell claims AND his various accounts of his "career," and the forthcoming "Day After Dallas" book that he and Birnes are preparing to scam the people with is a despicable insult to the American people and a tragic travesty that exploits and plays on the emotions surrounding the assassination of President JFK...

...Merry Christmas to you, Philip. May the Grinch steal Corso's Christmas, though, and may Robin Hood descend upon his house and return some of the money he has "earned" by scamming people in his book...

...The issue here, Philip, is NOT to censor people at UFO conferences, as you stated, but rather, WHY invite someone whose claims can be and have been PROVEN to be BOLD FACED LIES??...

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Updates - Date: Tue, 27 Jan 1998 02:32:34 EST  
Subject: Re: The Tender Underbelly of Ufology...

...Those bygone days were certainly LESS full of nuts, whackos and charlatans than today. Meier was pretty much the only major scam in town and there was no Ray Santilli, Derrel Simms....

...Personally, I have NO PROBLEM with anyone who makes an honest or innocent research error or mistake...heck, look at my Art Bell apology and episode...

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Updates - Date: Fri, 6 Mar 1998 14:42:46 EST  
Subject: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

...It is with a feeling of mixed emotions, that I must announce to you, that this week's issue of the Phoenix New Times, has an extremely devastating expose of UFO photo "analyst" and image computer "expert," Jim Dilettoso...

...While Billy Meier and his unobjective, religious, and fanatical believers such as Jim Deardorff, Michael Hesemann, and good old "Jerome" in the Netherlands will undoubtedly find ways to rationalize the tartling revelations in this devastating expose, the burden of proof is on them to DISPROVE these new allegations...

...The truth is, the investigative reporter for the Phoenix New Times, decided to independently research Dilettoso and Meier, and found (surprise!) that Dilettoso is 100% guilty of doing everything from lying about having various degrees from assorted universities, to outright swindling millionaire Jordi Hormel to the tune of several million dollars...

...The reporter also proves, according to recent court records he cites, that Jim Dilettoso and Village Labs have been running a scam all along over these past years, and that while Jim was busily mugging for the cameras exposing the "Phoenix UFO" nonsense with fellow "experts" such as Tom King, Dilettoso was busy fighting a court order to keep from being evicted by his landlord...

...Members of the Hormel family are quoted in the expose, and they are on record as saying that they regret that they ever funded Dilettoso -- who made yet more wild claims recently that he helped with the special effects for the movie "Titanic"!!...

...a barrage of real photo experts and Ph.D.s are quoted throughout the piece and are on record as calling Dilettoso everything from a "liar" to describing his "scientific" techniques as "bullshit"...

...The article also exposes Frances Emma Barwood, and mentions her right wing militia fanatical husband, as well as UFO "lobbyist" Stephen Bassett...

...More importantly, is also proves that Jim Dilettoso has conned people, literally, out of millions of dollars over the years and that the Village Labs PR frenzy ths past year was yet another scam designed to bail them out while fighting being evicted under court order...

...According to the article, Jim Dilettoso, because of a judge's court order, is leaving the building where Village Labs existed, and "the word" in Phoenix is that Village Labs is shutting down -- despite their new "web presence" which implies they are legitimate...

...Investors, and UFOlogists, and the media, beware!!...

...Finally, I mention all of this because while exposing Jim Dilettoso for the fraud that he is, is one thing, the article is also devastating for the UFO field as well...

...The article, for example, cites how Dr. Jim Harder's wife claims her husband is "an ET," and the journalist takes the UFO field to task for being the home of basically, stupidity. I don't know what else to call it...

...Some absurd and blatantly false claims of author Jim Marrs are also exposed, and the UFO field once again is pounded repeatedly -- and rightly so, because it was our fault (except those few who have exposed Dilettoso in the past and knew better all along) for drinking the New Age and pseudoscientific "kool-aid" that has now come back to haunt us...

...In a nationwide radio show that I did in January, I declared that I was labeling 1998 the Year of Accountability in the UFO field. I meant what I said, and this is just the first of many such devastating exposes that will be coming out in the future...

...While I did not write the Phoenix New Times piece, I was interviewed, and as the writer makes clear, not only were dozens of people interviewed, but the author independently confirmed my past allegations of fraud concerning Jim...

...This expose should serve as a warning notice to everyone like Dilettoso -- people like Bob Dean, Tom King, Wendelle, Sean Morton, Hesemann, Mantle, Santilli, and others...

...And let's be honest with ourselves here: We all know this list is a lot longer than the above-mentioned names...

...The media is closing in you are going to be exposed, and unfortunately for these types, if there is any chance to ever get the UFO field to be taken seriously, these people must and will be exposed...

...As the saying goes, (and please excuse my bluntness, but this was said to me about the UFO field by yet another journalist who is working on an expose of Robert Dean) "You can't make chicken salad out of chicken shit!"...

...At least a few in this subject can say "I told you so," -- not in an egotistical sense, but in a cautionary sense -- and let this lesson be learned and this serve as a warning to us all -- either bring accountability into the UFO field and drum out these con artists, or don't complain if the media does not take the UFO issue seriously...

...Now for the REAL challenge: WHO is going to be the next bozo to send "UFO" pictures to Jim for "scientific testing."...

...The few who think critically in the UFO field, and now the mainstream media, will be watching -- and you will be exposed accordingly, and rightly so...

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Updates - Date: Sun, 8 Mar 1998 16:54:35 EST  
Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

...Recently, Mr. John Valez posted a response to my announcement about the Phoenix Times exposing Jim Dilettoso and his con-artist-related activities and scientific incompetence and outright fraud. This is my response...

...My reasoning is this: those who knowingly associate with people who perpetrate frauds, and say nothing about it, are guilty as well. Tom is on record as saying that "Jim is really doing a good job" regarding his "analysis" of the Phoenix lights...

...Either Tom didn't know better, knows better, is just innocently mistaken, or he's blatantly lying like Dilettoso does all the time...

...Also, John, with all due respect, I really did NOT have anything to do with the expose on Dilettoso. While I spoke with the reporter briefly, it turns out he had borrowed a copy of my book from Richard Motzer, and then the reporter lifted (verbatim) several paragraphs from my Meier expose book that he used. I did not even really do an interview with him about much at all. So, those "quotes" from me are just verbatim excerpts from my book...

...If Jim really does play piano well, good for him. At least there's two things we now know he IS qualified to do: play piano and con people. He has shown a remarkable set of skills for both...

...Unfortunately, everytime someone exposes Jim, (which is easy to do because all one has to do is make phone calls to check what he says) I get "blamed" for it. This really makes me unhappy and it is patently untrue...

...and I am glad to see that everyone is finally waking up to the truth about Dilettoso and starting to do their own critical thinking. It's about time: the UFO field needs this and we MUST start cleaning house as they say...

...Right now, my efforts are focused on trying to get the government to release UFO documents that remain classified, and so far we are making (slow) progress. The key has been to NOT work with people like Stephen Basset and others, whom our government has either no respect for, or thinks are simply way off base...

...And given the crap I hear coming from people like Basset, I can't blame them...

...I am a pretty straightforward person: I believe hoaxers and scamsters hurt the UFO field and the public as a whole. I work with law enforcement to go after criminals...

...If you know anything about me, John, you would know about my police/detective background and how I have helped nail terrorists and other sickos and have helped kept them from killing innocent people...

..To put it another way: If you claim to be a human rights advocate, yet serve under the regime of Saddam Hussein, you're a hypocrite at best -- possibly a mass murderer/accomplice at worst... ..What is Tom?...

...I am not going to allow my valuable time to be wasted on something that only confirms what any half-wit would find obvious: that Jim is a FRAUD, his Meier "analysis" (which people like Jim Deardorff just "love,") is a FRAUD and that Jim is a con-artist...

...Just ask Jordi Hormel, who is now several MILLION \$\$ poorer, and OTHER victims Jim has scammed...

...As you will find out, more people are coming forward who Jim has scammed, because enough people have had enough...

...This expose of Jim, or of ANYONE like him, HURTS the field of UFO research and I don't like to see people victimized, by anyone. That's why I work in the law enforcement field and anti-terrorist sectors, and other areas...

...I hate this, will not tolerate it, and feel morally obligated to try and change this. Jim Dilettoso is of no interest to me, and as I said to him on the MSN chat, (check the transcript yourself, John) now that he's FINALLY told the truth about his FAKE Ph.D. LIE (although it took him YEARS to do it) I won't pester him on it again...

...Kal (long-winded and very busy with criminal and terrorist investigations and government UFO document initiatives) Korff...



Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good

...I care very much about the crdeibility of ufology. That's why, as an objective researcher, I call it as it is -- Jim Dilettoso is a fraud and a con artist -- case closed...

...People are finally waking up to this fact, I am on to other things and let those bozos who supported Jim and knew he was questionable deal with the fallout!!...

...Are you listening Bob Dean? Wendelle Stevens? Michael Hesemann? Billy Meier? Jaime Moussan? Lee and Brit Elders? Tom Welch? Tom King? Bill Hamilton? Frances Emma Barwood? Stephen Bassett (who often borrows Jim's car)? The list is much longer, because the UFO field is overloaded with con artists and people who have an agenda that is NOT based on the truth!...

...I have told you that accountability is coming to this field, and thanks to con artists like Dilettoso the media is becoming hostile, and rightly so. Mark my words, everyone -- a series of devastating exposes are being written by various journalists on many of you and I am just standing by the wayside, waiting for the bullpuckey to hit the fan, (those who are being exposed deserve it) and focusing on my government UFO document retrieval efforts...

...P.S. Please share with us what YOU think of Jim Dilettoso's photo analysis, how he lied about having a Ph.D., how he scammed Jordi Hormel out of millions of dollars, etc....

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FBI's "Unusual Phenomena" page, alluded to below, can be found at:

<http://www.fbi.gov/foipa/ufo.htm>

but the linked documents (FBI's Majestic 12, UFO, and cattle mutilation files) were put at FBI's site in the second week of January, contrary to the impression given by Associated Press.

First the FBI page. The links are preceded by black squares, and two zeros must be added to the file sizes. Acrobat Reader is required, but can be downloaded via a link.

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### UNUSUAL PHENOMENA

=B0Animal/Cattle Mutilation  
=B0Majestic 12  
=B0Project Blue Book  
=B0Roswell  
=B0Unidentified Flying Objects

### ANIMAL MUTILATION PROJECT - 128 pages

These records contain accounts of animal mutilations which were discovered in various states during the late 1970's. Over the years, several theories have been expounded to explain the mutilations, including UFOs, satanic cults, pranksters, unknown government agencies, or natural predators. The FBI entered the case when 15 mutilations occurred in New Mexican Indian country. The investigation was negative with respect to identifying the individuals responsible.

FBI DOCUMENTS REGARDING THE ANIMAL MUTILATION PROJECT  
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=B0Part 02 (1747 kb)  
=B0Part 03 (1295 kb)  
=B0Part 04 (1358 kb)  
=B0Part 05 (1258 kb)

### MAJESTIC 12 - 22 pages

This file relates to an FBI inquiry into the possible unauthorized disclosure of classified information when a document marked "Top Secret" was made public. This investigation was closed after it was learned that the document was completely bogus.

FBI DOCUMENTS REGARDING MAJESTIC 12  
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PROJECT BLUE BOOK - 12 pages

This small file relates to an Air Force program for the investigation of Unidentified Flying Objects. The Secretary of the Air Force discontinued this program in 1969.

FBI DOCUMENTS REGARDING PROJECT BLUE BOOK  
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ROSWELL - 1 page

This one-page teletype dated July 8, 1947, relays information from the United States Air Force that an object purporting to be a flying disc was recovered on that date near Roswell, New Mexico.

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UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS - 1600 pages

This file contains information dating from 1947 which reports various allegations of sightings of unidentified flying objects.

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FBI tries to debunk UFO X-file

By Robert Rudolph  
The Associated Press  
03/13/98

When it comes to UFOs, the fictional FBI agents on TV's "X-Files" claim "The Truth Is Out There." If so, the real FBI apparently hasn't caught up to it.

Last month, the agency posted a formerly classified document on its official Web site, purporting to expose a secret, top-level governmental squad that uncovered evidence of extraterrestrial life on Earth 50 years ago.

Truth or fiction?

Fiction, insists the FBI, which stamped the word "bogus" on the report and dismissed it as an elaborate hoax.

Truth, insist UFO investigators who hounded the agency to post the document on the Internet with an avalanche of Freedom of Information Act demands for full extraterrestrial disclosure.

In what has amounted to the agency's own real-life version of the "X-Files," the disclosure of the "Majestic 12" -- an operation supposedly consisting of a dozen top Department of Defense and intelligence officials in the late 1940s and early '50s -- has only inflamed the debate over the existence of flying saucers and alien beings.

Ostensibly prepared in 1952 as a briefing paper for President-elect Eisenhower, the 22-page document traces the creation of the secret group, allegedly established by President Truman in 1947 in the wake of the recovery of the wreckage of what appeared to be an alien spaceship near Roswell, N.M. The UFO investigation team was to be "responsible directly and only to the President of the United States."

The report claimed that the badly decomposed bodies of "four small humanlike beings" were recovered from the Roswell area. It also cites other evidence of UFO activity including the 1950 crash of an alien craft along the border of Texas and Mexico and concludes that "it is virtually certain that these craft do not originate in any country on Earth." The recovered aliens are even given a new name: "Extra-terrestrial Biological Entities" or "EBEs."

The document also warns of possible implications for the national security and suggests taking steps to "avoid public panic at all costs."

Which would be the case, FBI officials say, if it were true.

"It's obviously some kind of hoax," said Linda Kloss, the FBI spokeswoman in charge of the unit handling Freedom of Information Act requests. Each page of the "Majestic 12" report features a handwritten scrawl by an FBI analyst that reads "BOGUS"

Don't tell that to Walter Andrus.

Andrus, international director of the Texas-based Mutual UFO Network, says the "Majestic" documents are in a "gray area" as far as credibility.

"They could be a hoax, but it's a beautiful job if they are," he said.

Donald Berliner, chairman of the Fund for UFO Research in Washington, D.C., said the documents "are certainly a matter of debate," but noted that if something like "Majestic 12" existed, the government would have no choice but to brand the papers as fake.

As hoaxes go, "Majestic 12" has proven itself a good and durable one. It's had the bureau repeatedly spinning its wheels in attempts to run it down.

According to the report, the FBI first showed an interest in the matter nearly a decade ago when the agent in charge of the Dallas office sent a "secret" message to the FBI director in Washington, along with a document obtained from the U.S. Air Force Office of Special Investigations. That document was the "Majestic 12" report.

The original source of the document was not disclosed, but the bureau was requested "to discern if the document is still classified."

A month later, the office of the FBI director sent official word back to Dallas in a secret teletype: "The Office of Special Investigations, U.S. Air Force, advised on November 30 that the document was fabricated ... The document is completely bogus."

The teletype further directed, "Dallas is to close (the) captioned investigation."

But hoaxes, especially elaborate ones, don't die so easily. Three years later, the FBI was back on the trail of "Majestic 12." This time, the agent in charge of the Salt Lake City office delivered another copy of the file to FBI headquarters, one found in an office building.

In an effort to check out its validity, the FBI placed a secure telephone call to the Department of Defense with a request for further information.

"Incredibly," the FBI report stated, the DOD response "tended to buttress a portion of the document." What section it supported was not disclosed. The matter was then referred to the bureau's Intelligence Division on Oct. 30, 1991. Since then, the document has been chased by UFO investigators and conspiracy theorists who got wind of its existence.

Still, the "Majestic" file remains tantalizingly incomplete. There is no further followup included and no explanation of how the FBI ultimately determined that the documents were a hoax.

Kloss said she could not shed any additional light on the file, but reports have cited a number of alleged discrepancies, including the type-face used a style not produced until a decade after the documents were reportedly prepared and a signature by President Truman that appears to be too exact a copy of his signature on another document.

Kloss acknowledged that in the past year, the FBI has been besieged with "an inordinate number of requests for UFO and UFO-related materials," including many from Europe.

According to Frank Stranges, a former New Jersey resident who's written numerous books on UFOs and heads the California-based National Investigations Committee on Unidentified Flying Objects, the "Majestic" documents have "thrown the entire UFO community into a tizzy," with groups taking sides on the authenticity of the materials.

As far as he is concerned, however, Stranges said he is convinced the papers, although well-prepared, are "absolutely bogus."

Along with the "Majestic 12" files are a host of other bizarre topics as well, including an FBI investigation of animal mutilations in the late 1970s, the Air Force's "Project Blue Book" relating to the Air Force's own investigation of UFOs, as well as some 1,600 pages dating back to 1947 detailing reports of sightings of unidentified flying objects.

But if the truth is really out there, the answers are not to be found in those files. Steve Berry, an FBI spokesman in Washington, said the type of investigations undertaken on television by Special Agents Fox Mulder and Dana Scully in the "X-Files" are not the stuff of reality.

"It makes for a good show," Berry said, "but it's not our job."

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FBI's "Unusual Phenomena" page, alluded to in the news item below, can be found at:

<http://www.fbi.gov/foipa/ufo.htm>

but, apart from the Blue Book section which was put up in June 1997, the linked documents (FBI's Majestic 12, UFO, and cattle mutilation files) were added to FBI's site in the second week of January 1998, contrary to the impression given by Associated Press.

First the FBI page. The links are preceded by black squares, and two zeros must be added to the file sizes. Acrobat Reader is required, but can be downloaded via a link.

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### UNUSUAL PHENOMENA

=B0Animal/Cattle Mutilation  
=B0Majestic 12  
=B0Project Blue Book  
=B0Roswell  
=B0Unidentified Flying Objects

### ANIMAL MUTILATION PROJECT - 128 pages

These records contain accounts of animal mutilations which were discovered in various states during the late 1970's. Over the years, several theories have been expounded to explain the mutilations, including UFOs, satanic cults, pranksters, unknown government agencies, or natural predators. The FBI entered the case when 15 mutilations occurred in New Mexican Indian country. The investigation was negative with respect to identifying the individuals responsible.

FBI DOCUMENTS REGARDING THE ANIMAL MUTILATION PROJECT  
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### MAJESTIC 12 - 22 pages

This file relates to an FBI inquiry into the possible unauthorized disclosure of classified information when a document marked "Top Secret" was made public. This investigation was closed after it was learned that the document was completely bogus.

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PROJECT BLUE BOOK - 12 pages

This small file relates to an Air Force program for the investigation of Unidentified Flying Objects. The Secretary of the Air Force discontinued this program in 1969.

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ROSWELL - 1 page

This one-page teletype dated July 8, 1947, relays information from the United States Air Force that an object purporting to be a flying disc was recovered on that date near Roswell, New Mexico.

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UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS - 1600 pages

This file contains information dating from 1947 which reports various allegations of sightings of unidentified flying objects.

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The article below is taken from New Jersey Online. URL:

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FBI tries to debunk UFO X-file

By Robert Rudolph  
The Associated Press



03/13/98

When it comes to UFOs, the fictional FBI agents on TV's "X-Files" claim "The Truth Is Out There." If so, the real FBI apparently hasn't caught up to it.

Last month, the agency posted a formerly classified document on its official Web site, purporting to expose a secret, top-level governmental squad that uncovered evidence of extraterrestrial life on Earth 50 years ago.

Truth or fiction?

Fiction, insists the FBI, which stamped the word "bogus" on the report and dismissed it as an elaborate hoax.

Truth, insist UFO investigators who hounded the agency to post the document on the Internet with an avalanche of Freedom of Information Act demands for full extraterrestrial disclosure.

In what has amounted to the agency's own real-life version of the "X-Files," the disclosure of the "Majestic 12" -- an operation supposedly consisting of a dozen top Department of Defense and intelligence officials in the late 1940s and early '50s -- has only inflamed the debate over the existence of flying saucers and alien beings.

Ostensibly prepared in 1952 as a briefing paper for President-elect Eisenhower, the 22-page document traces the creation of the secret group, allegedly established by President Truman in 1947 in the wake of the recovery of the wreckage of what appeared to be an alien spaceship near Roswell, N.M. The UFO investigation team was to be "responsible directly and only to the President of the United States."

The report claimed that the badly decomposed bodies of "four small humanlike beings" were recovered from the Roswell area. It also cites other evidence of UFO activity including the 1950 crash of an alien craft along the border of Texas and Mexico and concludes that "it is virtually certain that these craft do not originate in any country on Earth." The recovered aliens are even given a new name: "Extra-terrestrial Biological Entities" or "EBEs."

The document also warns of possible implications for the national security and suggests taking steps to "avoid public panic at all costs."

Which would be the case, FBI officials say, if it were true.

"It's obviously some kind of hoax," said Linda Kloss, the FBI spokeswoman in charge of the unit handling Freedom of Information Act requests. Each page of the "Majestic 12" report features a handwritten scrawl by an FBI analyst that reads "BOGUS"

Don't tell that to Walter Andrus.

Andrus, international director of the Texas-based Mutual UFO Network, says the "Majestic" documents are in a "gray area" as far as credibility.

"They could be a hoax, but it's a beautiful job if they are," he said.

Donald Berliner, chairman of the Fund for UFO Research in Washington, D.C., said the documents "are certainly a matter of debate," but noted that if something like "Majestic 12" existed, the government would have no choice but to brand the papers as fake.

As hoaxes go, "Majestic 12" has proven itself a good and durable one. It's had the bureau repeatedly spinning its wheels in attempts to

run it down.

According to the report, the FBI first showed an interest in the matter nearly a decade ago when the agent in charge of the Dallas office sent a "secret" message to the FBI director in Washington, along with a document obtained from the U.S. Air Force Office of Special Investigations. That document was the "Majestic 12" report.

The original source of the document was not disclosed, but the bureau was requested "to discern if the document is still classified."

A month later, the office of the FBI director sent official word back to Dallas in a secret teletype: "The Office of Special Investigations, U.S. Air Force, advised on November 30 that the document was fabricated ... The document is completely bogus."

The teletype further directed, "Dallas is to close (the) captioned investigation."

But hoaxes, especially elaborate ones, don't die so easily. Three years later, the FBI was back on the trail of "Majestic 12." This time, the agent in charge of the Salt Lake City office delivered another copy of the file to FBI headquarters, one found in an office building.

In an effort to check out its validity, the FBI placed a secure telephone call to the Department of Defense with a request for further information.

"Incredibly," the FBI report stated, the DOD response "tended to buttress a portion of the document." What section it supported was not disclosed. The matter was then referred to the bureau's Intelligence Division on Oct. 30, 1991. Since then, the document has been chased by UFO investigators and conspiracy theorists who got wind of its existence.

Still, the "Majestic" file remains tantalizingly incomplete. There is no further followup included and no explanation of how the FBI ultimately determined that the documents were a hoax.

Kloss said she could not shed any additional light on the file, but reports have cited a number of alleged discrepancies, including the type-face used a style not produced until a decade after the documents were reportedly prepared and a signature by President Truman that appears to be too exact a copy of his signature on another document.

Kloss acknowledged that in the past year, the FBI has been besieged with "an inordinate number of requests for UFO and UFO-related materials," including many from Europe.

According to Frank Stranges, a former New Jersey resident who's written numerous books on UFOs and heads the California-based National Investigations Committee on Unidentified Flying Objects, the "Majestic" documents have "thrown the entire UFO community into a tizzy," with groups taking sides on the authenticity of the materials.

As far as he is concerned, however, Stranges said he is convinced the papers, although well-prepared, are "absolutely bogus."

Along with the "Majestic 12" files are a host of other bizarre topics as well, including an FBI investigation of animal mutilations in the late 1970s, the Air Force's "Project Blue Book" relating to the Air Force's own investigation of UFOs, as well as some 1,600 pages dating back to 1947 detailing reports of sightings of unidentified flying objects.

But if the truth is really out there, the answers are not to be found in those files. Steve Berry, an FBI spokesman in Washington, said the type of investigations undertaken on television by Special Agents Fox Mulder and Dana Scully in the "X-Files" are not the stuff of reality.

"It makes for a good show," Berry said, "but it's not our job."

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## Re: New Roswell 'Testimony'?

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>To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
>Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 02:48:01 +0100  
>Subject: New Roswell Testimony

Stig, and list,

> She is either telling the truth or  
>a superb actress because she was visibly disturbed.

In any other field, a witness that appears "visibly disturbed" is not to be taken seriously.

This or similar statements come up so often about UFO witnesses. Is it any wonder this field comes across as a bunch of crackpots!

Hellllo??

Regards,

Theresa

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## Re: I am not Travis Walton's 'Ghost'

From: "Stanton T. Friedman" <fsphys@brunnet.net>  
Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 20:59:54 -0400  
Fwd Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 08:57:22 -0500  
Subject: Re: I am not Travis Walton's 'Ghost'

> To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <updates@globalserve.net>  
> From: "Jerome Clark" <jkclark@frontiernet.net>  
> Subject: I am not Travis Walton's ghost  
> Date: Fri, 13 Mar 98 12:38:45 PST

> Hi, everybody,

> In the current issue of his Skeptics UFO Newsletter  
> Philip J. Klass claims "it is rumored" that I ghostwrote Travis  
> Walton's first book, The Walton Experience (1978). He further  
> alleges that he has "evidence" that I ghostwrote much of  
> Walton's more recent Fire in the Sky (1996).

<snip>

> Jerry Clark

Having spent time at his home with Travis and at various other places  
over the year, I certainly think he wrote his own books. Not all smart  
people live inside the Beltway

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Fwd Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 08:38:54 -0500  
Subject: Re: Krapf book

>Date: Thu, 12 Mar 1998 13:57:36 -0600 (CST)  
>From: Brian Cuthbertson <[brianc@freeside.fc.net](mailto:brianc@freeside.fc.net)>  
>To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
>Subject: Krapf book

>The book contains at least one "red flag" that hit me  
>immediately, which has to cast some doubt on it.

The book contains many red flags. Maybe the Verdants  
have an unusual sense of humor. In some places it  
is absurdly comical.

The book may be some kind of social experiment. Maybe  
with the intent to embarrass the field of Ufology.  
Of course, there could also be a profit motive.  
It is a short book, you can browse it easily in the  
bookstore. Unless you like to collect this type  
of thing, it might be best to keep your money in  
your pocket.

Regards,  
Robert Stirniman

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## Phoenix Lights Remain Bright One Year Later

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Phoenix Lights remain bright one year later

Alien or not, they lit up some lives

Michael Chow/The Arizona Republic

Since witnessing the Phoenix Lights a year ago, Mike and Nannette Fortson spend their nights together watching the skies, hoping for another sighting.

By Richard Ruelas  
The Arizona Republic  
March 13, 1998

No one was abducted by the crafts that flew over Phoenix on March 13, 1997. The air ships didn't land in the Valley, blaze a pattern in the desert grass, or even scrape a tree. The balls of lights that same night didn't send out musical tones trying to communicate.

That could be, of course, because the crafts were most likely a squadron of planes. And the balls of light were high-intensity flares dropped during a training exercise.

But the "Phoenix Lights," which appeared a year ago today, had definite impact, whether their origin was ordinary or out-of-this world.

Documentaries have been done, more are on the way; books and a CD-ROM are in the works. The lights are on T-shirts and talk radio.

They've pushed a relatively unknown former Phoenix city councilwoman into the national media spotlight. Two men who investigated the lights say it cost them a business relationship with a Spam millionaire. Another UFO investigator said the lights zapped him of energy to peer anymore.

The lights also rekindled at least one marriage.

Nannette and Mike Fortson happened to see the light formation from their Chandler back yard. Since then, they've spent every night outside looking for a repeat show.

"Other than the hand of God coming through space, nothing could have been more profound," said Mike Fortson, a safety products salesman and chili cook-off champion.

The Fortsons, both 45, now spend about three hours each night sitting outside on their patio scanning the skies. They tore out a gazebo so they have a clearer view. They have a \$900 video camera at the ready, and a high-beam flashlight in case any crafts want to communicate.

They've seen some objects they believe are alien craft, but nothing as spectacular as the March 13 lights. The main benefit has been to their 25-year marriage, they say.

"To be able to shut the TV off and talk, that's a great thing," Fortson said. "I think it's brought back some passion to us," he said before his wife shushed him.

It was a spectacular light show, no doubt, seen by thousands of Phoenix residents.

Around 8:30 p.m. five lights swept down from Northern Arizona over Phoenix in a boomerang formation. Some say it appeared to be a solid black object; others said they could see stars between the lights. A videotape shows that the lights seemed to move independently of each other.

An amateur astronomer pointed his powerful telescope at the lights and said he saw airplanes.

The second light show happened closer to 10 p.m. Seven lights flashed brilliantly, then slowly disappeared along the city's southwestern horizon.

An Air National Guard sergeant found that the Maryland Air Guard had dropped a volley of flares during training exercises southwest of Phoenix around 10 p.m.

But those explanations didn't satisfy some.

A hard-core group turned the tables, deciding they didn't need to prove the lights were an alien craft, but rather demanded skeptics prove they weren't.

For the believers, a clubhouse emerged: Village Labs, a spacious, mostly vacant office in Tempe.

The company was set up five years ago, with designs on enabling companies to access a planned supercomputer in Nebraska.

The company was run by Jim Dilettoso and Michael Tanner, who spent the '70s as touring rock musicians and part-time UFO researchers. They convinced Spam magnate Geordie Hormel to pay their lease and lend the company its considerable start-up costs, court records show.

But instead of finding investors, Dilettoso and Tanner said they spent the bulk of their time investigating the lights.

Dilettoso said he was courting companies like TRW and US West, but they backed off.

"When you're dealing with companies that big, you can't say, 'Sorry, I missed the paperwork deadline because I was working on some UFO video last night,'" he said.

Hormel recently yanked his funds from Village Labs, saying he couldn't wait any longer for the computer project which was supposed to return him millions of dollars. Village Labs got an eviction notice and must be out in less than three weeks.

"It was all legit, there was nothing fake about it," said Hormel, who estimated he put \$2 million into Village Labs. "It just never got the financing it needed."

Tanner said he spent countless hours interviewing more than 300 witnesses to the lights, dismissing only three of them as kooks. Witness statements have put more objects in the sky that night.

Tanner has concluded there were at least two V-shaped craft, two solid triangles, one giant disc and two hovering formations of orbs competing for airspace that night.

Dilettoso became the media's expert on the lights. He began doing optical analysis of the videotapes, saying he could prove by careful spectral analysis of the amateur videotapes, that the objects weren't flares.

But Paul Scowen, an astronomer at Arizona State University, isn't so sure. He said it's impossible to tell anything about the origin of a light source from a TV picture.



"The evidence seems a little bit shaky," Scowen said.

Richard Motzer, who heads up Arizona's Mutual UFO Network group, said he's done chasing aliens.

"I can't afford it. I don't want another one of these things," he said. Motzer said his self-started computing business suffered because of the time he spent digging for the truth.

"You have to draw an ending point to this," he said.

The lights could signal a new beginning for another media darling created during the year: Francis Emma Barwood.

The former Phoenix councilwoman was rebuked by everyone she asked to look into the lights. She used the refusals as ammunition for her secretary of state campaign, pledging to open up state records. One of her campaign consultants is a national UFO expert.

"After talking to hundreds of people, it's just amazing how deeply they feel about this, that something's there," she said.

Barwood said she doesn't aim to be known as the UFO candidate, but said it follows her everywhere.

Except the one day she spoke to some UFO buffs at a metaphysical bookstore in Phoenix.

"They didn't even ask me about UFO stuff," Barwood said. "They wanted to learn where I stood on all the (political) issues."

That could be because the lights, for some, are simply a hobby.

"I definitely look up a lot more," said Trig Johnston, a former airline pilot who saw the 8:30 p.m. lights. "I haven't been obsessed with it. I think some people have."

Despite his time investment, Fortson said the lights are merely a fascination for him as well.

"I don't go everywhere with my camera; I don't have an aluminum foil hat," Fortson said.

But he does have a patio, a pair of binoculars and a low-light video camera.

"If March 13 happens again," he said. "I'll be ready for it."

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U.S. firms offer some cheap, if hairy, space travel

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WASHINGTON (March 13, 1998 8:18 p.m. EST <http://www.nando.net>) - Economy-minded space travelers have a chance to send a few hairs and a digital message into space for one-hundredth the price of cremated ashes at \$5,000 a shot.

The hairs contain DNA and so, the theory goes, an alien race might work out what you're made of, even recreate you, millions of years, billions of miles from the here and now.

The launch is tentatively scheduled for September or October 2001 aboard the Ariane 5 space rocket, which takes off from Kourou in French Guinea.

One of the payloads will be a 350-pound space vehicle carrying a few hairs from each of up to 4.5 million people paying \$50 for the journey into the unknown.

It will also carry high-density CDs with their messages or thoughts and a device to help potential aliens read them.

"If an alien race is capable of finding the spacecraft, they should be able to access the data," said David Goldstein, vice president for space systems at Encounter 2001, the consortium building the spacecraft and organizing the project.

One of the partners is Celestis, which broke new frontiers in April 1997 when it sent a cargo of human ashes into space for the first time. The cremated pioneers included LSD guru Timothy Leary and Star Trek creator Gene Roddenberry.

Those ashes will orbit the earth for up to 10 years and then float back down into the atmosphere as dust.

The hair has a more ambitious mission -- to strike out beyond the solar system where human DNA has never gone before.

Goldstein said on Friday the spacecraft would have its bipropellant engine to take it out of earth orbit, on to a trajectory for the planet Jupiter. "Then, using Jupiter's gravity, it will swing round to escape the solar system," he added.

The organizers hope to aim it toward a part of the universe where NASA (the National Aeronautics and Space Administration) has found the potential for planets, he said.

To pave the way, a radio message on New Year's Eve this year will announce to the universe that the hair is on its way. The message will contain the names of all 4.5 million subscribers, broadcast in digital form for about one full day.

Goldstein said they would send between three and six hairs from each of the subscribers, cut to about one inch and including the bulb, which contains most DNA.

All that hair will weigh about one pound, only a fraction of the total payload.

By JONATHAN WRIGHT, Reuters

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## Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

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> From: Bob Shell <[bob@bobshell.com](mailto:bob@bobshell.com)>  
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?  
  
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> >Subject: RE: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?  
> >Date: Thu, 12 Mar 1998 12:12:40 -0500

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> >Steven Bassett can bluster all he wants. But in what appears to  
> >be his first foray into politics, he's joined more experienced  
> >politicians in the old, sad game of "don't debate your opponents  
> >-- denounce them.":

<snip>

> >Greg Sandow  
  
> Greg,  
  
> I'm after the same thing you and all honest UFO researchers are  
> after -- the truth.  
  
> You don't get to the truth by accepting the word of "experts" who  
> manifestly don't have a clue about their field of purported  
> expertise.  
  
> The author of the newspaper article has posted his rebuttal to  
> attacks, and he has everything from Dilettoso on TAPE. He has  
> offered to let any doubters come and listen to good old Jim make  
> a fool of himself on the record.  
  
> Steve Bassett seems to have an exaggerated opinion of his own  
> importance. People who bluster and put their credentials at the  
> end of notes, along with "Friend of", betray themselves. I find  
> him just as abrasive as Kal Korff!>

<snip>

> Bob Shell  
  
> Photographic Expert par excellence  
> Founder of Nearsight Institute  
> Frequent guest on TV shows  
> Author of many unrelated books  
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> Buggs Bunny  
> Wendelle Stevens  
> Mike Hesemann  
> Muhammed Ali

Mr. Shell,

I have posted to Updates and elsewhere many times and never signed my post in the fashion to which you refer. The reasons for such a signature in that instance were these:

- 1) In a post dated 3/6/98 he refers to me in quotes as a "lobbyist" - I wished to clarify this.
- 2) Mr. Korff was and is personally attacking my clients.
- 3) Mr. Korff was and is personally attacking my friends.
- 4) The signature was intended as a gesture indicating that I was standing up for my clients and friends under personal attack. I apologize if that offends you.

As for Mr Sandow's comment about bluster and your comment about self-importance, I invite both of you to experience these characteristics fully realized by way of the Updates 3/13/98 post entitled "Kal Korff: In His Own Words".

One further comment, I have posted to Updates, IUFO and elsewhere - many dozens of items. Search them all. If you can find an instance in which I attacked anyone, personally or otherwise, (other than this matter re: Mr. Korff), post it to me and I will apologize to that person on this list.

Regards,

Stephen Bassett  
PRG

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## Re: I am not Travis Walton's 'Ghost'

From: **RGates8254** <[RGates8254@aol.com](mailto:RGates8254@aol.com)> [Robert Gates]  
Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 20:54:44 EST  
Fwd Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 10:01:54 -0500  
Subject: Re: I am not Travis Walton's 'Ghost'

> To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
> From: "Jerome Clark" <[jkclark@frontiernet.net](mailto:jkclark@frontiernet.net)>  
> Subject: I am not Travis Walton's ghost  
> Date: Fri, 13 Mar 98 12:38:45 PST

<snip>

> I find Klass' allegations not only puzzling but  
> just plain odd.

> Jerry Clark

Some have rumored that Klass is suffering from old age  
related ills, of which being "odd" is normal. :)

Cheers,  
Robert

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## Re: Mexico City UFO video - Show?

From: **Jim Deardorff** <[deardorj@proaxis.com](mailto:deardorj@proaxis.com)>  
Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 17:30:52 -0800 (PST)  
Fwd Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 09:07:41 -0500  
Subject: Re: Mexico City UFO video - Show?

>From: Ufojoel <[Ufojoel@aol.com](mailto:Ufojoel@aol.com)> [Joe Murgia]  
>Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 01:17:36 EST  
>To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Mexico City UFO video - Show?

>>Date: Mon, 9 Mar 1998 10:27:04 -0800 (PST)  
>>To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
>>From: Jim Deardorff <[deardorj@proaxis.com](mailto:deardorj@proaxis.com)>  
>>Subject: Mexico City UFO video

>>Hello List,

>>Has anyone heard if the TV program due to show the analysis of  
>>the Aug. 6, 1997, Mexico City UFO video and witnesses is still on  
>>schedule? About a month ago someone on this list mentioned it  
>>would be shown this coming Wednesday, March 11th. But I haven't  
>>seen any TV listing that would point to it.

>>Jim Deardorff

>Jim,

>According to UPN's website, they have a show entitled  
>"Danger in our Skies - the UFO threat." scheduled to air  
>on April 8th at 8pm/7c. The description of the show is:

>"Videotapes can be doctored. Experts can be bought.  
>But an entire city of eyewitnesses can't be wrong."

>This sounds like the Mexico City video. I, like you was  
>hoping to see the special tomorrow. Unfortunately, we'll  
>have to wait. I get to see the 'UFO' video in Gulf Breeze  
>next week when I get to see Jaimie Maussen lecture.

>Joe in Tampa

Hi Joe,

I guess the March 11th airing of it was postponed to some  
indefinite future date. As to the April 8th show you mention,  
that sounds even more likely to me to be the Phoenix sightings.  
I was surprised to see an AP article in today's newspapers about  
the Phoenix sightings (it took my paper a year before they had  
the courage to print anything about it), in that it was a fairly  
straight-forward reporting job without a lot of sarcasm.

Jim Deardorff

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From: John <jvif@spacelab.net> [John Velez]  
Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 01:32:38 -0500  
Fwd Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 10:17:00 -0500  
Subject: Re: I am not Travis Walton's 'Ghost'

>To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <updates@globalserve.net>  
>From: "Jerome Clark" <jkclark@frontiernet.net>  
>Subject: I am not Travis Walton's ghost  
>Date: Fri, 13 Mar 98 12:38:45 PST

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>Philip J. Klass claims "it is rumored" that I ghostwrote Travis  
>Walton's first book,

<snip>

> I find Klass' allegations not only puzzling but  
>just plain odd.

>Jerry Clark

Hi Jerry,

"Puzzling" and "odd" are terms I am used to hearing  
(and using myself) when speaking of the rapidly aging  
Klass. Just be thankful he's only accusing you of 'plying  
your trade,' he could be insulting your manhood and  
threatening you with lit cigarettes! (Again)

Ya gotta love a guy like that! <EG>

Peace,

John Velez, (Never argue with an idiot)

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## Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

From: **RGates8254** <[RGates8254@aol.com](mailto:RGates8254@aol.com)> [Robert Gates]  
Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 02:37:28 EST  
Fwd Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 10:36:36 -0500  
Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

> Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 08:09:25 -0500  
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
> From: Bob Shell <[bob@bobshell.com](mailto:bob@bobshell.com)>  
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

<snip>

> Jerry,

> I think the media WANT bullshit.

> I've talked to a number of producers of TV and radio programs in  
> the last several years. They say they want to do an on-camera or  
> on-mike for their program. After they talk to me for a while and  
> find that I won't say what they want me to say, the invitation to  
> appear on their program evaporates, or they just never call back.  
> Later I find that they've used Bob Dean or some other crackpot  
> instead.

Bob Dean and the other "crackpots" as you call them will always attract the media (and people) like a magnet. Why? Because they have something "incredible" to offer. Like "I handled the Top Secret NATO blah blah UFO assessment which said they were real." In 1987 Bill Moore was fawned all over by the media when he released the MJ-12 documents.

Now once all the crackpots become "old news" the only way they can stay in the limelight is a recycle of their story, or "new information" ACC is one giant example of that.

On another bent, look at what gets the most media coverage in America: The accidents, crime, and crackpots. Leading examples in recent memory princess Di's accident, OJ trial, and Heavens gate cult.

Just some thoughts,

Cheers,  
Roberts

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## Re: Kal Korff - In His Own Words...

From: **Larry Hatch** <larryhat@jps.net>  
Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 04:11:18 -0800  
Fwd Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 10:50:52 -0500  
Subject: Re: Kal Korff - In His Own Words...

> From: ParadigmRG <ParadigmRG@aol.com> [Stephen G. Bassett]  
> Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 16:24:57 EST  
> To: updates@globalserve.net  
> Subject: Kal Korff: In His Own Words

Dear Mr. Bassett:

> It has been 30+ years since Philip Klass stepped on the stage of  
> uflogy

<BIG snip>

> ...If Jim really does play piano well, good for him.

I left this in, out of context. I used to be a musician.

After tediously digging through numberless UFO reports, I found only one constant: The longer it takes to describe a UFO, in any language, the less likely it is to be a UFO.

As abrasive as Kal Korff appears to be, judging by his own words, I find his arguments rather compelling.

There is a definite need to learn more about the very real, and mysterious UFO phenomena. To do so, we must 'clear the underbrush', even though that means exposing the fakes, clowns and others with agendas tangential to finding the facts.

In short, I prefer a hacksaw to a hack.

Please do not take offense, and forgive my brevity.

Best wishes  
- Larry Hatch

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## Re: Meier [Was: Jim Dilettoso...]

From: **Jeroen Jansen** <jj4747@dds.nl>  
Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 15:29:27 +0100  
Fwd Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 11:41:32 -0500  
Subject: Re: Meier [Was: Jim Dilettoso...]

Date: Thu, 14 Mar 1998 18:03:15 +0100  
To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>  
From: Jeroen Jansen <jj4747@dds.nl>  
Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

>Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 11:32:48 -0500  
>From: The Duke of Mendoza <101653.2205@compuserve.com> [Peter Brookesmith]  
>Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>

>With the compliments of the Duke of Mendoza...

<snip>

>You can argue with Kal's evidence all you  
>like, although often to little avail, such as when it deals  
>with such gems as Meier's "Eye of God" photo.

I would like to point out here that Meier doesn't claim that the above photos really show one of 'God's eyes', contrary to what Kal Korff and followers have been claiming for about 20 years now. Meier claims that his contactors call the Ring Nebulae in the constellation of Lyra the 'eye of God' and claims to have photographed it during a space trip in 1975. As Gary Kinder in 1987 in his book noted (p. 189, \_Light Years\_) it's a misunderstood story.

For those interested in Meier's part of the story regarding the suspicious space trip photos: someone in Switzerland who has asked Meier about the space trip photos wrote me that Meier says that a certain "Mr. Schmid, a photographer, had lent all of the approximately 700 positive slides from that trip in order to make copies. Afterwards he gave them to Hans Schutzbach who looked after Billy's photo material. But many of the slides had been manipulated when they came back from the photographer (Mr. Schmid).

(This could have happened in the case of the Venus and Apollo/Soyuz pictures.) Some of the slides had been changed by pictures of other sources. When the Plejarans later recognized the machinations they took all of the remaining slides and photos from Billy into their own possession."

Please, keep in mind that I'm not claiming at all that Meier's explanation is true. However, as long as irrefutable evidence for whatever theory is missing here one should be open to the other possibilities; it's possible that Meier was trying to pass off Earth-based astronomical pictures etc. as pictures taken in space, as well as it's possible that Meier's explanation is the truth. That's the situation as it really is at this point in time.

Jeroen

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From: **Don Ledger** <[dledger@istar.ca](mailto:dledger@istar.ca)>  
Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 11:51:37 +0100  
Fwd Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 11:46:00 -0500  
Subject: Re: I am not Travis Walton's 'Ghost'

> Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 20:59:54 -0400  
> From: "Stanton T. Friedman" <[fsphys@brunnet.net](mailto:fsphys@brunnet.net)>  
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: I am not Travis Walton's 'Ghost'

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> > From: "Jerome Clark" <[jkclark@frontiernet.net](mailto:jkclark@frontiernet.net)>  
> > Subject: I am not Travis Walton's ghost  
> > Date: Fri, 13 Mar 98 12:38:45 PST

> > Hi, everybody,

> > In the current issue of his Skeptics UFO Newsletter  
> > Philip J. Klass claims "it is rumored" that I ghostwrote Travis  
> > Walton's first book, The Walton Experience (1978). He further  
> > alleges that he has "evidence" that I ghostwrote much of  
> > Walton's more recent Fire in the Sky (1996).

> <snip>

> > Jerry Clark

> Having spent time at his home with Travis and at various other places  
> over the year, I certainly think he wrote his own books. Not all smart  
> people live inside the Beltway

About 8 months ago I heard a portion of a talk that Travis Walton was giving to some group in Toronto. The segment was on the radio from the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation's [CBC] program "As It Happens" which no doubt Stan is aware of. Walton was very articulate and interjected moments of wit into his talk. Though there was only about 5 minutes of his full lecture aired, it was enough for me to determine that this guy was no "country bumpkin". I could see him writing his own book.

Don Ledger

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## Alfred's Odd Ode #231

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <[Lehmborg@snowhill.com](mailto:Lehmborg@snowhill.com)>

Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 08:17:54 -0600

Fwd Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 11:30:34 -0500

Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #231

Apology to MW #231 (For March 14, 1998)

Is there reading between the lines of our watchers? Can we guess at the secrets with which they are blessed? Or's it curses inflicted they'd sooner be shed of -- of existence they're tired; is it living they detest? Could the breath of their empire be rooted in tyranny? Is it terror they seek to instill in our minds; teasing with visions of maddening ephemerly?

What is their purpose? What do they want? What are their reasons? Why do they haunt?

What do they do? How do they live? What is their work? What can they give? What do they take? What is their angle? How are they recompensed -- I'm at a dangle!

Perhaps they're a mirror held back at ourselves! We see in them us and it's us that's compelled. Compelled by abduction -- it's what we expect! We'd do it to them, and it's that they detect! You'd have to admit that they're nicer than we'd be. We'd treat 'em like bugs, or at best, a prized queen bee. We've done it before, our history is filled with examples of cruelty to those unfulfilled. Those that are subject to short sighted judgements; those deemed unworthy for convenience, abutment. We slice them and dice them for simple percentage; exploit and use up -- a predictable image.

No, they're giving better than they'd get (taking any odds, that bet); their *\*disrespect\** could be a kind of justice. I mean, consider all our crimes, we let our babies starve and die! We should pray we don't serve time for our injustice.

If the ET comes to you -- what are you learning? Is it true? Don't waste your time in horror or disgust! Is there method in the madness, or are you crippled by your sadness because of damage to the fabrics of the trust! Don't bemoan their nameless tactics or mysterious detachment, its your culture that=92s the one to keep you down. The ET's are a shadow from the whole of what's unknown and could likely (?) usurp culture putting smiles over frowns. It's your culture making tears, it's your culture breeding fear! It's your culture that's the reason for the laughter. It sets the tone for your derision -- and it's culture's lack of vision that is truly your tormentor and detractor.

Define for me success, and an easy, right on, guess would be space flight for a species or a race. Live in structures you employ between the stars that you enjoy, and have your system span the length of awesome, endless, timeless, space! Note our lack of this success, and further note profound distress, as we poison our environs; I'll be frank. We are hanging by a thread; a bug or rock could strike us dead; we are *\*by no means\** successful; you should take that to the bank.

If we want ET respect, then we should act like it instead. We should clean up, first, our act, right here on Earth. We should end our petty tyrannies, and empower individuals to be the sum that's greater than its curse!

The individual's now disdained, a manipulated brain -- programmed  
by the man to do his bidding. But the day will come, and soon,  
when we find we've got more room as the multi-verse unfolds -- it  
will be fitting!

Lehmberg@snowhill.com

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<http://www.fortunecity.com/roswell/arecibo/46/>

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from  
afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, while burning at the  
fundamentalist's stake for watching where the money goes.

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## UFO Sightings & Weather Stats?

From: JGBOUCK <[JGBOUCK@aol.com](mailto:JGBOUCK@aol.com)> [James Bouck]  
Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 00:14:43 EST  
Fwd Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 12:10:42 -0500  
Subject: UFO Sightings & Weather Stats?

I've been doing a lot of reading with statistics in relation to sightings of UFOs.

There are stats dealing with time of day, day of the month, single/multi witness, location of sites in the U.S., or the world, etc.

Does anybody have any stats in which UFO sightings were seen in adverse weather conditions? I know sightings have occurred during cloudy conditions, and clear conditions.

How about during times of precipitation, such as snow storms, thunderstorms, heavy overcast etc.?

I'd appreciate any help I can get.

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## Re: I am not Travis Walton's 'Ghost'

From: Diane <[RAMBLD@worldnet.att.net](mailto:RAMBLD@worldnet.att.net)> [Diane Lovett]  
Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 11:58:35 +0000  
Fwd Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 12:12:45 -0500  
Subject: Re: I am not Travis Walton's 'Ghost'

> Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 20:59:54 -0400  
> From: "Stanton T. Friedman" <[fsphys@brunnet.net](mailto:fsphys@brunnet.net)>  
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: I am not Travis Walton's 'Ghost'

> Having spent time at his home with Travis and at various other places  
> over the year, I certainly think he wrote his own books. Not all smart  
> people live inside the Beltway

Mr. Friedman,

Sometimes all the 'heaviness' of topics in ufology can wear a person down a bit, so thanks for the smile your little jibe about the Beltway brought to me!

I have undeniable evidence that there is a rather large group of very smart people living just outside the Beltway, though it is a deeply hidden secret! :)

Diane Lovett

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"You will make all kinds of mistakes; but as long as you are generous and true, and also fierce, you cannot hurt the world or even seriously distress her." -- Winston Churchill

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Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 22:00:17 +0000  
Fwd Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 18:20:14 -0500  
Subject: UFOINFO & UFO ROUNDUP have moved

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Best wishes,

John Hayes

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Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 12:53:13 -0600 (CST)  
Fwd Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 18:10:37 -0500  
Subject: Re: I am not Travis Walton's 'Ghost'

>To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
>From: "Jerome Clark" <[jkclark@frontiernet.net](mailto:jkclark@frontiernet.net)>  
>Subject: I am not Travis Walton's ghost  
>Date: Fri, 13 Mar 98 12:38:45 PST

>Hi, everybody,

> In the current issue of his Skeptics UFO Newsletter  
>Philip J. Klass claims "it is rumored" that I ghostwrote Travis  
>Walton's first book, The Walton Experience (1978). He further  
>alleges that he has "evidence" that I ghostwrote much of  
>Walton's more recent Fire in the Sky (1996).

> For what it's worth, if anyone cares, I ghostwrote  
>not a word of either book.

<snip>

> I find Klass' allegations not only puzzling but  
>just plain odd.

>Jerry Clark

Jerry,

I don't see how you could have not ghostwritten Travis Walton's books, as I've always labored under the impression that it was me who had actually not ghostwritten them. In either event, I'm delighted to learn that William Birnes III didn't ghostwrite them, either. But if I had ghostwritten them, I would damn well have remembered more than two hours out of 120 -- assuming I was getting paid, of course. Maybe the real ghostwriter was only getting scale and quit after two hours on the job.

Or maybe Tracy Torme ghostwrote them -- he wrote the movie script, after all, unless Travis Walton wrote that, too. Of course this still doesn't explain who really wrote Shakespeare's plays, although it does convincingly eliminate most ufologists from active contention, myself, alas, included. I did once, however, ghostwrite a Charles Berlitz book, and I think Jerry knows exactly which one I'm talking about. (Which is a good thing, because I've successfully blocked the title from memory.)

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## Re: Kal Korff - In His Own Words...

From: [nick@the-den.clara.net](mailto:nick@the-den.clara.net) (Nick Humphries)  
Date: Sun, 15 Mar 1998 00:34:43 GMT  
Fwd Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 21:42:44 -0500  
Subject: Re: Kal Korff - In His Own Words...

>From: ParadigmRG <[ParadigmRG@aol.com](mailto:ParadigmRG@aol.com)> [Stephen G. Bassett]  
>Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 16:24:57 EST  
>To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
>Subject: Kal Korff: In His Own Words

<a bit of a large snip>

OK... we know what KK has said and that you claim he's lying. Why not resend the whole list of quotes, but this time show which points he's got wrong and why? (Credible) Evidence to back up each of your reasons gains extra credit.

Failure to do this implies you're just trying to spread muck and are guilty as charged.

No blustering this time, neither - just the facts.

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Nick Humphries, [nick@the-den.clara.net](mailto:nick@the-den.clara.net), at your service  
If the Truth is Out There, what's In Here?  
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The Your Sinclair Rock'n'Roll Years  
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## Re: Meier

From: **The Duke of Mendoza** <101653.2205@compuserve.com> [Peter Brookesmith]  
Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 22:51:02 -0500  
Fwd Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 23:05:43 -0500  
Subject: Re: Meier

With the compliments of the Duke of Mendoza:

>Date: Thu, 14 Mar 1998 18:03:15 +0100  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>  
>From: Jeroen Jansen <jj4747@dds.nl>  
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

>For those interested in Meier's part of the story regarding the  
>suspicious space trip photos: someone in Switzerland who has  
>asked Meier about the space trip photos wrote me that Meier says  
>that a certain "Mr. Schmid, a photographer, had lent all of the  
>approximately 700 positive slides from that trip in order to make  
>copies. Afterwards he gave them to Hans Schutzbach who looked  
>after Billy's photo material. But many of the slides had been  
>manipulated when they came back from the photographer (Mr.  
>Schmid).

Meier is not that original. Adamski, or one of his disciples, had a similar story about sending a movie of flying saucers off to be processed and it coming back different. I think the complaint was that the "interference" made the movie look a bit fake. Ho hum.

I could also go through the Hans Schutzbach "sighting" story recounted by Jim Deardorff - see

>Date: Thu, 12 Mar 1998 11:51:08 -0800 (PST)  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>  
>From: Jim Deardorff <deardorj@proaxis.com>  
>Subject: Re: Luc Buergin's article

- and point out why it is entirely consistent with a hoax; and I could argue a case for why "it's possible that Meier's explanation is the truth" may be true, but also on balance unacceptably slim; and for why I think Meier is most likely a hoaxer and a con-man and certainly has some exceedingly nasty people among his followers.

But I don't have the time or the inclination. But then that is not the point.

If we were to indulge or engage in such a debate we would be discussing evidence - of varying quality, but evidence nonetheless - and its interpretation; also, very likely, of uneven excellence.

But Mr Bassett (who, one might infer from his latest utterances, is pleased to be paid to be offended), offers no evidence for anything whatever in his rantiness beyond an extremely lengthy set of strikingly inoffensive quotations to justify his demonizing Kal Korff, and so justifies Greg Sandow's characterization of Bassett's stance as McCarthyist (jabberwocky, I'd add).

best wishes  
Mendoza

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## Re: UFO Sightings & Weather Stats?

From: **Mark Cashman** <[mcashman@ix.netcom.com](mailto:mcashman@ix.netcom.com)>  
Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 23:34:25 -0500  
Fwd Date: Sun, 15 Mar 1998 08:54:04 -0500  
Subject: Re: UFO Sightings & Weather Stats?

>From: JGBOUCK <[JGBOUCK@aol.com](mailto:JGBOUCK@aol.com)> [James Bouck]  
>Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 00:14:43 EST  
>To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
>Subject: weather stats

>I've been doing a lot of reading with statistics in relation to  
>sightings of UFOs.

>Does anybody have any stats in which UFO sightings were seen in  
>adverse weather conditions? I know sightings have occurred during  
>cloudy conditions, and clear conditions.

Ray Fowler's UFOs: Interplanetary Visitors has such statistics  
for a 160+ case local sample.

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Mark Cashman, creator of The Temporal Doorway at  
<http://www.geocities.com/~mcashman>  
- Original digital art, writing, and UFO research -  
Author of SF novels available at...  
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## Open letter from Jerry Black to "various

From: "K. Young" <[task@fuse.net](mailto:task@fuse.net)>  
Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 23:50:26 -0800  
Fwd Date: Sun, 15 Mar 1998 08:56:10 -0500  
Subject: Open letter from Jerry Black to "various

This message is to announce that a recent article entitled:  
LOOKING BACK: A REVIEW OF GULF BREEZE  
AN OPEN LETTER FROM JERRY BLACK TO VARIOUS "UFOLOGISTS"

has been posted at the following address:  
<http://members.xoom.com/ufobarb/jb01.html>

This summation is directed to the following UFOlogists:  
Don Ware, Art Hufford, Charles Flannigan  
Walt Andrus, Jeff Sainio, Bruce Maccabee  
Bob Oeschler, Budd Hopkins

In my telephone discussions with Mr. Black on March 14, he added that he is willing to discuss this report and his investigations with any concerned parties. He can be reached by calling: 513-625-2613

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## Mars Surveyor Anomalies Site

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
Date: Sun, 15 Mar 1998 08:50:33 -0500  
Fwd Date: Sun, 15 Mar 1998 08:50:33 -0500  
Subject: Mars Surveyor Anomalies Site

The following is from a non-subscriber.

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Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 19:52:41 -0500  
From: Bill Stanley <[bstanley@citicom.com](mailto:bstanley@citicom.com)>  
To: [updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)  
Subject: Mars Surveyor Anomalies

Good Evening,

Please visit...

<http://rush.digitalchainsaw.com/marspage.html>

...and let me know what you think about these artifacts on the Martian surface.

B. Stanley

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## Wave Of Gulf Breeze Sightings

From: [Stig\\_Agermose@online.pol.dk](mailto:Stig_Agermose@online.pol.dk) (Stig Agermose)  
Date: Sun, 15 Mar 1998 07:16:42 +0100  
Fwd Date: Sun, 15 Mar 1998 09:21:39 -0500  
Subject: Wave Of Gulf Breeze Sightings

Carole Baker's "Skywatch Diary" has no relation to the "Skywatch" organization. She takes a special interest in Gulf Breeze sightings, as the link shows. URL:

<http://www.deleree.com/skywatch-diary/980311.htm>

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SKYWATCH DIARY by Carole Baker

\*Weekly UFO sighting reports from Gulf Breeze

3/11/98:

Extraordinary Burgren Road Sighting

<snipped>

One report was forwarded to me by Patti Wheeler, the treasurer of Pensacola/Gulf Breeze MUFON. The witnesses wish to remain anonymous.

This sighting occurred on January 28th, 1998 at around 6:30 p.m. in northeast Pensacola near the junction of Creighton Road and Woodchuck Avenue. The witnesses report seeing two white star like objects high in the sky moving along together. As they watched, the two objects appeared to merge and become one "Tike a big bright white star" and then blinked out.

The second report was furnished to me by Vicki Lyons of Project Awareness, and is as follows. The sighting occurred on December 5th, 1997 between 8:30 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. Melanie Patshy was driving a group of children home from a band concert at Navarre High School in Navarre, Florida. Four of her own six children were among the group and it was her fourteen year old daughter, Elizabeth who first noticed some anomalous lights over the trees along the side of the road. After turning off of Hwy. 98, continuing their western track toward home, they turned onto an often used short cut, Burgren Road. This is a dark, unlit road which connects with Santa Rosa County Road 399 in Gulf Breeze. As their vehicle turned onto this dark and deserted road, the group suddenly noticed the UFO above the treetops to their right. The UFO was a silver, oval-shaped craft with three sets of three orange pulsing lights which were rotating around its periphery. The triangular configuration of each set of lights was confirmed by all witnesses. The object was large, and was described by Mrs. Patshy as being as large as the full-size van she was driving. Mrs. Patshy stopped her vehicle in the middle of the road in order to get a better view of the object. One of the children, Elizabeth Patshy, wanted to get out of the van and go toward the object, but Mrs. Patshy restrained the child from doing so, concerned for the child's safety. There were five other children in the van as well as fourteen year old Elizabeth. Catherine Patshy, six years old; Christopher Patshy, twelve years old; Kyle Patshy, eight years old; Stephanie Williams, thirteen years old and Stephen Huber, also thirteen years old.

The group continued to observe the object as it hovered, not

moving at all, just ten feet above the trees along the roadside. All the witnesses confirm that there was absolutely no sound whatsoever coming from the craft. Some of the children were becoming increasingly anxious, and although Mrs. Patshy felt no fear herself and wanted to stay and watch the object, she left since two of the children were actually now crying and extremely fearful.

Mrs. Patshy drove on with the UFO still hovering over the nearby trees. As the children looked behind them, they noticed that the UFO was now moving, since it was not getting any smaller. Mrs. Patshy confirms that it was clear to her that the UFO was actually following them. They did not lose sight of the craft until they turned off Burgren Road onto Santa Rosa County Road 399. Upon arriving in the Patshy's driveway, all occupants of the van excitedly hurriedly and went inside the house. After calm had been restored, they later went back outside to see if they could see anything but could not locate the craft anywhere in the sky.

Mrs. Patshy's husband discussed his family's sighting the next day with some of his co-workers and found out that another woman had reported a sighting of the same craft on the same day. Vicki Lyons is currently attempting to identify and contact this other witness. My thanks to the Patshy family and to Vicki Lyons for this excellent account.

Of particular interest in this case is the diversity of reactions of the children involved. The youngest witness, six years old, did not seem particularly frightened, but stated to Vicki Lyons during her investigative interview that "it was a flying saucer, just like I've seen on T.V." However, the reaction of some of the older children witnessing this event was not as calm, two of the boys became hysterical with fear prompting Mrs. Patshy to drive away from the scene toward home. Particularly interesting is the reaction of Mrs. Patshy's daughter, Elizabeth, who had to be restrained from exiting the vehicle and running toward the UFO "to get a better look at it". I had the opportunity to review the drawings which the witnesses had drawn independently, and they all show a similarly shaped object of either gray or dark blue color, oval, with three clusters of three orange lights in triangular configurations on the perimeter. This is an extremely interesting sighting with aspects reminiscent of both the Travis Walton case and the famous "road shot" taken by Ed Walters' in the same area in the late 1980's.

Recently, Vicki Lyons and myself drove the route followed by this group to check out the area. Of note is the fact that in this area the tree line is no more than about thirty feet high, just about the same height as the power and telephone poles. Also very close, and running through the area is a large array of high voltage cables and a generating sub-station. Of course, we were both hoping that something may show up during our foray. Nothing did, but it put the report in perspective for us to retrace the group's steps.

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The URL of the next reports is:

<http://www.deleree.com/skywatch-diary/980304.htm>

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SKYWATCH DIARY by Carole Baker

\*Weekly UFO sighting reports from Gulf Breeze

3/4/98:

More UFOs Along the Gulf Coast

We are still recording, documenting and researching sighting reports which are coming in from all along the Gulf Coast.

Bill Ford shared the following sighting report of an event that took place on Monday, February 9th, 1998 that he obtained from the witnesses themselves just a few days after the sighting. The

two women, a mother and daughter, were returning to their home in Fairhope, AL from Biloxi, MS. They were driving east on I-10, and at about 5:00 a.m. they observed a big, bright white light was to their right (south), out over an area of water. (It is not clear from Bill's report if this was the Gulf of Mexico, or a bay or inlet.) The witnesses estimate that the light was at an approximate elevation of forty-five degrees from the horizon. One of the witnesses judges the size of the object to be about half the size of the full moon at arm's length. While still watching the light, the witnesses pulled their car over into a rest area to better observe the light. One of the witnesses reports that she observed the light in the same position until about 6:30 a.m. whereupon it turned to a "golden" color and grew smaller and appeared to withdraw until it looked like an average star in the sky. Interestingly the other witness reports feeling drowsy and sleepy during this time, but corroborates the light turning golden and growing smaller etc. etc.

Bill states that he addressed the issue of possible missing time with these witnesses but both do not feel that this was part of their experience. The witnesses then resumed their journey home. Interestingly, one of the witnesses, the daughter, can recall a prior sighting of round, globe-shaped lights, which took place in 1975 in Cincinnati, Ohio. She shared this previous sighting with her sister and until questioned by Bill about any prior sightings had not shared this information with anyone. My thanks to Bill for sharing this report and gathering all the pertinent information. This is the third sighting recently reported from the Interstate. It seems as though driving on I-10 between Mississippi and Florida is a good place to have a sighting these days!!!

I also received an interesting report this week of a sighting that took place later in the day on February 9th, 1998. The witness wishes to remain anonymous since the witness is connected with a military installation here in the local area. The report of this sighting is particularly interesting since it is rather unusual and the report is very detailed. The witness states that on February 9th, 1998 he was fishing in about three feet of water in Choctawhatchee Bay. He was at a position that would put him south of the runway at Eglin Air Force Base. He notes that the moon was almost full and rising in the east. There was a thin scattered to broken cloud deck at 7000 feet (this was checked with local authorities after his sighting to confirm this detail). At approximately 6:05 p.m. he heard a muffled steady "blowing" sound coming from the north. He looked in that direction, but could see nothing as the noise came closer and closer. As it continued to approach him, he could tell that the noise was coming from above ground level. He continued to look and saw that an area of cloud above him appeared to move. He saw that it was not the clouds that were moving, but a V-shaped, translucent object that was passing below them, making the clouds appear to be moving. "There was no mistake about this," the witness states emphatically "there was a clear object between me and the clouds, moving in a steady motion." The object passed straight over the witness and proceeded in a straight path southward toward the Destin Bridge and disappeared. "The entire sequence took about ten to twelve seconds," the witness states.

The object was between five hundred and one thousand feet above ground level and travelling at about 200 to 250 knots in the estimation of the witness. "There was no propeller or turbine noise . . . just a steady rush of air seemed to propel it. It was very controlled and remained at one speed. The estimated distance I saw it travel was between three and four miles." This is a very interesting and unusual sighting and if anyone else was in this area on the evening of February 9th and saw this object, I would be very interested in hearing from them.

News of another sighting came at around 8:30 a.m. on the morning of February 17th, 1998 a local radio station in the Pensacola area, WABB 97.5 FM received a call from a young woman, calling from Cantonment, Florida who stated that the previous evening while traveling on Hwy. 29 to Molino, Florida with her mother she had a UFO sighting. She reported that a square object with what appeared to be lights "like a pair of headlights" flew over their car and dropped a "light thing" that they thought was a fireball or something similar. This frightened the witnesses drastically, and the girl stated that her mother sped off down the highway at around eighty miles an hour to get away from the scene. I personally contacted the offices of WABB later that morning in

the hope of being able to gather more information from these witnesses about this event. I will relate any further details if they are forthcoming in a future Skywatch Diary. There are still several other sighting reports in the local area which we are avidly gathering information on and details of these sightings will also be included as they come available.

If you wish to contact me, please e-mail me at [Cbakerswd@aol.com](mailto:Cbakerswd@aol.com) or write to me at P.O. Box 17152, Pensacola FL 32522-7152, thank you. And remember -- Keep Looking Up!

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## \_The\_ Open Letter From Jerry Black To Various

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
Date: Sun, 15 Mar 1998 13:06:34 -0500  
Fwd Date: Sun, 15 Mar 1998 13:06:34 -0500  
Subject: \_The\_ Open Letter From Jerry Black To Various

I just spoke, via phon, with Jerry Black. He suffers from chronic arthritis and is unable to use a keyboard, hence the mentions of "this tape" in his 'Open Letter' below. Mr Black uses a tape recorder to correspond.

During the course of our conversation, Mr. Black mentioned Bill Spaulding and was wondering whether any readers here knew of his whereabouts?

The telephone number at the end of his 'Open Letter' works and Mr. Black asks that if anyone needs to call him they do so after 3pm EST.

He also would like to thank Glenn Joyner for transcribing the following.

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From: <http://members.xoom.com/ufobarb/jb01.html>

Looking Back: A Review Of Gulf Breeze

An Open Letter From Jerry Black To Various 'Ufologists'  
October, 1997

cc: Don Ware  
Art Hufford  
Charles Flannigan  
Walt Andrus  
Jeff Sainio  
Bruce Maccabee  
Bob Oeschler  
Budd Hopkins

In this dissertation, we will look back and review the Ed Walters/Gulf Breeze UFO case. As always, I have no problem with any of these gentlemen mentioned, as far as their being good citizens, and good people in their communities. My only problem with the above gentlemen is their ability to investigate the UFO phenomena, or, in most cases, their lack of that ability.

My position on UFOs has been clear for 39 years. I am not a debunker, as many have tried to portray myself, Rex Salisbury, and others. I believe there is a true UFO phenomenon; I believe these objects are not from this planet. I know there are popular theories of their nature, including extraterrestrial, extradimensional, spiritual, etc. All of these theories need to be explored. I certainly believe that, contrary to what Budd Hopkins, Stan Friedman, and others say, we do not have proof of what UFOs really are. We are far from that proof. But I do believe that we are definitely dealing with real objects. I think one of the last theories, of course, that we would have to place on the list would be that the objects are from this planet



-- from one of the major governments. I sincerely, steadfastly do not believe this last scenario.

So I am a true believer in the UFO phenomena? I believe thousands of people feel they have been abducted by alien beings. These cases should be taken seriously and investigated thoroughly.

I was asked by an AP reporter, during an interview, was I going to celebrate the "50th Anniversary of ufology " with a party of my own. He may have been taken aback at my response, when I said, "Certainly not." When he asked what I meant, I said, "Well you tell me what there is to celebrate." In 50 years, all we have been able to accomplish is to show the general public that we are dealing with an object which we cannot identify.

Because of cases like Gulf Breeze, Guardian, Linda Cortile, and others, we have basically made fools of ourselves. So again, what have we accomplished in ufology in the last 50 years? Nothing has been demonstrated, other than there are a lot of people with an abundance of ego, a lot of desire to make money, and no desire for scientific and objective investigation.

I'll open this missive with comments directed to Mr. Don Ware. I had an opportunity to talk with Don Ware on just one occasion. I believe that he also sent me a couple of letters. It was very clear to me, when I talked with Mr. Ware, that he had already committed himself to Ed Walters early on, and that they had, in fact, become good friends in a very short period of time.

In mentioning my thoughts to Don Ware about Ed Walters, I remember that his words to me were that, regardless of what I felt about Ed Walters, he and Ed would always be good friends. I found this very interesting. I could tell, right away, that Don Ware had been taken in by Ed Walters quite early on.

I have not had any personal conversations with Art Hufford, but am aware of a situation where he had talked with Zan Overall. I understand that Art Hufford was a fraternity brother of Tommy Smith's father, as an interesting side note to this entire affair. My complaint about Art Hufford is my basic complaint with all of the (what I call) rookie investigators at that time in Gulf Breeze; that being that I believe that Art was either following an agenda, or simply that he was a totally incompetent investigator. One would have to take their choice on how they feel about the two scenarios.

Before Walt Andrus and I got to the level of "non-speaking terms," I was given a copy of a note that Art was sending to Walt regarding Gary Watson's report. I find it interesting that, in the third paragraph of his cover letter, he says, "I trust this article meets your expectations." I guess my first comment to Art Hufford on this is, what "expectations" did Walt Andrus have? Were you following some format, some agenda, that MUFON (Mutual UFO Network) had? I thought this was intended to be an objective report by Gary Watson, sent to you for editing, then to be put into the MUFON Journal.

I also noticed, and this was extremely interesting, that you copied Ed Walters on this memo. I find this, really, somewhat bizarre. This guy obviously became, very, very early on in this investigation, one of you! Instead of being the subject of the investigation, he was basically part of the 'investigative' principals. Why in the world would you copy Ed Walters on a report going to MUFON? This was a MUFON investigative report, an internal report done by MUFON, to ultimately be put into the MUFON Journal. Certainly, when he got the Journal, he could have read the results of the investigation, if he was a subscriber, or if you sent him a copy; that would be fine. But to copy him on the cover letter of your intra-organization MUFON investigations shows me very clearly that Ed Walters had become quite good friends with all of you people.

I understand that you are an engineer, Mr. Hufford. I know that a writer, a Mr. Smith, that did a very positive story on Gulf Breeze, used a drawing that you made. I've seen you at least two or three times in the past ten years, on national television. One occasion was an informal setting, as you appeared to be in a backyard somewhere, with Ed Walters in attendance. You were saying to the cameras, "Yeah, and I saw this object just like the one you photographed, just like yours, Ed." I thought to

myself at the time that an engineer was supposed to use exact situations, exact remarks, figures, etc. However, in your drawing of the object which you saw, during daylight hours, for about 20 seconds, as I understand it, there are no windows on the UFO. Yet you claim, on national television, at least two or three times, that you saw the same object that Ed Walters photographed early on. How can that be true?

You made a comment, below the drawing in Mr. Smith's article, trying to explain your situation. You said something to the effect of, well you didn't see any windows, but there may have been some. Mr. Hufford, you can only say what you saw. Were you trying to match up your sighting with those of Ed Walter?

Please remind Mr. Gary Watson that, in his report on the famous model that was found by the Menzer family in Ed Walters' old home, there are three digits, followed by the words "Jamestown Drive." In the report by Gary Watson, he shows nothing before the words "Jamestown Drive," and says "unknown information." The third digit is very clear. It is a two. One can see that the other two digits, which one can only see the bottom half of, have straight lines as their bottom parts. We can then assume that they are not twos, threes, fives, sixes, or eights, because of how the bottom of the digits look. Yet Gary Watson says in his report that this is "unknown information." The two is clearly visible, and that should be noted in his report. The first two digits are two straight lines that we can see from the bottom, to the point where the paper has been cut. They could be sevens, and could be ones. It could very definitely be 712 Jamestown Drive, the Volker home plans. Yet Gary Watson chooses not to show that two in there, or the two digits before that show straight lines half way up. Why would Gary call this "unknown information?" Is it because if the plans are the Volker plans, it would indicate that Ed Walters made the model?

Are all of you people following an agenda set by Walt Andrus? Or is it that you simply don't make competent statements, and don't do your work very well?

I'd like to say something now that I know none of you are aware of. Perhaps you aren't even interested. Ed Walters claimed the model represented the Lynn Thomas family home plans, and indeed they did say that early on. Incidentally, we know that the home was never built for them. However, during the past four or five years, we've stayed in touch with the Thomas family, who have moved to Detroit.

Mrs. Thomas took an extensive course to become a real estate agent after she left the Gulf Breeze area. To make sure that she was looking at the same plans that I was, I sent her a copy of the plans from Sarah Menzer's home. (We could all have this, by simply requesting it from Ms. Menzer.) Mrs. Thomas said the plans were basically the same thing she had received from either Walt Andrus or Ed Walters.

Now, though, since taking her real estate course, and realizing that her house was going to be built on the corner of Shoreline Drive and Jamestown, she said to me that she definitely now does not believe that the model plans she was sent represent the plans of the home that was supposed to be built for her.

I asked her why she did not feel that way any longer. She said that, since she had become a real estate agent, and more adept at reading plans and diagrams, the plans she was looking at were for a house that would be much smaller than the home that was to be built for their family, which would have been situated on the corner of Shoreline and Jamestown. She reiterated, "I'm saying to you again, Mr. Black, these plans are not the plans that were designed for our home, to be built on that corner."

Mr. Thomas was on an extension phone during the conversation. He said to me, "Mr. Black, I never felt, all along, that these were our plans. But I bowed to my wife, because I felt she knew better than I."

So now we have a situation wherein Mrs. Thomas, for at least four or five years now, no longer believes that the plans are hers. In fact, she is very sure they are not her plans.

According to Mr. Walt Andrus, if anything of a major nature, like this, came up, he would reopen the case for investigation.

So I would assume that after Mr. Andrus receives this tape, along with a couple of other things that have come up also, he is going to reopen the investigation into the Ed Walters case. This would be in keeping with his word. Alas, though, throughout this long investigation, he has never kept his word on anything. We can only hope that this time he will keep his word. I hope, Mr. Andrus, that you will verify this with the Lynn Thomas family. If you have a problem with obtaining their phone number in Michigan, I can supply it to you.

We are, therefore, letting Mr. Watson and Mr. Hufford (and anyone else who is interested) know that the model is no longer thought to be that of the Thomas home plans. This means that Ed Walters, again, has lied.

I only talked to Mr. Charles Flannigan one time, as well. Charles Flannigan made it very clear that he did not believe the Rex Salisbury report. Regarding the polygraph test, it is absurd that Ed Walters went out and took his own test, and that all of you accepted it without even seeing the results. When I questioned Mr. Flannigan on the polygraph, he said to me, and this is paraphrased, but is almost an exact quote, sometimes in extraordinary cases, you have to break the rules. I really think that Mr. Flannigan has this backwards: in extraordinary cases you have to make sure that you adhere exactly to the rules.

I believe that Mr. Flannigan is also in the real estate business. So, again, if that is true, he should have known, by looking at the above-mentioned plans, even before Lynn Thomas took her real estate course, that these were not the plans for the home. Why didn't Mr. Flannigan catch this error? Why didn't he notice that the plans were not of a structure large enough to be a corner lot building project? He should have realized that the plans did not match those of what was actually built, the Volker home.

In keeping with his statement, that in exceptional cases you have to break the rules, would Mr. Flannigan break the rules of integrity in real estate, if he had a chance to sell two or three homes together in one sale? Would he compromise his integrity to do that? I think not. If he wouldn't do it in that situation, why would he do it for Ed Walters?

Bob Oeschler has "retired" from ufology . I can only say that, in talking with Bob three or four different times -- one time for three hours -- while he seems like a very nice person, I think his motives in ufology were not those that at least I would associate with credible investigators.

I think Bob Oeschler had an agenda. In talking to another investigator that knows Mr. Oeschler, I believe I know what that agenda was, even though I would rather not discuss that subject here.

Bob Oeschler admittedly accepted \$5,000.00 from Ed Walters, very early on in this situation. I believe that this was totally wrong. There was nothing whatsoever that Bob did for Ed Walters, to earn himself \$5,000.00, that was a help in the investigation of this case. His acceptance of that money did nothing at all, except to make him obligated to Ed Walters. He ignored all of the evidence, as have the other recipients of this tape.

Bob Oeschler promoted the Guardian case, which has been proven to be a hoax. He made a statement about the Guardian case which illustrates the type of dramatization he uses, and tried to use in the Gulf Breeze case. Bob said that, when Unsolved Mysteries did a piece on the Guardian case, they spent over \$250,000.00 trying to duplicate the scene on the anonymously-presented video tape, showing the alleged object in the field.

I contacted Mr. Tim Rogan, one of the producers of the Unsolved Mysteries show. When I did so the first time, Mr. Rogan was very quick and abrupt with me. I tried to explain to him that I wanted to find out how much it cost to produce this Guardian segment. Finally I said to him, "Well let me send you a copy of the article written by Mr. Bob Oeschler in a UFO magazine, and then if you would give me the courtesy of a return call, you can let me know what you think."

Well, I really never expected to hear back from Mr. Tim Rogan, but surprisingly, about three weeks later, he did call me, with a

much friendlier attitude. He said, "Mr. Black, you're correct. I see here where Mr. Oeschler claims we spent \$250,000.00 trying to duplicate that scene exactly, and could not do it. Let me say to you that we have used Mr. Oeschler as a consultant on a couple of shows. But let me also say to you that Mr. Oeschler was in no position, whatsoever, to know how much money we spent on the Guardian scene. We are not in the business of trying to exactly duplicate a scene that we do. We try to come as close to it as possible, within the means of our budget. But there, again, Mr. Black, Mr. Oeschler would not be privy to any information as to how much it cost to produce the Guardian scene. So I can see what you're saying here. He is totally wrong in his statement, and I appreciate your bringing it to my attention."

All I can say to you is that, when any person is handed \$5,000.00 for whatever piece of work -- I do not even see what it could have been, to be worth that amount -- in my opinion, as I stated in my story in UFO Magazine, you are hard pressed to go against the person that is handing you the money. You feel a certain obligation, whether you realize it or not.

I am glad that Bob Oeschler chose to withdraw himself from the UFO community, and investigations. My conversations with Bob are always friendly, and again, as a person, I have no problems with him. But as an investigator, I certainly do have a problem. I think he was more interested in getting himself on television, getting himself recognized, than he was in doing objective and scientific investigations. The Guardian case has been basically proven to be a hoax by a member of the MUFON organization, at least to the satisfaction of most serious investigators.

I've had three or four conversations with Mr. Jeff Sainio, and I can only say that he was basically an unknown until the Gulf Breeze case came along. Then, all of a sudden, Mr. Maccabee has this hidden photographic expert hidden in the wings that will make a revelation to everyone. In talking with Jeff Sainio, it appeared to me that he was extremely jealous of Mr. William G. Hyzer and his son, James, because the statements that he made were totally in left field. Any competent photographic analysis person would never even begin to make some of those statements.

Jeff Sainio wrote a letter to Mr. Hyzer, insinuating that Mr. Hyzer did not have proper equipment, that he did not have this or that. In talking about Jeff Sainio versus William Hyzer, we can use the analogy of an eighth grade student versus a college professor. Mr. Sainio's remarks were totally out of line. Was Jeff Sainio following an agenda? I don't know. He certainly could have been. Mr. Sainio told me on the phone (in a conversation that I have on tape) that, by using second and third generation copies, just like Mr. Hyzer had, he could, just by looking at the photograph (the famous "road shot," #19), see luminosity going down the road. Mr. Hyzer, looking at the same second and third generation copies, could not detect the luminosity with his most sophisticated equipment. You have to ask yourself, who is right, and who is wrong? Who has an ax to grind, and who doesn't?

I could never understand, first of all, how Jeff Sainio could have become the Wisconsin State Director of MUFON, having never investigated a single UFO case. I mentioned something about investigations on the Ed Walters case to him, and he said, "Jerry, I'm not an investigator. I'm just a photographic analysis person."

So how does a person who has never, ever investigated a UFO case become, not a Regional Investigator, not an Assistant State Director, but the State Director for Wisconsin? I do not know if he holds that position now, but he did at that time.

Mr. Sainio mentions in his article, where he berates Mr. Hyzer, that he realizes, of course, that he had originals to work with, and Mr. Hyzer did not. But on the taped conversation with me, he admitted that most of his findings, especially the luminosity, could also be found on second and third generation copies, which he also had.

Really, if he were a professional and a gentleman, he should have stated, "While I did have the originals, I also had second and third generation copies, just like Mr. Hyzer. I found the same evidence that I have reported in the latter generation copies as I did in the originals." That is what he should have said, as a professional. Why didn't he say that to Mr. Hyzer? He

said it to me.

I think that Jeff Sainio has a tremendous amount of resentment that Mr. Hyzer was on this case. Or he was following an agenda. Only he can tell you which is the correct answer. I consider his remarks as bordering on totally ludicrous, even insane, when you realize that Mr. Hyzer had, at that time, around 38 years of experience, and that his son, James, had 20 years of experience, with no ax to grind. So one has to ask, why would Jeff Sainio make those ridiculous remarks? Why would he claim to be able to see luminosity with the naked eye, off the same copies that Mr. Hyzer had, when Mr. Hyzer could not detect it with his sophisticated equipment?

Mr. Budd Hopkins got involved in this case early on. He went down to Gulf Breeze and made statements that were published, I believe, in the 1988 MUFON Symposium papers, stating that he had met Ed Walters, and, as far as he was concerned, the case was very solid. There was no investigation done, just his interview; just him talking to Ed Walters. In my opinion, what Budd Hopkins did on his trip to Gulf Breeze was to mainly let Ed Walters know how to go about publishing a book.

Mr. Budd Hopkins has been an embarrassment and a disgrace to the entire UFO community for years. He does not investigate cases; he reports them. With regard to his book, Intruders, it was not until years later that I realized (and he admitted to this fact) that he had no evidence from medical doctors, whatsoever, that Kathie Davis was ever impregnated, even one time, by extraterrestrials, much less the many times, as he states. The reason given for this was that Kathie Davis said that the medical doctors did not want to be involved. Yet, Budd Hopkins wrote a book about Kathie Davis, with no evidence whatsoever. He should have demanded her medical records. Kathie Davis had a right to demand her medical records from the doctors, even if she had to retain an attorney, which I don't think would have been necessary. She has a right, legally, to those medical documents, that would show that she was pregnant, but later lost a fetus.

Another book written by Budd Hopkins, 'Witnessed', was totally ludicrous. I'm told that even friends of Budd Hopkins are upset with him because of this book.

Budd Hopkins has never met "Richard" or "Dan", featured in 'Witnessed'. He has never met them. The political figure that he alludes to having met at the airport in Chicago states that he was not even present in the area at the time. Budd made no investigation with neighbors, no investigation of whether this political figure would have reason to be at the heliport.

The book, 'Witnessed', reads like a bad, bad soap opera. And Budd wonders why he is being chastised by even some of his friends and supporters. It's because, Budd, people are sick and tired of you not doing your job. All you are interested in is writing books. Your claim, that five million people have been abducted, is totally ridiculous, totally ludicrous. While I'm a believer in the abduction phenomena, there is no way in the world that five million people have been abducted. You are an embarrassment to the UFO community. I hate to say that, because years and years ago I thought you were the top dog. I thought you knew what you were doing. I thought you had covered your buns, that you did thorough investigations of cases. Obviously, you do not. You have become a disgrace to the UFO community. This woman has hoaxed you. There is no doubt that that's the way it has to be. This is not a situation where she could have had a dream at night, and she believes it to be true. This woman, because of the tapes, because of the letters from "Richard" and "Dan", is the hoaxer.

Of course, Budd Hopkins does not believe in the polygraph test. I've heard that from some of his closest friends. Oh, no, Budd, doesn't believe in polygraphs. Well, an army major once very quickly said to me, when I told him that some people in ufology did not believe in polygraphs, "Jerry, sometimes polygraph tests don't sell books."

I realize that a polygraph test cannot be depended on 100 percent, anymore than, as Mr. Hopkins should realize, hypnosis is 100 percent dependable. But these are the only tools we have, and if you give a polygraph test under the proper conditions, where you are telling someone that the gentleman that gives you this test has 20 years experience in administering the tests, you make

them aware that there are certain degrees of passing or failing. You tell them that, if you are border line, or if you do not feel comfortable with that person, we will give you the test again. This is not an entrapment; this is a situation where we are trying to get to the truth. If the polygraph test is presented to a person in that way, they basically should not be able to refuse it. If they do, it should be a sign to you that there is a problem with that case. If it was a national case, and they refused to take a polygraph, I would not even go on with it.

Budd Hopkins, though, for years now, has investigated cases this way, I now know. I don't care what Don Berliner thinks about Mr. Hopkins. I know there is an "Old Boys Club" out there; with Stan Friedman, Budd Hopkins, Don Berliner, Bruce Maccabee, Walt Andrus... None of those guys are going to say anything against the other guy. Well, let me tell you that most UFOlogists are getting tired of the Old Boys Club.

So, Budd, I feel bad in having to make these comments about you. I really do. As I said, I had the most respect for you, some 15 years ago. I kind of looked up to you, and thought you were the main guy in ufology. You're still the main guy in ufology, as far as the news media is concerned. But you're just not doing your job. I don't know if you just want to believe so badly, or if you are doing it for the money -- I don't know what your agenda is. Whatever it is, even your closest friends, I'm told, are saying that the book is ridiculous. There is no basis of proof or investigation for it whatsoever. A couple of witnesses have come forward. One, I think, has since passed away. That will happen with any case. You will always have someone come forward and say, "I was there, I saw," because they want the notoriety, too. Just look at Roswell; look at Ragsdale, look at Anderson. It happens all the time.

I failed to mention something earlier, but I want to mention it now, because it will have some impact later. For the past four and a half years, I have been working on the Gulf Breeze case. But for a year and a half, also, I worked with Tracy Torme on the Travis Walton case. I have also been working very closely with Kodak, regarding the autopsy video.

I mention the Travis Walton case because I'm the one, of course, that sponsored Travis Walton, Alan Dallas, and Mike Rogers for the new polygraph tests. They were administered by Cy Gilson, who polygraphed them back in 1975. I also sponsored the polygraph tests in 1993, which, I believe, were referred to at the end of the movie. I mention this for a purpose. By the way, all three men passed the polygraph tests, and I am a supporter of the Travis Walton case. I do not support, of course, either the autopsy video or Gulf Breeze, so I am supporting one out of the last three of my major investigations.

Two of the biggest culprits in this whole case are Mr. Walt Andrus and Mr. Bruce Maccabee. I'll start this section with talking about Walt Andrus. His treatment of Rex Salisbury, Robert Boyd, and Mr. William G. Hyzer and his son, James, is totally inexcusable. To basically allow Mr. Rex Salisbury to be dismissed from his position, by others than himself, shows a cowardly side of Mr. Andrus, at the least. When I asked Mr. Andrus why he allowed this to be done, he said, "Oh, it's been done before." But in a professional organization, when you hire, you fire. Obviously, though, Walt Andrus did not have the guts to fire him. Yet, after he was dismissed from his position by people in MUFON, in the Gulf Breeze/Pensacola area, he was reminded by Walt Andrus that he still owed Walt a report on the Gulf Breeze case. Personally, I would have told Mr. Walt Andrus to shove his report. Of course, though, Rex is much more of a gentleman, I guess, than I am, because he chose to go ahead and finish the work that he was asked to do. Of course, he got no thanks for it whatsoever.

It was obvious to me, early on, that Walt Andrus had no intention of changing his mind on Gulf Breeze. Walt Andrus, as an investigator, just like Budd Hopkins, is an embarrassment to the field of ufology. I admire Mr. Andrus for his ability as an administrator, and for his ability to hold the MUFON organization together, through the lean years of the late 70s and early 80s. For that, I give him all the credit in the world. But as an objective and scientific UFO investigator, he is a complete failure. I can only say, in thinking about a picture I saw of him on the cover of the MUFON Journal some years ago, that kneeling

in a crop circle over in England does not make one a UFO investigator. MUFON will never be held in the esteem it was before the Gulf Breeze case started.

A friend of mine mentioned to me, regarding Gulf Breeze, that in the Journal some years ago, Walt said that they had doubled their membership since that case, I guess from 1987 to 1992. He said, in this message from the director, "We must be doing something right." No, Mr. Andrus, you did not do anything right. What you did do, was you stooped to low tabloid-type journalism stories, to get your name out on the television networks with this absurd Gulf Breeze case, and that's how you increased your membership. You compromised your integrity to bolster your membership. Believe me, there are a lot of people out there in the UFO field that are aware of this.

One interesting thing is that Mr. Ray Fowler is supposed to be the Director of Investigations for MUFON, or at least that is what I was told. Yet, through all of the hundreds and hundreds of papers written on the Gulf Breeze case, his name is never mentioned. You would think that the Director of Investigations would be involved in a high-profile case that was investigated by MUFON for four to five years, and possibly longer. You would think he would be in charge of that investigation. I'm not sure if he was there in 1987, but I know he was there in the early 90s. You would think he would be the man leading that investigation...

Mr. Andrus, I know of at least three members of you board (at least three) who do not believe the Ed Walters/Gulf Breeze case is a good case. They believe it to be a hoax. I have never seen their names mentioned in your MUFON Journals, that a friend of mine receives, and always lets me know if there is anything there that should be brought to my attention.

You, Mr. Andrus, were following an agenda. When your investigators ran with the case, you did nothing better than run with the case, yourself. You embarrassed a senior investigator, Mr. Robert Boyd, who saw problems with the case early on, by not taking his advice, but instead taking the advice of junior rookie investigators, Charles Flannigan, Don Ware, and Art Hufford. You took their advice over that of a senior investigator of 15 years, which is completely inexcusable. I talked to Robert Boyd on a couple of occasions. It was clear, from the beginning, that you were not going to change your mind about Gulf Breeze, no matter what evidence was given to you. This was contrary to the statement you made, that, given evidence that would show this case to be a hoax, you would reopen the investigation. Well, now you have the model, as one major lie of Ed Walters. I challenge you to call the Thomas family on that.

Mr. Hyzer would not have even been involved in this case, if it were up to you. Early on, in taped conversations, I suggested that you get an independent photographic analysis person. Where were you going to find one? You asked how you were going to get hold of one. Well, you have quite a few resources that I do not, correct Mr. Andrus? So how was I able to come up with a photographic expert, from my home in Blanchester, Ohio, without coming down to Gulf Breeze, without leaving my house, and you supposedly could not find one, with all of the resources and professional people you are connected to. I found one of the top ten photographic analysis people and his son without leaving my home. You did not want to find one, Mr. Andrus.

I had found Mr. Hyzer, and in our phone conversation, which was taped, I requested that you send him some copies of the photographs, which I assumed would be originals. I told you that I had found Mr. Hyzer, and that I had secured his services for you, for free -- he waived his \$200.00 per hour fee -- and you did not return my call for three weeks. So I called you back, and asked if you were going to send some photographs to Mr. Hyzer. I had already sent you the background information on him, which, by the way, reads like that of a top corporate executive. Anyway, your reply to me was that you had a Journal to get out. You were very busy; you were going to try to get around to it, but you were very busy. So I took the liberty, at that time, to make a statement to you -- a very true statement -- but I knew how you would take it. I told you that I had sent Mr. Hyzer a Journal, in which there were some reproductions of some of Ed Walters' earlier pictures. I told you that Mr. Hyzer had said to me that he could not tell by looking at these pictures in the Journal

that the photographs were a hoax. Mr. Hyzer did truly make this statement. Right away, you said, "Oh really? That's strange, because Dr. Willy Smith said he could tell just by looking at them." I said, "Well, I'm just telling you what Mr. Hyzer said, Mr. Andrus."

I received a call within 48 hours from Mr. William G. Hyzer. He said that he had received, by air mail express, ten second and third generation copies, just that quickly. So obviously my comments to you worked, because the minute you thought that Mr. Hyzer was a person who may side with you on these photographs, simply because of the statement I had made, he got the photographs that quickly. However, I noticed that he did not get originals. It was your job, Mr. Andrus, to see that he got originals, so he could be treated as fairly as, earlier, Mr. Bruce Maccabee had been, and as, later, Mr. Jeff Sainio was. But you did not see to that. You sent him second and third generation copies.

But, boy, you sent them out air mail express, the same day, because you thought, from the remark I had made to you, that Mr. Hyzer was going to be siding with Bruce Maccabee. You thought, because he could not see anything with the naked eye, that his instruments would not see anything, which was not true at all. You cannot tell anything, by simply looking, especially in a night time photograph. You have to apply the different tests to it.

Your treatment of Mr. Hyzer, a highly-ranked professional, after his first report, was totally embarrassing to me, as the person who brought him to you. Your treatment of him was disgraceful. You did not answer his letters, his requests for original photographs were ignored. Your lack of professionalism, not only in the UFO field, but as one person to another, was clearly shown. As I said, you are an embarrassment and a disgrace to the UFO community. You were given, at no charge, access to one of the top ten photo analysts, and this is the way you treated that person, because you, sir, had an agenda. You sir, let the case get out of hand, and you were not a big enough person to say, "I made a mistake, we've got to change our attitude. We've got to let this analysis go through with Mr. Hyzer, and let the chips fall where they may." You were not about to do that. You did not have the courage to admit you made a mistake.

Mr. Hyzer never gave me any copies of any letters that were sent to him by Bruce Maccabee or Charles Flannigan. Yet, you were told by me, at least twice, on tape, that Mr. Hyzer was not going to respond to Bruce Maccabee, to Jeff Sainio, to Charles Flannigan, to anybody, but you and Rex Salisberry. I guess, evidently, either you did not follow through on that, or your people are hard of hearing. Bruce Maccabee sent letters to Mr. Hyzer. He told me about them, but did not tell me the contents. Charles Flannigan had even sent a letter, and Jeff Sainio, I guess, sent him letters.

The only time any letter was specifically mentioned was one he received from Charles Flannigan -- and I'll address this question to Mr. Flannigan, because I would like to know what he meant. He said to me that, after the initial preliminary report, wherein he said all of the photographs showed signs of double exposure, but it was not conclusive, he received a letter from Charles Flannigan that he did not understand. I asked him what about it he did not understand. He did not want to make me privy to the content of the letter, but he did tell me one sentence. He asked, "What does Mr. Flannigan mean, when he says that I don't understand the whole story?" He asked me, "Jerry, what am I supposed to understand here? I'm just doing some photographic analysis work. What does Mr. Flannigan mean when he says to me that I don't understand the whole story?"

So Mr. Flannigan, I'll put that question to you: What did you mean when you said to Mr. Hyzer that he did not understand the whole story? What other whole story should he have known? You were told, I thought, not to write to him, not to bother him, as was Bruce Maccabee supposedly told, and as was Jeff Sainio, as I said. Are you people deaf?

Thanks to you, Mr. Walt Andrus, Mr. Hyzer, as he mentioned in a letter to you, I think, and to Jeff Sainio, will not involve himself with any more UFO videos or photographs. Thanks to you, sir, because of your rudeness in the way you treated him. Yes,



thanks to you, ufology has lost a top-notch photographic expert, someone who could lend some credibility to our field.

I have no respect for you, Mr. Andrus. You should resign from the position you have at MUFON, turn it over to someone else, and take over administrative duties. You have even been hyping the Linda Cortile case, for years, at your conventions, basically just because you and Budd Hopkins are so "buddy-buddy." My own father could be like Budd Hopkins, in reporting the kind of trash that he does, and I would tell him, to his face, that his reporting was trash. I would ask him, "Where is the evidence? Where is the proof?"

Allow me to pass on another tid-bit of information that you may not be aware of... While I cannot state whether this is first-hand or second-hand information, because the source does not want to be acknowledged, during the time of the "Believer Jane" and "Believer Bill" photographs (and I will discuss them, and the copyrights on them, later), which was earlier on in the case, Mr. Ed Walters visited offices of The Sentinel newspaper, seeing Duane Cook, at least three or four times a week. According to my most reliable source, during those visits, sometimes behind closed doors, sometimes with the doors wide open, there was always continual laughter between Duane Cook and Ed Walters. Mr. Duane Cook was in on this thing very shortly after Ed acknowledged that he was the one that had taken the pictures. Mr. Cook either got in on it at that time, or he was in on it from the very beginning. I perceive it to be that he got in on it after Ed Walters admitted that he was the photographer. Nonetheless, he knew early on. This person, this witness, who should know, states to me that there was continual laughter, week after week, between these two, as Ed appeared at the office several times each week.

Now this man, Ed Walters, was supposedly picked up with a blue beam of light from a UFO, dropped to the ground, and terrified. Is this the way a man in that position would act? I don't think so.

So there's another tid-bit of information for you, Mr. Andrus, that you never bothered to follow up on. I took the time to check it out, during my own four and a half years of investigating the case. I took my time to check on details, to check with people who were in a position to observe.

Peter Newman told you guys early on that Ed Walters double-exposed photographs for kids, playing hoax with them. Did you bother to go back and check on that? I asked you to. I can assure that you did not -- because you didn't want to. Peter Newman stated, early in 1987, that Ed Walters had told him that he double-exposed Polaroid photographs, playing with the kids. Yet Ed Walters consistently denied to you that he knew how to double-expose Polaroid film.

You never really listened, Mr. Andrus. You didn't have the courage, or the guts, to change your mind, when you should have realized this case was a hoax. Anybody, a kid in school, would have realized this case was a hoax early on. I feel sorry for Robert Boyd, for the time he put in on this. There is much more I could say about you, Mr. Andrus, but I don't want to press the point any further.

The last person on the list is probably the biggest culprit in the whole case. For Mr. Bruce Maccabee to have the audacity to co-author a book with Ed Walters is unbelievable.

Bruce Maccabee has tried to wear many, many different hats during this investigation.

He tried to pretend he was a UFO investigator -- in which he failed. He tried to pretend he was a photographic analyst. We now know (thanks to Mr. Hyzer and his son) that Bruce Maccabee and Jeff Sainio do not even begin to qualify as professional photographic analysts. We have proven that now. Of course, they may have been following an agenda of their own.

Mr. Maccabee also tried to wear the hat of a talent professional, in the acting field. He believes that no one could "act" like Ed Walters did, in the video allegedly taken by Duane Cook, showing Ed going crazy before he saw this UFO (that nobody else saw). When I mentioned something about this in a letter to

Mr. Maccabee, he said he could understand where this could have possibly been set up, except for the tremendous "acting" ability of Ed Walters -- no one could "act" that well! No one was that good of an actor, unless they were a professional. I assume that's what he meant. So, on that basis alone, he assumes that Ed Walters is telling the truth.

Mr. Maccabee, so far as I know, you are not a professional talent scout, or a director, and are not qualified to judge anything like the above. Anybody could act like that for a short period of time, sir. You, too, are an embarrassment and a disgrace to the UFO community.

I assume, Bruce, that you're still with the Fund for UFO Research (FUFOR). You shouldn't be. I don't think anyone there has the guts to kick you out of FUFOR, as they should -- any more than Walt Andrus has the courage to kick you out of MUFON.

Mr. Hyzer clearly demonstrated to us that you, Mr. Maccabee, have no talent, whatsoever, as a photographic analyst. So, to write in this new book, that it can't be a flare, because of this or that -- you can use all of the high technology terms at your disposal, but it makes no difference, because Mr. Hyzer has shown us that you don't have an ounce of true ability in your body to analyze such photographs. Even Rex Salisbury, who does not claim to be a photo analyst, compelled you to change your figures on the "road shot" (#19) by 100 percent. You had to change your figures drastically, and I'm sure that was an embarrassment to you.

Your audacity, in recently sending a six-page letter to Jim Mosely berating Rex Salisbury for his part in the case demonstrates your lack of integrity. You didn't have the fortitude, the guts, to send that letter to Rex, personally, disputing his findings. Why don't you send it to me? I'll be happy to respond to it.

Mr. Maccabee, you also recently lied to Ms. Barbara Becker, about Mr. Hyzer. When she confronted you with the issue of why Mr. Hyzer never received the original photographs, you stated that it was "because he wanted them in such a hurry." You, sir, are a liar. I told Barbara Becker that, she e-mailed you back that response, and you decided to change your mind, saying that you didn't really know what happened. This was another lie, Mr. Maccabee. You know why he never got the originals, as well as I do. Ed Walters did not want anyone like Mr. Hyzer, an objective person, that Ed didn't have in his back pocket, to receive any original copies.

I still wish you would tell us, Mr. Maccabee, what the fee was that Ed Walters gave you in December of 1989 (according to the post card that I have from Ed Walters), besides the \$20,000.00 that you got for your chapter in the book. You could have, I imagine, just about bought a home for what you got in December of 1989, plus what you got for your "work" in the book. This whole issue of the money tells us that you were not in a position to be truly objective in regard to this case.

There are so many things in this case, Mr. Maccabee, that as an intelligent person, someone with a college education, like yourself, should have given you cause to just stop and say, "wait a minute." You should have thought to yourself, "Stop, another red flag," but you did not. So I have to assume one of three things: 1) Either you were following an agenda, set by Mr. Walt Andrus; 2) you were following a financial agenda, set by Ed Walters and yourself; or, 3) you are completely, totally, incompetent. That's all I can make out of this.

You were told, just as was Walt Andrus, about Peter Newman. You assured us that he was mistaken. That's what you said, "He's mistaken."

Well, is this other witness that I know of mistaken about the laughter and carnival atmosphere that went on in the offices of The Sentinel between Ed Walters and Duane Cook? Are Mr. and Mrs. Thomas mistaken about the fact that the model was not for their house plans?

What about the excellent work done by Barbara Becker on the copyrights? Ed Walters copyrighted the "Believer Jane" and "Believer Bill" photographs in his book. He tried to lie to

Barbara Becker, telling her that permission was given to him by Duane Cook, and then that permission was given to him by somebody else.

Barbara Becker did a tremendous job, in checking with attorneys in the copyright field. You cannot legally do what Ed said he did. No one could have given him permission to use those photographs in his book, except the persons who were, in fact, "Believer Bill" and "Believer Jane."

Now do you think that any book publisher is going to publish a book, taking the chance to be sued by someone coming forward, claiming ownership of the photographs? The very real possibility, if what Ed was saying was true, was that the true "authors" of those photographs could come forward saying, "Hey these are my pictures. This gentleman didn't have the right to copyright them." You better believe that Ed Walters was asked by the publisher if all of the photographs which he copyrighted (including the "Believer" photographs) were taken by him. He would have had to respond with the word, "Yes," or they would have never published them in the book. So, before the book, The Gulf Breeze Sightings, was actually published, the publisher knew that this was a hoax, because they knew that Ed Walters had taken the "Believer Jane" and "Believer Bill" photographs. By copyrighting them, as he has done, he has basically admitted, to everyone, that he was the photographer.

To get back to you, Bruce Maccabee, you should do what your friend, Bob Oeschler, did, and retire from ufology . So many of the things in this case are your fault, like the Nimslo sealed camera. You made an analysis of ten photographs, and yourself said that you thought the object was only 40 inches long, and 40 feet from the camera. Yet that just slides by. Ed Walters said that it must have been a mother ship, that everybody in Gulf Breeze should have seen it. Did that give you pause? Did you think, "Now wait a minute, these are pictures that Ed Walters never saw before he handed them to us. How could he make a statement like that?"

Do you know what your good friend, Jeff Sainio, had to say about that situation when I approached him with it on the phone? He said, "Didn't you know, Jerry? Ed Walters doesn't know what a mother ship is." To which I said, "You've got to be kidding me, Jeff." He said that it must have been a mother ship -- that everybody in Gulf Breeze should have seen it. How the hell could everybody in Gulf Breeze have seen a 40-inch object?

In regard to the Gulf Breeze sightings of "Bubba," the light in the sky, I can only say that I am extremely tired of reading articles by Blan Pugh. I have never seen anyone write so much trash as this man has in four years. How could an intelligent person say, "Well a characteristic of this large UFO we see is that, just before it takes off, it drops off a piece of itself." Does that make any sense at all? I notice that the object doesn't just disappear and go off into the sky. It goes out -- like a flare goes out -- after 15 minutes or so. Everything it does is consistent with a flare, like pieces of burning material dropping off of it.

Bruce Morrison sits on the beach taking pictures of this thing. He gets on television saying, "Wow, look at that! I got a good picture of that!" He says, "I don't know what it is, but I know what it isn't." Well, I'm sorry, Mr. Morrison, but you do not know what it is, and you do not know "what it isn't." You do not know that it is not a flare.

In this new book, Mr. Maccabee, you state that Bubba is definitely not a flare. What are those pieces of material falling off of the object? Is this some kind of signal that it's getting ready to take off? Is that what we are supposed to believe, Mr. Maccabee? I have video tapes of "Bubba." These falling pieces are burning material, a piece of the flare, that, in all likelihood, Ed Walters had put up there, or put up there himself. Obviously your analysis, that it cannot be a flare, because of this or that, is null and void, because you, we now know, are not a real photographic expert. Mr. Hyzer has proven that. Mr. Hyzer could probably destroy your analysis, if he would take the time to do it. We cannot even pay him to take an unbiased look at anything to do with the subject anymore, though, because of his treatment by people at MUFON.

All of you people, including you, Mr. Maccabee, sat down there for two or three years, around 1992 and 1993, watching "Bubba." By Blanton Pugh's account in your book, on page 227, he says that almost every time a major television station came into town to do a story, Bubba appeared. If it appeared every time, by the second time, you should have had a helicopter in reserve, ready to be put into the air to investigate the object. If that wasn't feasible, then the least you could have done was have a motorboat ready, so that the minute Bubba appeared, instead of standing on the beach or the bridge -- so you could get yourself on television -- you could have gotten yourself out there on the ocean. You could have gotten underneath that object, to get a closer view and photographs. Did any of you guys, Mr. Maccabee, Mr. Andrus, Mr. Flannigan, and others, ever do that? No. None of you really investigated it.

In Middletown, Ohio, on Independence Day, there was a red light object seen. It turned out to be a flare attached to a balloon. A pilot was asked to vector in and check on it. Why couldn't you guys, with your resources, if you couldn't have gotten a plane or a helicopter that quickly, at least had a boat ready to get out underneath this object? I can tell from the videos of the object that it was fairly close. Why couldn't you guys have gotten into a boat, gotten underneath this object, taken some good photographs, and probably even recovered some of the material that was being dropped every time that it was seen? None of you guys tried to do that, because you didn't really want to find out what it was.

Ed Walters has been a liar about the Gulf Breeze case from the beginning. We will expose Mr. Ed Walters for exactly what he is, one of the biggest -- not the best, by far, because he has made so many mistakes -- hoaxers in this century. Again, I say, not the best, but the biggest. And that's only because you guys made it the biggest.

I mentioned to you earlier that I had been involved in the Travis Walton case. My challenge -- and please pass this along to Mr. Ed Walters -- is that I challenge Ed to take a polygraph test, sponsored by me, given by Mr. Cy Gilson, the polygraph operator who passed Dallas and Rogers in 1993.

If Ed Walters goes to Arizona and takes the test, I will reimburse him for his flight there, for his lodging, and for his meals, once he takes the test. The questions will be provided, just as they were for Travis, by me, reworded by Mr. Gilson, and we will await Mr. Gilson's report. Cy Gilson uses the Utah Computer-Aided Polygraph System, one of the most sophisticated systems now available to polygraph experts.

If I don't hear from Ed Walters, or any of you in his behalf, within 30 days of your receipt of this tape, I will assume that this challenge has been refused.

I also make the same challenge to Mr. Budd Hopkins, for Linda Cortile. I will have Mr. Gilson make himself available to Linda. She can fly herself there and back, then give me all of the receipts for her fare, expenses, lodging, and meals. I will personally reimburse her for those expenses, once she completes the test. Again, I will be in charge of the tests. I will supply the questions, and they will be re-worded, as necessary, by Mr. Gilson. As in my challenge to Ed, I will give Mr. Hopkins 30 days to respond. If he does not, I will assume that request also has been denied.

So again, I am totally embarrassed, as a ufologist, by all of you gentlemen that this is directed to. It would be great if only one of you that is receiving this tape would write to me and say, "Hey, I realize I've made mistakes." I don't expect it from Budd Hopkins, I don't expect it from Bruce Maccabee, or from Walt Andrus.

It would be nice, though, if one of the junior investigators would come forward and admit that they had really screwed up -- even if it was sent to me anonymously. It would be nice to know that at least one person involved in this affair had some common sense, after ten years, to admit that a tragic mistake was made on coverage of the Gulf Breeze case.

Recently, on national radio, Mr. Walt Andrus has been heard asserting the fact that aliens are interbreeding with humans,

even though a medical doctor, who belonged to MUFON, but passed away some two and a half years ago, spent 20 years researching that scenario, and could not come up with one provable case.

Why, then, was Mr. Andrus doing this? Because of his good friend, Budd Hopkins. Again, a miscalculation in judgment, certainly, on Mr. Walt Andrus' part.

I would also like to mention that Mr. Bruce Maccabee has supported, on national television, the Guardian case. There again, because his good friend, Mr. Bob Oeschler, was the investigator on that case.

In closing, one of the saddest side effects of this whole story of Ed Walters and the hoax he has perpetrated upon ufology for the last ten years, is that hundreds and hundreds of people, particularly in the late 1980s and early 1990s, have sent letters to him, talking about UFO experiences. They have described to him experiences that they perhaps never even discussed with their own families. They poured open their hearts to Mr. Walters, in lengthy letters, describing UFO abductions, or UFO close encounters that they had experienced in past years, feeling that Ed Walters was someone who could relate to those experiences. They did not realize that Ed Walters has probably never in his lifetime seen a true UFO, and never in his lifetime ever been abducted. That is one of the most tragic events in this whole sordid affair.

Gentlemen, the blame is laid at your feet. The reason that ufology has not moved forward is laid at your feet.

Have a good evening.

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P.S. Mr. Bruce Maccabee and Mr. Budd Hopkins did not respond to my challenge.

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TWIN UFOs SIGHTED ALL  
AROUND FLORIDA

UFO sightings peaked in Florida last week with reports coming in from all over the state.

On Monday, March 2, 1998, at 12:50 p.m., Don Rash was driving his daughter to her job at the Circle K convenience store in Pensacola Beach (population 4,000), a seaside town on the Florida panhandle. As he drove home to Gulf Breeze, six miles (10 kilometers) to the north, "he suddenly looked up into the clouds and blue sky and saw a huge, silver, saucer-shaped object...Don described the object as being the size of a quarter at arm's length."

The saucer "turned up on its side" for a few seconds, then "it disappeared 'as fast as lightning.'" He estimated the object to be at 10 o'clock (i.e. about 75 degrees azimuth--J.T.) and to be over the famous Shoreline Park in Gulf Breeze." (Many thanks to Vicki Lyons for this report.)

On Friday, March 6, 1998, a Cub Scout patrol and their two adult advisers were camped out near Titusville (population 39,394) and Cape Canaveral. While the boys slept, the two adults sat up to watch the fire and talk.

At 11 p.m., one of the men reported, "I saw something in the sky and assumed it was a plane with just one headlight on. As it got closer, I realized that it was going at an incredible rate of speed, and that the object didn't 'go away' as the angle of my view changed...It kept going in a northerly track..."

"Bob said, 'Did you see that?'"

"'Go get your binoculars. This is the strangest thing I've ever seen.'"

While Bob went to fetch the binoculars, the witness continued to observe the UFO. "I noticed that it seemed to be changing direction," he reported, "It got many miles north of us and did make a U-turn and come back in a southerly direction."

Taking the binoculars, he "looked at it, and it rotated a little--enough for me to see five lights...The lights that I saw were sort of in a V position...It stayed totally illuminated the entire time...It made no sound and we were able to hear for miles and miles."

The flap went into high gear the following day, Saturday, March 7, when the twin UFOs were seen in several cities on both Florida coasts.

At 6:45 p.m., Craig W. and his wife were driving on Periwinkle Way on Sanibel, an offshore island in the Gulf of Mexico when they "caught a glimpse of two fuzzy, silver-white objects, rounded or perhaps spherical, and each trailing a fan-shaped whitish" contrail. "They looked a lot like the recent (Hale-Bopp)

comet would have if it were brighter."

Further north, in Tampa (population 280,015), a large city 273 miles (437 kilometers) northwest of Miami, Joseph Murgia, his wife and 12 other employees at the City of Tampa cable TV access station spotted "two white lights."

"At first they stayed together," Murgia reported, "as if they were mounted on the wing of a plane... Then, to our mild surprise, they broke off and separated. About 15 seconds later, they both 'faded' out within seconds of each other. At arm's length, they were about the size of a tennis ball. They made no sound..."

Also at 6:45 p.m., in Okeechobee (population 4,943), on Highway 441 about 125 miles (200 kilometers) northwest of Miami, Danny Oakes, a pilot with the Confederate Air Force stunt team, "witnessed two brightly lighted objects approaching his location (on the north shore of Lake Okeechobee--J.T.) from the southwest at an extremely high velocity. The objects appeared...to slow suddenly, after which one of the objects 'shot off' and then returned to its position beside the other object. Then both objects appeared to go straight up into the atmosphere and disappeared."

In Fort Myers (population 45,206), approximately 129 miles (206 kilometers) south of Tampa, Dr. James Acker, a cardiologist from Knoxville, Tennessee who's vacationing in Florida, "was driving north on Fiddlesticks Boulevard...approximately one mile from the local airport when the (Acker) party witnessed two objects moving across the sky in formation for an estimated 15 to 20 seconds (i.e. an estimated speed of between 720 and 960 miles per hour--J.T.). Both of the objects, he reported, appeared to be bright white lights, and each of them appeared to have a 'halo' around the center core of the lights." Dr. Acker also reported that the objects had a "tail" resembling "a comet in space."

Also at 6:45 p.m., in Vero Beach (population 17,350), a city on the Atlantic Ocean coast about 152 miles (243 kilometers) north of Miami, a witness reported "two bright lights moving towards us, one lower than the other. One turned and disappeared, leaving an illuminated doughnut ring. Then the other light did the exact same thing."

At 6:50 p.m., two witnesses in Lehigh Acres, Fla. (population 13,611), on Highway 884 about 15 miles (25 kilometers) east of Fort Myers, saw "two glowing fireball objects with a huge afterglow spread out behind them" while they were "traveling east on 23rd Street in Lehigh Acres and then north on Beth Stacy Boulevard." The UFOs were "observed traveling southeast...The object on the left was higher than the one on the right. About two minutes after the objects were spotted, the one on the left faded out for about two seconds but the afterglow remained."

Also at 6:50 p.m., a couple in Island Park in Sarasota (population 50,961), a city on the Gulf coast 45 miles (72 kilometers) south of Tampa, reported an "object coming from the southeast at twilight, sky very clear and not yet dark. Object was white with a small white core came moving towards us...It moved steadily toward the northwest and seemed to dissolve."

At 6:55 p.m., witnesses in Punta Gorda, Fla. (population 10,747), located 23 miles (37 kilometers) east of Fort Myers, reported "two brightly-glowing, disk-shaped objects at about 100 degrees magnetic and 40 to 50 degrees above the horizon. Relationship to each other was line-abreast formation. Movement was extremely slow and turned to the east."

At 7 p.m., six adults sitting on a lanai in Port Charlotte, Fla. (population 41,535) located 28 miles (45 kilometers) north of Fort Myers, "observed two bright lights about five finger-breadths apart moving erratically" through the sky.

The National UFO Reporting Center in Seattle also received calls from witnesses in Bonita Springs, Sarasota Springs and St. Petersburg.

On Sunday, March 8, WINK-TV in Fort Myers aired an amateur video of the two UFOs on its 6 p.m. news broadcast. (See Florida Today for March 11, 1998, "Viewers Treated to Eerie Sky Show." Many thanks to Peter B. Davenport of the National

UFO Reporting Center, George A. Filer of MUFON, Vicki Lyons, Joseph Murgia, Courtland Lewis and others for these reports.)

#### UFO FLIGHT OVER BERMUDA STARTLES RESIDENTS

On Saturday, March 7, 1998, the same evening the two UFOs appeared in southwestern Florida, a similar glowing UFO was seen in Bermuda.

Bermuda is an island in the Atlantic Ocean approximately 650 miles (1,040 kilometers) northeast of Titusville, Florida.

The majority of the sightings were reported on the south side of the island, in Warwick, Smiths, Devonshire and Paget. One witness described the object as "a red light traveling east."

Dozens of witnesses telephoned the police and reported "mysterious lights hovering over the island" between 7:45 and 8 p.m., local time.

"Eyewitness Jean Plath was driving down Middle Road when she saw the lights."

"'It was huge, big as a stadium arena light,' Mrs. Plath said, 'At first it looked like a helicopter with a searchlight. I couldn't say how high up it was, but it wasn't that high. It was really white and had a shaft (of light) coming down.'"

"' Then it just evaporated. It turned into two hazy lights and took off into the air. Then something even stranger happened. I looked across the street, and there was this sort of pink haze everywhere, like a mist."

On March 9, the Bermuda sighting was attributed to a missile test, the launch of two D-25 missiles from the Trident submarine USS West Virginia. (See the Royal Gazette of Bermuda for March 9, 1998, "Inhabitants Jarred Over UFO Sighting," and March 10, 1998, "UFO Lights Caused by US Missile Launch." Many thanks to Jay in Hamilton for these news stories.)

#### ANOTHER HORSE MUTILATED NEAR ALAMOSA, COLORADO

On Thursday, March 5, 1998, Skip, a six-year-old white gelding belonging to rancher Kim Miller of Sanford, Colorado, was found dead and mutilated in a pasture near the Rio Grande River, located 10 miles (16 kilometers) south of Alamosa.

The horse, one of a herd of 16, was found lying on its left side and "missing the flesh around the left mandible, the genitalia and the right ear."

Miller and his 19-year-old son made the gruesome discovery early that morning. The son reported that "fifty eagles were flying around like swallows."

On Friday, March 6, 1998, at 10 a.m., author/investigator Christopher O'Brien met the Millers in Alamosa and drove out to the crime scene for an on-site investigation.

O'Brien described the scene as a field of "chimisia, sage and alkali flats." As they arrived, fifteen agitated horses crowded the truck, momentarily preventing them from reaching the crime scene.

"I've been running them out in this field for three years," Miller said, "and they've never acted like this before...they're trying to tell us something."

O'Brien carefully examined Skip's carcass. He reported, "The ear was removed in a three-inch (6 centimeter) diameter circle. The horse also had a 'baseball-sized hole in the brisket.' The carcass exhibited apparent evidence of being killed by proficient professionals. The softball-sized brisket hole was especially impressive. A 12-inch (24-centimeter) plug of heart/muscle had been completely removed without a single spilled drop of blood."

"The horse's winter coat, about two-and-a-half inches (5 centimeters) in length, had been cut to one-eighth of an inch (0.25 centimeters) around the upper muzzle portion of the mandible excision."

Strangest of all was the absence of tracks, including Skip's hoofprints, at the crime scene.



O'Brien noted that the ground consists of fluffy white alkali, which displays tracks very well.

"You could throw a pen out there and see it," said Miller, an expert hunting guide.

O'Brien collected three tissue and blood samples from the remains, which will be evaluated by the Rocky Ford state pathology laboratory, a veterinary pathology lab and a hematologist in Denver. (Many thanks to Chris O'Brien, author of THE MYSTERIOUS VALLEY, for this report.)

#### MORE UFOs SIGHTED IN WESTERN COLORADO

UFOs were sighted in western Colorado last week, east of Grand Junction.

On Monday, March 2, 1998, at about 2 a.m., William R., who was "awake due to some back pain" heard his dogs whining at his home in Cedaredge, Colo. (population 1,380), a town on Highway 65 about 15 miles (25 kilometers) east of Delta.

"He went out on the back porch to see what was bothering them. To his surprise, his dogs were looking into the sky."

"Above Cedaredge were seven objects that appeared to be 1,000 feet (300 meters) up in the air. stationary, soundless and quite large, with bright multi-colored lights on them, 'like Christmas lights.'

He described the UFOs as "built like an octagon" and "all had white colored lights but one, which had amber-colored lights. One object was located over the school, another over the golf course, another over a county road and the rest in various locations" around Cedaredge. He then woke up his elderly mother and they watched the UFOs until about 3 a.m. (Many thanks to ufologist Davina Ryszka for this news story.)

On Friday, March 6, 1998, at 10 p.m., Chip Sierra was at his home on the Ruedi Reservoir near Basalt, Colo. (population 1,128) when he spied a UFO in the night sky.

Basalt is just off Highway 82 about 25 miles (40 kilometers) southeast of Glenwood Springs.

Chip reported that the UFO "first appeared in the southern sky and then moved to the southeast" and was "20 degrees above the horizon." He added, "It was perhaps two or three times the diameter and brightness of Jupiter. Or just smaller than the size of a pencil eraser held at arm's length."

He described the UFO as "a fireball" of a bright white color that was "pretty well defined against the dark night sky. I only saw it for a minute before it dropped behind the mountain." (Email Interview)

#### GREEN FIREBALL CAUSES STIR IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

On Sunday, March 8, 1998, at about 6 p.m., a bright green fireball appeared over Placerville, California (population 8,355), a small city on Highway 50 about 44 miles (70 kilometers) east of Sacramento.

Minutes later, the fireball hovered in the sky over Sacramento, the state capital. Motorists stopped their cars on San Juan Road and Del Paso Road in the west end of the city to observe the phenomenon.

"Traffic on Interstate (Highway) 80 between Davis and Dixon slowed to a halt as motorists stopped to watch the fireball. Many drivers swamped the California Highway Patrol with phone calls, but the control tower at Sacramento (Metropolitan) airport insisted no planes were missing."

Sacramento (population 369,365) is 91 miles (145 kilometers) east of San Francisco.

In Monterey (population 31,954), located 125 miles (200 kilometers) south of San Francisco, witnesses reported the green fireball hovering over the bay.

"The (U.S.) Coast Guard contacted Griffith Observatory in Los Angeles, which confirmed that it was a big meteor shower."

Coast Guard spokesman Lt. Alan Tubbs said,

"It was just getting dark and everybody was facing this direction just as the sun was coming down. It was the king of all meteor showers." (See the San Jose Mercury News for March 9, 1998, "Meteor Shower Stalls Traffic Near Sacramento." Many thanks to Arnold Veness for forwarding this news story.)

CAVALLARI SNAPS FOUR NEW  
UFO PHOTOS IN BROOKLYN

On Sunday, March 1, 1998, at 11:50 a.m., Alex Cavallari "was waiting for some people to arrive" at his home in the Sheepshead Bay section of Brooklyn, a borough of New York City, and decided to go out on the front porch.

"While I was waiting, I was looking at the clouds in the sky and noticed a cigar-shaped UFO. The object was first seen near the perimeter of a cloud formation."

Getting his Minolta camera from the house, Alex "went back to looking at the cloud formation...and I noticed the object exiting the the cloud...There was a small clear (patch of) sky near where the object was exiting, and it (the UFO) appeared to be heading toward another cloud formation."

While the object was in clear blue sky, Alex took four pictures with his camera.

"As I was taking a picture, I saw a very bright object of white light in the vicinity. It appeared a little like a fireworks rocket exploding. There was no sound and the flash was very bright. The flash looked like a point of white light exploding into very small white lights."

"I then saw what appeared to be spheres/orbs," he added, "White colored dots all over the sky. The spheres/orbs disappeared in about five seconds."

"I was looking around and noticed the cigar-shaped UFO in the north, exiting a cloud formation. It was entering clear sky, so I took a few more pictures." He estimated the cigar-shaped UFO to be at an altitude of "10,000 feet at 60 to 70 degrees above the horizon." (Many thanks to Alex Cavallari for this report. Alex is also a ham radio enthusiast and can be reached at KB2NYV.)

NEW JERSEY MAN SAYS  
TRIANGULAR UFOs ARE  
ACTIVE ALONG THE SHORE

Reports continue to pour in about UFO activity along New Jersey's Atlantic Ocean shore following the recent sightings in the Toms River area.

Michael A., who lives in Eatontown, N.J. (population 13,800), located 20 miles (32 kilometers) north of Toms River, says his community has been visited by UFOs "for the past ten months."

According to Mike, he, his girlfriend and Paul D., another resident, have seen "many strange craft in both Monmouth and Ocean counties. We have seen craft hovering over the CECOM Building, located in Tinton Falls, N.J. (population 12,361) thirty miles north of Toms River, also over top of the Electronic Weapons and Night Vision Development building, and over top of the Pulse power station."

Mike also claims to "have seen in my area triangular craft flying low overhead from the east towards the west, observed over the Earle Naval Weapons base in Colts Neck, N.J. They have been seen moving east towards the ocean along the Navasink and Shrewsbury Rivers."

On two occasions, Mike and his friends "saw a round band of flourescent blue light on the underbelly of one of the hovering craft directly over the Gardern State Parkway (New Jersey Route 9) and it was clearly a triangular craft." (Email Interview)

UTAH MAILMEN SPOT GIANT  
UFO OVER GREAT SALT LAKE

On February 26, 1998, at 1:05 a.m., postal workers Timothy N. and Samuel W. were driving to work on

Interstate Highway 89 about 20 miles (32 kilometers) north of Salt Lake City when they spied a UFO.

The men saw the UFO as they were driving through Syracuse, Utah (population 4,658). The UFO was "hovering over Antelope Island in the Great Salt Lake."

"We looked out over the lake and saw a very unusual and peculiar sight," Tim reported. "We couldn't tell what it was, so we drove toward the lake to take a closer look. There were dozens of dead seagulls on the side of the road. As we got closer to the lights hovering down the road, the lights in our Chevrolet truck started to flicker. This lasted only a brief moment."

"As we got closer, we could tell that this was not an airplane. It had a spherical shape and was one to two hundred yards (90 to 180 meters) in diameter. As we got closer, we could see lights flashing bright, ranging from green to yellow to blue."

The men saw the UFO "zigzagging and figure eights." When it stopped moving, "this is when we got our best look. It had a metallic look to it and had lights that rotated."

Next the object "slowly moved behind a mountain." Then "the UFO, giving off a faint hum, slowly appeared from behind the mountain, then just like a flash of lightning it flew off to the west and that was the last we saw of it." (See Filer's Files #10 for 1998. Many thanks to George A. Filer of MUFON for this report.)

#### WOMAN HAS TWO SIGHTINGS IN CENTRAL OKLAHOMA

On Wednesday, February 25, 1998, at about 9:15 p.m., Debbie Hickman was driving west on Interstate Highway 40 in Oklahoma when she spied "a green fireball" in the night sky.

Ms. Hickman saw the object "at mile marker 126, west of El Reno, Okla. (population 15,414)."

"I left Oklahoma City and was driving west on I-40 back to Elk City," she reported. "I had passed the towns of Yukon and El Reno and was at mile marker 126 when I spotted a green fireball in the sky west of my position. It appeared to be about the size of a golf ball at arm's length and traveled straight-line. I spotted the fireball as it came into the view of my windshield. It was in view for three or four seconds as it traveled straight down and then impacted the ground... I saw green sparks fly up from the impact."

The next evening, Thursday, February 26, 1998, Ms. Hickman saw "a huge white light just south of Clinton Lake. The light was seen near the Clinton/Sherman Air Force Base but it was at treetop level. While (she was) observing the light, it 'instantly' came forward to the edge of the tree line...and the light could be seen through the trees. It then moved up a few feet in altitude and moved over the interstate directly over her truck. It then flew along I-40 for a few seconds."

By the time Ms. Hickman reached mile marker 47, near Canute, Okla. (population 538), the mysterious light had vanished. She added, "The light was so bright it illuminated the (truck's) cab." (Many thanks to Cliff Capers and Jim Hickman of Skywatch International for this report.)

#### TWO UFOs SEEN IN PORTUGAL

On Friday, March 6, 1998, the same day a bright white UFO was seen near Cape Canaveral, Florida, two silvery disc-shaped objects were seen across the Atlantic Ocean, along the coast of Portugal.

Three people walking the beach at Praia da Cabana do Pescador in Portugal's Costa da Caparica spotted a silvery glimmer in the blue afternoon sky. One witness said, "The objects were small, disc-shaped, showing a luminous glow and showing a bright top when seen to turn, and (looked) a little like sterling silver." (Muito obrigado a Pedro Cunha por eso caso.)

#### LUMINOUS DISC SIGHTED IN FREMANTLE, AUSTRALIA

On Sunday, March 1, 1998, at 8:30 a.m., Maya S. 'was sitting in the backyard, having a cigarette and looking up into the vastness of the hot, clear, night sky" and "saw what seemed like a meteorite streak across the whole sky from north to south."

Maya's home is in Fremantle, Western Australia (W.A.), about 10 miles (16 kilometers) south of Perth, the state capital.

The object flew "without losing its velocity or its brightness," Maya reported. "As it neared the southern horizon, my eye caught the attention of another distant meteorite more directly above me. As it was going, it did a 300-degree circle and shot off after" the other object. "What struck me the most was its 'irregular' motion...I've never witnessed anything unnatural like this in the sky before." (Email Interview)

from the UFO Files...

1981: UFO SIGHTED NEAR  
LUFKIN, TEXAS

"Mrs. Carroll Hartzog Thursday night reported an encounter with a UFO on her recent trip to Atlanta."

"She said she and her daughter, Paula Materanek, were leaving Lufkin en route for Atlanta last Friday night about 9:30 p.m. when they saw 'a very large brightly lighted object approaching.'"

"'As it passed over us, I leaned against the glass and had a very good look at it,' Mrs. Hartzog said, ' It was below the tops of the pines and passed over the car, and continued to follow the highway, passing from our view in making the curve.'"

"'It had bright red lights, alternating with white light, coming out of the openings. The bottom surface visible toward us was round and a larger object than the length of the car. There were no wings or extensions, just the round object, with sort of a loud humming noise, unlike anything we had ever seen.'" (See the Victoria, Texas Advocate for March 13, 1981, page 1."

#### FUN UFO WEBSITES:

UFO ROUNDUP and its parent site, UFO INFO, have new addresses on the Web. Once again, we got away just one step ahead of the cyber-sheriff, and now we're operating from a new domain.

All those great UFO photos and features John Hayes has collected at UFO INFO can now be had by going to <http://ufoinfo.com>.

And you'll find the UFO ROUNDUP website at this URL: <http://ufoinfo.com/roundup/>

Readers who want to check out Alex Cavallari's new UFO photos should drop in at his website at <http://www.members.aol.com/xelaufu/index.htm>

I hear the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) has a webpage devoted to "Unusual Phenomena," including Project Blue Book and the controversial Majestic-12 documents. Check it out at this URL: <http://www.fbi.gov/foipa/ufo.htm>

Today's an anniversary for astronomers. On this date, March 15, 1960, the world's largest solar telescope opened at Kitt Peak, Arizona.

We'll be back next week with more saucer news from all over the planet, brought to you by "the paper that goes home--UFO ROUNDUP." See you then.

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News Release:

Things Are Looking Up:  
Study Finds 10% More UFOs Seen in Canada Last Year

A new study by a national research group has found that the skies are getting more crowded - with UFOs.

"We were surprised to learn there were so many reports last year," said astronomer Chris Rutkowski, research coordinator for Ufology Research of Manitoba (UFOROM), which collects and studies UFO reports in Canada. "There were 284 UFO sightings reported in Canada in 1997, up about 10 per cent from 1996."

Last year's cases ranged from a group of people chased by a flying saucer near Tuktoyaktuk to a giant boomerang buzzing a 20-year Coast Guard veteran in Sault Ste. Marie.

Rutkowski said sightings reported to researchers and UFO groups from BC to the Maritimes were collected by UFOROM and added to a database for statistical analyses.

Among the findings:

Most UFOs were reported in BC (35%) and Ontario (25%).

UFOs were seen in winter as likely as summer; no national monthly trend was found.

Almost three-quarters of all UFOs are seen at night, and most of these around 11:00 p.m.

Most UFOs are watched for a long time; the average length of observation was 20 minutes.

UFOs are witnessed by more than one person at a time; most cases have two witnesses.

The typical Hollywood-style flying-saucer-shaped UFOs are now less common than triangular ones.

Only 4.6% of all the UFO reports were labelled "higher-quality unknowns"; most UFO sightings were either misidentifications of things such as planes or planets, or the reports didn't have enough information to reach a conclusion.

"None of these unknowns' prove there are aliens out there," Rutkowski said, "but we are left with some cases which investigators cannot explain."

For regional information, contact:

UFO\*BC at 604-432-4113,

MUFON Ontario at 416-532-9371,

SOS OVNI (Quebec) at 514-536-0140

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For additional information, contact:

Chris Rutkowski through UFOROM at 204-269-7553.

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## Question About Crop Circles

From: JGBOUCK <JGBOUCK@aol.com>  
Date: Sun, 15 Mar 1998 17:41:56 EST  
Fwd Date: Mon, 16 Mar 1998 10:19:57 -0500  
Subject: Question About Crop Circles

I have a question for the group and please respond to the group. This morning I was in a chatroom and the topic of cropcircles came up. When asked what I thought of crop circles and UFO, I replied that I did not particularly think that the two were related. When asked why, my first impulse was to just say that I didn't have enough information to associate them. Before I could type my response, a thought occurred to me and I quickly put down my thought.

In many reports of UFO sightings and abduction reports many witnesses and abductees have told of their many experiences. They have even on many times reported seeing evidence of animal mutilations. Either on the ground or in a craft. I know that abductions is an unsubstantiated event that is only sometimes supported by regressive hypnosis, but how come there has never been any report of an abductee seeing a crop circle in the making or witnessing such an event.

Does anybody, have any knowledge of any abduction experience, in which the abductee has any knowledge, either by witness or by implied information about crop circles. I'd be real interested to know.

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>Subject: AP: FBI Tries To Debunk UFO X-File

My thanks to Mr. Agermose for bringing up this FBI issue.  
The FBI claims there is nothing of value in their files.

However, when combined with the files of Blue Book and the files of Air Force Intelligence and the CIA we see that the FBI file provides a window on the Air Force that the American people did not have until the files were released.

There is valuable stuff in the FBI file....when it is placed in context... as I do in my manuscript, "THE UFO/FBI CONNECTION" subtitle, the REAL X-files.

Anyone interested in getting a copy (\$15 mailed anywhere in USA) can contact me at [brumac@compuserve.com](mailto:brumac@compuserve.com)

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The 1997 Canadian UFO Survey

Overview

Since 1989, UFOROM has solicited UFO case data from all known and active investigators and researchers in Canada for analyses and comparison with other compilations. Individual researchers normally maintain their own files with little or no communication with others. In fact, representatives of major UFO organizations often do not regularly submit case data, and the parent organizations themselves tend not to do much analyses with the data they do receive, although this is slowly changing.

Although the collection and organization of the data is not yet standardized, some researchers are now collecting and storing UFO data in a consistent manner.

The Collection of Canadian UFO Data

Many individuals, associations, clubs and groups claim to investigate UFO reports or otherwise solicit reports from the general public. However, very few of them actually participate in any kind of information sharing or data gathering for scientific programs. Many are only interest groups, perhaps based in museums, planetariums, church basements or members' homes, and do virtually nothing with the case reports they receive. Indeed, because there is no way to enforce standards in UFO report investigations, the quality of case investigations varies considerably.

Further complicating this problem was the cessation of the collection of UFO reports by the National Research Council of Canada (NRC). The NRC routinely received UFO reports from private citizens and from RCMP, civic police and military personnel. Included among the NRC reports were many observations of meteors and fireballs, and these had been added into the UFO report database since 1989. However, in 1995, due to budget restraint and the lack of continuing research in meteoritics at the NRC as a result of retirements, deaths and other staff changes, the NRC announced it would no longer be accepting UFO reports as a matter of course. In addition, RCMP reports of UFOs and fireballs to the NRC summarily ceased.

This has resulted in an increase in Access to Information (AI) requests filed by ufologists with various government and military agencies in Canada. These have yielded some UFO cases, but the process is very time-consuming, costly and may not uncover all the cases needed for study.

As a consequence of these factors, what has been adopted for this present study is a requirement for an "official" status regarding UFO reports. If UFO sightings are reported to groups or individuals who do not share their case data with serious researchers, those sightings are effectively lost to scientific analyses. The reports may accumulate in impressive numbers claimed by some organizations, but without the data being available for study, they are of no value whatsoever.

Therefore, for the purposes of this and other scientific studies of UFO data, only those UFO sightings which have been made to contributing and participating groups, associations, organizations or individuals can be given any kind of official status. Cases reported to any other group, association, club or individual cannot be considered officially reported.

These factors made collection of Canadian UFO data rather challenging. Certainly, because of the changes in the way in which reports have been received, the results of the 1997 survey cannot be compared easily with earlier annual analyses. However, it will be shown that the data obtained for the present analysis yields similar results to previous studies and is still useful in understanding the nature of UFO reports in Canada, and can shed light on the nature of UFO reports elsewhere in the world.

UFO Reports in Canada

For this study, the working definition of a UFO is an object seen in the sky which its observer cannot identify.

The following table shows the numbers of reported UFOs per year since 1989.

Year	Number of cases	Cumulative total
1989	141	141
1990	194	335
1991	165	500
1992	223	723
1993	489	1212
1994	189	1401
1995	183	1584
1996	258	1842
1997	284	2126

Although some researchers have suggested that the numbers of UFO cases have declined around the world in recent years (including a recent television special titled Where Have All the UFOs Gone?),

this does not appear to be the case in Canada. Report numbers have risen and decreased from year to year, but, if anything, there appears to be a slight overall increase in the numbers of sightings reported. Admittedly, the yearly figures are greatly dependent on many factors, especially the cooperation of contributors to the survey. The all-time high count in 1993 was almost entirely due to a single major fireball event which was reported by hundreds of independent observers across the country.

There are several reasons for including IFOs such as fireballs and bolides in the UFO report database. First, previous studies of UFO data have included meteor and fireball reports. In many instances, observers fail to recognize stars, aircraft and bolides, and therefore report them as UFOs. That is why some UFO investigators often spend many hours sorting IFOs from UFOs. Historically, analyses of UFO data such as American projects Grudge, Sign and Blue Book all included raw UFO data which later resolved into categories of UFOs and IFOs. Another reason is that observed objects are sometimes quickly assigned a particular IFO explanation even though later investigation suggests such an explanation was unwarranted.

The issue of including IFOs in studies on UFO data is an important one. One could argue that once a sighting is explained, it has no reason to be considered as a UFO report. However, this overlooks the fact that the IFO was originally reported as a UFO and is indeed valid data. It may not be evidence of extraterrestrial visitation, but as UFO data, it is quite valid. It must be remembered that all major previous studies of UFOs examined UFO reports with the intent to explain a certain percentage of cases. These cases were the IFOs - definitely part of the UFO report legacy.

IFOs, however, are problematic in that they are not interesting to most ufologists. In fact, many UFO investigators do not record any details about UFOs reported to them which seem easily explained as ordinary objects. This may be a serious error. The UFO witness is conscientiously reporting an object which is mysterious to him or her - the exact definition of a UFO. Therefore, even the late-night anonymous telephone calls which are obviously reports of airplanes or planets should be logged as UFO reports.

With the exception of 1993, the number of Canadian UFO reports appeared to remain constant at an average of about 190 cases per year, if we discard the 1993 figure as an aberration. If we include the 1993 data, the Canadian average is 236 cases per year. The 284 cases in 1997, therefore, is significantly more than average.

[Note: Additional reports not included in this survey were obtained from a group of individuals regularly conducting a nightly skywatch along the shore of Lake Ontario near Toronto. As many as 150 separate sightings were noted by this group during 1997, nearly all of which were Nocturnal Lights seen on or above the lake. These cases were not investigated but received as information and may form a new class of UFO which might be better studied as a whole because of the inherent skewing of data in this survey by their inclusion. It is hoped this problem will be addressed in later analyses.]

Since most UFO reports can be explained and reclassified as IFOs, we can observe that this attests to the reality of the objects seen. UFO reports actually reflect real events which occur. When a UFO is reported, a real object has been seen and was not just a fantasy of a witness' imagination.

Close Encounters of the Fourth Kind

Each year, a few Close Encounters of the Fourth Kind (CE4) are included in the UFO data. CE4s are the sensational "alien abduction" cases which currently receive wide attention in the media. Some researchers have speculated that thousands of such abductions occur each year, based on various surveys and the number of witnesses ("abductees") coming forward. Since abductions are often reported long after the fact, exact times and dates are meaningless as UFO data. Similarly, since witnesses' memories often are clouded or obscured, other data such as colour, duration and even location may be impossible to ascertain.

Some skeptics suggest that abductions may be a psychological rather than a "real" phenomenon. For these reasons, CE4s do not seem appropriate for inclusion in UFO databases. And, if they really are true close encounters, their complexity decreases that their inclusion in a raw data listing might be inappropriate as well. The few that were included were accepted only because they were reported to an official reporting body. It is likely that annual surveys eventually will not include CE4s as data.

Method

Data for each case was received by UFOFORUM from participating researchers across Canada. The information then was coded by members of UFOFORUM and entered into a Microsoft Access database and then exported into a Microsoft Excel file format where it was statistically analysed.

An example of the coding key is as follows:

Field:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Example:	997	01	09	1530	Vernon	BC	DD	1	3	900	silver	2	ps	6
	15	16	17	18	19				20					
	5	UFOBC	1	2	p	four	obj.	seen						

Field 1 is a default YEAR for the report (UFOFORUM is now coding to allow for the next millennium).

Field 2 is the MONTH of the incident.

Field 3 is the DATE of the sighting.

Field 4 is the local TIME, on the 24-hour clock.

Field 5 is the geographical LOCATION of the incident.

Field 6 is the PROVINCE where the sighting occurred.

Field 7 is the TYPE of report, using the Hynek Classification System.

Field 8 is the VALLEE type of report, PRIMARY Classification.

Field 9 is the VALLEE type of report, SECONDARY Classification.

Field 10 is the DURATION of the sighting, in seconds (a value of 600 thus represents 10 minutes)..

Field 11 is the primary COLOUR of the object(s) seen

Field 12 is the number of WITNESSES

Field 13 is the SHAPE of the object(s) seen

Field 14 is the STRANGENESS of the report.

Field 15 is the RELIABILITY of the report.

Field 16 is the SOURCE of the report.

Field 17 is the MUFON form type, Primary.

Field 18 is the MUFON form type, Secondary.

Field 19 is the EVALUATION of the case.

Field 20 includes any COMMENTS noted about the case.

For the 1997 data, the VALLEE and MUFON fields were added to allow comparison with other sighting databases in use. However, researchers found this additional coding awkward and these may be dropped in future analyses.

Analyses of the Data

Distribution of UFO Reports Across Canada

In previous analyses, British Columbia garnered between 30% and 40% of the total number of cases per year. In 1994-95, the percentage dropped to 24% and in 1996 this dropped to 16.67%. However, this was back up to 35% in 1997. Ontario and Quebec

together constitute more than 60% of Canada's population, but had only 38% of the total number of UFO reports in 1994-95. In 1996, they had about 42% of the total cases. In 1997 this was even lower: only about 34%.

If we consider that UFOs are a function of population, then the percentages of UFO reports per province are not proportional. There is an over-representation of cases from British Columbia and under-representation from Ontario and Quebec. In fact, case numbers in Quebec in 1997 were only about half the number from 1996, although much nearer the Quebec average of about 27 cases per year.

For the second year in a row, there was a larger than normal number of UFO sightings reported in the Northwest Territories. Like 1996, fewer sightings than average came from Alberta in 1997, perhaps an effect of the lack of currently active researchers in that province. Conversely, the considerably large number of sightings coming from BC in recent years is likely due to the large number of active investigators there.

Some of these distribution effects are certainly due to the active solicitation of UFO reports from the public by regional investigators and groups. Other anomalies, particularly the large number of 1997 cases in the Northwest Territories, are due to regional UFO flaps.

TABLE 1
Distribution of UFO Reports by Province

	BC	AB	SK	MB	ON	PQ	NB	PEI	NS	NF	YK	NWT
1989	15	16	18	22	34	28	1	-	3	3	-	1
1990	76	9	10	20	21	36	7	3	5	4	1	2
1991	59	22	7	6	30	16	9	1	7	4	1	-
1992	90	8	9	23	56	10	9	-	3	4	3	1
1993	157	56	93	74	51	32	3	1	3	7	-	5
1994	14	39	8	10	51	34	6	-	9	6	3	3
1995	45	10	11	48	41	20	-	-	1	1	-	4
1996	43	10	11	39	63	45	1	-	9	1	-	35
1997	99	11	5	32	72	24	1	1	6	3	8	22

Monthly Trends in UFO Reports

The monthly breakdowns of reports during each year show slightly different patterns from those of previous years. In 1989, there was a significant increase in UFO reports in the late fall, with other months maintaining what appeared to be a fairly constant "normal" level of reports. 1990 saw two major increases in report numbers in two months: April and August. The "normal" level of monthly report numbers appeared to be constant in other months, with minor fluctuations. In 1991, reports peaked in August, but there was no single obvious trough.

The 1992 breakdown again showed no clear peaks in monthly report numbers. This is most curious, because UFO reports often are said to peak in summer and trough in winter, presumably due to the more pleasant observing conditions during the summer months, when more witnesses are outside. In 1993, the opposite of what is usually imagined was true: there were peaks in winter, and troughs in summer. The October 1993 peak is easily explained as due to the fireball. Even taking this into account, there were more cases in fall that year than in summer, and more in winter than spring and early fall. In 1994, there was a noticeable increase in UFO reports in the late spring and early summer, whereas in 1995, the peak months were in the late summer and early fall. In 1996, there were three separate peak months for UFO sightings in Canada: January, July/August and November. The January peak was almost entirely due to the flap in the Northwest Territories.

There continue to be regional and national monthly fluctuations. For 1997, peaks appeared in March-April, July-August and November-December. There was no obvious seasonal peak or trough. The March flap appeared due to a concentration of activity in Quebec while the December peak seemed due to sightings in the Northwest Territories.

There appear to be no definite monthly trends for UFO reports across Canada.

TABLE 2
Monthly Report Numbers

	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
1989	13	9	6	9	5	9	5	5	12	32	27	9
1990	17	7	6	47	10	10	9	47	15	16	10	-
1991	13	7	17	12	7	12	16	25	16	12	11	17
1992	15	16	27	16	22	16	23	19	11	16	21	21
1993	59	15	20	22	14	38	27	49	41	12	24	21
1994	16	12	15	21	15	37	19	8	15	10	7	13
1995	14	12	13	9	9	10	28	33	28	11	11	5
1996	37	18	20	16	8	20	30	32	10	22	30	11
1997	19	11	31	29	17	13	29	29	22	16	26	37

In a historical analysis of 480 Manitoba UFO cases in UFOROM's MANUFOCAT, a distinct June peak and December trough was found. Analyses of 13,000 cases in Project Blue Book found a similar June peak and December trough, though Hendry suggested that this was a statistical artefact. It is felt that further studies are needed to fully understand the monthly distribution of UFO data.

UFO Report Types

An analysis by report type shows a similar breakdown to that found in previous years. The percentage of cases of a particular type remains roughly constant from year to year, with minor variations. Nocturnal Lights (NLs), for example, comprised 60% of all reports in 1989, 73% in 1990, 67% in 1991, 61% in 1992, a high of 76% in 1993, 63% in 1994-95 and 67% in 1996. In 1997, however, a low of 51% were NLs. This is because of the large increase in Daylight Disc cases (DDs).

The percentage of DDs has increased considerably over the years. In 1991, there were only 7.9%, but in 1996 and 1997 there were 10.5% and 18.4%, respectively. The number of NL reports has declined somewhat as a balance; percentages of nocturnal lights were in the 60s and 70s in the early 1990s but the percentage was only 51.2% in 1997.

NL and ND cases together comprised 82.35% of all 1996 UFO reports. In 1997, this dropped to 73.15%. Still, it can be shown that the vast majority of cases occur at night.

Only 5.88% of all cases were close encounters in 1996, compared with 6.71% in 1997.

TABLE 3
Report Types (Modified Hynek Classifications)

	NL	ND	DD	C1	C2	C3	C4	EV	RD	PH
1989	84	20	16	10	7	-	2	2	-	-
1990	141	24	15	2	1	-	4	3	-	-
1991	110	26	13	7	4	1	2	-	1	1
1992	136	44	20	15	5	2	3	-	-	1
1993	372	77	26	8	2	1	1	1	-	-
1994-95	234	78	28	21	1	1	5	1	1	-
1996	170	40	27	8	3	4	1	2	-	-
1997	145	62	52	4	2	5	8	4	-	1

For those unfamiliar with the classifications, a summary follows:

NL (Nocturnal Light) - light source in night sky

ND (Nocturnal Disc) - light source in night sky that appears to have a definite shape

DD (Daylight Disc) - unknown object observed during daytime hours

C1 (Close Encounter of the First Kind) - ND or DD occurring within 200 metres of a witness

C2 (Close Encounter of the Second Kind) - C1 where physical effects left or noted

C3 (Close Encounter of the Third Kind) - C1 where figures/entities are encountered

C4 (Close Encounter of the Fourth Kind) - an alleged "abduction"

or "contact" experience

EV (Evidence) - a case where physical traces left by an event are the primary claim

RD (Radar) - UFOs observed on radar

PH (Photograph) - photographs of a UFO, but no actual sighting

The category of Nocturnal Disc was created by UFOROM for differentiation within its own report files. Similarly, Evidence is also an ad hoc creation, and may not be applicable by other researchers. Evidence includes such physical traces as "crop circles", "landing rings" and "saucer nests."

Hourly Distribution

The hourly distribution of cases has usually followed a similar pattern each year, with a peak at 2200 hours local and a trough around 1000 hours local. Most sightings occur between 9:00 p.m. and midnight. Since most UFOs are nocturnal lights, this is not unexpected. The number of possible observers drops off sharply near midnight, and we would expect that the hourly rate of UFO reports would vary with two factors: potential observers and darkness.

In 1997, this smooth, bell-shaped curve was strongly evident. There was a general trough centred around 11 a.m. and a peak at 10:00 p.m.

Many surveys, particularly in Europe, have looked at the time of day UFOs are observed. All have found a peak during the night, with a low during the daytime. All Canadian studies have confirmed these findings. There is a slight difference in the times of the peaks found, however, not only between the Canadian and European studies and between some of the European studies themselves. Three European studies have found peaks at 2100 hours, two at 2200 hours and another at 2300 hours. Often, they found a secondary peak at 0200 hours.

The peaks in the Canadian studies have varied slightly from year to year, with peaks at 2200 hours in 1997, 1994/95 and 1993, and a peak at 2300 hours in 1996. Curiously, a secondary peak was found at 1900 hours in 1997 and at 1800 hours in 1996, as well as the more usual 0200 hours in 1996.

Duration

The category of Duration is interesting in that it represents the subjective length of time the UFO experience lasted. Naturally, these times are greatly suspect because it is known that people tend to misjudge the flow of time. However, some people can be good at estimating time, so this value has some meaning. Although an estimate of "one hour" may be in error by several minutes, it is unlikely that the correct value would be, for example, one minute (disregarding the claims of "missing time" during the abduction category of experiences). Furthermore, there have been cases when a UFO was observed and clocked accurately, so that we can be reasonably certain that UFO events can last considerable periods of time.

The average duration of a sighting can be calculated as the summation of all given durations divided by the number of cases with a stated duration. The resulting value for 1991 was about 12 minutes, down from 19 minutes in 1990. In 1992 and 1993, the average duration was again about 12 minutes. In 1994-95, the value was down considerably to approximately seven minutes. But in 1996, the average length of time witnesses observed a UFO was remarkably more than 25 minutes (1,536 seconds)! This is very long time for a witness to be observing an unusual object in the sky.

For 1997, the average duration of all cases was about 20 minutes. However, the average duration of Daylight Disc sightings was only about 14 minutes, significantly less. Nocturnal lights accounted for a smaller percentage of the extremely long-duration cases in 1997, accounting for only 33% of the cases greater than 10,000 seconds duration, as compared with 100% in 1996. Considering the small number of cases involved, however, this is likely just the result of the sample size.

In 1996, 30 cases (23%) of all sightings were briefer than 30 seconds. In 1997, there were many more in this duration category: 60 cases (42% of the total). In 1996, 36 cases (28%) were longer than half an hour in duration, but in 1997, this was down to 25 cases (18%).

Previous analyses have shown that long-duration sightings tend to occur in the early morning hours, from about midnight until 6:00 a.m. It is probable that the majority of observations at this time are those of astronomical objects, moving slowly with the rotation of the Earth.

Extremely short duration events are usually fireballs or bolides, while very long duration events of an hour or more are very probably astronomical objects. In between, there can be no way to distinguish conventional objects from UFOs solely with Duration data. A Canadian study by an Ontario UFO group which timed aircraft observations found that the duration of such sightings varied between 15 seconds to more than 8 minutes. There does not seem to be a clear relationship between the number of reports and the Duration of UFO sightings.

Colour

In cases where a colour of an object was reported in 1996, the most common colour was white (27% in 1996 and 37% in 1997). The next most common colour 1997 was red (12%), followed by 'multicoloured' (10%) and then orange (9%). In 1996, the second-most-common was multicoloured (22%), followed by blue (12.4%). This variation is curious, but not mystifying. Since most UFOs are nocturnal starlike objects, the abundance of white objects is not surprising. Other colours such as red, blue and green often are associated with bolides (fireballs).

The colours reported for Nocturnal Lights in 1997 are consistent with 1996, though orange became much more common in 1997 (from 5.21% in 1996 to 14% in 1997).

The 'multicoloured' designation is problematic in that it literally covers a wide range of possibilities. Some studies of UFO data have adjusted the category of colour to include both "primary" and "secondary" colours in cases where the observed UFO had more than one colour.

The multicoloured label has been used, for example, when witnesses described their UFOs as having white, red and green lights. For the present study, the Colour classification refers only to the primary colour in the witness' description.

Witnesses

The mean number of witnesses per case between 1989 and 1997 is exactly 2.00. This value has fluctuated between a high of 2.4 in 1996 to as low as 1.4 in 1990. In 1997, the average number of witnesses per case was 1.80.

This indicates that a typical UFO experience has more than one witness, and supports the contention that UFO sightings represent observations of physical phenomena since there is usually a corroborator present to support the sighting.

In 1997, 155 cases (56.57%) had only one witness. All the others had more than one. In fact, 17 cases (6.2%) had more than 5 witnesses.

Shape

Although witnesses' descriptions of the shapes of UFOs varied greatly, the overwhelming majority of cases (47.1%) are of 'point sources' - that is, starlike objects. The next most common shape is a triangular, or 'delta-shaped' object (7.5%) followed by 'round' (6.6%) and discs (5%).

A point-source light continues to be the most common description of a UFO. Likewise, disc/saucer, cigar and diamond-shaped objects continue to be reported at relatively the same rate as previous years. The number of triangular UFOs reported has stayed relatively constant: 19 or 7% in 1996 and 17 or 6% in 1997.

Strangeness

The assigning of a Strangeness rating to a UFO report is based on a classification adopted by researchers who note that the inclusion of a subjective evaluation of the degree to which a particular case is in itself unusual might yield some insight into the data. For example, the observation of a single, stationary, starlike light in the sky, seen for several hours, is not particularly unusual and might likely have a prosaic explanation such as that of a star or planet. On the other hand, a detailed observation of a saucer-shaped object which glides slowly away from a witness after an encounter with grey-skinned aliens would be considered highly strange.

The numbers of UFO reports according to strangeness rating show an inverse relationship such that the higher the strangeness rating, the fewer reports. The one exception to this relationship occurs in the case of very low strangeness cases, which are relatively few in number compared to those of moderate strangeness. It is suggested this is the case because in order for an observation to be considered a UFO, it must usually rise above an ad hoc level of strangeness, otherwise it would not be considered strange at all.

The average strangeness rating for UFOs during 1997 was 4, where 1 is considered not strange at all and 9 is considered exceptionally unusual. This would seem to suggest that most UFOs reported are of objects which do not greatly stretch the imagination. Hollywood-inspired flying saucers are, in reality, relatively uncommon in UFO reports.

Reliability

The average Reliability rating of reports in 1996 and 1997 was slightly greater than 5, indicating that there were about the same number of higher quality cases as those of low quality. Low reliability was assigned to reports with minimal information on the witness, little or no investigation and incomplete description of the object(s) observed. Higher reliability cases might include actual interviews with witnesses, a detailed case investigation, multiple witnesses and other supporting evidence.

The Reliability and Strangeness ratings varied together in classic bell-shaped curves. In other words, there very few cases which were both highly unusual and well-reported. Most cases were of medium strangeness and medium reliability. However, there were also very few low-strangeness cases with low reliability. Low-strangeness cases, therefore, tended to be well-reported and probably had explanations.

Conclusions/Evaluations

The breakdown by Evaluation for 1997 cases was similar to results from previous years. There were four operative categories: Explained, Insufficient Information, Possible or Probable Explanation, and Unknown (or Unexplained). Readers are cautioned that a classification of Unknown does not imply that an alien spacecraft or mysterious natural phenomenon was observed; no such interpretation can be made with certainty, based on the given data (though the probability of this scenario is admittedly never zero).

In most cases, evaluations are made subjectively by both the contributing investigators and the compiler of this report. The category of Unknown is adopted if the contributed data or case report contains enough information such that a conventional explanation cannot be satisfactorily proposed. This does not mean that the case will never be explained, but only that a viable explanation is not immediately obvious.

The average proportion of Unknowns since 1989 has been about 13%, and 1997 did not vary, with a value of 13.7%. This is a relatively high figure, considering that this would imply that more than one in ten UFOs cannot be explained. However, there are several factors which affect this value. The level and quality of UFO report investigation varies because there are no explicit standards for ufologists. Some "believers" might be biased to consider most UFO sightings as mysterious, whereas those with more of a skeptical predisposition might tend to subconsciously (or consciously) reduce the Unknowns in their files.

During the first few years of these studies, an evaluation of Explained was almost nonexistent. Contributors at first tended to

ignore UFO sightings that had a simple explanation and deleted them as actual UFO data. However, because many UFO cases such as fireballs and meteors are initially reported as UFOs, the Explained category is necessary for a full review of UFO data. Early American studies of UFO data included such cases, so present-day comparative studies should include such data as well. Furthermore, since there are no absolutes, the subjective nature of assigning Evaluations is actually an interpretation of the facts by individual researchers.

TABLE 4
Evaluation of Canadian UFO Data

	Explained		Insuf. Info.		Poss. Explan.		Unexplained	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
1989	0	0	74	52.5	47	33.3	20	4.2
1990	0	0	90	46.4	78	40.2	26	13.4
1991	2	1.2	80	48.5	69	41.8	14	8.5
1992	17	8	83	37	74	33	49	22
1993	154	31.5	170	34.8	115	23.5	50	10.2
1994-95	71	19.1	124	33.3	131	35.2	46	12.4
1996	24	9.3	105	40.7	87	33.7	42	16.3
1997	17	6.0	106	37.3	122	43	39	13.7
Total	285	12.5	832	41.3	723	35.5	286	13.8

If we look only at the Unknowns with a quality or Reliability rating of six or greater, we then are left with 19 higher-quality Unknowns in 1997 (6.7% of the total). Of these, only 7 had a Strangeness rating of six or greater (2.1% of the total). As a comparison, USAF Blue Book studies found only three to four percent of their cases were "excellent" Unknowns.

It should be emphasized again that even high-quality Unknowns do not imply alien visitation. Each case may still have an explanation following further investigation. And of those that remain unexplained, they may remain unexplained, but still are not incontrovertible proof of extraterrestrial intervention or some mysterious natural phenomenon.

Additional Analysis of Unknowns

In order to gain a greater understanding of cases classified as Unknown, UFOFORUM members and associates held a special meeting to study and discuss these reports. Available information about each of the 39 cases originally listed as Unknown was discussed in detail and the cases completely re-assessed.

All case reports were read individually by each of the UFOFORUM evaluators, who in turn assigned an independent numerical rating to each case, based on various criteria. Cases were then placed in unanimously "high" or "low" piles. Cases with major disagreements between the evaluators' ratings were discussed in detail with the entire group. Upon agreement, the outlier ratings were then dropped, the rating for those cases adjusted to an average of the other values and the cases then placed in the "high" or "low" piles, accordingly.

Through this process, only 13 cases were identified which seemed to be above-average quality, higher reliability and which each of the evaluators considered to be the most unusual of 1997. This re-evaluation therefore left only 4.6% of the total number of 1997 cases as "good" unknowns. These cases are summarized at the end of this report.

It was the consensus of the group that this process was most revealing in that a better appreciation of the difficulties in using UFO data was gained. Many reports were good as "stories" but seemed to have possible or probable explanations. Some witnesses' descriptions were deemed less than accurate and a significant fraction of cases appeared to need more investigation.

In short, the exercise showed that the analysis of UFO reports is a very tricky procedure, relying heavily upon mere text of subjective estimates and interpretations of witnesses' less-than-accurate observations. Members of the group recommended that accounts of UFO sightings should not be taken at face value and that caution be used in interpreting what was "really" seen.

Summary of Results

The 1997 Canadian UFO Survey does not offer any positive proof that UFOs are either alien spacecraft or a specific natural phenomenon. However, it does show that some phenomenon which often is called a UFO is continually being observed by witnesses.

The typical UFO sighting is that of two people together observing a moving, distant white or red light for several minutes. In most cases, the UFO is likely to be eventually identified as a conventional object such as an aircraft or astronomical object. However, in a small percentage of cases, some UFOs do not appear to have an easy explanation and they may be given the label of "unknown."

What are these "unknowns?" From a completely scientific standpoint, we have no way of extrapolating a definitive explanation based on this data. Biases for or against the view that UFOs are extraterrestrial spacecraft often hinder the scientific process and cloud the issue. A 'debunker' who has a strong belief that UFO reports are all fabrications or misinterpretations may tend to dismiss a truly unusual case out of hand, whereas a 'believer' who believes aliens are indeed visiting Earth may read something sinister into a case with a conventional explanation.

All that a study of this kind can do is present the data and some rudimentary analyses. The recognition that there really are only a handful of true unknowns among the UFO cases might lead a debunker to believe they, too, might find an explanation if enough effort were to be expended, but to a believer this might be the required proof that some UFOs have no explanations.

The Evaluation value is a subjective value imposed by the investigator or compiler (or both) with a scale such that the low values represent cases with little information content and observers of limited observing abilities and the higher values represent those cases with excellent witnesses (pilots, police, etc.) and also are well-investigated. Naturally, cases with higher values are preferred.

For the 1997 data, all cases given an Unknown label were reviewed by a group of UFO researchers, investigators and other interested individuals. Consensus was reached on the ultimate level to which each case could be described as "unexplained." This avoided later accusations that coding was done by one or two persons who may have had unconscious biases in interpreting the UFO data. The group agreed upon 13 higher-quality, unexplained cases as the "best" of the year.

The interpretation of this baker's dozen is that these cases were among the most challenging of all the reports received in 1997. It should be noted that most UFO cases go unreported, and that there may be ten times as many UFO sightings that go unreported as those which get reported to public, private or military agencies. Furthermore, it should be noted that some cases with lower reliability ratings suffer only from incomplete investigations, and that they may well be more mysterious than those on the above list. And, above all, these cases are not proof of extraterrestrial visitation.

Other comments

UFOs were reported at a rate of about 24 per month across all of Canada in 1997. Throughout the past eight years, the rate has been approximately 19 per month. In other words, the number of UFO reports is increasing; there were about 10% more UFOs reported in 1997 than 1996.

UFO witnesses range from farmhands to airline pilots and from teachers to police officers. Witnesses represent all age groups and racial origin. What is being observed? In most cases, only ordinary objects. However, this begs a question. If people are reporting things that can be explained, then the objects they observed were "really" there. Were the objects we can't identify "really" there as well? If so, what were they?

These are questions that only continued and rational research can answer, and only if researchers have the support and encouragement of both scientists and the public.

1997 Canadian UFO Survey: Summary of Results

The number of UFO reports made in Canada has increased slightly during the past nine years. There were 10% more UFO reports made in 1997 than 1996. There now are approximately 240 cases of unidentified flying objects reported each year, up slightly from previous years' calculations.

The distribution of UFO reports in Canada was somewhat related to the distribution of population. However, UFO reports come from all regions of Canada: from coast to coast and from the prairies to the high Arctic.

During the past nine years, there was no definite monthly trend found in Canadian UFO reports, although there are some regional monthly fluctuations. UFOs are as likely to be reported in summer as in winter.

Approximately 80% of UFO sightings were merely observations of lights in the night sky.

About 13% of all UFO reports are unexplained. This percentage of unknowns falls to about 4.5% when only higher-quality cases are considered.

Most UFO sightings occurred between 9:00 pm and midnight.

UFO incidents usually have more than one witness; in fact, most sightings have two witnesses.

In 1997, the typical UFO sighting lasted about 20 minutes, down from last year's average of half an hour.

Most reported UFOs were white in colour.

The most important findings of this study include the fact that UFO sightings have continued to be reported at a constant level over the past several years. People still report observing unusual objects in the sky, and some of these objects do not have obvious explanations. Many witnesses are pilots, police and other individuals with reasonably good observing capabilities and good judgement. Although most reported UFOs are simply lights in the night sky, a significant number are objects with definite shapes observed within the witnesses' frame of reference.

Popular opinion to the contrary, there is yet to be any incontrovertible evidence that some UFO cases involve extraterrestrial contact. However, the continued reporting of UFOs by the public suggests a need for further examination of the phenomenon by social, medical and/or physical scientists.

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The "Best" Canadian UFO Cases of 1997

January 13: Abbotsford, BC
A woman was driving to work when she saw a single cloud in an otherwise clear sky. As she watched, it "burst downwards" and dissipated, revealing a "black bar" floating in the sky. After 5 minutes, a beam of light shot out from the first object and a second object appeared.

February 22: Aklavik, NWT
Five people were followed along a road by two silver-grey objects which hovered over the highway then "glided smoothly down to the snow" behind them. The objects had rows of "windows" with bright blue light shining through them. After 15 minutes, the objects were lost to view as the witnesses turned along an ice road.

March 6: Whitehorse, YK
On Easter Day, a mother and her three children were chased along a highway by an object "like a small satellite dish." At one point, the object was directly above the witnesses' car at about treetop level.

June 8: Treherne, MB
As he was driving, a former police officer saw a turquoise object which seemed to land in a field near the highway. The object seemed to remain on the ground for 10 to 15 minutes and appeared to have a light on its "front" and "back." The witness said he had "never been so scared" in his life.

June 28: Blind River, ON
Four witnesses watched the flight of a red, triangular object

with jagged edges and a "square forward section." Within seconds of its disappearance, an egg-shaped object appeared in the same location and flew along a similar path, "flaring" every 2 seconds into a bright white from a dull grey.

July, n.d.: Sault Ste. Marie, ON
A "square of eight lights" was seen in the sky by witnesses, one of whom is an Air Force and Coast Guard veteran. Fifteen minutes later, a completely silent, "boomerang-shaped" object glided over the witnesses "like a huge bat" at low altitude. Its underside was covered with hundreds of small, dim, rectangular lights.

July 3: Nojack, AB
Two witnesses driving along Highway 16 saw in the air a "black ring" with faint lines hanging down to a "big puff of smoke" that was motionless in the sky. It was in view for about 5 minutes.

August 4: Hadashville, MB
Two forest rangers in different towers simultaneously observed a "silver ball" which hovered over the trees some distance away from them. A second identical object approached the first and the two travelled away together.

November 13: Lac la Biche, AB
Two witnesses were driving along Highway 16 at night and saw a "diamond-shaped object", consisting of "3 white lights in the front and 1 red light in the rear", suddenly "turn on." It hovered over trees an estimated 300 metres away and the witnesses could see the "belly" of the object.

November 17: Winnipeg, MB
As a mother was tucking her child into bed, she looked out a window and saw "an inverted triangular object with no wings." It had many rows of lights across its surface and was "lavender and steel grey" on one side which was "illuminated."

December 8: Surrey, BC
After watching two brightly-lit objects fly across the sky, a "granddaddy" object, disc-shaped and "pewter-coloured," like "out of a fifties movie," spinning and bobbing in the night sky. The witnesses gave chase in their car, but lost sight of it after a short time.

December 14: Vancouver, BC
Seven witnesses saw an object shaped like an "@" sign. It zoomed into view and stopped in midflight. It was a "flattened silver pyramid" and hovered for a few seconds, bobbed up and down and acted like a "wimpy yo-yo" before disappearing suddenly.

December 22: Halifax, NS
An object described as an "airplane wing cross-sectioned" was seen by a witness familiar with aircraft. It had a "solid appearance" and was very slow-moving, moving out of sight after eight minutes.

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Subject: UK.UFO.NW social meet in Birmingham (UK)

UK.UFO.NW social meet in Birmingham (UK)

If anyone lives in or near to Birmingham in the UK and would like to get together for an evening's informal, friendly, social chat about our favourite subject then please contact us. The venue, which still has to be decided, will be a pub somewhere in Birmingham.

For further information please mail: ufo@holodeck.demon.co.uk
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Alien Craze Spills Over Into Advertising

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Alien craze spills over into advertising

05:23 p.m Feb 22, 1998 Eastern

By Julie Steenhuysen

CHICAGO (Reuters) - In the sphere of advertising, aliens are making contact at a record pace.

They're dropping new-age Maytag washing machines from UFOs, exploring the creature comforts of General Motors Corp.'s Buick Century, selling high-tech wireless phone service for PrimeCo and even leaving behind secret messages on wrappers of Betty Crocker's Fruit by the Foot.

Given the blockbuster success of Columbia Pictures' "Men in Black" last summer and TV hits "The X-Files" on Fox and "3rd Rock from the Sun" on NBC, the current alien sightings in advertising are hardly paranormal, said Laura Ries, a principal in brand consulting firm Ries & Ries of Atlanta.

"There have been hordes of copies of those shows. It's not surprising that in addition to all of those copycats, advertisers are using the idea as well to sell products," she said.

Feature film releases such as Warner Brothers' "Sphere" earlier this month with Dustin Hoffman and Sharon Stone and the upcoming April release of New Line Cinema's "Lost in Space" with William Hurt may help keep the trend alive.

If alien ads are on the rise, it's not surprising, given all of the related TV programming, said Johann Wachs, senior strategic planner at Saatchi & Saatchi Advertising in New York. "You never want your advertising to stick out like a sore thumb," he said.

In addition to space-related movies and TV programming, Pathfinder's Mars mission and the 50th anniversary of the supposed alien crash landing near Roswell, N.M., grabbed headlines throughout the summer, bringing the possibility of life beyond Earth to the fore.

For a number of advertisers, aliens have become a metaphor for high technology. Dallas-based PrimeCo Personal Communications is betting an estimated \$50 million in brand advertising that a little pink alien who left his phone on Earth will pique consumers' interest in wireless phone technology.

The advertising campaign, which began last July, focuses on an alien named Primetheus.

"We did a takeoff on Greek mythology," said Allen Bourne, director of marketing communications for PrimeCo. "Prometheus brought the gift of fire to Earth. Our hapless alien left his gift of advanced wireless communications."

So far, the ads seem to be making an impact for Primeco, a joint venture by U.S. West Media, AirTouch Communications Inc. and Bell Atlantic Corp. In its first six months, the effort has boosted PrimeCo's TV awareness by 47 percent.

"That brings us to within 10 to 12 points of competitors who have been out there for years," Bourne said.

Maytag Corp. took a slightly more serious approach when it introduced the Neptune front-loading washer, a design common in Europe but unfamiliar to consumers in the United States. TV ads depict the Maytag repairman, played by actor Gordon Jump, in an open field at night. Neptunians drop a high-tech washer from their spaceship, solving his stain problem.

"If anybody was going to bring (this technology) to Earth, who better but Neptunians?" said Chris Julcher, associate creative director at Leo Burnett USA in Chicago, which created the spot along with Australian special-effects agency Animal Logic of Sydney. "Alien sightings seem to happen in small, remote locations, which is where the Maytag repairman lives," Julcher said.

In the high-tech world of the Internet, aliens are right at home, said Karen Carbonnet, director of online marketing and marketing communications for Infoseek, an Internet search and navigation site. As part of its current multimillion-dollar spot TV campaign, Infoseek proposed aliens as a possible solution to the problem of how Johnny -- a character in its TV ads -- could have gathered certain difficult-to-obtain information.

The campaign, which premiered on "The X-Files" Nov. 2 and has been making its debut in waves across the United States ever since, features four commercials with the themes "aliens," "witchcraft," "psychic powers" and "CIA." A corresponding online promotion and contest urged consumers to find the most interesting Web sites related to each theme.

"The aliens part of our contest got more entries than all of the other parts combined," Carbonnet said.

In a whimsical campaign for General Motors' Buick Century, Martians explore the car's luxury amenities. The commercial is part of a \$50 million ad campaign from McCann-Erickson of Troy, Mich., which also uses talking cows, penguins and baby chicks in an effort to appeal to younger consumers.

Although popular with adults, space exploration and alien life are kids' No. 1 most fascinating topic, said Wachs, who tracks kids' interests for Saatchi's Kid Connection advertising unit.

For Fruit by the Foot maker General Mills Inc., secret alien messages have begun appearing on its wrappers as well as in advertising launched earlier this month by Saatchi & Saatchi. "The space theme is not only infiltrating the advertising, but the product itself," said Wachs, who predicts the alien trend is far from over.

"Space is the realm of fantasy. There's always a new frontier," he said.

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Dan Sherman

From: koch@wad.berlin.fido.de (Joachim Koch)
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Fwd Date: Mon, 16 Mar 1998 14:20:19 -0500
Subject: Dan Sherman

Date: 15 March 98 19:43:00 GMT
From: koch@wad.berlin.fido.de <Joachim Koch>
To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
Subject: Dan Sherman

Hello list,

this might be interesting:

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Monday, March 16th
9:00PM EST, 6:00PM PST, 2AM GMT (Tues]

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Dan Sherman, now a retired U.S. Air Force staff sergeant, worked as an intuitive communicator for the National Security Agency from 1992 to 1995. With those impressive credentials, he has published a book titled "Above Black: Project Preserve Destiny Insider Account of Alien Contact and Government Cover-Up" in which he provides startling new information about the government's role in extraterrestrial contact and communication. Sherman offers details about his own participation in Project Preserve Destiny, an extraterrestrial-government program that began in 1960. He claims that the purpose of Project Preserve Destiny was "to genetically 'manage' a select number of humans for the purposes of communicating with this alien race 'intuitively'." True or false?

Is there anyone who could monitor this conference and post it here, comments included?

Thanks.

Joachim Koch

Homepage International Roswell Initiative, Germany:
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Update December 20,1997: News about the "Santilli-Film"
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Mexico City UFO program April 8th

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Fwd Date: Mon, 16 Mar 1998 14:18:24 -0500
Subject: Mexico City UFO program April 8th

From: "[UASR]> Perry" <AlienResearch@Earthcorp.com>
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Posted by : "[UASR]> Perry" <AlienResearch@Earthcorp.com>

From: RISKERS/NUFOIA <todd@riskers.org>
From: TIM EDWARDS [mailto:edwards@amigo.net]

<http://www.sightings.com/ufo/mexufoupn.htm>

SIGHTINGS
Mexico City Daylight UFO Stills
TV Special Set For April 8
From <http://www.genesis-3.com/mexico97/be01.htm>

Note: The Mexico City daylight UFO video TV special produced by Henry Winkler is now set for broadcast on April 8, 1998 on UPN. The following news release will give an idea of the status of the investigation and the quality of witnesses involved.

Analysis of material evidence, such as the video taken August 6, 1997, is critical to any investigation. Examination of the footage continues in the U.S., Mexico and Japan, and, as is so often the case, no definitive answers have been matched to the questions. Even without the completed scientific analysis, the debate rages on... Is it really the smoking gun or is it a clever manipulation?

[Image]

Science may never be able to prove or disprove the authenticity of this amazing footage, but an important aspect of any investigation is the on-the-ground work that must be done to compile and correlate information gathered from witnesses. Our two investigative trips to Mexico City has yielded numerous witnesses to the event that believe they had a close encounter on August 6, 1997.

Unscheduled interviews with a random sampling of people who live or work in the area brought about remarkably similar reports: the object seemed to be a large disc-shaped air craft. Its flight appeared unstable and it wobbled severely. It appeared to have a mist around it and seemed to revolve at a high rate of speed. Some people reported hearing a hissing sound. It appeared to fly from the northeast to the southwest at a low altitude before rapidly flying off in an easterly direction.

The following are portions of a few of the more detailed interviews.

(1) Twelve year old Cassandra is a student. When not in school she works at her father's small taco stand which consists of a tarp suspended between a fence and an old VW van. The family lives down the street from the taco stand and is quite poor; unable to afford a television.

[Image]

On the afternoon of August 6, Cassandra was outside her house when she looked up and saw a strange object behind a multi-storied condominium complex. She said it frightened her because thought, "maybe they will come down and take me away". She ran in the house and told her father, begging him to go outside and look. Her father dismissed the claim as "locco" and punished the child for lying.

During the initial phases of the investigation our associates, Pedro Ramirez and Daniel Munos, stopped at the taco stand to ask if anyone had seen anything unusual. Cassandra spoke up, knowing that her father would disapprove, and told her story.

Her description of the disc-shaped object was remarkably close to the video so arrangements were made to show Cassandra and her father the video. When the tape began, she began pointing and yelling, "That's it! That's what I saw." Her father, somewhat humbled by seeing the video, apologized for not believing her.

[Image]

(2) Security guard Diaz is assigned to one of the condominium complexes that appears in the video. He had not been approached by anyone during the initial phases of the investigation nor had he volunteered a statement as he was concerned that he might be fired from his job.

Diaz was on duty at the complex when "something" made him walk out to the street and look up. He claims to have seen a large sivery object moving erratically near the complex. Because of the "wobble", his initial thought was, "It's going to crash".

The flight of the object seemed to stabilized as it disappeared behind the buildings. Diaz says that it then sped off in an easterly direction.

Diaz had heard the reports of UFO activity in Mexico, but did not believe in UFOs until this experience.

(3) Patricia works in the food court of a modern upscale shopping mall in the area. She was talking with a friend when they saw a large rotating object through the expansive windows of the food court which offers a similar view as seen in the video.

Several people who work in the food court of the mall gave very similar descriptions of the unknown seen that day.

(4) Annie is perhaps the most important witness to the event of August 6. She is a photography student at the university. She lives with her parents in a very affluent neighborhood. Highly educated, Annie speaks five languages fluently and can communicate in two others. The experience on August 6, does not seem to have left emotional residue, but it has presented physical effects that continue even as this is posted.

Annie was on the roof of her parent's home completing a photography assignment for class. Jose Luis, a friend and male model, was her subject. Present in the house was Annie's mother, her brother, David, her boyfriend, Victor, two housekeepers and an assortment of pets ranging from dogs to parrots.

The afternoon sky was cloudy, but the light had been good enough for her to film. Annie was changing the lens of her camera as Jose Luis changed shirts. When the sky darkened, they both looked up. Even though the sky was dark, Annie tried to shade her eyes with her left arm. What they saw left them in such a state of shock that Jose Luis scurried down the ladder propped against the house and Annie just stood there,

forgetting the camera at her side.

[Image]

Inside the house the animals began reacting in an agitated manner. The dogs were howling; the cats were cowering, trying to find a place to hide. The Macaw screeched wildly, and while trying to escape from his cage, nearly strangled himself on the bars. Annie's mother recalls wondering what was wrong with all of them. Victor, who was watching television, said he became "irritated and aggressive" for no apparent reason just before he saw a dark shadow move over the side-yard of the house. David said he felt "uncomfortable", but couldn't explain why.

When asked to estimate the size of and distance to the object, Annie stated that it was no more than twenty meters above her and large enough to cover the entire roof of her house and part of the neighbor's. She said the object seemed to be revolving very fast and it was surrounded by a "purplish haze or mist". She cannot recall how long she stayed on the roof watching the unknown or how she got down from the roof. She does not remember climbing down the ladder.

That evening she developed a "pounding headache" and noticed that her eyes were extremely sensitive to light. Her mother commented on the sunburn that had suddenly appeared on her face and left arm.

The light sensitivity continued, the headaches progressively worsened and she felt weak and listless. Approximately two weeks after the event Annie's hair began falling out. Concerned, her mother sent her to the doctor. After a battery of tests the medical specialists could not determine what was the cause of the problem. They did discover that her thyroid had become inactive. However, additional tests indicated the thyroid was hyper-active. Since then Annie has seen several doctors, including two in the U.S.; the only conclusion any of them have reached is that her thyroid is bouncing from one extreme to another. No one knows why.

We returned to Annie's the end of February with an engineer and a Geiger counter that measures Alpha and Gamma radiation. Even though almost seven months had passed, we wanted to determine if any residual radiation was present. No unusual readings were found in the alpha range. However, two strong readings were present on Annie's left arm. Unable to explain these readings, we arranged for tissue samples to be taken. They are now being analyzed at two independent labs in Mexico.

As for the general health of the family, her mother told us that the entire household had been suffering from spells of nausea and lack of energy. Annie said she was beginning to feel better; the headaches had either subsided or she was becoming accustomed to them. We will continue to follow her medical progress and post it as necessary.

It should be noted that none of these witnesses, nor any of the others we have interviewed, are seeking money or publicity. The wealthy would prefer not to have their names mentioned as they do not want their experience to taint their respectability; the poor have nothing to gain or lose. Both positions are understandable considering the tremendous division of poverty and wealth that exists in that area.

This is not a technical paper, but a report on witness statements. We will update this page with more information on the analysis as it becomes available.

The footage can be seen on a special to be broadcast on April 8, 1998 on UPN.

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[Image]Homepage

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Posted by : "[UASR]> Perry" <AlienResearch@Earthcorp.com>

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Re: I am not Travis Walton's 'Ghost'

From: **Bob Shell** <bob@bobshell.com>
Date: Mon, 16 Mar 1998 08:23:17 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 16 Mar 1998 15:47:04 -0500
Subject: Re: I am not Travis Walton's 'Ghost'

>From: **RGates8254** <RGates8254@aol.com> [Robert Gates]
>Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 20:54:44 EST
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: I am not Travis Walton's 'Ghost'

>Some have rumored that Klass is suffering from old age
>related ills, of which being "odd" is normal. :)

>Cheers,
>Robert

I talk to Phil fairly regularly. Lately he seems in pretty good health and spirits after going through a bad period a few months ago. His sense of humor has returned, which I regard as a good sign.

Bob

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From: **Mary Keller** <mrees@ix.netcom.com>
Date: Mon, 16 Mar 1998 15:25:47 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 16 Mar 1998 15:59:00 -0500
Subject: Re: Dan Sherman

> From: koch@wad.berlin.fido.de (Joachim Koch)
> Date: 15 Mar 98 21:48:00 +0000
> Subject: Dan Sherman
> To: updates@globalserve.net

> Date: 15 March 98 19:43:00 GMT
> From: koch@wad.berlin.fido.de <Joachim Koch>
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> Subject: Dan Sherman

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> Dan Sherman, now a retired U.S. Air Force staff
> sergeant, worked as an intuitive communicator for
> the National Security Agency from 1992 to 1995.

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> Is there anyone who could monitor this conference and post it here,
> comments included?

> Thanks.

> Joachim Koch

Joachim,

I am moderating tonight's conference in our forum and would be glad to post once it is ready to upload.

Mary Keller, Staff, UFO Forum on Compuserve
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Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

From: **Bob Shell** <bob@bobshell.com>
Date: Mon, 16 Mar 1998 08:23:17 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 16 Mar 1998 15:46:01 -0500
Subject: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

>From: SGB List 2 <SGBList2@aol.com> [Stephen G. Bassett]
>Date: Fri, 13 Mar 1998 20:32:30 EST
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Jim Dilettoso Finally Exposed for Good?

>Mr. Shell,

>I have posted to Updates and elsewhere many times and never
>signed my post in the fashion to which you refer. The reasons
>for such a signature in that instance were these:

>1) In a post dated 3/6/98 he refers to me in quotes as a
>"lobbyist" - I wished to clarify this.

>2) Mr. Korff was and is personally attacking my clients.

>3) Mr. Korff was and is personally attacking my friends.

>4) The signature was intended as a gesture indicating that I was
>standing up for my clients and friends under personal attack. I
>apologize if that offends you.

>As for Mr Sandow's comment about bluster and your comment about
>self-importance, I invite both of you to experience these
>characteristics fully realized by way of the Updates 3/13/98 post
>entitled "Kal Korff: In His Own Words".

>One further comment, I have posted to Updates, IUFO and elsewhere
>- many dozens of items. Search them all. If you can find an
>instance in which I attacked anyone, personally or otherwise,
>(other than this matter re: Mr. Korff), post it to me and I will
>apologize to that person on this list.

>Regards,

>Stephen Bassett
>PRG

Ok, Stephen, I'll let you off the hook. This time!

As for Kal Korff, I noted some time ago that he was the second most egotistical person I have encountered in Ufology. Nothing has changed that point of view. But just because he only comes in second to me in ego, I do not automatically discount things he says. Even the most egotistical SOB on the planet can still be RIGHT!

But, lets get back on track. The question here is simple. Does Jim Dilettoso know his ass from a hole in the ground about photographic/video analysis? I contend that he does not, and his own words are all the evidence anyone needs to verify this.

And, I again want to make the point that this in no way implies that I think the Phoenix lights were flares. I think that question is still very much an open one.

But you don't shore up your case by presenting false witness.

Bob Shell

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Imaging Cydonia

From: "Todd Andrews" <todd@riskers.org>
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Fwd Date: Mon, 16 Mar 1998 16:55:30 -0500
Subject: Imaging Cydonia

For those of you without web access, here is the article:

From: Vince DiPietro
Organization: Mars Research

Yesterday I received the CNI News update, and it included an article about the SPSR meeting with NASA. This, at least, may help to get the new year off to a good start. I've enclosed the article below. Now, if we could only get the major news organizations to cover the story in a similarly objective manner, it *would* make for a happier new year.

NASA PLEDGES CYDONIA IMAGES "AT EVERY OPPORTUNITY"

Breakthrough Announced: High Resolution Photos Assured

In a long-sought breakthrough that many thought would never come, NASA officials publicly promised on November 24 that the Mars Global Surveyor spacecraft would take high resolution photos of the controversial landforms in the Cydonia region of Mars "at every opportunity."

If the promise is fulfilled, it would mean that the question of possible artificial structures on Mars will almost surely be settled, one way or another, within approximately two years.

Dr. Mark Carlotto, one of the top experts on the Cydonia landforms, announced the breakthrough at the recent World UFO Forum in Brazil. Carlotto was one of six scientists representing the Society for Planetary SETI Research (SPSR) who met with two top NASA officials on November 24 in Washington, D.C. to discuss the new agreement. Carlotto said he left the meeting feeling entirely satisfied that NASA's promise was genuine.

Background on the long effort by SPSR to influence NASA's thinking on the Cydonia landforms is posted on the website of SPSR co-founder Professor Stanley V. McDaniel [see <http://www.mcdanielreport.com/brkthru.htm>]. Excerpts from McDaniel's text follow, accompanied by comments of Dr. Carlotto.

Professor McDaniel writes:

In 1993, a group organized under the title Society for Planetary SETI Research (SPSR), includ[ing] all the academically or professionally qualified researchers who had worked on the Mars anomaly question since the Viking missions of 1976. These were joined by a number of new scientists with an interest in the Cydonia area of Mars. The group emphasized an interdisciplinary approach to planetary SETI (the search for signs of intelligence on planets of the solar system). Included were not only image processing specialists, geologists and astronomers, but also representatives of archaeology, philosophy, physics, anthropology, and International Space Policy.

This group had two main purposes: to extend the boundaries of Mars anomaly research using all available existing data, and to

put the question of the Mars anomalies into a carefully reasoned scientific framework that could be appreciated by the larger scientific community.

But as we moved past mid-1997, it seemed increasingly clear that NASA had no serious interest in this area. Although Administrator Daniel Goldin stated in late 1996 that NASA would attempt to photograph the Face using the Mars Global Surveyor, his comments seemed focused only on the single object, made no reference to priorities, and did not specify whether he referred to the low-resolution mapping camera or the high-resolution narrow angle camera. This situation was complicated further by statements of Asst. Administrator Alan Ladwig, who was reported as saying that although the MGS would photograph the Face, high resolution images would be "unlikely." Again only the Face, and not the entire area, was mentioned.

Dr. Horace W. Crater of the University of Tennessee Space Institute sent letters to NASA Administrator Daniel Goldin asking for an opportunity for scientists to present the results of their research to NASA for evaluation. Dr. Crater's requests, answered by Asst. Administrator Wesley Huntress, were refused. Mr. Huntress appeared to have misunderstood these requests as a proposed research project rather than as an offer of information that might be useful in re-evaluating NASA priorities. A total of five letters were exchanged with no progress being made.

This negative situation was not helped by the pronouncements being made on his web page by Dr. Michael C. Malin of Malin Space Science Systems, who is the principal investigator for the Mars Global Surveyor (MGS) camera. Dr. Malin continued to present his long-standing view that any interest in Cydonia is solely the purview of "tabloid" sensationalism and bad science. The appearance was that Dr. Malin, even though he is actually a private contractor, was the primary NASA spokesperson where the anomalies are concerned. SPSR members were not convinced, however, that Dr. Malin's personal views necessarily coincided with the perspectives of all NASA scientists.

SPSR therefore continued its efforts to assure NASA that there exists a legitimate body of research deserving of attention. Dr. John E. Brandenburg, one of the original Mars anomaly researchers, contacted the Acting Director of Solar System Studies at NASA, Dr. Carl Pilcher, requesting a meeting to present our case. On Thursday, November 20, [1997] Dr. Pilcher's secretary called back. Dr. Pilcher had agreed to a meeting with SPSR scientists on [Monday], November 24.

Dr. Mark Carlotto's statement at the Brazil UFO Forum follows:

"A group of us met with NASA [officials] at their headquarters in Washington, D.C. They included myself, Professor Stanley McDaniel, Dr. Horace Crater, [Vincent] DiPietro, who is one of the early investigators; Dr. John Brandenburg, who has come up with some radical theories about Mars' atmosphere and the evolution of life on Mars; and Dr. David Webb, a former advisor to President Reagan on space policy.

"We briefed NASA management on our work, and it was clear that they had not seen it [before]. It was clear that all they had seen were the Parade Magazine articles by Carl Sagan [arguing against anomalous structures on Mars], the sensational articles in the grocery checkout line-'Voice of Elvis Presley coming out of Face on Mars'-and nonsense like that. They had not seen our work.

"And they seemed impressed.

"The whole purpose of the meeting was to not only brief them but also to get a commitment from them to image these objects at the highest possible resolution at every opportunity, because their promises in the past have been very murky.

"The first thing they did was to say that they will unequivocally, on every attempt over Cydonia, image these objects at the highest possible resolution, and they will make the data available.

"Moreover, they said that they are in fact very interested in these objects, for two reasons. There are two groups in NASA. One

group believes that [UFO researchers] are all wrong, and they want to prove it. So they want to take these pictures to prove that you're wrong, so you'll go away. The other group -- and our sense is that it's a small but growing group within NASA-- believes that we have some interesting data, and they want to take a closer look at it.

"So, either way, hopefully we'll get the pictures, and perhaps in the next year we'll find out."

Dr. Carlotto told CNI News editor Michael Lindemann during a private conversation that he regards the odds of finding artificial structures on Mars as "somewhere between 1000 to 1 and 100,000 to 1" in favor of the structures. Obviously, if Carlotto's optimism proves out and NASA admits such a finding, the question of intelligent life on other worlds will be settled in one stroke. Thus, the stakes in this new NASA commitment are very high.

Professor McDaniel adds further detail:

The meeting in Dr. Pilcher's offices at NASA HQ in Washington, D.C. was cordial and welcoming. In answer to our questions, Dr. Pilcher assured us that re-imaging the entire area of Cydonia in question with the MGS high-resolution camera, using the camera "strip" capability on every pass over the area during the mapping phase of the mission, is now "official NASA policy." He stated that Glenn E. Cunningham, MGS mission director at JPL, was in full agreement with this policy and that Dr. Malin had accepted the policy.

The MGS mapping phase is expected to begin about one year from now. There is a possibility that some images could be obtained prior to then, and Dr. Brandenburg urged NASA to take such "contingency" images due to the possibility that the spacecraft, with a damaged solar panel, could fail. [We] hope that NASA engineers can maintain the health of the spacecraft long enough to complete the mission and deliver the desired images.

It is clear that Dr. Malin's personal views regarding the anomaly question are not official policy, and that NASA has decided to be fully responsive to the concerns of the public and of SPSR scientists that high resolution images must be obtained.

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RESPONSE TO JERRY
BLACK'S LETTER ABOUT GULF BREEZE SIGHTINGS

Mr. Black sent me the tape upon which this letter is based on
October 2, 1997. I still have it.

I have compared the tape with the transcript by Mr. Joyner.
I have found some things changed or left out. Some of his
"editorializing" of the tape is acceptable.... some isn't.

Inasmuch as the title of the tape is the same as the title of
this paper I think the UFO community deserves to see all of what
Mr. Black had to say.

My corrections to the transcript are in square brackets [.....].
Any special comments I may have are in round brackets (.....).

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Looking Back: A Review Of Gulf Breeze

An Open Letter From Jerry Black To Various 'Ufologists'
October, 1997
[with comments and corrections by Bruce Maccabee]

cc: Don Ware
Art Hufford
Charles Flannigan
Walt Andrus
Jeff Sainio
Bruce Maccabee
Bob Oeschler
Budd Hopkins

>In this dissertation, we will look back and review [strictly]
>the Ed Walters/Gulf Breeze UFO case.

(comment: immediately Mr. Black gets off on a "wrong foot" by
intentionally ignoring all the other sightings... including seven
on the day when Ed took his first photos; see manuscript "GULF
BREEZE, THE UNTOLD STORY", available from Bruce Maccabee)

> As always, I have no problem with
>any of these gentlemen mentioned, as far as their being good
>citizens, and good people in their communities. My only problem
>with the above gentlemen is their ability to investigate the UFO
>phenomena, or, in most cases, their lack of that ability.

>My position on UFOs has been clear for 39 years. I am not a
>debunker, as many have tried to portray myself, Rex Salisberry,

<snip>

>-- from one of the major governments. I sincerely, steadfastly
>do not believe this last scenario.

>So I am a true believer in the UFO phenomena. I [am] a true
> believe[r] [that abductions occur. Not at the rate which Mr.
>Budd Hopkins would like us to believe, but there are some
>serious abduction cases which we should take seriously and
>which should be investigated thoroughly and most of the time
>they are not.]

["Two things which are going to occur in the next year... one is,
of course that this tape will be placed on the internet within 30
to 60 days from the time you receive it. More importantly,
because of the recent book that totally shocked most of us by Mr.
Bruce Maccabee and Mr. Ed Walters (here he refers to UFOS ARE
REAL, HERE'S THE PROOF by Ed Walters and Bruce Maccabee, Avon
paperback published in Feb. 1997), myself (sic) and other
investigators are in the process now of writing a book that will
appear on the bookselves hopefully in the second quarter of 1998.
The title of that book will definitely and I repeat definitely
have Ed Walters in it so there will be no mistake as to what this
book will be about...what aspect of the Gulf Breeze sightings it
will be directed towards. One of the titles will possible be
"Ed Walter's: Gulf Breeze, the Big Hoax," or "Ed Walters: Gulf
Breeze, the True Story." Those are just a few of the titles we
are dwelling on. In any event, definitely Ed Walters' name will
be in the title. As I mentioned earlier, most of you people have
referred to us as debunkers. One of the people not involved in
writing the book, to my knoweldge, is Rex Salisbury. However,
we will be asking Rex Salisbury if we can use any and all parts
of his comprehensive report on the Ed Walters Gulf Breeze case in
the book. We will be asking his permission to do that."]

>I was asked by an AP reporter, during an interview, was I going
>to celebrate the "50th Anniversary of ufology " with a party of
>>my own. He may have been taken aback at my response, when I
>said, "Certainly not." When he asked what I meant, I said, "Well
>you tell me what there is to celebrate." In 50 years, all we
>have been able to accomplish is to show the general public that
>we are dealing with an object which we cannot identify.

>Because of cases like Gulf Breeze, Guardian, Linda Cortile, and
>others, we have basically made fools of ourselves. So again,
>what have we accomplished in ufology in the last 50 years?
>Nothing has been demonstrated, other than there are a lot of
>people with an abundance of ego, a lot of desire to make money,
>and no desire for scientific and objective investigation.

>I'll open this missive with comments directed to Mr. Don Ware. I
>had an opportunity to talk with Don Ware on just one occasion. I
>believe that he also sent me a couple of letters. It was very
>clear to me, when I talked with Mr. Ware, that he had already
>committed himself to Ed Walters early on, and that they had, in
>fact, become good friends in a very short period of time.

>In mentioning my thoughts to Don Ware about Ed Walters, I
>[think I] remember that his words to me were that, regardless
>of what I felt about Ed Walters, he and Ed would always be good
>friends. I found this very interesting. [And before I proceed
>any further I did neglect to mention that most of the
>conversations I've had with people that I'm sending this tape to
>have been recorded and there will be excerpts of those
>conversations tat will be used in the book. So most of the time
>when I talked with Mr, Andrus, Bob Oechsler, Don Ware and
>others, those conversations were recorded and they will be used
>in part in some places in the book.]. [So that was my only
>conversation with Don Ware and] [you] could tell, right away,
>that DonWare had been taken in by Ed Walters quite early on.

>I have not had any personal conversations with Art Hufford, but
>am aware of a situation where he had talked with Zan Overall. I
>understand that Art Hufford was a fraternity brother of Tommy
>Smith's father, as an interesting side note to this entire
>affair. My complaint about Art Hufford is my basic complaint
>with all of the (what I call) rookie investigators at that time
>in Gulf Breeze;[is] that being that I [think] believe that Art
>was either following an agenda, or simply that he was a totally
>incompetent investigator. [Now you can take your choice on
what you feel.]

>One would have to take their choice on how they feel about the

>two scenarios.

>Before Walt Andrus and I got to the level of "non-speaking
>terms," I was given a copy of a note that Art was sending to
>Walt regarding Gary Watson's report.

(Comment: in the fall of 1990 Walt asked Gary Watson to
investigate the Walters case. Gary completed his investigation
in th spring of 1991.)

> I find it interesting that, in

SNIP COMMENTS REGARDING ART HUFFORD
SNIP COMMENTS ON GARY WATSON, HOUSE PLANS,
SNIP COMMENTS ON CHARLES FLANNIGAN
SNIP INITIAL COMMENTS ON BOB OECHSLER

>Bob Oeschler admittedly accepted \$5,000.00 from Ed Walters, very
>early on in this situation. I believe that this was totally
>wrong. There was nothing whatsoever that Bob did for Ed Walters,
>to earn himself \$5,000.00, that was a help in the investigation
>of this case. His acceptance of that money did nothing at all,
>except to make him obligated to Ed Walters. He ignored all of
>the evidence, as have the other recipients of this tape.

(Comment: WRONG! And Mr. Black has been informed of this before.
He sent me a tape in November 1991. In that tape Mr. Black
asserted that I had been paid \$5000 by Ed Walters for
photoanalysis work before the book was published. I responded to
that tape on Nov. 27, 1991 that I was not paid \$5000 for
photoanalysis work....(at ay time!). I further responded as
follows:

"In August (1988), I believe, Ed paid \$5000 to Robert Oechsler
for materials, lab time and assistance over several weeks time
in making literally over a hundred negatives and slides of Ed's
original photos for analysis. Bob learned from Polaroid how to
clean the pictures and made some of the best copies ever made.
I was supplied with a set. Robert Nathan studied several of
Bob's copies (he was offered all of them but wanted to study only
a few) Other photoanalysts used these copies.

I had no connection with that effort and received nothing for
it.")

(Further comment: Bob worked with a professional photographer in
a photo lab.. There is no doubt that the cost of negative 35 mm
film, of colo print film of sizes from 4 x 5 up to 10 x 12 and
larger and many rolls of slide film and lab time and professional
help, cost a lot of money. I know for a fact that a lot of time,
effort an materials were expended on this photocopying and
nalysis.

Therefore when Mr. Black says that Bob Oechsler did nothing of
value to the investigation which could be worth \$5000 he, Black,
is viewing this from the point of view of his own agenda....
which should be obvious to any reader of his polemic.)

SNIP FURTHER COMMENTS ON BOB OECHSLER

>All I can say to you is that, when any person is handed
>\$5,000.00 for whatever piece of work -- I do not even see what
>it could have been, to be worth that amount -- in my opinion, as
>I stated in my story in UFO Magazine, you are hard pressed to go
>against the person that is handing you the money. You feel a
>certain obligation, whether you realize it or not.

(Comment: here Black refers to a two part article in UFO
Magazine that was published in Volume 9 #1 in 1994. He wrote this
article to respond to a previous two part article by Scott Smith,
published in Volume 8, numbers 5 and 6 in 1993. Mr. Smith, who
came to the Gulf Breeze issue "cold" is a journalist who wrote
the two part article after reviewing the "massive amount of"
literature available on both sides of the issue. He concluded
that the arguments against Ed were weak at best and probably
wrong. I have been told that UFO Magazine was not "happy" with
Mr. Smith's conclusion, having fully expected that Smith's
research would sink the Gulf Breeze ship once and for all.

UFO published a "rebuttal" of sorts, written by Jerry Black,as
mentioned above. According to UFO Magazine, in the introduction

to Black's article, "here we have a critical insider's view of the photo case. It looks like it just may be a hoax...and perhaps not even a very good one." This reference to "not a very good one" is amusing to read after seeing Scott Smith's in-depth study of the case. Apparently we are to assume that only a researcher of the calibre of Jerry Black could penetrate the hoax even though it was "not a very good one.")

SNIP FURTHER COMMENTS ON OECHSLER

>I've had three or four conversations with Mr. Sainio, and I
>can only say that he was basically an unknown until the Gulf
>Breeze case came along. Then, all of a sudden, Mr. Maccabee has
>his hidden photographic expert hidden in the wings that will
>make a revelation to everyone. In talking with Jeff Sainio, it
>appeared to me that he was extremely jealous of Mr. William G.
>Hyzer and his son, James, because the statements that he made
>were totally in left field. Any competent photographic analysis
>person would never even begin to make some of those statements.

(Comment: I will let Jeff Sainio defend himself. However, I am amused at Black's claim that "the statements that he (Sainio) made were toally in left field." I am amused because based on my correspondence with Black I wonder whether his competence for photographic analysis even lies within the ball park, so how would he know whether Sainio was correct or not?)

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>Mr. Sainio mentions in his article, where he berates Mr. Hyzer,
>that he realizes, of course, that he had originals to work with,
>and Mr. Hyzer did not. But on the taped conversation with me, he
>admitted that most of his findings, especially the luminosity,
>could also be found on second and third generation copies, which
>he also had.

(Comment: the amusing thing here is that Black spends a lot of time berating Sainio for claiming that he could see evidence of light on the road far outside the image of the road reflection on second and third generation copies, and Black berates Sainio for being "jealous" of Hyzer. Yet Black never discusses the real issue: Sainio worked with the original photo and published the results of his image enhancements which show brightness on the road. This rejects the double exposure explanation that Jerry Black needs in order to explain the photo..)

SNIP FURTHER COMMENTS ON SAINIO
BIG SNIP OF COMMENTS ON BUDD HOPKINS
AND THE BOOK "WITNESSED"
BIG SNIP OF COMMENTS ON TRAVIS WALTON
BIG SNIP OF COMMENTS ON WALT ANDRUS
SNIP COMMENTS ABOUT RAY FOWLER
SNIP FURTHER COMMENTS ON ANDRUS AND HYZER

>Allow me to pass on another tid-bit of information that you may
>not be aware of... While I cannot state whether this is
>first-hand or second-hand information, because the source does
>not want to be acknowledged, during the time of the "Believer
>Jane" and "Believer Bill" photographs (and I will discuss them,
>and the copyrights on them, later), which was earlier on in the
>case, Mr. Ed Walters visited offices of The Sentinel newspaper,
>seeing Duane Cook, at least three or four times a week.
>According to my most reliable source, during those visits,
>sometimes behind closed doors, sometimes with the doors wide
>open, there was always continual laughter between Duane Cook and
>Ed Walters. Mr. Duane Cook was in on this thing very shortly
>after Ed acknowledged that he was the one that had taken the
>pictures. Mr. Cook either got in on it at that time, or he was
>in on it from the very beginning. I perceive it to be that he
>got in on it after Ed Walters admitted that he was the
>photographer.

>Nonetheless, he knew early on. This person, this witness, who
>should know, states to me that there was continual laughter,
>week after week, between these two, as Ed appeared at the office
>several times each week.

(Comment: regardless of laughter, Duane Cook did not know that Ed was the photographer until the end of December, 1987.

It is also amusing to note that Duane's own mother and step father were two of the early witnesses to the object Ed photographed. And besides, what does laughter prove, anyway? Ed likes jokes and I presume Duane does too.)

FURTHER SNIP OF COMMENTS ON ANDRUS

>The last person on the list is probably the biggest culprit in >the whole case. For Mr. Bruce Maccabee to have the audacity to >co-author a book with Ed Walters is unbelievable.

(Comment: finally he gets to me. Saving the best for last? I apparently most responsible for stopping the advance of UFO research in its tracks!)

>Bruce Maccabee has tried to wear many, many different hats >during this investigation.

>He tried to pretend he was a UFO investigator -- in which he >failed. He tried to pretend he was a photographic analyst. We >now know (thanks to Mr. Hyzer and his son) that Bruce Maccabee >and Jeff Sainio do not even begin to qualify as professional >photographic analysts. We have proven that now. Of course, they >may have been following an agenda of their own.

(Comment: I recommend anyone who wants to discuss details of the photoanalysis of several of the sightings should read UFOS ARE REAL, HERE'S THE PROOF. I can also supply anyone with a copy of my paper presented at the MUFON Symposium in 1988 which presents a detailed discussion of the analysis of Ed's early photos plus a long discussion of hoax methods. I'll be happy to compare my capability and experience in analyzing UFO photos with Mr. Hyzer or anyone else..... dueling analysts, if you wish!)

>Mr. Maccabee also tried to wear the hat of a talent >professional, in the acting field. He believes that no one could >"act" like Ed Walters did, in the video allegedly taken by Duane >Cook, showing Ed going crazy before he saw this UFO (that nobody >else saw). When I mentioned something about this in a letter to >Mr. Maccabee, he said he could understand where this could have >possibly been set up, except for the tremendous "acting" ability >of Ed Walters -- no one could "act" that well! No one was that >good of an actor, unless they were a professional. I assume >that's what he meant. So, on that basis alone, he assumes that >Ed Walters is telling the truth.

(Comment: Here Black is referring to the videotape made while Ed and Duane Cook were riding in Ed's truck in February, 1988. This is described in THE GULF BREEZE SIGHTINGS published in 1990. Few people have heard this tape. When I first heard it I had to decide whether this could actually be happening or if it was all an act by Ed. If an act it would have been a tremendous feat of extemporaneous acting in concert with a person..Duane Cook editor of the newspaper, ... who doesn't know this is an act and herefore has no prescribed lines and therefore whatever he (Duane) says or does in response to Ed's actions cannot be predicted in advance.

One does not have to be an acting "talent scout" to recognize the high quality of the "performance" if that's what it was.

I subsequently concluded, after many hours of conversation with Ed, that it was very unlikely that he could have carried this off as an act.)

>Mr. Maccabee, so far as I know, you are not a professional >talent scout, or a director, and are not qualified to judge >anything like the above. Anybody could act like that for a short >period of time, sir. You, too, are an embarrassment and a >disgrace to the UFO community.

(Comment: I guess we'll see who's the embarrassment.)

>I assume, Bruce, that you're still with the Fund for UFO >Research (FUFOR). You shouldn't be. I don't think anyone there >has the guts to kick you out of FUFOR, as they should -- any >more than Walt Andrus has the courage to kick you out of MUFON.

(Comment: you'll have to take this up with the new Chairman, Don Berliner.)

>Mr. Hyzer clearly demonstrated to us that you, Mr. Maccabee,
>have no talent, whatsoever, as a photographic analyst.

(Comment: he did? How did he do that? Or is this just your
wishful thinking?)

>So, to write in this new book, that it can't be a flare, because
>of this or that -- you can use all of the high technology terms
>at your disposable, but it makes no difference, because Mr.
>Hyzer has shown us that you don't have an ounce of true ability
>in your body to analyze such photographs.

(Comment: OK, Dear Reader: here is where Mr. Black gets a little
embarrassment back at himself. He obviously understands virtually
NOTHING about photo analysis. Here he refers to the book UFOS ARE
REAL, HERE'S THE PROOF where I discussed the comparison between a
flare and a red "Bubba" UFO. This discussion is on page 193. Now,
here is a high technology term: "diffraction grating." For your
information, Mr. Black, a diffraction grating splits light into
its various colors just as does a (another high technology term)
prism.

By placing a diffraction grating in a camera one can obtain the
spectrum of light entering the camera. The spectrum is recorded
on the film (specific colors appear at specific locations on the
film). Therefore by proper analysis of the film one can determine
the spectrum. No doubt Mr. Hyzer would agree with this
explanation I have just presented. Now, if you want to see the
spectra that were obtained on Feb. 7, 1992, when a red Bubba UFO
was photographed and then, soon afterward a red flare was
photographed with the same camera, same roll of film and same
diffraction grating you can look at the Proceedings of the 1992
International MUFON Symposium, page 161. Figure 48 is the UFO and
Figure 49 is the flare. Even someone with little photographic
analytical capability could see that the graphs in these two
figures show different spectra. You can also read about it in
UFOS ARE REAL....

Bottom line: like it or not, the analysis is correct - the
flare and the UFO had different spectra. And, as you can read in
the book, the numerous witnesses to both the UFO and the flare
could see the difference with their eyes.)

(Further Comment: this particular Symposium Proceedings also
includes Sainio's presentation of many of his analytical
results of investigating Gulf Breeze photos. You should read this
carefully, Jerry. You might learn something.. might.....)

> Even Rex Salisbury, who does not claim to be a photo analyst,
>compelled you to change your figures on the "road shot" (#19) by
>100 percent. You had to change your figures drastically, and I'm
>sure that was an embarrassment to you.

(Comment: No, no embarrassment. The recalculated position of the
UFO was based on a hypothesis I had not thought of initially,
namely that the reflection was of a beam projected from the UFO
rather than light coming downwards from the bottom of the UFO.
However, after Sainio's discovery of light on the road outside
the region of the bright reflection I think that the original
assumption of the UFO being over the reflection is just as
acceptable as the assumption that it was about twice as far away
and twice as large as it would be if over the bright reflection.)

>Your audacity, in recently sending a six-page letter to Jim
>Mosely berating Rex Salisbury for his part in the case
>demonstrates your lack of integrity. You didn't have the
>fortitude, the guts, to send that letter to Rex, personally,
>disputing his findings. Why don't you send it to me? I'll be
>happy to respond to it.

(Comment: Tsk tsk, Mr. Black. You make it sound as if I expended
6 pages berating Rex Salisbury. Actually, as you know, since
evidently Mosely sent you a copy of my private letter to him,
that the number of pages is 6 and one half, and the last one half
is the only place where I mentioned Rex. In that short section on
Rex I stated that I thought he got bad information and "ran with
it." Rex Salisbury's information/analysis has been around since
the latter half of 1990, and my response has also been
circulating since then.)

>Mr. Maccabee, you also recently lied to Ms. Barbara Becker,

>about Mr. Hyzer. When she confronted you with the issue of why
>Mr. Hyzer never received the original photographs, you stated
>that it was "because he wanted them in such a hurry." You, sir,
>are a liar. I told Barbara Becker that, she e-mailed you back
>that response, and you decided to change your mind, saying that
>you didn't really know what happened. This was another lie, Mr.
>Maccabee. You know why he never got the originals, as well as I
>do. Ed Walters did not want anyone like Mr. Hyzer, an objective
>person, that Ed didn't have in his back pocket, to receive any
>original copies.>

(Comment: gee, so many lies around here... you'd think I was qualified to be President. Anyway, I told Ms. Becker what was my recollection of what happened when Hyzer and Andrus reached some agreement as to what pictures Hyzer was willing to look at. What I told Becker was based on my recollection of what Andrus told me many years before, namely that Hyzer wanted the pictures quickly so Andrus sent what he had, namely 8 x 10 copies that Andrus had made from negatives which he, Andrus had obtained by photographing Ed's photos.)

If Hyzer had been unwilling to work with copies I am sure that Andrus wouldn't have sent copies. I should point out that I didn't learn about Hyzer's analysis until months after Andrus had sent him copies to analyze.)

>I still wish you would tell us, Mr. Maccabee, what the fee was
>that Ed Walters gave you in December of 1989 (according to the
>post card that I have from Ed Walters), besides the \$20,000.00
>that you got for your chapter in the book. You could have, I
>imagine, just about bought a home for what you got in December of
>1989, plus what you got for your "work" in the book. This whole
>issue of the money tells us that you were not in a position to
>be truly objective in regard to this case.

(Comment: Dear Jerry, if I'm a liar, then you're a jerk. In fact, maybe you're a jerk anyway!

My basic analysis of the Gulf Breeze sightings was completed in July of 1988. My MUFON SYmposium paper proves that. Later Ed asked me to write a chapter for his book. That was completed and in November he sold the manuscript to the Morrow company. In December I was paid \$18,000 for the chapter. I had no idea until he sold the book as to what I would get for writing the chapter. There was no other payment, as you imply/suggest. I certainly couldn't "buy a home" for \$18,000 nowadays (except perhaps a trailer!) Anyway, this has been known for a long time and is in Gary Watson's report on the Gulf Breeze case written back in 1991, wherein Gary asked me what I did with the money and I responded "I spent it."

Perhaps the most important thing to note about the fact that I received money is that I was paid by Ed's book agent for writing a chapter based on work I had completed 6 or more months earlier. At the time I was doing the investigation for MUFON there was no discussion of me writing anything other than a report for the Symposium for which I was not paid.)

>There are so many things in this case, Mr. Maccabee, that as an
>intelligent person, someone with a college education, like
>yourself, should have given you cause to just stop and say,
>"wait a minute." You should have thought to yourself, "Stop,
>another red flag," but you did not. So I have to assume one of
>three things: 1) Either you were following an agenda, set by Mr.
>Walt Andrus; 2) you were following a financial agenda, set by Ed
>Walters and yourself; or, 3) you are completely, totally,
>incompetent. That's all I can make out of this.

(Comment: If I'm totally incompetent then you're a.... oh well, I said it before. Evidently you don't remember that I pointed out in my Nov 1991 letter to you that I started off being as skeptical as or more skeptical than most. Like many people my first thought was of Meier. I started off assuming the whole thing was a hoax.)

Then, after months of analysis, investigation, data collection by me and others I realized that there was just too much to it for Ed to pull off the whole thing and th photos were too difficult for him to hoax,...especially the stereo photos. Hence in the three choices you list above you should mark none of them and instead add a fourth choice: real.)

>You were told, just as was Walt Andrus, about Peter Newman. You
>assured us that he was mistaken. That's what you said, "He's
>mistaken."

(Comment: yeah, mistaken)

>Well, is this other witness that I know of mistaken about the
>laughter and carnival atmosphere that went on in the offices of
>The Sentinel between Ed Walters and Duane Cook? Are Mr. and Mrs.
>Thomas mistaken about the fact that the model was not for their
>house plans?

(Comment: Gary Watson, a realtor, investigated the Walters
sightings and analyzed the Lynn Thomas story and the Volker house
plan "explanation" etc., and concluded that the paper strip in
the model did not fit the Volker house plan but did agree in slab
area and living area with the numbers on the Thomas house plane
which implied that th model itself was a hoax.)

>What about the excellent work done by Barbara Becker on the
>copyrights? Ed Walters copyrighted the "Believer Jane" and
>"Believer Bill" photographs in his book. He tried to lie to
>Barbara Becker, telling her that permission was given to him by
>Duane Cook, and then that permission was given to him by
>somebody else.

>Barbara Becker did a tremendous job, in checking with attorneys
>in the copyright field. You cannot legally do what Ed said he
>did. No one could have given him permission to use those
>"Believer Bill" and "Believer Jane."

>Now do you think that any book publisher is going to publish a
>book, taking the chance to be sued by someone coming forward,
>claiming ownership of the photographs? The very real
>possibility, if what Ed was saying was true, was that the true
>"authors" of those photographs could come forward saying, "Hey
>these are my pictures. This gentleman didn't have the right to
>copyright them." You better believe that Ed Walters was asked by
>the publisher if all of the photographs which he copyrighted
>(including the "Believer" photographs) were taken by him. He
>would have had to respond with the word, "Yes," or they would
>have never published them in the book. So, before the book, The
>Gulf Breeze Sightings, was actually published, the publisher
>knew that this was a hoax, because they knew that Ed Walters had
>taken the "Believer Jane" and "Believer Bill" photographs. By
>copyrighting them, as he has done, he has basically admitted, to
>everyone, that he was the photographer.

(Comment: Oddly enough, Mr. Black, at about the time you were
making the tape upon which this "diatribe" is based there was
on the internet a large discussion of Barbara's copyright work.
So far as I could tell, most people were very greatly
unconvinced.

And your claim that the publisher knew it was a hoax is pure
smoke.

If the publisher knew Ed's photos and Bill and Jane, etc. were a
hoax and therefore the whole sighting case was a hoax, then why
did they respond to the criticism from skeptics and pay an
independent photoanalyst ..Mr. Ebert.. to study Ed's photos?
Said analyst couldn't find proof of a hoax.

Anyway, the long internet argument is now history.... which is
probably stored in some archive.)

>To get back to you, Bruce Maccabee, you should do what your
>friend, Bob Oeschler, did, and retire from ufology.

(Comment: thanks for the advice... but I'll stick around,
whether you like it or not!)

>So many of the things in this case are your fault, like the
>Nimslo sealed camera. You made an analysis of ten photographs,
>and yourself said that you thought the object was only 40 inches
>long, and 40 feet from the camera. Yet that just slides by. Ed
>Walters said that it must have been a mother ship, that
everybody in Gulf Breeze should have seen it. Did that give you
>pause? Did you think, "Now wait a minute, these are pictures
>that Ed Walters never saw before he handed them to us. How could

>he make a statement like that?"

(Comment: Ed's testimony was obtained before the stereo photos were developed. He said he had the impression that the object was far away. It went on the outer side of some trees in the area.

Hence he thought it was big. However, Frances, looking at it from another point of view felt that it was relatively close and therefore not so big. When the photos were analyzed the distance came out in the range 40-70 feet. When the distance from Ed's location where he took the photos to the tree the object went behind was measured it was found to be about 40 ft. The most convincing thing about the stereo photos was when this very unusual object was again photographed along with the more common type Ed had photographed in a stereo pair of photos on May 1, 1988. This is all discussed in analytic detail in A HISTORY OF THE GULF BREEZE SIGHTINGS.... see below)

(SNIP COMMENT BY SAINIO ON MOTHERSHIP)
SNIP COMMENT ABOUT BLAND PUGH
SNIP COMMENT ABOUT BRUCE MORRISON

>In this new book, Mr. Maccabee, you state that Bubba is
>definitely not a flare. What are those pieces of material
>falling off of the object? Is this some kind of signal that it's
>getting ready to take off? Is that what we are supposed to
>believe, Mr. Maccabee? I have video tapes of "Bubba." These
>falling pieces are burning material, a piece of the flare, that,
>in all likelihood, Ed Walters had put up there, or put up there
>himself. Obviously your analysis, that it cannot be a flare,
>because of this or that, is null and void, because you, we now
>know, are not a real photographic expert. Mr. Hyzer has proven
>that. Mr. Hyzer could probably destroy your analysis, if he
>would take the time to do it. We cannot even pay him to take an
>unbiased look at anything to do with the subject anymore,
>though, because of his treatment by people at MUFON.

(Comment: you seem to be looking to Mr. Hyzer to save your rear end from my photo analysis. However, there are probably DOZENS of qualified people "out there," even some reading these internet posts, who could comment on my analysis of the Bubba vs Flare using a diffraction grating (uh, oh, that technical term again) to produce the spectrum. AS for the material or whatever falling down.... who knows what that is. I contemplated some special pyrotecnic devices which would be very dangerous to fly over a city.

Anyone interested in a more complete analysis should read UFOS ARE REAL.. No evidence of crashed balloon borne or blimp-borne or however borne, flares or pyrotecnic devices was ever found, even though these things passed over land.

In some cases triangulations were accomplished showing objects moving at tens of miles per hour across or against the wind.)

>All of you people, including you, Mr. Maccabee, sat down there
>for two or three years, around 1992 and 1993, watching "Bubba."
>By Blanton Pugh's account in your book, on page 227, he says
>that almost every time a major television station came into town
>to do a story, Bubba appeared. If it appeared every time, by the
>second time, you should have had a helicopter in reserve, ready
>to be put into the air to investigate the object. If that wasn't
>feasible, then the least you could have done was have a
>motorboat ready, so that the minute Bubba appeared, instead of
>standing on the beach or the bridge -- so you could get yourself
>on television -- you could have gotten yourself out there on the
>ocean. You could have gotten underneath that object, to get a
>closer view and photographs. Did any of you guys, Mr. Maccabee,
>Mr. Andrus, Mr. Flannigan, and others, ever do that? No. None of
>you really investigated it.

(Comment: actually the time frame was 1991- July 1992. And there were so many sightings that the fact that SOMETIMES but not always, when a news crew was in the area the news crew would see/videotape a Bubba. I saw a ring of lights appear in the sky on one night when I was there in Sept. 1991.

Linda Howe was there with a crew in the spring of 1991 - I think - and nothing happened.)

>In Middletown, Ohio, on Independence Day, there was a red light
>object seen. It turned out to be a flare attached to a balloon.
>A pilot was asked to vector in and check on it. Why couldn't you
>guys, with your resources, if you couldn't have gotten a plane
>or a helicopter that quickly, at least had a boat ready to get
>out underneath this object? I can tell from the videos of the
>object that it was fairly close.

(Comment: is that so. Well, you're better at analysis than I
am, that's for sure. I had to rely on triangulation using
witnesses at several locations before I could tell how far away
the objects were. And, oh, by the way, in many cases they were
many miles away.

> Why couldn't you guys have
>gotten into a boat, gotten underneath this object, taken some
>good photographs, and probably even recovered some of the
>material that was being dropped every time that it was seen?
>None of you guys tried to do that, because you didn't really
>want to find out what it was.

(Comment: how do you know what the Gulf Breeze Research Team
tried to do? You weren't there! Actually the airplane method was
investigated but found to be too expensive for a zero budget
project considering that the airplane might have to be flying for
several hours every night for a week or more to have a good
chance of seeing something... and even then the airplane might be
miles away from the object at the time it appeared. AS for
chasing in a boat..... again no one could predict where these
things would be. Also, many were over land. And most were too
short to mount a real "chase" before it disappeared.

Hindsight is always 20 20, they say.

The Gulf Breeze Research Team logged about 170 sightings between
November 1990 and July 1992. Most of these were multiple
witnessed. If it was all a hoax..... it was massive and highly
illegal!),

>Ed Walters has been a liar about the Gulf Breeze case from the
>beginning. We will expose Mr. Ed Walters for exactly what he is,
>one of the biggest -- not the best, by far, because he has made
>so many mistakes -- hoaxers in this century. Again, I say, not
>the best, but the biggest. And that's only because you guys made
>it the biggest.

(Comment: strong words, I would say....from one of several
people who have had it in for Ed and other Gulf Breeze witnesses
for 6 or 7 years now.....

Strong words from one who has so far failed to prove a hoax...)

>I mentioned to you earlier that I had been involved in the
>Travis Walton case. My challenge -- and please pass this along
>to Mr. Ed Walters -- is that I challenge Ed to take a polygraph
>test, sponsored by me, given by Mr. Cy Gilson, the polygraph
>operator who passed Dallas and Rogers in 1993.

>If Ed Walters goes to Arizona and takes the test, I will
>reimburse him for his flight there, for his lodging, and for his
>meals, once he takes the test. The questions will be provided,
>just as they were for Travis, by me, reworded by Mr. Gilson, and
>we will await Mr. Gilson's report. Cy Gilson uses the Utah
>Computer-Aided Polygraph System, one of the most sophisticated
>systems now available to polygraph experts.>

>If I don't hear from Ed Walters, or any of you in his behalf,
>within 30 days of your receipt of this tape, I will assume that
>this challenge has been refused.

(SNIP COMMENT ON HOPKINS AND CORTILE)

>So again, I am totally embarrassed, as a ufologist, by all of
>you gentlemen that this is directed to. It would be great if
>only one of you that is receiving this tape would write to me
>and say, "Hey, I realize I've made mistakes." I don't expect it
>from Budd Hopkins, I don't expect it from Bruce Maccabee, or
>from Walt Andrus.

>It would be nice, though, if one of the junior investigators
>would come forward and admit that they had really screwed up --

>even if it was sent to me anonymously. It would be nice to know
>that at least one person involved in this affair had some common
>sense, after ten years, to admit that a tragic mistake was made
>on coverage of the Gulf Breeze case.

SNIP COMMENT ON ANDRUS AND GUARDIAN CASE

>In closing, one of the saddest side effects of this whole story
>of Ed Walters and the hoax he has perpetrated upon ufology for
>the last ten years, is that hundreds and hundreds of people,
>particularly in the late 1980s and early 1990s, have sent
>letters to him, talking about UFO experiences. They have
>described to him experiences that they perhaps never even
>discussed with their own families. They poured open their hearts
>to Mr. Walters, in lengthy letters, describing UFO abductions,
>or UFO close encounters that they had experienced in past years,
>feeling that Ed Walters was someone who could relate to those
>experiences. They did not realize that Ed Walters has probably
>never in his lifetime seen a true UFO, and never in his lifetime
>ever been abducted. That is one of the most tragic events in
>this whole sordid affair.

>Gentlemen, the blame is laid at your feet. The reason that
>ufology has not moved forward is laid at your feet.

>Have a good evening.

>Jerry Black Independent UFO Researcher/Investigator

>JB/gmj

>P.S. Mr. Bruce Maccabee and Mr. Budd Hopkins did not respond to
>my challenge.

CLOSING COMMENT TO READER:

There are many more things I could say, of course, but they are
already laid out in UFOS ARE REAL, HERE'S THE PROOF available at
bookstores, and in my 1988 MUFON Symposium paper, A HISTORY OF
THE GULF BREEZE SIGHTINGS, and in my 1991 Symposium Paper, "GULF
BREEZE WITHOUT ED.

And in Sainio's 1992 Symposium paper,.

For a comprehensive treatment of the sightngs OTHER THAN
ED'S... get "GULF BREEZE: THE UNTOLD STORY. which I will mail
anywhere in the USA for \$15.

GULF BREEZE WITHOUT ED is incorporated into GULF BREEZE, THE
UNTOLD STORY.

A HISTORY OF THE GULF BREEZE SIGHTINGS can also be purchased for
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Re: Question About Crop Circles

From: "Keith M. King" <alien2@sound.net>
Date: Mon, 16 Mar 1998 17:05:22
Fwd Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 07:06:26 -0500
Subject: Re: Question About Crop Circles

> From: JGBOUCK <JGBOUCK@aol.com> [James Bouck]
> Date: Sun, 15 Mar 1998 17:41:56 EST
> To: updates@globalserve.net
> Subject: question about crop circles

>Does anybody, have any knowledge of any abduction experience, in
>which the abductee has any knowledge, either by witness or by
>implied information about crop circles. I'd be real interested
>to know.

I can say to you that in all of the people that I've talked to
who claim to be Abductees/Experiencers, I've never heard one say
that they have seen actual Crop Circles being made.

I have heard them say that they DID see some of the pictographs
that resembled some of these circles on walls or panels.

Thats all I can tell you in this regard.

Whether or not this was a part of the psychological conditioning
these participants are put through as part of their alleged
abductions, is of course, another story altogether.

Keith M. King
M. King Studies

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Re: Question About Crop Circles

From: **Skye Turell** <turel33@west.net>
Date: Mon, 16 Mar 1998 16:07:31 -0800
Fwd Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 07:07:53 -0500
Subject: Re: Question About Crop Circles

> From: JGBOUCK <JGBOUCK@aol.com> [James Bouck]
> Date: Sun, 15 Mar 1998 17:41:56 EST
> To: updates@globalserve.net
> Subject: question about crop circles

<snip>

> In many reports of UFO sightings and abduction reports many
> witnesses and abductees have told of their many experiences.
> They have even on many times reported seeing evidence of animal
> mutilations. Either on the ground or in a craft. I know that
> abductions is an unsubstantiated event that is only sometimes
> supported by regressive hypnosis,

Depends on what you mean by "substantiated," certainly thousands of witnesses, some able to verify the presence of others (whom they didn't know prior to the experience) constitutes "substantiated in most books. And while abductions may "only sometimes [be] supported by regressive hypnosis," MOST abductees have never undergone hypnosis for the retrieval of memories. In fact, memory doesn't seem to be a problem at all.

> but how come there has never
> been any report of an abductee seeing a crop circle in the making
> or witnessing such an event.

I seriously doubt that the Greys, the ET group most strongly correlated with abductions, have anything to do with crop circles. At least I've never seen any evidence of this. On the other hand, Greys have been associated with cattle mutilations.

So, you're asking a question that's something like, "How come Alaskan natives don't know how to read the language of the Mayans?" Apples and oranges.

--

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Bell to Feature Korff & Dilettoso Debate

From: **TotlResrch** <TotlResrch@aol.com> [Kal K. Korff]
Date: Mon, 16 Mar 1998 23:43:07 EST
Fwd Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 07:20:20 -0500
Subject: Bell to Feature Korff & Dilettoso Debate

From: TotalResearch (Totlresrch@aol.com)
Date: 98-03-16
To: Updates@globalserve.net
Subj: Art Bell to Feature Kal Korff & Jim Dilettoso on Debate

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Art Bell to Feature Kal Korff and Jim Dilettoso in Debate

March 16, 1998 - Redmond, Washington.

TotalResearch announced today that its' President and CEO, critically-acclaimed author and investigative journalist, Kal K. Korff, will debate Jim Dilettoso on the widely popular Art Bell "Coast to Coast" radio show on Tuesday, March 17th at 10:00PM Pacific Standard Time. The two will discuss the Billy Meier case and the Phoenix lights, and other issues.

"I am honored that Mr. Art Bell has decided to sponsor a debate on his #1 rated overnight talk radio show. It is truly an honor and privilege to be invited, and Mr. Bell is to be congratulated for arranging this."

"As many Americans know, the fakery and numerous, dubious claims of Mr. Dilettoso have been exposed in the media recently yet again, and this debate will present the greatest opportunity for everyone to ask both Mr. Dilettoso and myself the necessary, hard questions concerning our views on the Phoenix lights and the Billy Meier case. I am looking forward to it."

The debate scheduled by Bell is the first between Kal Korff and Jim Dilettoso since March 10, 1996 when the two last debated on 21st Century Radio's Hieronimus & Co in Balitmore, Maryland. That debate, which Korff won easily by a wide margin, was originally scheduled to be a two part exchange, but Dilettoso refused to debate Korff again and has repeatedly turned down requests during the past two years.

Not only has Dilettoso refused to debate Korff, but he has threatened to sue at least one radio station if Korff was ever a featured guest on radio station KFYI in Phoenix, Arizona.

"Now that Jim's attempts to censor me from the radio have been exposed, and those letters have been posted on the internet into the public domain, the time has come for the both of us to confront each other and settle the issues once and for all. Art Bell's radio program is the best forum to do this on, both my publisher and several reporters from the major news, radio and print media will be listenting in."

##End##

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Re: _The_ Open Letter From Jerry Black.....

From: **Ted Viens** <drtedv@freewwwweb.com>
Date: Sun, 15 Mar 1998 18:57:03 -0800
Fwd Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 07:30:07 -0500
Subject: Re: _The_ Open Letter From Jerry Black.....

UFO UpDates - Toronto wrote:

> I just spoke, via phon, with Jerry Black. He suffers from chronic
> arthritis and is unable to use a keyboard, hence the mentions of
> "this tape" in his 'Open Letter' below. Mr Black uses a tape
> recorder to correspond.

> During the course of our conversation, Mr. Black mentioned Bill
> Spaulding and was wondering whether any readers here knew of his
> whereabouts?

> The telephone number at the end of his 'Open Letter' works and
> Mr. Black asks that if anyone needs to call him they do so
> after 3pm EST.

> He also would like to thank Glenn Joyner for transcribing the
> following.

> ebk

>

> From: <http://members.xoom.com/ufobarb/jb01.html>

> Looking Back: A Review Of Gulf Breeze

> An Open Letter From Jerry Black To Various 'Ufologists'
> October, 1997

With all respect to Jerry Blacks current condition and the many years of effort he has expended in investigating this elusive subject in his preferred rigorous manner, I do not see this profuse letter as anything more than a reflection of the faults of which he accuses the others.

Within the framework of a few brief factual representations, he belittles and demeans the efforts of the others. He cast aspersions on thier motives. He projects his standards on his narrow interpretation of their behaviors as though they were some inviolable norms.

Kevin Randle, in his most recent book, presents the same points, more clearly explained in fewer pararaphs than used by Black. Whatever the substantial nature of the facts, they do not support the personal issues raised by Black. And if those addressed have not behaved in a manner acceptable to Black, well that is just the way life is...

If, in this melee of personalities, we are going to do a better job of policing ourselves, those attempting to police will have to present themselves differently than the people they are attempting to correct...

Bye... Ted..

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Re: Gulf Breeze Conference

From: John <jvif@spacelab.net>
Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 00:39:21 -0500 [John Velez]
Fwd Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 07:42:34 -0500
Subject: Re: Gulf Breeze Conference

Hi All,

Although Budds been suffering a bout of bronchitis (probably acquired during his hospital stay!) he is feeling much improved and well enough to attend the upcoming conference at Gulf Breeze this week-end.

Budd will appear at the 6th Annual Project Awareness Conference in Gulf Breeze, Florida. The dates of that meeting are March 20-22. Budd will speak at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday evening, March 21.

For information contact:

Project Awareness
PO Box 730
Gulf Breeze, Fla 32562

Telephone# 850-432-8888
Fax: 850-438-1801

*If you're planning to be there remember to say, "SWORDFISH" at the door - or they won't let you in! "Old Boys" Club Members only, attire is strictly White Tie, . . . brandy and cigars will be provided. Snickering and backbiting is optional. <VBG>

Peace,

John Velez, Webmaster, Intruders Foundation Online/AIC

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Re: _The_ Open Letter From Jerry Black

From: Glenn Joyner <infohead@airmail.net>
Date: Mon, 16 Mar 1998 23:16:46 -0600
Fwd Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 07:37:17 -0500
Subject: Re: _The_ Open Letter From Jerry Black

Greetings EBK, Mr. Maccabee, and List Members:

My apologies to all... This would have been sent privately to Mr. Maccabee, if he had not chosen to make a public comment that was, in essence, not correct. This comment reflects directly on my business, so I feel that the reply, as well, should be public.

RE:
>Date: Mon, 16 Mar 1998 01:16:48 -0500
>From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: _The_ Open Letter From Jerry Black To
> Various 'Ufologists'

>Mr. Black sent me the tape upon which this letter is based on
>October 2, 1997. I still have it.

>I have compared the tape with the transcript by Mr. Joyner.
>I have found some things changed or left out. Some of his
>"editorializing" of the tape is acceptable.... some isn't.

With all due respect to you and others who may have been mentioned in the above-referred to piece, please understand that I am a transcriptionist by trade... I work for lawyers, insurance adjusters, business offices, organizations, and, yes even individuals. What keeps me in business is my VERY KEEN adherence to the material I am presented with to transcribe. The only "editorializing" that I did on this piece was perhaps a "smoothing over" of grammar, punctuation, redundancy, etc. This was not a deposition, or a legal recorded statement, which I would have rendered absolutely verbatim, as these type of records demand.

I work for anybody who has need of my services, with no regard for the subject material. I give my customer what he wants. My first draft of Mr. Black's tape was verbatim, with the occasional "smoothing over" mentioned above. Since Mr. Black realized that this was to be an open printed letter, he did make some changes in organization of the material, as well as deleting some references to a book that was planned which he realized would not materialize. The changes he made, though, were basically cosmetic, other than deleting the book reference. I too have a copy of the original tape, which I worked from, as well as a copy of the first draft I generated for Mr. Black, as my customer.

The piece is, in essence, basically the SAME as the tape which you received, except for the minor changes mentioned above.

Mr. Maccabee, please understand that, because I did transcription work for Mr. Black does not make me, in any way, an author, a collaborator, or any other term that associates me with the conception of the piece. I have not, and will not, "editorialize" in a product that I generate for a paying customer.

My association with Mr. Black is a business one, although I do find him pleasant, generous, and sincere in his approach to dealing with those that work for him. In fact, you will also see my "screen" name and e-mail address at the bottom of his website, which he also contracted me to produce and maintain for he and

his associates. Once again, this was a business product, for which Mr. Black paid.

As for the subject material, I will not discuss, condone, or condemn the material, as it is now a business product, so far as I am concerned; this would be somewhat unethical on my part, just as discussing a legal deposition would be.

Further, please understand that I will produce the same type of work for ANYBODY! Even you, sir. It just happened that, after discussing my line of work with one of Mr. Black's associates, it was brought to his attention that I could, and would, do the work he needed done at a reasonable rate. Since Mr. Black suffers debilitating pain in his hands, he contracts such work that he wants to see in print to those who can do it. I am merely one such person.

I hope this clarifies my association with this piece, and dispells any notion that I "editorialize" in my work. Yes, I do "edit," as does anyone who is worth a hoot at this type of work. But "editing" is not "editorializing." My editing begins and ends at making the piece presentable in a business-like fashion. End of story.

I invite you, and anyone else who needs our services to peruse our website, at:

<http://members.xoom.com/InfoHead/index1.html>

No hard feelings on this end, and I hope none on that end. As a matter of fact, give us a shout anytime you need some work done. We're reasonable, fast, and efficient.
[END OF SELF-PLUG MODE] Heh...

Regards from the prairielands of Texas,

Glenn Joyner
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Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 07:55:46 -0500
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Subject: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

From: <http://www.ufomind.com/misc/1998/mar/d15-002.shtml>

UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

From: "Charles T. Oliphant III" <alkahest@slip.net>
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THE UFO PUBLIC NUISANCE HALL OF FAME PRECINCT REPORT. Update!

Preliminary results have been reported by 176 responding precincts, some of which have passed on making a nomination. But don't you miss out on the fun! Pass on this list to your friends, enemies and favorite CCs. The final tabulation will be posted on March 29, 1998. Everyone is invited to nominate and vote for their favorite (or least favorite) UFO PUBLIC NUISANCE HALL OF FAMER.

The results so far...

-Sean David Morton	10 nominations	NEW LEADER!
-Steven (CSETI) Greer	9 nominations	A CLOSE 2nd
-A.J. Gevaerd	8 nominations	MOVING UP.
-Richard (Revoked license) Boylan	7 nominations	
-Ed (Virgin Alien) Dames	6 nominations	
-Edith (Revoked license) Fiore	5 nominations	
-Lee (Dolphin Love) Shargel	5 nominations	
-Walt (MUFON) Andrus	5 nominations	
-Linda Moulton Howe	4 nominations	
-Whitley (Fruitcake)Strieber	4 nominations	
-Michael Hesseman	4 nominations	
-Courtney (Hale-Bopp) Brown	4 nominations	
-Bob (Alien Autopsy) Kiviat	4 nominations	
-Bob (Area 51) Lazar	3 nominations	
-Ray (Alien Autopsy) Santilli	3 nominations	
-Ed Walters	3 nominations	
-Don (BIG Liar) Schmitt	3 nominations	
-Randolph Winters	3 nominations	
-Budd (Missing Mind) Hopkins	3 nominations	
-Derrel Sims	3 nominations	
-Art (Hale-Bopp) Bell	3 nominations	
-Billy Meier	3 nominations	
-Phil (Skeptic) Klass	3 nominations	
-David Jacobs	2 nominations	
-Lee & Britt Elders	2 nominations	
-David Adair	2 nominations	
-Bruce (Guardian) MacAbee	2 nominations	
-Joseph (Short-lived) Randazzo)	2 nominations	
-Jack Shulman	2 nominations	
-Jenny Randles	2 nominations	
-Robert Ghost Wolf	2 nominations	
-Sheldon Nidle	2 nominations	
-Kal Korff	2 nominations	
-Frank Stranges	2 nominations	

Honorable Mention...

UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

Jose (Shutter Bug) Escamilla	1 nomination
Frances Ecker	1 nomination
Glen (The Liar) Dennis	1 nomination
James Oberg	1 nomination
Norio Hayakawa	1 nomination
Jaime Maussion	1 nomination
Mark L. Prophet	1 nomination
Hal (demon alien) Lindsey	1 nomination
Jack Van Impe	1 nomination
Pat (Adolph) Robertson	1 nomination
Arthur C. Clark	1 nomination
Susan J. Blackmore	1 nomination
Michael (MK-Ultra) Persinger	1 nomination
Oates John David	1 nomination
John (Aviary) Alexander	1 nomination
John "Val Valerian" Grace	1 nomination
Bill (underground) Hamilton	1 nomination
Bill (B-52) English	1 nomination
Robert (Big Bucks) Bigelow	1 nomination
Laurence Rockefeller	1 nomination
The BSW	1 nomination
C.B. Scott Jones	1 nomination
Bill (Cloudrider) Farley	1 nomination
Richard (Next Step) Hart	1 nomination
Charles Pettit	1 nomination
Dr. Michael Wolf	1 nomination
Leah (Ann Aday) Haley	1 nomination
Jim (Spectral) Dilettoso	1 nomination
Philip J. Corso	1 nomination
William Birnes	1 nomination
Miles Johnston	1 nomination
Nick Pope	1 nomination
Wendelle Stevens	1 nomination
John (MK Ultra) Mack	1 nomination
Standing Elk	1 nomination
Don Ware	1 nomination
Bob (New Age) Dean	1 nomination
Melinda Leslie	1 nomination
Eamon Ansbro	1 nomination
Kent (Moron) Jeffrey	1 nomination
Ed Wang	1 nomination
Rebecca Shatte	1 nomination
Blue Water Publishing	1 nomination
John Lear	1 nomination
Virgil (Posty) Armstrong	1 nomination
Maurice (R.I.P.) Chatelain	1 nomination
Carl (R.I.P.) Sagan	1 nomination
Bill (Big nose alien) Cooper	1 nomination
Ted (Muck-raker) Oliphant III	1 nomination
Timothy (Greed) Beckley	1 nomination
Rebecca Shatte	1 nomination
Jorge(Self promoting) Martin	1 nomination
Jim (JFK) Marrs	1 nomination

It's not too late to nominate your choice for THE UFO PUBLIC NUISANCE HALL OF FAME. The final tally will be completed March 29, 1998. Vote! THE CLOCK IS TICKING SO GET IN YOUR NOMINATIONS AND VOTES TODAY.

Post your vote to:
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Mysterious Valley Site Updated

From: "Christopher O'Brien" <tmv@pop.amigo.net>
Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 05:01:16 -7
Fwd Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 09:24:49 -0500
Subject: Mysterious Valley Site Updated

Fellow researcher/Investigators:

Finally, I have continued the web-page construction process and worked on my web-site w/someone who knows what the blazes they're doing. Current Reports section is now archived by month so it doesn't take so long to load; all my .gifs are .giffing and the maps are finally loading properly.

I urge you to check out the re-vamped browser-friendly Mysterious Valley Home Page and your comments and suggestions are welcome!

Thanx.

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Re: Meier

From: **Jeroen Jansen** <jj4747@dds.nl>
Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 08:36:25 +0100
Fwd Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 09:17:27 -0500
Subject: Re: Meier

>Date: Sat, 14 Mar 1998 22:51:02 -0500
>From: The Duke of Mendoza <101653.2205@compuserve.com> [Peter Brookesmith]
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Re: Meier [Was: Jim Dilettoso...]
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>

>I could also go through the Hans Schutzbach "sighting" story
>recounted by Jim Deardorff - see

<snip>

>- and point out why it is entirely consistent with a hoax; and I
>could argue a case for why "it's possible that Meier's
>explanation is the truth" may be true, but also on balance
>unacceptably slim; and for why I think Meier is most likely a
>hoaxer and a con-man and certainly has some exceedingly nasty
>people among his followers.

>But I don't have the time or the inclination. But then that is
>not the point.

>If we were to indulge or engage in such a debate we would be
>discussing evidence - of varying quality, but evidence
>nonetheless - and its interpretation; also, very likely, of
>uneven excellence.

Part of the scientific method is eliminating what certainly is
not true. As I pointed out in my previous posting Korff's
background information regarding BM's 'eye of God' photos is
wrong and thus should be eliminated (instead of being copied).

I posted Meier's comments because it was probably news for most
people reading it. Whether one accepts Meier's explanations or
not is a matter of belief. As Peter B. pointed out, there's
evidence in the case of a varying quality, and I think it's
important to realize that Korff selectively emphasizes only that
part of the data which support his theories; in science 'facts'
are established by means of an unbiased, critical and rational
discussion of all the available indirect evidence.

Jeroen

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Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance Cases?

From: Joseph Polanik <jpolanik@mindspring.com>
Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 07:06:45 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 09:28:05 -0500
Subject: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance Cases?

Recently, the possibility of resisting abductions came to the attention of two sober researchers for the Florida MUFON organization.

The following comes from a CNI News extract of a Florida Today article:

"The similarity between the abduction experience and demonic possession is very, very close," says Joe Jordan, Brevard/Volusia state [section] director for the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON). ... Jordan and his partner, Wes Clark, have begun a research group called CE-4 (close encounters of the fourth kind), dedicated to studying alleged alien abductions. Its 15 members also belong to MUFON, but "nothing we do is necessarily sanctioned by [MUFON leadership]," says Clark, a quality control engineer at Kennedy Space Center.

... Last year he [Jordan] focused on CE-4 research, and encountered a Central Florida abductee whose otherwise-typical experience had one unique aspect:

"They had stopped the experience while it was happening. In all the time I've been researching, I'd never heard that before."

Jordan and Clark swear they have three verifiable cases in which apparent abduction experiences were halted by believers who called on the name of Jesus.

When I learned of this research project, I wrote to Wes Clark asking for more information. He replied (and gave me permission to further distribute his reply):

You may find it interesting that over the last year we have acquired dozens of cases through the internet of people who have stopped a potential abduction experience by the authority of the name of Jesus Christ.

We have contacted several of the leading researchers in the field and every one without exception said, off the record, they have hundreds of similar cases, however they felt they could never publicly say so as most in the UFO/abduction realm tend to be of the New Age persuasion, and the last thing the New Age wants to hear is there is authority only in the name of Jesus Christ when they are trying so hard to kill Jesus off. They have their hearts set on "Space Brothers."

We've also found that Christians aren't necessarily immune from spiritual attack by the enemy, but most Christians instinctively called out for Jesus during these times. Although Christians get results, the sad part is, Most of them don't have the slightest idea why it worked. We believe if the Word of God is properly divided, we can know beyond a shadow of a doubt why there is authority in the name of Jesus, right down to the individual level.

Sincerely, Wes Clark, CE 4 Research Group, Inc.

While TRI does not endorse the conclusion that there is authority *only* in the name of Jesus, we are interested in the phenomenon in question: Resisting abduction by invoking the name of Jesus or some

other spiritual personage or by some other similar technique.

If anyone has tried to resist abduction by using one of these techniques (whether successful or not), you might want to share your experiences with others on this mailing list or you may write to TRI by way of the address below.

We are especially interested in any information regarding the claim that other UFO/Abduction researchers have evidence that might corroborate Clark's claims but that they are keeping it 'off the record'.

Additional information about resistance techniques may be found at the TRI website.

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Re: Dan Sherman

From: **Mary Keller** <mrees@ix.netcom.com>
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Fwd Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 09:54:18 -0500
Subject: Re: Dan Sherman

> From: koch@wad.berlin.fido.de (Joachim Koch)
> Date: 15 Mar 98 21:48:00 +0000
> Subject: Dan Sherman
> To: updates@globalserve.net

> Date: 15 March 98 19:43:00 GMT
> From: koch@wad.berlin.fido.de <Joachim Koch>
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> Subject: Dan Sherman

> Hello list,

> this might be interesting:

> -----

> ALIEN CONTACT & GOVERNMENT COVERUP
> Monday, March 16th
> 9:00PM EST, 6:00PM PST, 2AM GMT (Tues]

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> Dan Sherman, now a retired U.S. Air Force staff
> sergeant, worked as an intuitive communicator for
> the National Security Agency from 1992 to 1995.

<snip>

> Is there anyone who could monitor this conference and post it here,
> comments included?

> Joachim Koch

Joachim and List,

I am checking to see if I can post the conference here after all.
It was interesting, to say the least! If I get approval from
the forum management, I will post what I can.

I was moderator for the conference and there were many good
questions for Dan and quite a turnout!

Hopefully, I will be able to post at least a part of it for you
all!

Mary

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Mexico City, 08-06-97 Video - Further Analysis

From: **Bruce Maccabee** <brumac@compuserve.com>
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Fwd Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 09:14:49 -0500
Subject: Mexico City, 08-06-97 Video - Further Analysis

Below is a preliminary report on the video analysis. This will be published in the next issue of the MUFON Journal along with the graphs/figures referenced herein.

THE MEXICO CITY, AUG. 6, 1997 VIDEO
OF AN UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT (UO)
by
Bruce Maccabee

\$#@& !!! (Expletive deleted.) Its just a model hanging on a string...a stupid hoax!!

That was my immediate reaction watched the beginning of the Mexico City video for the first time back in early November, 1997. Its wobbling and rotating saucer seemed just as big as life...but not as real. What immediately popped into my mind was a vision of a 1950s movie portrayal of flying saucers.... the movie with rotating saucers that crash into the U. S. Capitol building (Invaders from Space?)! I was disgusted!!!

Five seconds later I was no longer disgusted. Instead, I was surprised.

During the first seconds of the video I had envisioned a small model saucer rotating and wobbling as it was hanging from a string.

Then it abruptly moved to the right.

Thats no hanging model, I thought as it accelerated without any swinging back and forth characteristic of the pendulum motion of a small model at the end of a string. As the video continued I watched carefully for any evidence of swinging.

There was none.

I then reversed the video and watched the image of the Unidentified Object (UO) as it moved to the left toward its starting position.

Suddenly it stopped moving...as if running into a brick wall (crash dummies inside?).

I ran it back and forth several times.

Each time I became more convinced that the acceleration was very rapid, perhaps even instantaneous. Suffice it to say that I watched the rest of the video with more respect.

I then got out my ruler and started making measurements.

I wanted to know just how fast it had accelerated.

Thus began my investigation into one of the most interesting UO videos I have ever seen.

In late November I posted initial results of the investigation on the internet. This report provides some corrections and updates

to those initial results.

HISTORY OF THE VIDEO AND WITNESS TESTIMONY

Jaime Maussan, a TV journalist in Mexico City (who has collected numerous videos related to the Mexico City solar eclipse sightings of 1991) received the video and a letter from an anonymous source on Sept. 26. He watched the video and wasn't impressed because it was too clear, too obvious. It had to be a hoax, he told Michael Lindemann during an interview at the World UFO Congress in Brazil in December (published on the internet: cninews1@aol.com).

The video has a date stamp on it: August 6, 1997.

There are the voices of two men who were talking during the sighting. The conversation, which provides no details of the sighting, is as follows (translation by Carlos Guzman, MUFON director for Mexico):

1st voice (expletive deleted)
2nd voice I cant believe it.... (expletive deleted)
1st voice It looks just perfect.....
2nd voice Are you recording Carlos?
1st voice Yes, the light is on.
2nd voice (expletive deleted)
1st voice The disc looks great..
2nd voice Its not a plane, that...(expletive deleted)
1st voice I cant see it now. It moves beind the
 building, wait....
2nd voice By the other side?
1st voice Its isnt any more. (i.e., Its gone.)

Jaime had not heard of anything particular happening on Aug. 6, so his initial impression was that he should ignore this video. But after he watched it several times more he decided to air it on his TV program, Tercer Milenio, on September 27 and 28.

Then on Sept. 29 he located the buildings in the video and determined where the videographer had been on a balcony on the fourth floor of an office building. This is in the western part of the federal district of Mexico City (an area called Prolongacion Bosques de La Reforma, where the road Prolongacion Paseo de los Laureles meets the road Sindicato de Trabajadores de la Industria Militar).

Although the videographer has remained anonymous, Jaime told Michael Lindemann that since the Sept. 29 showing he has found more than a dozen witnesses by walking around the streets in the area asking people if they saw something unusual in August.

Several children claim to be able to draw the UO. One lady who was close to it claimed to have been burned, like a sunburn, as it passed overhead. Another claimed to have been under it and felt a downward force. This lady said that it turned away much faster than it appears on the video. Several said they saw lights on the bottom.

Michael Hesemann also interviewed witnesses on Dec. 3, 1997, while in the company of Alejandra Dehesa, a Mexican journalist who works for a different news agency (a rival of Maussan). They located the buildings which appear in the video and then walked around asking people if they had seen, or knew someone who had seen, the UO.

Ultimately by this manner they located and interviewed 7 witnesses and learned of 5 others who were not available to be interviewed at that time.

They learned that the office building where the video was shot

has restricted entrance (a security system with guards; Hesemann was not allowed to enter) and hence the videographer must have worked for one of the companies in the building. There is no TV production company, computer company or video laboratory.

According to Hesemann, the witnesses came from all levels of society, with no connection at all.

Yet another witness investigation has been carried out by Lee and Brit Elders, who have located a number of other witnesses.

If it can be proven that these witnesses are not part of a rather large scale conspiracy, i.e., if the testimony is not a hoax, then this video will be important evidence of another reality right here on earth.

The MUFON representative in Mexico City, Carlos Guzman, has also investigated this sighting and has provided numerous photographs which show a typical urban setting with a few high rise apartment and office buildings interspersed between in the typical one or two story homes and stores in the area.

ANALYSIS OF THE VIDEO

The analysis of the video has been a joint project by me and Jeffrey Sainio, MUFON photo/video analyst. (Jeff has previously presented several papers at MUFON symposia in which he has discussed the analysis of UFO photos and videos.) We have attempted to determine characteristics of the image of the UO and to use these characteristics to assess the likelihood of one of the following hoax hypotheses:

(A) a full sized model, assumed circular, and estimated at 6 m or 20 ft in diameter at a considerable distance (estimate 500 m or 1,500 ft or more),

(B) a small mechanized model several inches in size combined with partially fake and partially real scenery that is near the camera (i.e., within a room in the office building),

(C) some arrangement using optical/photographic methods (e.g. a combination of front and rear screen projected images with a mask shaped like a building for the rear screen projection), and

(D) a complete electronic fabrication using real video of the background scene combined with sophisticated computer image generation methods to create the UO image.

(These methods are discussed in more detail at the end of this article.)

The video analysis reported here was made possible by an unknown source in Mexico City who supplied a good copy of the video to a friend who subsequently sent it to me. This version (which is devoid of color for some reason) has a black and white direct copy of the video, a 1.6x magnified and slowed-down (half speed) negative version of the video (bright is changed to dark and vice versa) and a 7x magnified slowed-down video of the UO alone.

(I subsequently learned that the magnified versions were created by Jim Diletosso of Village Labs in Phoenix, Arizona, who also sent me a color copy. The color copy shows that the UO image has no color.)

Within a week of receiving of the video I placed on the internet (in early November) a preliminary analysis.

This paper presents some corrections and an update to that analysis.

The video begins with a "wide angle" shot and then, over the next 3 seconds, zooms in on the UO. Once zoomed in it stays that way.

The initial wide angle shot shows numerous nearby and distant buildings. The nearby buildings are noticeably darker than the bright sky background. The distant structures have low contrast with the sky, a fact which is consistent with the known very hazy

conditions for August 6 in Mexico City. The distance to the building that the UO went behind is estimated at about 500 m or 1,500 ft away. That would place the UO at a comparable distance or farther, assuming it was a real object out there.

The UO image is generally well centered in the video. The camera jiggle is obvious and looks as one would expect for a hand held camera. The jiggle is much more noticeable after zoom.

The UO started to move about 9 seconds after the start of the video. Its acceleration was abrupt (see below).

The cameraman apparently panned with the moving UO until it was out of sight about 24 seconds after the beginning of the video. The rightward motion was at a roughly constant rate (see below) and so was the pan motion (with jiggling).

After the UO disappeared behind the second, higher, building the cameraman kept the camera running for another 11 seconds (total video time is 35 seconds) and continued to pan to the right as if he expected to see the UO appear from behind the second building. This would be logical thing to do, considering the previous steady rightward motion.

The motion of the UO was always steady and rather slow. It did not simply hover for many seconds and then zip away at high speed, as reported in the MUFON Journal article of November, 1997.

The center of the UO was initially stationary while it rocked back and forth in such a way as to make it appear to be rotating about a vertical axis, a motion similar to that of a precessing gyroscope (i.e., a spinning top with its spin axis tilted from vertical and the spin axis rotating about a vertical axis through the support point).

The 7x video blowup shows periodic left-to-right motion of numerous diffuse (not sharp) dark areas or dark spots which seem to be on the rim of the UO. If these are fixed to the surface, then they suggest rotational motion, counter-clockwise as seen from above. This could be rotation of the whole UO or rotation of only an outer rim or ring. If the UO or part of it was rotating then perhaps the rotation was related to the periodic tilting or precession, as in a gyroscope. (In a gyroscope the precession rate is related to the spin rate and the torque acting on the spinning mass of the gyroscope.)

On the other hand, the UO might not be rotating at all and the dark spots might actually be some structural features which moved along the rim or edge of the UO, thereby given the appearance of overall rotation.

Whatever the case, this rotation and wobbling continued throughout the video (see below).

On a 14 diagonal monitor, using the direct video, the image size after the zoom is completed is about 27 mm wide and 8 mm high. The actual distance and size of the UO have not yet been determined (although this should be possible from witness testimony) nor has the focal length of the camera. Hence the size can only be estimated by comparison with objects of known size in the video. Unfortunately as of this writing there is no known size of an object in the video. However, one may assume that the spacing between floors in the building is at least 8 feet. The width of the UO image is about 2.5 times the spacing between floors on the building. This means width of the UO, if a real object out there farther away than the building, was at least 20 ft.

Without knowing the exact ratio of distances to the UO and the building it is impossible to determine how much larger it might have been.

Therefore, we assume as a conservative estimate that it was 6 m or about 20 ft wide. In this case its height was about 1.8 m or about 6 ft.

(Note: if further investigation proves the UO was larger than this then the results of the following calculations can be scaled appropriately. For example if the UO were 40 ft in diameter the calculated acceleration would be twice the value given below.)

ANALYSIS OF THE MOVEMENT OF THE UO

The acceleration to the right is what initially caught my interest.

To make a quantitative estimate of the acceleration I measured, frame by frame, the spacing between the right end of the UO image and the left edge of the building image, thereby removing the camera jiggle from the measurement of UO position as a function of time.

The several sets of data I obtained by hand measurement are presented in Figure 1. Because of what I had seen while running the video I was not surprised to see that the UO accelerated rapidly. However, I was surprised to see just how quickly the UO reached a steady speed to the right.

The data in Figure 1 suggested that the acceleration occurred over a period of time no longer than two video frames or $2/30$ sec. However, because of difficulty in making accurate position measurements in the presence of electronic noise and the oscillation (tilting) of the UO image I could not rule out the possibility that the acceleration took as little as 1 frame time ($1/30$ sec) or even 1 field time ($1/60$ sec).

(In standard video format a frame or complete picture is completed every $1/30$ sec. Each frame is composed of two fields each taking $1/60$ sec. Hence there are 30 frames or 60 fields per second. The first field is made up of odd horizontal scan lines 1,3,5, etc., and the second field consisting the the even lines, 2,4,6, etc., so that after the second field there are a total of 460 lines making up the complete frame. Hence each field is itself a picture of the scene, but at lesser vertical resolution than the complete picture or frame.)

Jeffrey Sainio used computer aided methods to produce more precise data. He obtained the horizontal position data for 20.45 seconds of the video, starting after the camera zoomed in on the UO, by measuring its position relative to the building, field by field (60 fields per second and 2 fields per frame) for 1227 fields, an effort that required many, many hours of effort.

Figure 2 shows its horizontal position relative to its initial position, i.e., the distance moved rather than the separation between the UO and the building (shown in Figure 1). The horizontal position as a function of time is in relative units (cursor units, vertical scale) vs time (in units of $1/60$ sec). (The data points are close together and therefore make a thick line.) The hole in the graph corresponds to the time when the UO was (apparently) behind the building. The slope of the graph is proportional to the velocity. The graph shows that the UO accelerated quickly, in a fraction of a second, to a constant velocity and held that velocity until it disappeared behind the first building.

By the time it reappeared the velocity was slightly lower (the slope was not as steep; compare to the slope the thin line projected along the direction of the initial slope). The rightward motion continued at a constant rate until the UO disappeared for the second and final time, 27 fields (nearly $1/2$ second) after the end of the graph.

A close up of the horizontal acceleration to the right is presented in Figure 3 which shows about 100 data points.

Jeff obtained these data by using a special process that measures image shift from field to field in order to reduce the effects of electronic noise. I have drawn a thin sloping line through the data.

Note that the data suggest the acceleration took place in $1/60$ sec.

Further analysis is being done on this acceleration.

Measurements made using the direct video monitor show that from the time of acceleration to the time when the leading edge of the UO image contacts the building image is about $45 \frac{1}{2}$ frames or 1.52 sec (± 0.1 sec).

During this time the UO image moves about 2.15 times its own length. It then requires 21 frames or 0.7 sec to travel its own length and disappear behind the building.

The total distance moved from the start of motion to complete disappearance is therefore 3.15 times its length and it does this in about 66.5 frames or 2.22 sec.

Assuming a size of 20 ft, the speed was about 28 ft/sec or 19 mph.

If the speed change from zero to 28 ft/sec occurred in 1/15 sec the average acceleration during this 1/15 sec would have been about $28/(1/15) = 420 \text{ ft/sec}^2$ which corresponds to 13 gs or 13 times the acceleration of gravity (32.2 ft/sec^2 or 9.8 m/sec^2).

If the speed change occurred in 1/30 sec the acceleration was about 26 times that of gravity.

Finally, if the speed change occurred in 1 field time (1/60 sec), as suggested by Figure 3 above, the acceleration was about 52 times that of gravity.

If you think of your own weight as caused by 1 g of gravitational force, you can try to imagine what it would feel like to suddenly weigh 13 times or 26 times or 52 times your own normal weight. (Time for a crash diet!)

The less steep slope of the graph after it reappeared from behind the building means that while it was (apparently) behind the building it slowed its rightward velocity to about 0.66 of the initial velocity.

Assuming it was 20 ft wide this final horizontal velocity was about 18 ft/sec or about 12 mph.

At the same time that the UO accelerated to the right it also accelerated and then moved upward at a constant speed.

A graph of the height vs time shows a continual climb until a few seconds after it reappeared from behind the building, at which time it abruptly stopped its continual climb and began a very slow climb upward.

Again, assuming a 20 ft wide UO, the upward speed was about 9 ft/sec or about 6 mph.

Except for the growth in image size during the initial zoom, the size of the UO image changes very slightly (a few percent) during the first 17.65 seconds of the video.

The slight changes are consistent with what one would expect if the UO traveled along a straight or nearly straight trajectory that was essentially perpendicular to the line of sight toward the building.

Then, during the last 2.8 seconds before the UO disappears (for the last time) behind the second building, the image shinks by about 20%.

The shrinkage is consistent with the assumption that during this time the UO was moving away from the camera, an assumption that is supported by the decrease in contrast of the UO image relative to the sky. (Under hazy conditions the contrast with the sky background diminishes as distance increases.)

By assuming the acceleration occurred in much less than a second and by assuming a particular distance after the acceleration ended one can use the following 2 equations to calculate the component of velocity away from the camera, V_a : (1) $S_i(t) = S_a F/D(t)$, where $S_i(t)$ is the image size as a function of time, t , after acceleration ends, S_a is the actual size of the object (e.g., 20 ft), F is the effective focal length of the camera (unknown) and (2) $D(t) = D_0 + tV_a$, where D_0 is the distance when the acceleration ended. The image size at $t = 0$ is 86 units (relative size) and at $t = 2.8$ seconds is 70 units. Hence equation (1) at $t = 0$ yields $S_a F/D_0 = 86$. Then at $t = 2.8$ equation (2) is $70 = 86/(1 + 2.8V_a/D_0)$ which yields $V_a/D_0 = (86/70 - 1)/2.8 = 0.082$. The actual value of V_a depends upon the assumed distance, D_0 . If $D_0 = 1,500$ ft its speed was about 123

ft/sec (84 mph).

The clear implication of these calculations is that the UO traveled away much more rapidly than it moved to the right (at 12 mph).

The UO must have made a sharp left turn (at East Gate?) at the same time that it accelerated away. The turn angle is estimated at about 80 degrees.

So, here we have one of those (nearly) 90 degree turns people have reported for years!

PERIODIC WOBBLE AND ROTATION

The wobble motion has been carefully measured by Jeff Sainio.

Figure 4 shows the periodic up-down motion of one end of the UO image as a function of time with a sine wave superimposed.

Although the data are noisy it is nevertheless impressive to see that a single sine wave equation can fit the whole series of 18 3/4 cycles without being affected by the accelerations that occurred.

(There are several cycles missing in the middle when the UO was behind the building.)

The period of the oscillation is 1.065 sec (a frequency of about 1 Hz). To fit the whole curve the phase of the sine wave was set at 173 degrees.

The previous graph shows that the wobble motion is constant. It suggests continual rotation of the major symmetry axis of the UO about a vertical axis through its center.

The 7x blowup, which shows the UO image field-by-field, provides evidence of another, more basic sort of rotation. This is the rotation of the object about its major symmetry axis. The moving dark areas suggest a rotation speed of about 1/3 of a revolution per second (1/3 Hz) about the symmetry axis. The two rotations taken together make it appear that the UO was rotating about its symmetry axis at 1/3 Hz, while its symmetry axis was rotating around a vertical axis at 1 Hz, just like a spinning, tilted top that is precessing about a vertical axis drawn through the support point of the top (e.g., the point on the table the top spins upon).

The UO's appearance of being like a precessing top is seductive, but neither torque free precession nor torque driven precession of a rotating object seems consistent with the apparent precession rate (1 Hz) being larger than the spin rate (1/3 Hz). (Of course, there could be within the UO a rapidly spinning object - a source of high speed angular momentum - which is not visible from the outside, the precession might be caused by a torque due to magnetic fields and/or gravity or something else.)

CONSIDERING THE HOAX HYPOTHESIS

In general there are three possibilities for any UO sighting: it is a hoax, a misidentification or the "real thing" (a True UFO - unexplainable as a conventional phenomenon).

The possibility of a misidentification seems unlikely here because of the shape.

It wasn't a bird or a plane or Superman (.....well, maybe Superman).

One can barely imagine that this was just a misidentified blimp or an oddly shaped motor-driven balloon of some kind that just happened to be passing by.

Yet, this is the only conventional (i.e., not a True UFO), non-hoax hypothesis that could be consistent with witness testimony about seeing a real object.

However, this hypothesis must be rejected because of the video evidence which shows anomalous accelerations of the UO.

What if it were a full scale hoax involving a large object, 20 or more feet in size, designed to look like a True UFO that could fool unsuspecting witnesses?

This could be a motorized blimp or simply a wind borne or tethered balloon of an odd shape.

However, even with the most advantageous combination of assumptions about mechanical capabilities of this blimp/balloon one cannot explain the initial "instantaneous" acceleration to a constant velocity at the beginning of the video, the sudden stop in its vertical ascent, the rapid right angle turn with large acceleration just before it went away and the lack of effect of these accelerations on the continuous rocking motion.

Finally, it is hard to imagine that the unsuspecting witnesses would not realize they were just seeing (and hearing?) some motorized blimp or a balloon dragged by the wind.

Alternative hoax hypotheses that do not involve a full scale model are based on the assumption that the witnesses don't count. Either they were all delusional or part of the hoax conspiracy.

One possibility is that a several inch sized, motorized MUFO (model UFO) was videotaped inside a room in real time while the MUFO was moved past a window with a camera looking through the window at the background scene.

In order to make the MUFO appear to go behind the real building out there it would be necessary to have inside the room a flat model of the building which would be slightly closer to the camera than the model itself so the model could move behind it.

Of course, the edges of the model building would have to be perfectly aligned with the edges of the real building as seen from the camera and this alignment would have to be maintained throughout the video despite the camera jiggle, something that would be difficult to do.

There are many other details of this hypothetical MUFO method which would make it both time consuming and expensive although probably not impossible.

An alternative is a rear screen projection method in which a stationary view of the whole background scene from farthest left to farthest right is projected onto the front side of a large screen (i.e., the projector is on the same side as the video camera that records the scene). This screen is assumed to be translucent rather than opaque. There is also a projector on the opposite side of the screen (rear projection) which creates a movable and dynamic image of a UFO on the other side of the screen. Because the screen is translucent some of the UFO image leaks through the screen. Thus the UFO image can be videotaped along with the front projection of the real scene. The UFO image is then moved sideways to create periodic tilting, rotation, acceleration, steady motion to the right, etc., while the hand held video camera follows the image, thereby recording (a photograph of) the real scene with the supposed UFO moving against the sky background. It would be necessary to place an opaque mask with the shape (outline) of the buildings at the rear of the screen to block the UFO image from the rear projector at the locations where it seems to be behind the building. This method, while perhaps not as difficult as the MUFO method described above, would still require considerable effort and equipment.

Finally one must consider the all-out electronic fake.

In this case one might imagine that the cameraman videotaped the background scene with a handheld camera to make it look as if he were following the path of a True UFO that hovered for a few seconds and then moved across the scene. Then the computer graphics geniuses would create a classic UFO shape and make it appear to rotate and oscillate (tilt) at a steady rate. Then they would have to analyze the random camera jiggle motion of the background scene on a field by field basis. (Note: an alternative would be to have the cameraman videotape the scene with the camera on a tripod and then the computer geniuses would add a synthetic camera jiggle later on.) Then on a field by field basis they would have to place the EUFO image on top of the background scene (hazy sky) in such a way that the EUFO would appear to move in a

manner consistent with the motion of True UFOs. Finally, after about 1440 fields of EUFO video had been generated in this way the geniuses would be finished, since the last 11 seconds of the video dont show the EUFO.

Considering the number of possibilities for faking this video in a studio I would have to say that if Stephen Spielberg had given me this video I would have asked if he had been talking to George Lucas recently!

On the other hand, if the witnesses are credible these methods can be tossed out the window.

ESTIMATE OF THE SITUATION

As of the time of this writing (early February) there is no firm conclusion.

There may be other hoax hypotheses that should be considered.

Investigation of the video and of the witnesses continues with a major effort to determine which hypotheses can be rejected.

If it turns out that all hoax hypotheses can be rejected then this will become one of the most spectacular True UFO sightings ever recorded on video.

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> UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

> From: "Charles T. Oliphant III" <alkahest@slip.net>
> Date: Sun, 15 Mar 1998 17:56:06 -0800

>THE UFO PUBLIC NUISANCE HALL OF FAME PRECINCT REPORT. Update!

Both Philip Mantle and I were deeply offended by being left out of this "who's who" list, so we have nominated ourselves. I suggest that everyone else who was left out do likewise.

Bob

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Frances Emma Barwood's response to Tony Ortega

From: **Bob Shell** <bob@bobshell.com>
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Subject: Frances Emma Barwood's response to Tony Ortega

Errol & All,

Tony Ortega has asked me to post this exchange between Frances Barwood and him. Everyone please feel free to copy and repost. Both sides of this need to have their say in public.

Bob

Dear Neal,

Well I don't know you but I like you for sure. I hope that Tony Ortega tortega@newtimes.com gets a lot of email. He had been at Laughlin for at least 2-3 days before the night I spoke. He had lost money gambling and definitely drinking. He seemed annoyed that he had to wait until they introduced me to speak and kept commenting negatively about the people there. It didn't help that Steve Bassett kept loudly saying silly things that were feeding Tony O's bad attitude about ETs. By the time they called me, he had sat through several people's jokes that he obviously didn't enjoy and a lady who sung a song that he definitely didn't like. Through this all, he kept ordering drinks and said that he couldn't wait to get back to the gambling tables with his friend that was with him. Obviously on the NewTimes expense account.

There is an interesting rumor also that the head of the astronomers club that the young boy who saw planes way up there was a member, is a personal friend of Tony O's. I seem to remember when the first article appeared last year, he had called me, he did say that a friend of his had an astronomer's club and one of the members saw planes that night. He also accused me of not returning his friend's call. The man did call but never left a number and said that he would have the kid call me, which he never did. I find it most interesting that 1 young man says it was small plane formation way up high and thousands say it was a humongous flying boomerang shaped object, that flew very slow, was very obvious, flew over the most densely populated path from north to south of Arizona was very low and was totally silent! And TONY ORTEGA believes the kid!

I have spoken to hundreds of people since I asked that question in May. So many of them had never told anyone before and were relieved that I wouldn't laugh at them. Sad. Some had told a few people and after they were ridiculed they just shut up and decided it just wasn't worth it. You know the feeling, I am sure.

After that last article, it would be a miracle if another elected official would ever want to touch this. What a shame. They have accomplished making people shut up with just a few articles that ridicule, harass and scorn. However, I am much too curious to stop. My dad used to say you can't get in trouble by asking questions. Looks like we just shouldn't question anything to do with government. What is the most mysterious of all of this is that no one else in the government is concerned about what is invading our airspace in these times of terrorism. Doesn't that make us all feel real secure. The government that we pay the salaries of don't give a darn about what is flying over our cities! What a bunch of weenies. What are they afraid of?

Anyway, it all needs to be out on the table. What are they afraid of? There is nothing that could not be handled by this world. What are they afraid of?

As to the Secretary of State campaign race, most of the people on my committee have been told they will never get anywhere in the republican party if they support me. I have lost a few but they did tell my why and I had 2 job offers IF I didn't run. Sounds like bribery to me. Not my style.

Again thank you and please visit my website. It is www.frances-emma-barwood.com. We have raised a small amount of money so far, but the most important thing right now is to get the petition signatures. I need 10,000 and they have to be registered republicans. The primary is September 8th and the general (if I make it) is Nov 3rd.

You know Neal, I have never seen anything unknown up there or anywhere. I never even thought twice about it, but after talking with doctors, lawyers, truckers, police officers, pilots, little league coaches, joggers, whole families, and just average people who did see it, there is no doubt in my mind that they saw something that was absolutely phenomenal. Why is the news media and our government razing them? What are they afraid of?

Thank you for letting me vent, since the newspapers won't print my rebuttals.

Frances Emma Barwood former Phoenix City Councilwoman candidate for Secretary of State of Arizona

You have my permission to use this letter.

Paul,

Thanks for forwarding the message to me. It's unfortunate that Barwood would resort to such irrelevant, personal attacks on me, but as the days go on, that seems to be the preferred mode of some of the locals who have a lot invested in perpetuating confusion about what happened March 13, 1997.

I had arrived at Laughlin the afternoon before the banquet, and you bet I sat down at the blackjack tables for some time. As a matter of fact I was about a hundred dollars up the night of the banquet (not down, as Barwood reports). She may have been confused when Sunday I did tell her that I'd gotten whacked after the banquet and lost about two hundred. I can assure Ms. Barwood that my abilities as a blackjack player (or lack thereof) have little to do with how I report and write my stories.

I guess she's trying to paint a picture of me as a depressed, surly guy who was out to get people. That's funny, because I started out the evening in a great mood. As the hours wore on and we had to sit through bad comedy ("I'm an alien," said German UFO publisher and dismal comic Michael Hessemann. "But not like the Mexicans. I'm a LEGAL alien!") I did get frustrated, but I wasn't the only one. Hessemann was practically booed off the stage. Overall, the craziness was very entertaining, and both Barwood and I were laughing about it. I ordered one drink, which was a bad-tasting martini, so stuck to the wine sitting on the table while eating dinner. The night was an eternal-seeming four hours long, so I did manage to down about four glasses of wine. Oh, sin of all sins.

What Barwood doesn't deny is that I reported things CORRECTLY. She doesn't dispute that we were treated to a long procession of surreality before she got up to speak. It's all the way I describe it in the story.

As for the "rumor" that Mitch Stanly, the young amateur astronomer who saw that the 8:30 vee was airplanes, is a friend of mine. It's just that--an unfounded rumor. I guess where the confusion comes in is that for a short time I was a member of the Saguaro Astronomy Club, and that now I'm a member of the East Valley Astronomy Club. (I build telescopes and am very aware of their capabilities.) In May of last year I was contacted by Jack Jones, a member of the Saguaro Club whom I had never met, who told me about Mitch Stanley, another person whom I had never met.

Since that time I have spoken with Mitch about six times on the telephone and made one visit to his house to examine his telescope and put him through tough questions about his observations. It's a lot more than Barwood or Village Labs ever did to decide Stanley's veracity. (Jim Dilettoso did invite Mitch to an "open house," but he admitted to me that to this day he has never bothered to learn anything about the scope Stanley was using that night.)

Hundreds of people did see the 8:30 vee that night with their naked eyes. But Barwood exaggerates: she makes it sound like there was a consensus that the object was low-flying and had a solid boomerang shape. This is simply not the case. Some felt that it was very low, only 100 feet high, others estimated 1,000 feet, 5,000 feet and--and this is the part Barwood and Village Labs consistently keep quiet about--other naked-eye witnesses felt that it was very high. Witnesses are also divided on whether it had a solid shape or not. Some report that they clearly saw stars, and in one case the moon, pass behind the lights without being blocked out.

There's no doubt that these people saw five lights in a vee shape pass over the Valley. But the discrepancy in their altitude estimates should be a clue that those estimates are just guesses. The human eye is a very poor tool for deciding the distance of point sources of light (which a videotape of the vee prove they were). The videotape also shows that the lights moved relative to each other and were not connected by a solid body. The boomerang shape is precisely the sort of blackening of the sky that one would expect as a contrast effect of the human eye. Again this is the sort of thing you know about if you use telescopes.

Mitch Stanley, using a 10-inch telescope at 60 power, simply got a much better view of the lights than the naked-eye witnesses. The telescope effectively transported him 60 times closer to the objects. He could see that the lights were not only airplanes, but noted details such as the squarish shape of the wings, lights at the end of each wing, and a dimmer light under the fuselage.

What Barwood and others don't seem to realize is that Mitch Stanley's sighting DOES NOT CONTRADICT the naked-eye witnesses. It simply suggests that their altitude estimates were wrong and that some--not all--perceived a solid shape that the videotape proves was not there and which was in all probability an artifact their own eye-brain system.

I think it's unfortunate that Barwood has put so much faith in people like Jim Dilettoso and Stephen Bassett. If she loses her election, she will no doubt put it down to a conspiracy in the Republican party to keep government secrets hidden. The truth, however, is a lot more simple.

Tony Ortega New Times

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>FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

>Art Bell to Feature Kal Korff and Jim Dilettoso in Debate

>March 16, 1998 - Redmond, Washington.

>TotalResearch announced today that its' President and CEO,
>critically-acclaimed author and investigative journalist, Kal K.
>Korff, will debate Jim Dilettoso on the widely popular Art Bell
>"Coast to Coast" radio show on Tuesday, March 17th at 10:00PM
>Pacific Standard Time. The two will discuss the Billy Meier case
>and the Phoenix lights, and other issues.

Kal-

IMHO, it's just a bit tacky to announce this type debate using a Press Release format that speaks of yourself in the third person. If it had been posted by a third party (and I'm not suggesting that you should submit it under an alias), then it would be more acceptable. But a simple mention would have been sufficient.

Don't get me wrong, I think the debate is a great idea and Art Bell should be commended for pulling it together. However, for Bell this remains an entertainment issue, and for the most part you'll probably find that you're preaching to a number of people who have already made up their minds on this issue. It's unfortunate, but that seems to be the way this genre goes.

Steve

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FOIA Archives question

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To all:

I am looking for archived FOIA documents that are available for distribution in electronic format.

I'm trying to put a CD-ROM of information together, and I'm going to include the FBI and NSA documents that have been posted on the Internet by those respective agencies, and would like to know if there are any other archives of information available that could also be included.

This is still in the planning stage, and I'm open to suggestions. As it stands, I'm interested in the (limited) organization and storage of material and not with making it fancy.

Thanks in advance for your thoughts.

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> From: <http://www.ufomind.com/misc/1998/mar/d15-002.shtml>

> UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

> From: "Charles T. Oliphant III" <alkahest@slip.net>
> Date: Sun, 15 Mar 1998 17:56:06 -0800

> THE UFO PUBLIC NUISANCE HALL OF FAME PRECINCT REPORT. Update!

> Preliminary results have been reported by 176 responding precincts,
> some of which have passed on making a nomination. But don't you
> miss out on the fun! Pass on this list to your friends, enemies
> and favorite CCs. The final tabulation will be posted on March
> 29, 1998. Everyone is invited to nominate and vote for their
> favorite (or least favorite) UFO PUBLIC NUISANCE HALL OF FAME.

Hi, everybody,

Can anybody out there explain to me exactly what the point of
this is?

Jerry Clark

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Fwd Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 23:45:47 -0500
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UFO Crash At Aztec 50th Anniversary Event

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Fwd Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 23:42:33 -0500
Subject: UFO Crash At Aztec 50th Anniversary Event

Received via "alt.alien.visitors" March 17 at 11.11 local time
(GMT + 1 hour):

Date: Mon, 16 Mar 1998 18:00:29 -0700
From: "Aztec Public Library" <aztecpl@cyberport.com>
Subject: UFO CRASH AT AZTEC NEW MEXICO 50TH ANNIVERSARY EVENT

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For Immediate Release

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- *the Roswell Incident
- *Aliens in the Movies
- *Government Cover-up of UFO Information
- *Alien Technology - Reverse Engineering
- "The Day After Roswell"
- German/Japan Connection
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- Personal Sightings
- *Native American views of UFO's
- *UFO's vs. Spiritualism
- *Scoreboard - Fact or Fiction? We want to know!

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Re: Question About Crop Circles

From: "Keith M. King" <alien2@sound.net>
Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 17:54:37
Fwd Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 20:41:15 -0500
Subject: Re: Question About Crop Circles

>Date: Mon, 16 Mar 1998 16:07:31 -0800
>From: Skye Turell <tured33@west.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Question About Crop Circles

>> From: JGBOUCK <JGBOUCK@aol.com> [James Bouck]
>> Date: Sun, 15 Mar 1998 17:41:56 EST
>> To: updates@globalserve.net
>> Subject: question about crop circles

>I seriously doubt that the Greys, the ET group most strongly
>corrolated with abductions, have anything to do with crop
>circles. At least I've never seen any evidence of this. On the
>other hand, Greys have been associated with cattle mutilations.

>So, you're asking a question that's something like, "How come
>Alaskan natives don't know how to read the language of the
>Mayans?" Apples and oranges.

>--

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My question is this: Have we even established that these so-called "Grays" are even an extraterrestrial entity, or are they something else altogether? Do they represent something that has always been here, or are they as some allege, interstellar or interdimensional beings? Some have even put forth that they (Grays) are automation. In other words, some sort of remote powered drone of sorts, controlled from another source. What exactly Crop Circles represent, in my opinion, is at best vague....at worst, hoaxed. Is it a message from an Alien source?

That to date-----is unknown.

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Fwd Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 21:09:50 -0500
Subject: Re: CE-4 Research Group on the Web

Received via "alt.alien.visitors" March 18 at 00.00 local time
(GMT + 1 hour):

Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 22:54:46 GMT
From: "Enoch144 (Todd Jumper)" <enoch144@eagle-net.org>
Subject: CE-4 Research Group on the Web

Recently you saw a posting pertaining to the findings of the CE-4 Research Group out of Florida headed by Wes Clark. This group has found several cases of abductees who have been able to stop the abductions before or during the abduction by the "greys." I thought that I was alone in my experience in which I was able to stop the abductions, now I have found out that others have been successful in the same manner but researchers have indeed been silent in fear of losing credibility.

I am now their webmaster and will be updating their site as time permits.

<http://eagle-net.org/ce-4/>

I have also been able to stop my abductions and stopped one right in the middle of it by calling out for Jesus Christ. In response to my plea a 7 foot tall messenger of Love and Light appeared, an angel with the authority of God. Now at this time I had regained full consciousness and was able to assault the greys physically, killing their bodies. The angelic messenger had a sword and cut off the tops of their heads. The bodies of the greys were then taken up in a blue beam by a craft above the house.

This happened on November 22, 1992 the same evening of the Brookhaven incident in which the government shot down a UFO outside of Brookhaven, New York (Most likely the same base which accidentally shot down TWA with a laser set to the frequency that flying discs use- TWA just happened to be using that transmission frequency at the time it was shot down).

The angelic messenger also used the name of Jesus Christ to have power over the greys in once the angel said "In the name of Jesus Christ, depart!" The greys fell to the floor dead... This has led me to think that these alien bodies were being kept alive by some sort of "evil spirit" as for who sent these greys I am not sure.

I was on Sightings on the Radio on October 24, 1997 for an hour telling some of my story. You can listen to it in the archives at www.sightings.com

You may also read my story in the current issue of UNKNOWN MAGAZINE- This is a Christian based UFO / Alien / Paranormal research magazine- done very well and I suggest getting a subscription.

<http://members.aol.com/UNKNWNMAG/>

You may also check out my story in more detail at one of my home pages. Here is the URL.

My Close Encounters
<http://eagle-net.org/mce/>

Sincerely
Todd Jumper

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3/16/98

Quote of the Week

"A revolution is not a dinner party."

-- Mao Tse Tung

Rant of the Week: "Freedom Writer"

Every week we pick the wackiest, scariest, nastiest or funniest rant from the hundreds of letters received by us here at ParaScope headquarters, and present it to you as our Rant of the Week. This week, "Will Mist" spews forth about something he thinks we wrote or said about Pat Robertson, and then predicts our imminent demise as a web site. (Apparently, he didn't read las week's rant: "You are already dead.") Enjoy.

"Are you so afraid of Pat Robertson that you would attack him on so many fronts? From 'Pat's Crystal Ball' to Robertson's opinions on so called "UFO's," your criticisms are ridiculous and misguided. It is almost an unorganized rambling on Pat Robertson's issues that I believe you think could be damaging to your hopeless beliefs. However, as your almost unknown publication states, you have the freedom to write whatever you wish. Although, you should expect public scrutiny that will test the validity of your literature. In your attempts to find truth you should be unbiased and willing to have perspective. I do not doubt that you will turn a deaf ear to this little journalism 'tip.' So goes the many 'individual' publications that wish to challenge authority figures. In a year I'll check this web page again only to find: ERROR 404: OBJECT NOT FOUND. So, until then Freedom Writer."

All rants are printed "as is," with spelling and grammar goofs left uncorrected. Some rants may be edited for brevity or clarity, to the extent such a thing is possible. If you've got a rant you'd like to share, send it to pscplady@aol.com with "possible rant" in the subject line of your letter.

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recently declassified records of Mongoose PSYOP projects. See for yourself the secret schemes to sway public opinion against Fidel Castro.

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Does Sims Always Speculate Like This?

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Fwd Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 21:19:59 -0500
Subject: Does Sims Always Speculate Like This?

I believe that people may have implants in their bodies but this article makes Sims look really bad. Is this article a hatchet job or is Sims prone to speculate.

Joe

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March 8, 1998 Sunday MORNING EDITION
SECTION: METRO; Pg. B03
LENGTH: 549 words
HEADLINE: LISTENING POST;
Aliens really get under his skin;
PEOPLE: Alleged UFO abductee seeks extraterrestrial implants. Just don't mail them.
BYLINE: LORI BASHEDA, The Orange County Register
DATELINE: COSTA MESA, CA

BODY:

Aliens don't have belly buttons, Derrel Sims told the crowd. And he should know. He was repeatedly abducted by aliens from age 4 to 17, he says.

A couple hundred people turned out Feb. 25 at the Neighborhood Community Center, where Sims led a discussion on abductions and gave pointers on how to detect whether they had been the victim of an alien implant. The audience was made up of members of the Orange County chapter of the Mutual UFO Network, who meet monthly. Sims said his first shock upon being abducted was that the extraterrestrials had no belly buttons and no apparent bodily apparatus for relieving themselves. "I just didn't get it," he said. "How'd they go to the bathroom?" The program continued with a slide show of alien implants.

One slide flashed what looked like a small hollowed-out egg. Sims said it's believed that aliens hide tiny cameras inside and then bury them in people's eyes. He knows one woman who found such an implant. "It fell out of her eye in front of her boss at work and her boss at work gave it to me," he said.

Curiously, that same night, Sims' "senior investigator" was the victim of a nasal implant. He showed another slide of a woman who fought back. Tired of aliens showing up, she attacked one of them, tearing the dark almond shaped eye off his face like a patch. Underneath, in the eye socket, was a red screen with a white matrix. The alien did not appear harmed, though, and left peacefully.

Sims explained the abduction scenario. Afterward, the aliens cloud your memory of the abduction with a nonsensical memory _ like a computer screen saver.

One of their favorite images to leave is a group of fuzzy, happy bear-like critters. Only if you get to the hard drive of the mind _ through hypnosis, say _ will you uncover flashbacks of the abduction. Clicking to another slide, Sims demonstrated what that real memory could look like: It was a drawing of a strange praying

mantis-type creature hovering over a prone person. Sims then showed people how to tell if they've been the victim of an implant.

Demonstrating on a woman who had been marked up with fluorescent paint, he scanned her skin with a black light. If a person has been implanted or even touched by an alien, they will have a fluorescent glow.

"People get really frightened when they see this sort of thing," he said. "You might want to get a black light and check yourself." Sims said he has investigated stories of implants being pulled from jaws, hands and heads.

He cautioned that not all the stories can be believed. But if it doesn't turn out to be alien foul play, it could be the military. Sims told of one little girl who sneezed four tiny gold and silver balls out of her nose and sent them to him. He sent them to a lab where they are now being examined. "Oh, and please don't send these things in the mail," he told the crowd. "Send it FedEx." "Why?" someone asked. "Because I want it to get to my house," he said. "Unopened." There was a collective "Ahhh."

GRAPHIC: BLACK & WHITE PHOTO; THE SPACEMEN COMETH ... AGAIN AND AGAIN; Derrel Sims, who says he has repeatedly been abducted by aliens, leads a recent discussion on extraterrestrials at Costa Mesa's Neighborhood Community Center.

LANGUAGE: ENGLISH

LOAD-DATE: March 12, 1998

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Makers of the Crop Circles?

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Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 21:25:51 EST
Fwd Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 21:20:31 -0500
Subject: Makers of the Crop Circles?

I'm really curious to see what happens with this story. Whitley Strieber has said in the past that the supposed makers of the crop circles would never agree to make their circles in front of a camera. Well it appears that he is wrong.

I am also curious if anybody knows any scientists, besides the one that Linda Moulton Howe uses in her reports, that will testify that some of the crops show evidence of high heat and changes at a cellular level.

Joe

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The Southland Times (New Zealand)
March 9, 1998
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LENGTH: 350 words
HEADLINE: No UFO over Dunearn
BYLINE: CUTT John

BODY:

AN eerie glow lit up the night sky over much of Central Southland on Saturday and large circles appeared in a wheat crop. The glow centering on Robert and Janice Saunders' Dunearn property attracted police from Nightcaps and Winton and a large crowd of people. The lights were not the work of aliens but a United States TV company filming a documentary on crop circles.

Californian television company Tri-Crown Productions producer Jeff Androsky said the filming on the Saunders' property was for a one-hour show, in a series called Unmasked -- Revealing the Secrets of Deception.

Mr Androsky said his company had discovered three professed crop circle-makers in Britain who had agreed to demonstrate how the circles were made. Because of his company's long involvement with New Zealand, this country was chosen to film the feature. An inquiry to Crop and Food Research suggested the Saunders might help by providing a suitable wheat crop. They readily agreed. "They've been great," he said. "They set aside a paddock for us, Janice has fed us and they opened up their home and farm to us. "We've had unbelievable co-operation. You never would get that in the US."

The assistance of other local people had also been much appreciated. Ascot Park Hotel manager Peter Ridesdale loaned a caravan, which was used as a control centre during the all-night shoot involving crews from Queenstown and Wellington. Two 40-tonne cranes from Southland Crane Services were used to haul in and lift the powerful lights needed to film the all-night shoot. Helicopter Line pilot Dennis Edgerton provided the aerial filming platform. The original Friday night shoot had to be abandoned because of heavy rain, which forced the production to move to a second paddock for a second

attempt on Saturday. The programme is scheduled for showing in the US in early May with release in New Zealand through TVNZ about six weeks later.

CAPTION:

Crop circles appeared in Central Southland on Saturday but UFO fears proved unfounded.

Picture: CHRISTINE MCKENZIE

LANGUAGE: ENGLISH

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> ... Last year he [Jordan] focused on CE-4 research, and
> encountered a Central Florida abductee whose otherwise-typical
> experience had one unique aspect:

> "They had stopped the experience while it was happening. In all
> the time I've been researching, I'd never heard that before."

> Jordan and Clark swear they have three verifiable cases in which
> apparent abduction experiences were halted by believers who called
> on the name of Jesus.

Verifiable, huh?

> When I learned of this research project, I wrote to Wes Clark asking
> for more information. He replied (and gave me permission to further
> distribute his reply):

> You may find it interesting that over the last year we have
> acquired dozens of cases through the internet of people who have
> stopped a potential abduction experience by the authority of the
> name of Jesus Christ.

The problem here is very simple. How do we know the abductions
really were stopped?

Probably -- though I'm guessing here -- the abductees in question
said so.

Which of course raises another question -- how do we know they
were abductees? (Assuming, of course, that abductions are real.)

But let's assume that abductions are real, and that these people
really have been abducted. Now they say they stopped the
abductions. But how do they know that? Remember that most
abductions aren't remembered. Abductees almost always have some
conscious memories, some of them many conscious memories, but it
would be extremely rare to find any who remember every detail of
every abduction experience.

It would be normal, then, for people to be abducted and to have
no conscious memory of it. And not only that -- abduction
memories are often distorted, mingled with fantasy and (if
explored under hypnosis) with possible confabulation.

So when somebody says "I called on the name of Jesus and the
abduction stopped," it's entirely possible that they've convinced
themselves of this, and truly believe it, but that in fact the
abduction continued -- and they've simply repressed that fact.
I'm not saying this HAS to be true, only that it could very well
be true, and that we aren't given any information here to make us

understand that this group of people really did stop the abductions. Remember that people see deer, owls, and cats instead of aliens, and that there's an endless supply of screen memories and fantasies mixed with genuine abduction data. How do we know what really happened to the people we're being told about?

> We have contacted several of the leading researchers in the field
> and every one without exception said, off the record, they have
> hundreds of similar cases, however they felt they could never
> publicly say so as most in the UFO/abduction realm tend to be of
> the New Age persuasion, and the last thing the New Age wants to
> hear is there is authority only in the name of Jesus Christ when
> they are trying so hard to kill Jesus off. They have their hearts
> set on "Space Brothers."

Well, Dave Jacobs writes in The Threat that one abductee put an end to an alien "mind scan" by repeating a Muslim prayer to herself. This was made much of, by the way, by the artist currently known as Blue Resonant Human (silly music joke, forgive me), who pounced, saying "Aha!!!!!!!!!! Abductions could well be magical, and here's proof!" But of course it's nothing of the kind, since the Muslim prayer could simply be a way of focusing the mind. Its spiritual contents may not matter at all. (Or may matter -- but we don't know.)

However...the whole phrasing of this paragraph is full of red herrings. Anyone who declares that most abduction researchers follow New Age beliefs hasn't talked to Jacobs, Budd Hopkins, John Carpenter, John Velez, or many others. In any case, these unsourced stories sound so impressive -- until you realize that anyone can repeat them without having to supply any evidence. I'd like to see some names attached before I took such a thing seriously.

Greg Sandow

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The US Navy's 'UFO Research Guide'

From: Stig_Agermose@online.pol.dk (Stig Agermose)
Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 06:05:39 +0100
Fwd Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 21:26:20 -0500
Subject: The US Navy's 'UFO Research Guide'

I don't know if the list members' attention has been drawn to this item previously. At any rate the "UFO Research Guide" was put on the US Navy's website December 5 1997. I have changed the order a bit, so that the latter and most interesting part comes first. Afterwards you'll find the Navy's bibliography of selected published sources. URL:

<http://www.history.navy.mil/fags/fag29-1.htm>

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Original U.S. Government Documents:

1. The National Security Agency has placed the full texts of recently declassified documents concerning UFOs online at the *National Security Agency's UFO Documents Index. (Link)

2. For extensive documentation of UFO investigations, the researcher should consult the records of US Air Force Project Blue Book, located in Record Group 341, at the National Archives and Records Administration, Textual Reference Branch, College Park, MD 20740-6001; telephone (301) 713-7250.

RG 341.15 RECORDS OF PROJECT BLUE BOOK 1947-69

History: Established as Project Sign by a memorandum from Maj. Gen. L.C. Craigie, Director of Research and Development, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, Materiel, HQUSAF, to Lt. Gen. Nathan F. Twining, Commanding General, Air Materiel Command (AMC), USAF, 30 December 1947. Assigned to Technical Intelligence Division, Intelligence Department, AMC, 22 January 1948; confirmed by Technical Instruction 2185, HQAMC, 11 February 1949, pursuant to a letter from Director of Research and Development, Deputy Chief of Staff, Materiel, HQUSAF, 16 December 1948. Project Grudge terminated, December 1949. Reactivated, 27 October 1951. Redesignated Project Blue Book, March 1952. Air Technical Intelligence Center, transferred from AMC to Office of Director of Intelligence, Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations, 1952. Terminated by Secretary of the Air Force announcement, 17 December 1969.

Textual Records: Records of the Aerial Phenomena Branch, Technical Analysis Division, Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, relating to the Air Force study of unidentified flying objects (UFOs), consisting of case files on alleged UFO sightings, 1947-1969 (61ft.); case files of the 4602d Air Intelligence Service Squadron on alleged UFO sightings, 1954-56; and records relating to the staffing and organization of the project, 1948-67. Records of the Office of the Director of Special Investigations, Office of the Inspector General, HQUSAF, consisting of reports of

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Sound Recordings (23 items): Interviews with individuals conducted or acquired by the Air Force during the project, and forming part of the Aerial Phenomena Branch case files described above, 1955-67.

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Re: Mexico City Video

From: **Bruce Maccabee** <brumac@compuserve.com>
Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 11:26:02 -0500
Fwd Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 21:40:02 -0500
Subject: Re: Mexico City Video

I previously posted a preliminary analysis of the Mexico City Aug. 6, 1997 sighting/video which will be in the next issue of the MUFON Journal.

I recently received from the MUFON investigator in Mexico City an aerial survey photo which shows the buildings in the pictures. I also got a scaled map.

These have allowed me for the first time to calculate the angular size of the UFO image and to estimate its distance. I find that the UFO was probably a little more than twice the size I used in the posted paper, i.e., 43 ft vs 20 ft. Since all the speeds and accelerations calculated in the article were referenced to the assumed 20 ft size of the UFO, the new data can be incorporated by multiplying all the previous numbers by 43/20 or about 2. Further analysis combined with witness testimony may allow for even more precision in determining the distance of the UFO from the camera.

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Re: _The_ Open Letter From Jerry Black.....

From: **Bruce Maccabee** <brumac@compuserve.com>
Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 00:23:28 -0500
Fwd Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 21:35:29 -0500
Subject: Re: _The_ Open Letter From Jerry Black.....

>Date: Sun, 15 Mar 1998 18:57:03 -0800
>From: Ted Viens <drtedv@freewwweb.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: _The_ Open Letter From Jerry Black To Various
'Ufologists'

>> Looking Back: A Review Of Gulf Breeze

>> An Open Letter From Jerry Black To Various 'Ufologists'
>> October, 1997

>With all respect to Jerry Blacks current condition and the many
>years of effort he has expended in investigating this elusive
>subject in his preferred rigorous manner, I do not see this
>profuse letter as anything more than a reflection of the faults
>of which he accuses the others.

>Within the framework of a few brief factual representations, he
>belittles and demeans the efforts of the others. He cast
>aspersions on thier motives. He projects his standards on his
>narrow interpretation of their behaviors as though they were some
>inviolable norms.

>If, in this melee of personalities, we are going to do a better
>job of policing ourselves, those attempting to police will have
>to present themselves differently than the people they are
>attempting to correct...

You must understand that Mr. Black is seriously worried about the
"stain" on ufology that comes with supporting unprovable cases.
I'm not surprised. I have been worried, too. In fact, one reason
I went o Gulf Breeze in th first place in Feb.1988 was to see if
it was necessary to try to end the interest of the local media in
it. When I heard that the local TV station was going to do a
documentary in early March 1988 before any investigation had been
completed I was dismayed. There is no doubt that the media
interest and pronouncements of "reality" by several ufologists
early on was premature.

Only after several months of intense investigation was I "forced"
by the data to accept the fact that this couldn' be a hoax by Ed
Walters..... for reason enumerated in the first book (last
chapter) and repeated in part in the newest book (UFOS ARE
REAL.....)

SO, yes, I can understand Mr. Black's concern. However..... he
obviously has gone beyond the pale when it comes to voicing that
concern. What th recipients of that open letter don' know is that
it i based on one of several audio tapes h sent me... in which he
has direct treats of lawsuit for perpetuating a hoax. (No such
suit has yet been filed.)

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Re: _The_ Open Letter From Jerry Black

From: **Bruce Maccabee** <brumac@compuserve.com>
Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 00:23:17 -0500
Fwd Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 21:33:02 -0500
Subject: Re: _The_ Open Letter From Jerry Black

>Date: Mon, 16 Mar 1998 23:16:46 -0600
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>From: Glenn Joyner <infohead@airmail.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: _The_ Open Letter From Jerry Black

>Greetings EBK, Mr. Maccabee, and List Members:

>My apologies to all... This would have been sent privately
>to Mr. Maccabee, if he had not chosen to make a public comment
>that was, in essence, not correct. This comment reflects
>directly on my business, so I feel that the reply, as well,
>should be public.

>>Date: Mon, 16 Mar 1998 01:16:48 -0500
>>From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
>>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: _The_ Open Letter From Jerry Black To
>> Various 'Ufologists'

>>Mr. Black sent me the tape upon which this letter is based on
>>October 2, 1997. I still have it.>

>>I have compared the tape with the transcript by Mr. Joyner.
>>I have found some things changed or left out. Some of his
>>"editorializing" of the tape is acceptable.... some isn't..

>With all due respect to you and others who may have been
>mentioned in the above-referred to piece, please understand
>that I am a transcriptionist by trade... I work for lawyers,
>insurance adjusters, business offices, organizations, and, yes
>even individuals. What keeps me in business is my VERY KEEN
>adherence to the material I am presented with to transcribe.
>The only "editorializing" that I did on this piece was perhaps
>a "smoothing over" of grammar, punctuation, redundancy, etc.
>This was not a deposition, or a legal recorded statement, which
>I would have rendered absolutely verbatim, as these type of
>records demand.

Dear Mr. Joyner,

I understand your comments. They are essentially what I expected to be the truth. Although I don't do transcription for a living, I have done transcriptions and typing for other people and I do take the liberty of "smoothing" the script.

Your transcribed version was very good I should say. However, there were some things that had been left out or modified which I felt would be of interest to the reader since they are what I heard when I played the tape fr the first time last fall. These changes or modifications were clearly marked by square brackets [] in the my response.

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Stage Set for X-Files Movie

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Subject: Stage Set for X-Files Movie

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Stage Set for X-Files Movie

The X-Files Official Magazine Takes Fans Behind-the-Scenes with the Two

Episodes that Set the Stage for this Summer's X-Files Movie

Duchovny as Mulder, It Almost Didn't Happen

CHICAGO, March 18 /PRNewswire/ -- Gearing up for the most anticipated feature film of the season, The X-Files Official Magazine, the leading authority on the smash-hit series, goes behind-the-scenes with the two episodes that will be the foundation for The X-Files Movie, due out this summer. The X-Files Official Magazine reports from the set and gives X-philes an exclusive, comprehensive look at, in writer Frank Spotnitz's words, "an enormously important two-parter for the series." Also included is an exclusive interview with X-Files' director Kim Manners, a behind-the-scenes with the stunt crew, and an exclusive look at how casting works, including stories about how Gillian Anderson and David Duchovny were selected for the pilot. The X-Files Official Magazine is published by MVP Media Group.

"Fans have waited a long time to get a glimpse at how the movie will be related to the series and this issue has the most timely and detailed information available," said Steve Hockensmith, Editor of The X-Files Official Magazine. "The 'mythology' of The X-Files is what drives the show, and we take a comprehensive look at all aspects of this, from these two episodes, to the movie, to the history of how and why conspiracy theories have been in our psyche for a long time," Hockensmith added.

This exclusive look at The X-Files episodes will help tie the "mythology" of the series together and will serve as a basis for the movie as well as Season Six. The X-Files Movie co-screenwriter and co-writer of the two episodes, Frank Spotnitz, explains the significance of the two up-coming episodes, "...there were things, having seen the movie now, that we knew we wanted to explain more clearly before it (the movie) came out, and we wanted these two episodes to do that." And he calls the two episodes an "enormously important two-parter for the series." In addition, these episodes see the long-awaited return of Krycek and The X-Files Official Magazine interviews Nicholas Rhea (Krycek) about his return to The X-Files and the pressure of being involved in one of the first love scenes in the series.

In another article, the story of how David Duchovny almost passed on the role of Fox Mulder in The X-Files pilot is revealed. Kalifornia (co-starring Brad Pitt, Juliette Lewis and Duchovny) was about to be released and going back to pilots didn't interest Duchovny's agent. Apparently, Duchovny chose a "Movie Of The Week" over The X-Files pilot. But The X-Files would not be denied, they knew they had their man. After much hustling they finally got him to come in and read for the part. The rest is

television history.

The X-Files Official Magazine, the only magazine officially licensed by The X-Files and 20th Century Fox is published by MVP Media Group. MVP's Entertainment Publishing Group is a multi-million dollar publishing company targeting science fiction and action/adventure in film, television and new media. MVP's strategy is simple: combine the consistent coverage of Cinescape -- the fastest-growing entertainment magazine -- with special publications that are devoted to specific interests within the genre. MVP's special interest titles include: the smash success Complete Roswell UFO Encyclopedia, Cinescape, Cinescape Insider, and exclusive licensed publications such as The X-Files Official Magazine, Independence Day, and Goldeneye. Founded by Steve Harris, MVP reaches a young affluent "wired" audience providing unique coverage in a cutting-edge style that is unavailable in traditional mainstream media.

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Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

From: "Charles T. Oliphant III" <alkahest@slip.net>
Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 14:58:43 -0800
Fwd Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 22:20:46 -0500
Subject: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

>To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: "Jerome Clark" <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame
>Date: Tue, 17 Mar 98 09:15:06 PST

>Hi, everybody,

>Can anybody out there explain to me exactly what the point of
>this is?

>Jerry Clark

Mr. Clark,

THE UFO PUBLIC NUISANCE HALL OF FAME is a Joke! The idea is to keep it running long enough until EVERYBODY in the whole field of UFOs is listed. Then people can have a laugh at themselves, and others.

THE UFO PUBLIC NUISANCE HALL OF FAME is also an Internet Poll, where people can voice their complaints about others, without fear of retribution. This tends to allow everyone to speak their mind openly. All nominations and votes are posted anonymously so nobody knows who voted.

The final March 29, 1998 tally will include hyperlinks to the URLs describing the sins of those noninated. THE UFO PUBLIC NUISANCE HALL OF FAME will be a reference list where people can find documents and articles about those nominated/voted for.

I hope this answers your question, and I encourage you to nominate/vote for the UFO Public Nuisance of your choice.

Regards,

Ted Oliphant III
<http://www.realityb.com/>

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Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 03:37:31 -0500
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Subject: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

> To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <updates@globalserve.net> From:
> "Jerome Clark" <jkclark@frontiernet.net> Subject: Re: UFO
> Update: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame Date: Tue, 17 Mar 98
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> > From: <http://www.ufomind.com/misc/1998/mar/d15-002.shtml>

>
> > UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

> > From: "Charles T. Oliphant III" <alkahest@slip.net>
> > Date: Sun, 15 Mar 1998 17:56:06 -0800

> > THE UFO PUBLIC NUISANCE HALL OF FAME PRECINCT REPORT.
> Update!

<snip>

> Hi, everybody,

> Can anybody out there explain to me exactly what the point
> of this is?

> Jerry Clark
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NOPE!

Beats the hell out of me too. I really like Bob Shells idea of
nominating ourselves for it though, it kind of 'invalidates'
(defuses) the stupid thing! <G>

John Velez :-)

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Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

From: **Bob Shell** <bob@bobshell.com>
Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 09:47:36 -0500
Fwd Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 22:03:21 -0500
Subject: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

>To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: "Jerome Clark" <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame
>Date: Tue, 17 Mar 98 09:15:06 PST

>Hi, everybody,

>Can anybody out there explain to me exactly what the point of
>this is?

>Jerry Clark

Jerry,

I thought is was a bad attempt at humor. That's why I nominated myself. Oliphant refused the nomination unless I can prove that I have made extravagant claims and such, so I guess I'll have to let Rebecca talk to him.

Bob

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Re: FOIA Archives question

From: Stig_Agermose@online.pol.dk (Stig Agermose)
Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 14:20:18 +0100
Fwd Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 22:01:09 -0500
Subject: Re: FOIA Archives question

>Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 11:23:35 -0500
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: Steven Kaeser <steve@konsulting.com>
>Subject: FOIA Archives question

>To all:

>I am looking for archived FOIA documents that are available for
>distribution in electronic format.

>I'm trying to put a CD-ROM of information together, and I'm going
>to include the FBI and NSA documents that have been posted on the
>Internet by those respective agencies, and would like to know if
>there are any other archives of information available that could
>also be included.

>This is still in the planning stage, and I'm open to suggestions.
>As it stands, I'm interested in the (limited) organization and
>storage of material and not with making it fancy.

>Thanks in advance for your thoughts.

>Steven Kaeser
>steve@konsulting.com

Thank you, Steven! It sounds like a very good idea. I suppose,
you are aware of the US Navy's papers on the Philadelphia
Experiment, as they were already put at the Navy's website in
1996. If not, these are the URLs:

<http://www.history.navy.mil/fags/faq21-1.htm>

<http://www.history.navy.mil/fags/faq21-2.htm>

Another interesting item is the Navy's "UFO Research Guide", URL

<http://www.history.navy.mil/fags/faq29-1.htm>

which was put at the site December 5 1997. I have posted the full
text of the latter to UFO Updates today.

Best regards

Stig

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Re: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance

From: "R.Bull" <r.bull@cadcentre.co.uk> [Rob Bull]
Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 11:36:43 -0000
Fwd Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 21:56:47 -0500
Subject: Re: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance

>Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 15:07:51 -0800
>From: Skye Turell <tured33@west.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance Cases?

>> From: Joseph Polanik <jpolanik@mindspring.com>
>> Subject: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance Cases?

>> Recently, the possibility of resisting abductions came to the
>> attention of two sober researchers for the Florida MUFON
>> organization.

>> The following comes from a CNI News extract of a Florida Today
>> article:

>> "The similarity between the abduction experience and demonic
>> possession is very, very close," says Joe Jordan, Brevard/Volusia
>> state [section] director for the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON). ...

>I wasn't aware that anyone had proven the existence of "demonic
>possession." And I utterly fail to see the similarities between
>this idea and alien abductions. Would someone like to clarify?

I would agree with Skye's first point, but I'm not so sure about
his second one.

And I would like to add:

>Jordan and Clark swear they have three verifiable cases in which
>apparent abduction experiences were halted by believers who called
>on the name of Jesus.

Can anyone tell me, and the list, of ONE SINGLE "ABDUCTION" that
is VERIFIABLE, let alone one that was "halted by believers who
called on the name of Jesus."

Rob Bull

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God To Turn On TVs March 24

From: Stig_Agermose@online.pol.dk (Stig Agermose)
Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 13:19:46 +0100
Fwd Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 21:58:58 -0500
Subject: God To Turn On TVs March 24

>From Forth Worth Star Telegram. URL:

<http://www.azstarnet.com/public/dnews/080-1029.html>

Wednesday, 18 March 1998

God to turn on TVs, speak, UFO cult spokesman says

=A9 1998 Fort Worth Star-Telegram

One week before God materializes March 31 in Garland, Texas, taking the physical form of a Taiwanese UFO cult leader, he will broadcast live at midnight on Channel 18, a spokesman for the group said yesterday.

"It doesn't matter whether it's cable TV or regular broadcast TV," said Richard Liu of the God and Buddha Salvation Foundation.

The TV set doesn't even need to be switched on when the clock strikes 12 next Tuesday, said Liu, a former English literature professor and poet who now speaks for Chen Hon-Ming, the group's silver-haired spiritual leader.

"God will turn on the television sets and tune each TV in every house to Channel 18," Liu said.

That's every set "in all the Americas" - North, South and Central, he said.

And although most members of the Taiwanese cult speak only Chinese, God will be communicating in English, Liu said.

The spokesman clarified that God will be heard, but not seen. The screen will be filled with pictures of Garland's leafy Ridgedale Drive where Chen has predicted God, assuming Chen's own outward appearance, will appear March 31, clone himself and speak any language.

"God also will tell people how they should prepare themselves for his arrival," Liu said of the broadcast. "We don't have any further details."

The Taiwanese, who number about 110 adults and 50 children, began arriving in the Dallas suburb last fall after Chen decided that Garland would be the spot where God would descend. To them, it sounds like "God-land," he explained at a December news conference.

Chen's prophecies include a nuclear holocaust in parts of Asia with God manning a flying saucer to shuttle between the continent and Gary, Ind., saving lives.

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Alfred's Odd Ode #232

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 08:15:03 -0600
Fwd Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 22:02:24 -0500
Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #232

Apology to MW #232 (For March 18, 1998)

I've been looking through the Hubble; don't hold me to account.
I've wandered distant galaxies, traveled time -- I've been about.
I've been doing what you could be; the kingdom's here at hand,
and it just may be we're on the lip, of change -- you
understand?

It's bigger than we thought, and expanding as we speak, its edge
beyond the limits of the places we can seek. It just goes on and
on in a glorious expanse that swirls frozen fires in a multi
color dance. It doesn't stop with rainbows, but descends to infra
red; its paint then ultraviolet, on to x-ray (yes!), instead.
It's pressures are incredible, and then pressure's less than mist
-- you'd be shredded tiny pieces, or you'd say you'd just been
kissed.

In that space and time and distance there are races being born.
With just one race per galaxy, there are thousands, billions --
more! You could call them just more multi-verse -- the part
that it rakes up, to provide a look upon itself, and what it
shall make up. It is good and it is bad, or it's indifferent,
then, as hell. It wallows in the foulest slimes; it rings its
stellar bells. Sometimes it is a blessing, and sometimes it is
accursed; it could be said they're much like us -- that's for
better. That's for worst.

We have a million neighbors; we've never been alone. Some wait
outside the front doors of our squalid little home. Some wait
with plates of *brownies*, and some others wait *without*. They
wonder when we'll open doors and bravely walk on out. They wonder
why we linger when the truth -- it will be plain. It'll come out
like the whitewash runs from fences in the rain. And we'll feel
so damn foolish, and we'll hang our heads in sorrow that we
wasted all that precious time denying our tomorrows.

I've been looking through the Hubble and it's hard to get excited
with the struggle and travail of human beings. I've just come
back from timelessness and Ken Starr shows his dicklessness (?)
-- no common sense, a rabid rightist's scream. I've wandered
where the black holes and the super nova's are, so I can't arouse
for Paula or Ms. L. They come across so petty -- are so dead with
mere sensation that the whole of them can flatly go to hell.

And remember, shallow humans, when the watchers do appear, how
you spent your time and effort here on Earth. You turned your
back on hapless brothers, and you disappointed sisters just to
keep a spot you covet near the hearth. You thought you had your
reasons: They weren't the proper faith -- their color was
objectionable, (you have this thing with race).
The wrong side of the tracks -- they didn't speak your language
-- the sex was just too kinky -- they ate funny on a sandwich?
They didn't have the schooling -- they weren't as smart as you --
they were from another country, and, by rights, were mad at you?

Well -- all of that is laughable when we wake up to the truth.
All our petty little bigotries just dissolve and fall from view.
Cop at last to the reality that we never were alone, and
embarrassment shades the cheeks bright red, and shame goes to the
bone.

Lehmberg@snowhill.com

Yea, and I say unto you brethren <g>!

Restore John Ford.

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"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno ... while burning at the fundamentalist's stake, and feeling no shame!

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Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

From: **Skye Turell** <turel33@west.net>
Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 21:30:18 -0800
Fwd Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 21:37:57 -0500
Subject: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

> To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <updates@globalserve.net>
> From: "Jerome Clark" <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame
> Date: Tue, 17 Mar 98 09:15:06 PST

> > From: <http://www.ufomind.com/misc/1998/mar/d15-002.shtml>

> > UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

> > From: "Charles T. Oliphant III" <alkahest@slip.net>
> > Date: Sun, 15 Mar 1998 17:56:06 -0800

> > THE UFO PUBLIC NUISANCE HALL OF FAME PRECINCT REPORT. Update!

> > Preliminary results have been reported by 176 responding precincts,
> > some of which have passed on making a nomination. But don't you
> > miss out on the fun! Pass on this list to your friends, enemies
> > and favorite CCs. The final tabulation will be posted on March
> > 29, 1998. Everyone is invited to nominate and vote for their
> > favorite (or least favorite) UFO PUBLIC NUISANCE HALL OF FAMER.

> Hi, everybody,

> Can anybody out there explain to me exactly what the point of
> this is?

Not to psychologize or anything, but off-hand I'd say EGO. Also there was a similar list passed around a month or so ago -- a "good guys - bad guys" list. I guess some thought that list was just so gee-whiz that they just had to jump on the bandwagon. At least that list made some attempt at identifying the individual's transgressions/contributions, although these were often pretty amusing. Heck, the whole thing was amusing. But I wouldn't say entertainment was the #1 reason for the development of these lists...no.

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NZ/OZ UFO 'Cube'

From: ippoz@eisa.net.au, Stig_Agermose@online.pol.dk (Stig Agermose)
Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 00:09:18 +0100
Fwd Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 23:58:52 -0500
Subject: NZ/OZ UFO 'Cube'

Received via "alt.alien.research" March 18 at 22.05 local time (GMT + 1hour):

Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 03:37:07 +1000
From: ippoz@eisa.net.au
Subject: POLICE AND NZ/OZ UFO HOTLINE LOOK INTO UFO CUBE..

POLICE AND NZ/OZ UFO HOTLINE LOOK INTO UFO CUBE..

Wednesday 18th March 1998 @6.20pm Queensland.

Respondents reported sighting a rounded edged black cube shaped object carrying a bright white travel over the district.

The black cubed dropped the accompanying light (falling to the ground) and then changed direction towards Kingaroy. (to the NW)

Total sighting time was about 2 mins, the object appeared to be moving faster than a commercial Jet. As the object traveled away and about the same time of the white light impacting the ground a loud rumbling sound was heard, the sound was unlike a sonic bomb but almost like the rumble from a high altitude jet or roar.

Over the past 3-4 nights the OZ National UFO Hotline has been receiving UFO reports from the Kingaroy area. Respondents have reported seeing bright white lights crossing at low altitude over the area. The first of these reports was on Saturday and then each night there after.

Times Sat 6.40 Sunday 6.33 Monday @ 6.26 Tues. 6.33pm. Wed 6.20pm..

Tuesday 17th @ 6.26 6.33 PM EACH NIGHT Kingaroy

The National UFO Hotline wish's to hear from anyone who may have photographed these objects..

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New Zealand Crop Circle Hoax - courtesy NBC-TV

From: Stig_Agermose@online.pol.dk (Stig Agermose)
Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 07:09:42 +0100
Fwd Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 23:55:13 -0500
Subject: New Zealand Crop Circle Hoax - courtesy NBC-TV

Received via "alt.alien.visitors" December 18 at 06.48 local time
(GMT + 1 hour):

Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 01:22:45 +0100
From: John Lundberg <john@lundberg.demon.co.uk>
Subject: New Zealand's First Crop Circle - courtesy NBC-TV

At the beginning of March 1998 three 'circlemakers' (John Lundberg, Rod Dickinson and Wil Russell) were flown out to the Southern most tip of New Zealand to be filmed creating a crop circle for NBC-TV.

The footage will be used in the documentary - provisionally entitled - "Unmasked: The Secret's of Deception" that is due to be aired on prime-time TV across America during May, then around the world in the following weeks. It has an estimated US audience alone of 25 million.

We were asked to design a complex crop formation that could be made at night in under four hours. The formation we designed had over 100 flattened circles and a diameter of 300ft, putting it on a par with some of the most complex formations to appear in the fields of England over the past few years.

To view the formation and for further info visit:

<http://www.head-space.com/circlemakers/nztrip.html>

All the best,
John

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<http://www.circlemakers.home.ml.org>

The all new 'circlemakers' web site...
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Clinton & Phoenix Lights

From: Stig_Agermose@online.pol.dk (Stig Agermose)
Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 01:35:56 +0100
Fwd Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 00:06:29 -0500
Subject: Clinton & Phoenix Lights

>From The Arizona Republic. URL:

<http://www.azcentral.com:80/news/cols/0318wilson.shtml>

Bizarre UFO tale no worse than other Clinton stories

By Steve Wilson
The Arizona Republic
March 18, 1998

Speaking with people around the country last week about UFOs and the first anniversary of the "Phoenix Lights," I was told a remarkable story that didn't make my column.

I omitted it because the account came from only one source, because it had no corroboration, and because it seemed preposterous. It simply didn't have enough credibility to be published.

But thinking it over, and reflecting on coverage of the Clinton sex scandal, I've reconsidered. The standards for what constitutes a news story have fallen so significantly in recent weeks that the UFO account can now qualify as newsworthy. Since the story involves the president, I'm even more sure it merits public disclosure.

Plus, if I don't get it in print now, Internet ace Matt Drudge might scoop me.

Here's the skinny:

The strange lights over Phoenix were only one unusual happening on the night of March 13, 1997. A U.S. reconnaissance satellite, which presumably could have picked up the source of the lights, went dead for no apparent reason. About the same time, the Pentagon increased the country's military preparedness to DEFCON 3 (the highest state of readiness for peacetime conditions).

You may recall that on the same evening, President Clinton was staying at the Florida estate of golfer Greg Norman. The White House said that after talking with Norman late into the night, Clinton tripped on a step and seriously injured his knee.

What really occurred, my source reports, is that the commander in chief was notified of the UFO activity and had to be moved quickly to a more secure location where he could oversee U.S. defense activities. In the rush by the Secret Service to hustle him away, he tripped and damaged the knee.

My source, who asked to remain anonymous, is a nationally known UFO expert. His account isn't much less reliable than multiple stories reported in recent weeks about Clinton's personal life. I'm not talking about the likes of Hard Copy or the tabloids or Drudge, the rumormonger correctly described by one critic as "the troll under the bridge of Internet journalism." I'm talking about respected mainstream media.

ABC News reporter Jackie Judd reported that a source said Monica

Lewinsky said she had saved a dress with the president's semen stain on it. That disclosure was picked up and repeated by most other media. "This could provide physical evidence of what really happened," Judd said. One problem: No stain was never found.

The Dallas Morning News wrote that a Secret Service agent had seen Clinton and Lewinsky in a "compromising situation" in the White House, a report quickly spread nationally by the Associated Press. But after its first edition, the paper pulled the story, and it remains unconfirmed.

The Wall Street Journal reported that a White House steward told a grand jury that he saw Clinton and Lewinsky alone in a study next to the Oval Office. A few days later, the paper said the story was false.

Such sloppy work follows the article that started the Clinton sex scandal, David Brock's "Troopergate" in the American Spectator. That piece led to Paula Jones' lawsuit and now to allegations by Lewinsky and Kathleen Willey. Brock apologized for the story last week, saying he was "more wrong than right" in "ransacking" Clinton's personal life.

"The troopers were greedy and had slimy motives, and I knew it," he said in his letter of apology. "But that wasn't going to stand in my way."

Brock was ahead of his time, a man far more interested in hot copy than cold facts. The behavior he now regrets is no longer limited to malicious ideologues on a mission; it has infected mainstream media.

Third-rate reporting like Brock's is thriving. In fact, passing along the bizarre UFO tale in this column is just mildly irresponsible by comparison. To keep up with today's headlines, it needs more juice. If only my source had gone a step further and told me that aliens years ago had abducted Clinton and jacked up his libido, I might have made the network news.

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Address for Joe Jordan?

From: "Stefan Duncan" <duncan@tarheel.net>
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Fwd Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 00:22:13 -0500
Subject: Address for Joe Jordan?

Does anyone have the email address for Joe Jordan, state section director for the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON)?

I would like to ask him several questions about a recent article dealing with the "similarities between the abduction experience and demonic possession"

Thanks,
Stefan Duncan
Editor of AUFON (American UFO News)
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Re: _The_ Open Letter From Jerry Black

From: **Jim Deardorff** <deardorj@proaxis.com>
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Fwd Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 00:25:25 -0500
Subject: Re: _The_ Open Letter From Jerry Black

>Date: Mon, 16 Mar 1998 15:41:20 -0500
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Re: UFO UpDate: _The_ Open Letter From Jerry Black

>Date: Mon, 16 Mar 1998 01:16:48 -0500
>From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: _The_ Open Letter From Jerry Black To
> Various 'Ufologists'

>>Date: Sun, 15 Mar 1998 13:06:34 -0500
>>To: updates@globalserve.net
>>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>>Subject: UFO UpDate: _The_ Open Letter From Jerry Black
>> To Various 'Ufologists'

>.....
>RESPONSE TO JERRY
>BLACK'S LETTER ABOUT GULF BREEZE SIGHTINGS>

Bruce,

Before this debate with Jerry Black totally winds up, can you tell us if the video that shows the UO that Ed Walters video-taped, which cast a shadow that raced in tandem along a shore line, is available anywhere? I saw it on a TV program you were on some months ago, but don't know if a copy of it can be acquired somewhere.

Jim

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Re: Mexico City Video

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Fwd Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 01:36:13 -0500
Subject: Re: Mexico City Video

> Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 11:26:02 -0500
> From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
> Subject: Mexico City Video
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>

> I previously posted a preliminary analysis of the Mexico City
> Aug. 6, 1997 sighting/video which will be in the next issue of
> the MUFON Journal.

> I recently received from the MUFON investigator in Mexico City an
> aerial survey photo which shows the buildings in the pictures. I
> also got a scaled map.

> These have allowed me for the first time to calculate the angular
> size of the UFO image and to estimate its distance. I find that
> the UFO was probably a little more than twice the size I used in
> the posted paper, i.e., 43 ft vs 20 ft. Since all the speeds
> and accelerations calculated in the article were referenced to
> the assumed 20 ft size of the UFO, the new data can be
> incorporated by multiplying all the previous numbers by 43/20 or
> about 2. Further analysis combined with witness testimony may
> allow for even more precision in determining the distance of the
> UFO from the camera.

Bruce...

Would it be possible for you to post the aerial survey map and the
scaled map to the Internet for others to peruse?

Thanks,
Bryan Butcher
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Dreamsenses: The Home of Being! - <http://www.raccoon.com/~bryan>
The Des Moines Astronomical Society - <http://www.sciowa.org/~dmas>
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Re: Stage Set for X-Files Movie

From: **Bruce Maccabee** <brumac@compuserve.com>
Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 22:10:50 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 01:35:04 -0500
Subject: Re: Stage Set for X-Files Movie

>From: **RSchatte** <RSchatte@aol.com>
>Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 13:50:04 EST
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: Fwd: Stage Set for X-Files Movie

>From: AOL News <AOLNews@aol.com>
>Return-path: <AOLNews@aol.com>
>Subject: Stage Set for X-Files Movie
>Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 13:11:19 EST

>Stage Set for X-Files Movie

>The X-Files Official Magazine Takes Fans Behind-the-Scenes with
>the Two Episodes that Set the Stage for this Summer's X-Files
>Movie

This report on the upcoming X-files adventures is interesting and I'm sure I will watch the episodes that are "necessary" to understand the movie. However, none of it is real (I hope). Anyone who is interested in what the REAL FBI X FILES have to say should contact Bruce Maccabee at bumac@compuserve.com.

Did you know that th Air Force Intelligence in 1952 told the FBI that 3% of sightings could not be explained...and that the AF Intel said this on the same day that the Director of AF Intel. told the American people in a press conference that all sightings were natural phenomena?

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Re: CE-4 Research Group on the Web

From: **Brian Cuthbertson** <brianc@freeside.fc.net>
Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 22:16:18 -0600 (CST)
Fwd Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 01:39:56 -0500
Subject: Re: CE-4 Research Group on the Web

Stig Agermose writes ...

> From: Stig_Agermose@online.pol.dk (Stig Agermose)
> To: updates@globalserve.net
> Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 00:11:29 +0100
> Subject: Fwd: CE-4 Research Group on the Web

> Received via "alt.alien.visitors" March 18 at 00.00 local time
> (GMT + 1 hour):

> *****

> Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 22:54:46 GMT
> From: "Enoch144 (Todd Jumper)" <enoch144@eagle-net.org>
> Subject: CE-4 Research Group on the Web

> Recently you saw a posting pertaining to the findings of the CE-4
> Research Group out of Florida headed by Wes Clark. This group has
> found several cases of abductees who have been able to stop the
> abductions before or during the abduction by the "greys." I
> thought that I was alone in my experience in which I was able to
> stop the abductions, now I have found out that others have been
> successful in the same manner but researchers have indeed been
> silent in fear of losing credibility.

> I am now their webmaster and will be updating their site as time
> permits.

> <http://eagle-net.org/ce-4/>

> I have also been able to stop my abductions and stopped one right
> in the middle of it by calling out for Jesus Christ. In response
> to my plea a 7 foot tall messenger of Love and Light appeared, an
> angel with the authority of God. Now at this time I had regained
> full consciousness and was able to assault the greys physically,
> killing their bodies. The angelic messenger had a sword and cut
> off the tops of their heads. The bodies of the greys were then
> taken up in a blue beam by a craft above the house.

Interestingly enough, this description somewhat resembles one
given in UFO researcher Raymond Fowler's book "The Watchers II",
about the experiences of Betty Luca. In chapter 9, Betty Luca
undergoes a regression where she describes an "abduction" of the
entire car in which she and Bob are driving home from a movie.
Bob is apparently put into some sort of trance-like state,
unaware of the incident.

But Betty remains conscious after a fashion, enough to observe
what's happening. The car is taken to a "room" somewhere (where
there's also a rusty green van - perhaps left over from another
abduction). Then some "gray beings" start climbing all over the
car. But they are driven away by the sudden appearance of an
"elder" (a tall blonde-haired being) accompanied by five "good"
gray beings. Then, in a flash of light, Betty and Bob find
themselves back on the road home, but apparently having suffered
missing time.

Anyway, the general scenario is the same: the abductees are
saved when a tall, angelic "good guy" arrives to deal with the
"bad guys". Almost makes you wonder if the "wild west" extends

into multiple dimensions! What's that old quote about the universe being stranger than we can even imagine?

-Brian Cuthbertson

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Re: DISPATCH # 87 -- the weekly newsletter of

From: **Bruce Maccabee** <brumac@compuserve.com>
Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 21:54:10 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 01:29:40 -0500
Subject: Re: DISPATCH # 87 -- the weekly newsletter of

>The Real X-Files

>

>In The X-Files, FBI Special Agents Fox Mulder and Dana Scully
>pursue all sorts of UFO abductions, government conspiracies and
>every sort of paranormal freakiness that the show's writers can
>imagine. While the X-Files is fiction, real-life FBI agents spent
>a lot of time chasing UFOs across the country, especially in the
>early stages of the modern UFO era, from 1947 to the mid-1950s.
>And like Mulder and Scully, the FBI normally does not investigate
>UFOs and paranormal events unless there is a perception of crime.
>And not just ANY crime! J. Antonio Huneus has the documents, and
>brings us a fascinating study of the FBI's paranormal excursions
>during the early years of the "flying saucer" era.

FYI: For over a year I have been selling a manuscript (no
publisher yet) entitled THE UFO/FBI CONNECTION, the REAL X-FILES
, which is a history of the UFO phenomenon as seen through the
"eyes" of the FBI documents.

I was the first person to get the documents over 20 years ago. I
have incorporated many of them along with information from
Project Blue Book (documents released 22 year ago), from the Air
Force Office of Intelligence (documents released wthin the last
10 years, some within the last year) and the CIA documents
(released in 1978) to create a history which proves the Air Force
had sufficient evidence within the first 5 years to conclude
saucers were interplanetary. In fact, the Air Force tiold the
FBI just that in 1952 (at the same tme that the AF lied to the
people by claiming all sightings could be explained).

Incidently, the FBI documents are now at www.fbi.gov in the FOIPA
section..

Anyone interested in purchasing an autographed copy of this
full-length book sized manuscript for \$15 (includes postage
anywhere in USA) should contact Bruce Maccabee at
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Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

From: **XianneKei** <XianneKei@aol.com> [Rebecca Keith]
Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 00:48:51 EST
Fwd Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 01:41:29 -0500
Subject: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

> Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 09:47:36 -0500
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> From: Bob Shell <bob@bobshell.com>
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

> >To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <updates@globalserve.net>
> >From: "Jerome Clark" <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
> >Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame
> >Date: Tue, 17 Mar 98 09:15:06 PST

> >Hi, everybody,

> >Can anybody out there explain to me exactly what the point of
> >this is?

> >Jerry Clark

> Jerry,

> I thought is was a bad attempt at humor. That's why I nominated
> myself. Oliphant refused the nomination unless I can prove that
> I have made extravagant claims and such, so I guess I'll have to
> let Rebecca talk to him.

Bob,

<G> Thanks Bob, I really needed this grin. You want me to send
Mr. Oliphant the dossier? <g>

Rebecca

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Re: Makers of the Crop Circles?

From: **Rob Irving** <RobIrving@aol.com>
Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 00:37:36 EST
Fwd Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 03:23:30 -0500
Subject: Re: Makers of the Crop Circles?

> From: Ufojoel <Ufojoel@aol.com> [Joe Murgia]
> Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 21:25:51 EST
> To: UASR@MyList.net, updates@globalserve.net
> Subject: Makers of the Crop Circles?

Joe,

> I'm really curious to see what happens with this story.
> Whitley Strieber has said in the past that the supposed
> makers of the crop circles would never agree to make
> their circles in front of a camera. Well it appears that he
> is wrong.

Apart from the recent demonstration in New Zealand there have been many similar demonstrations since 1991; almost all well-known circlemakers have made formations in front of TV cameras at some point. Offhand, I can think of five or six other occasions. It's money for old rope actually... well, perhaps a new 30m tape <g>.

Rob

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Re: _The_ Open Letter From Jerry Black

From: **Bryan Butcher** <being@concentric.net>
Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 00:34:28 +0000
Fwd Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 11:00:41 -0500
Subject: Re: _The_ Open Letter From Jerry Black

> Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 17:39:02 -0800 (PST)
> To: updates@globalserve.net
> From: Jim Deardorff <deardorj@proaxis.com>
> Subject: UFO UpDate: Re: _The_ Open Letter From Jerry Black

> >Date: Mon, 16 Mar 1998 15:41:20 -0500
> >To: updates@globalserve.net
> >From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> >Subject: UFO UpDate: Re: UFO UpDate: _The_ Open Letter From Jerry Black

> >Date: Mon, 16 Mar 1998 01:16:48 -0500
> >From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
> >Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: _The_ Open Letter From Jerry Black To
> > Various 'Ufologists'

> >>Date: Sun, 15 Mar 1998 13:06:34 -0500
> >>To: updates@globalserve.net
> >>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> >>Subject: UFO UpDate: _The_ Open Letter From Jerry Black
> >> To Various 'Ufologists'

> >.....
> >RESPONSE TO JERRY
> >BLACK'S LETTER ABOUT GULF BREEZE SIGHTINGS>

> Bruce,

> Before this debate with Jerry Black totally winds up, can you
> tell us if the video that shows the UO that Ed Walters
> video-taped, which cast a shadow that raced in tandem along a
> shore line, is available anywhere? I saw it on a TV program you
> were on some months ago, but don't know if a copy of it can be
> acquired somewhere.

> Jim

Right on Jim!

IMHO the video Jim is referring to is one of the most compelling
pieces of imagery supporting the existence of unknowns...it is
truly a remarkable piece of investigative video analysis. If Ed
Walters hoaxed the sequence...he is a master of video
manipulation.

cheers,
Bryan Butcher

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Re: Stage Set for X-Files Movie

From: **RGates8254** <RGates8254@aol.com> [Robert Gates]
Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 01:19:01 EST
Fwd Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 10:51:23 -0500
Subject: Re: Stage Set for X-Files Movie

> From: **RSchatte** <RSchatte@aol.com>
> Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 13:50:04 EST
> To: updates@globalserve.net
> Subject: Fwd: Stage Set for X-Files Movie

> From: AOL News <AOLNews@aol.com>
> Return-path: <AOLNews@aol.com>
> Subject: Stage Set for X-Files Movie
> Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 13:11:19 EST

> Stage Set for X-Files Movie

> The X-Files Official Magazine Takes Fans Behind-the-Scenes with
> the Two

> Episodes that Set the Stage for this Summer's X-Files Movie

Here are the details of the movie as layed out at:
<http://wkweb4.cableinet.co.uk/neil.grant/xmovie1.htm>

The X-Files: The Movie =A0

The picture begins in northern Texas around 35,000 B.C.
Two primitive hunters kill a stange lizard-like creature in an
ice cave.

The mortally wounded beast oozes black blood which splatters
onto one of the hunters. The blood appears to have a life of its own
It creeps into the savage's eyes and mouth, causing him to drop
his torch. As he lets out a blood curdling scream, the scene moves
to the mouth of the cave. Some boys are playing outside. It's the
same spot, but we're now in the present. One of the boys comes
upon a human skull and the same black blood from the strange
creature. A week later at a federal building in nearby Dallas, an
enormous explosion sends Agent Mulder's car hurtling through
the air. David Duchovny's fans will be breathing a huge sigh of
relief when he emerges from the car, covered with glass but none
the worse for wear.

Mulder is given shattering information by Dr. Aal Kurtz weil, a
friend of his father from the State Dept. The old man claims
certain government officials are in a conspiracy with the aliens
- hoping their own lives will be spared. The bomb blast was part
of a cover-up, intended to destroy evidence of the aliens mission
to destroy mankind with a lethal virus. And the virus is being
sread by infected bees!

During one tender moment Mulder and Scully are about to kiss -
but passion turns to horror, said an insider. Fans will swoon
with delight as the two finally lock lips after all these years.
Then they will gasp when the moment is suddenly broken as Scully
is stung by a bee!

She goes into shock while the paramedics race to her rescue.

As Mulder helps his injured partner, he is shot - by the
ambulance driver, a member of the evil conspiracy that now has
Scully in its clutches. The wounded Mulder is taken to the

hospital but soon sneaks out to rescue Scully. David - as he gets out of his backless hospital gown - briefly flashes his behind to the camera! A battered and weary Mulder makes his way to Antarctica after learning Scully is being held there.

Written By: Chris Carter and Frank Spotnitz
Directed By: Rob Bowman

Release Date (US): The 19th of June, 1998

Primary Setting: Blackwood, TX

Previous Titles: Blackwood, Fight the Future,
Fighting for the Future, The Date is Set

Shooting Locations: Los Angeles and Alaska

Cost of Making Movie: \$60,000,000

Principal Filming: The 16th of June to the 16th
of September, 1997

Cheers,
Robert

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Korff Says He Won Art Bell/Meier Debate by

From: **TotlResrch** <TotlResrch@aol.com>
Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 06:31:25 EST
Fwd Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 12:10:03 -0500
Subject: Korff Says He Won Art Bell/Meier Debate by

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Kal Korff Wins Landslide Victory in Jim Dilettoso/Meier Debate on Art Bell

March 19, 1998

Redmond, Washington - TotalResearch announced today, that its critically-acclaimed author, President and CEO, Kal K. Korff, was the overwhelming and unanimous winner in the historic debate between he and Jim Dilettoso that was featured on the widely popular Art Bell show last night.

Kal Korff, whose breakthrough investigation of the Billy Meier case presented in his book 'Spaceships of the Pleiades: The Billy Meier Story' (Prometheus Books, 1996), proves it is a monstrous hoax, run by the Swiss cult leader Eduard 'Billy' Meier.

"I would like to first of all, thank Mr. Art Bell for sponsoring the debate between Mr. Dilettoso and myself. Art did the American people and in part a global audience a historic favor by putting both Mr. Dilettoso and myself on the air, and as he promised, let us both go at it." stated Kal Korff in a short speech to various media.

"With Art agreeing to let us debate the issues, and ask the hard questions, the results are definitive: out of 2,673 votes cast by audience listeners, 2,178 people, or 81%, voted in favor of me and my arguments that the Meier case is a hoax and that Jim Dilettoso is a con artist, and has made numerous statements that even Jim finally admitted on the show were simply not true. These statements included everything from bogus pseudoscience to the outright fabrication by Jim of NASA/government UFO documents that are also bogus. Excerpts from these faked materials can now be found on Art Bell's website at www.artbell.com."

These final statistics cited, were listed on Art Bell's website, after the voting poll window had closed, after 3:00PM, PST, on March 18, 1998.

"The audience survey results also showed that 285 people voted for Jim Dilettoso, or 10% of the voting audience, rounding up the numbers. The remaining 210 people, or 8%, rated us even, according to Art Bell=EDs own web site." stated Korff

"By any reasonable criteria, the verdict was unanimous, and in the words of Art Bell himself, as stated on his show that night after the debate, Korff scored =ECa knockout." This is significant, because in the past, the Meier case and its proponents have been widely touted as being real, and now the truth is finally known.

Remarked Korff, "The debate with Jim Dilettoso was brutal, talk radio. Unfortunately, it was also very necessary, and the UFO field is better off now, thanks to Art Bell and what he did, because as painful as it was, it has been demonstrated that the numerous false claims made by both Jim Dilettoso and Meier=92s proponents have been exposed for what they really are -- a combination of myth and outright chicanery."

Korff stated in his closing remarks, "I want to make these two points perfectly clear: 1) Jim Dilettoso has been exposed yet again, for the second time now, in a major media forum in two weeks. As long as Jim continues to make the kinds of false claims that he has for many years now, he will continue to be exposed. 2) It is my intention, at this point in time, never to debate Jim Dilettoso ever again, if I can possibly avoid it. Whether or not I do so, is up to Jim Dilettoso.

It is my desire now, to put this matter behind me. Until Jim establishes real credibility, backed by real science, there is no point in debating him further.

Finally, I intend to focus my future efforts on trying to put pressure on the U.S. government to release UFO data that it still has classified. If we can discover what it is that our government knows about UFOs, regardless of what that might be, I believe that we will all be better off. This is a matter and issue that affects us all, regardless of whether or not one is a believer or skeptic.

I challenge the UFO community to put the Meier case behind it, as I plan to, and either expose or boycott, those Meier fanatics who refuse to focus on the truth and continue to mislead the public. The case is a fraud, Meier is a cult leader. If the UFO field does not begin to police its=ED own ranks, then it cannot profess to have either integrity or honesty. Moreover, it cannot and has no right to complain, if the media does not take it seriously. For until these frauds are routed out from the UFO field, ufology will be forever tarred and featured and dismissed as a pseudoscience at best, fraud at worse, and deservedly so."

Korff concluded his statement by saying "It is my intention to deliver to the worldwide community, and especially the American people, the world's largest repository of UFO-related documents from various government agencies. I will be working with the major media to try and put pressure on our government to release still classified UFO data, and try to restore credibility back to the UFO field.

I have been on the road as part of this media effort for weeks, and now I plan to start heading home, and remain in seclusion until further notice to focus fully on this effort. I estimate that I will return in a month or so, maybe two, -- and hopefully have new, exciting information to begin this effort in earnest.

No matter what UFOs ultimately turn out to be, we must have these answers. We must also clense the UFO database of fraud, and start bringing long overdue accountability into this field. Hopefully, the recent exposes of Jim Dilettoso and the plethora of individuals who have recently come forward, is a first, significant step in this direction."

"Truth is sometimes painful, but it necessary and critical if we are to ever achieve full understanding."

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Re: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance

From: John <jvif@spacelab.net> [John Velez]
Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 04:21:47 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 11:31:47 -0500
Subject: Re: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance

>From: "R.Bull" <r.bull@cadcentre.co.uk> [Rob Bull]
>To: "'UFO UpDates'" <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: RE: UFO UpDate: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance Cases
>Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 11:36:43 -0000

>>Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 15:07:51 -0800
>>From: Skye Turell <turrel33@west.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance Cases?

>>> From: Joseph Polanik <jpolanik@mindspring.com>
>>> Subject: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance Cases?

>>> Recently, the possibility of resisting abductions came to the
>>> attention of two sober researchers for the Florida MUFON
>>> organization.

>>> The following comes from a CNI News extract of a Florida Today
>>> article:

>>> "The similarity between the abduction experience and demonic
>>> possession is very, very close," says Joe Jordan, Brevard/Volusia
>>> state [section] director for the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON). ...

>>I wasn't aware that anyone had proven the existence of "demonic
>>possession." And I utterly fail to see the similarities between
>>this idea and alien abductions. Would someone like to clarify?

>I would agree with Skye's first point, but I'm not so sure about
>his second one.

>And I would like to add:

>>Jordan and Clark swear they have three verifiable cases in which
>>apparent abduction experiences were halted by believers who called
>>on the name of Jesus.

>Can anyone tell me, and the list, of ONE SINGLE "ABDUCTION" that
>is VERIFIABLE, let alone one that was "halted by believers who
>called on the name of Jesus."

>Rob Bull

Hi Rob,

Two good ones that you may want to consider because they involve
multiple witnesses/participants are the Travis Walton case and
Ray Fowlers Allagash four case.

As for stopping an abduction by calling on the name of Jesus, I
have no information other than the 'word of mouth' of certain
experiencers who claim that such a thing is possible. In David
Jacobs new book, "The Threat" he cites the case of an Indian
woman [I believe] who called on an occidental diety and claims to
have stopped the onset of an abduction episode by combining that
with 'rapid eye movement' of all things. Go figure!

From my own experience or frame of reference I don't think such a

thing is possible. (ie; stopping an abduction once it has started.)
These buggers are -all business- when they are in the midst of a kidnapping. Most of the reports that I hear (including my own) in regard to the abduction process itself is more descriptive of an efficient, - 'with military style precision'- kind of an operation.

They incapacitate the subject, remove them, do what they have to do, wipe away as much memory of the event as they can, and then return the subject as quickly (and with as little fuss) as possible. Quick, clean, efficient. No wasted words or movements. Only what is necessary to the accomplishment of the task at hand.

One detail that stands out in my head is how 'flustered/surprised' they seem to be when I or others show signs of being lucid or conscious during the proceedings. Their responses 'seem' almost fearful!

Just speculation on my part, but speculation based on numerous reports. -For what it's worth.-

Peace,

John Velez

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Re: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance

From: **Nick Balaskas** <nikolaos@YorkU.CA>
Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 12:06:32 -0800 (Pacific Standard Time)
Fwd Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 12:25:44 -0500
Subject: Re: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance

> From: "R.Bull" <r.bull@cadcentre.co.uk> [Rob Bull]
> To: "'UFO UpDates'" <updates@globalserve.net>
> Subject: RE: UFO UpDate: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance Cases
> Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 11:36:43 -0000

<snip>

> >Jordan and Clark swear they have three verifiable cases in which
> >apparent abduction experiences were halted by believers who called
> >on the name of Jesus.

> Can anyone tell me, and the list, of ONE SINGLE "ABDUCTION" that
> is VERIFIABLE, let alone one that was "halted by believers who
> called on the name of Jesus."

> Rob Bull

Hi Rob,

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One recent book by David Allen Lewis and Robert Shreckhise titled "UFO End-Time Delusion" not only gives many examples where UFO abductions have been halted by calling on the name of Jesus but goes on to make the incredible claim that there is no case on record where a believing Christian has actually had a UFO abduction. If true (and a "believing Christian" is defined by the authors as one who accepts Jesus as the Son of God, not just a prophet or one of many "spiritual" leaders, etc.), this may help us to better understand who the aliens are. If the aliens are in fact from another world, because they respond to Jesus' name they too must know about the same supreme God who created our universe, including our Earth and their world(s).

Let us not be too quick to explain away these important facts the same way many skeptics dismiss UFOs just because it is very different to the way we currently understand the universe and our special place in it. This can be investigated and even put to the test.

Nick Balaskas

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Korff Announces UFO Document Repository Initiative

From: **TotlResrch** <TotlResrch@aol.com>
Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 06:23:57 EST
Fwd Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 12:16:44 -0500
Subject: Korff Announces UFO Document Repository Initiative

Dear List:

Now that the Art Bell-sponsored debate with Jim Dilettoso, and the expose of him are behind us, I am pleased to announce to you an ambitious new initiative that I think can and will benefit everyone -- whether they are a so-called "believer" or even (shudder!) a UFO debunker.

It is an undisputed fact that there remains UFO documents that are still classified. What these documents contain, remains unknown.

I want all of you to know, that for the next month or so, more realistically two, it is my intention to start accumulating the necessary resources to bring a tremendous amount of pressure on the United States government to release its' still-classified UFO information.

While I am not interested in violating national security, or jeopardizing the safety and security of the United States of America, I do believe that it is possible to learn what our own government knows about UFOs without compromising our country.

The time has come for the United States government and its' various agencies to make it a priority to start dealing with the American public more honestly and up front, on the UFO question.

Regardless of what UFOs ultimately turn out to be, we can only benefit from this knowledge. UFOs either exist, or they don't. The issue is a binary one, it is black and white.

In order to help make this effort an earnest one, and to stay focused on this attempt, with this posting I hereby announce that I will not be in communication with many of you for anywhere from 30-60 days. I am sorry to say this, but this effort will demand of me and a very small group of extremely bright, intelligent, and most importantly -- honest individuals -- all of the considerable resources I can muster.

I must remain focused, and therefore do this.

While I am preparing the groundwork, for what may ultimately end up being a legal showdown in the courts over this issue, I will start posting as individual files for everyone to copy and download and reproduce at will, every single UFO-related government document that I can possibly acquire.

Furthermore, it is my promise to you, that I will continue to do so, until it is not logical to do this any longer.

As many of you know, the FBI and other agencies have posted on their web sites, large collections of UFO-related files. However, these files takes hours to download, and cannot be searched or referenced to any degree of usefulness.

It is my intention to rectify this problem, and to start posting to the web, via my website, the most comprehensive and searchable library and index of UFO-related files that we can possibly construct.

The time has come to make this data available to the public and to make sure that the American public can easily access it.

Please be patient during this time window, if I don;t respond to many of your emails, by the time these documents get posted, I think you will all agree that the wait has been worth it.

Sincerely yours,

Kal K. Korff
President & CEO, TotalResearch

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'Eagles Disobey: The Case For Inca City, Mars'

From: **Todd Andrews** <todd@RISKERS.ORG>
Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 19:00:13 -0700
Fwd Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 12:32:08 -0500
Subject: 'Eagles Disobey: The Case For Inca City, Mars'

Folks, I just got done reading the book, "Eagles Disobey, The Case For Inca City, Mars - By B.J. Wolf." Let me point out right off by saying, OH MY GOD. I have publicized, marketed, and pushed this book for months now, but had yet to read it. I want everyone to know right now, that I am making NO MONEY on this book. Additionally, I am going to push it now, more than ever.

This book will blow your mind. It may actually change the way we look at our lives today. It will shake up traditional thinking, and help put a great start to stopping the continuing government cover-up we are so used to. I cannot press this enough!!! YOU HAVE TO READ THIS BOOK!!!!

One thing this book does for sure is change the traditional way of thinking among us humans. It will make your mind reach into distant places you have never even fathomed, and make your mind work in ways you never knew possible.

Not only is this book a great reference-style piece of literature, it tell the whole story from the Author's point of view, and the discovery she made with the scientist who is making the claims included in the book. It references with irrefutable evidence a relationship between Mars and Earth, in a region of Mars photographed in the 1970's from Mariner 9. These pictures, not studied then because of poor imaging software, have now been given another look. And this look revealed things that will literally change your way of thinking!

The book starts from the beginning, and moves to the end in a gripping 270+ pages, with over 150 illustrations, photographs, and computer enhanced imaging. You will pick this book up again and again, and show it to friends for the rest of your life.

Not only are great, and ground-breaking theories, and ideas brought up in this book, many of them follow along with the current scientific findings of Richard Hoagland, who is the main proponent of the Cydonia region of Mars. More commonly referred to the "Face on Mars" Well, this book has a new face, two actually. Monolithic drawings, etchings, and monuments, ON MARS. They have been there the whole time, but nobody bothered took the time to look. Dr. Dan Burisch did, and this is his story, and his findings in excessive detail. Combined with the writings by B.J. Wolf, it is by far the BEST read I have ever had the opportunity to experience!

Hard to believe I am making no money, huh? I only promoted it because I have been involved in the project since the beginning, and become quite good friends with the author and scientist (and because I believe 100% what they have found to be true, I have seen it with my own eyes). I assure you, guarantee you, and promise you, I am making NOTHING on this book. My urgency here is from the pure surge of what I have read. I urge everyone to spend the money for this book! It will be an investment well spent, and well worth the money!

To order the book, go to <http://www.risk.org/eagles>.

You can order online with credit card, or check.

If anyone has questions, please e-mail me.

Todd

todd@riskers.org

Todd Andrews todd@riskers.org <http://www.riskers.org> ~~

I can only please one person per day. Today is not your day.
Tomorrow doesn't look good either.

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Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

From: "Gevaerd (Revista UFO)" <gevaerd@ufo.com.br>
Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 07:36:46 -0400
Fwd Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 12:17:05 -0500
Subject: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

Folks!

THE UFO PUBLIC NUISANCE HALL OF FAME PRECINCT REPORT, posted in the net by Charles T. Oliphant, amused me, but is interesting...

Living in Brazil, I wonder how could I have 4 nominations?!? Anyway, considering that people like Budd Hopkins, Linda Moulton Howe and Michael Hesseman, who I respect very much, have similar number of nomination, I think I should be proud. Or shouldn't I?

A. J. Gevaerd
Brazilian UFO Magazine

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Re: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance

From: "R.Bull" <r.bull@cadcentre.co.uk>
Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 18:39:07 -0000
Fwd Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 18:11:42 -0500
Subject: Re: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance

>Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 12:06:32 -0800 (Pacific Standard Time)
>From: Nick Balaskas <nikolaos@YorkU.CA>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance
>Cases

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>abduction.

<snip>

It's also a fact that no inmate of a mental home or patient in
the psychiatric ward of a hospital has ever reported a ghost or
poltergeist experience (whilst in the home/hospital ward) [UK
research indicates this].

I would also bet that no-one in such a grouping has ever reported
being abducted by aliens.

It must be to do with the mental state of such people and their
view of reality.

[P.S. I am NOT implying, nor do I believe, that believing
Christians should be in mental homes!]

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Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

From: **XianneKei** <XianneKei@aol.com> [**Rebecca Keith**]
Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 14:12:38 EST
Fwd Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 18:24:03 -0500
Subject: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

> From: "Gevaerd (Revista UFO)" <gevaerd@ufo.com.br>
> To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <updates@globalserve.net>
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Do you think living in Brazil makes you exempt? Obviously 4
people don't respect your work. I'm not familiar with your work
to comment, but if you respect Michael Hessemann, you credibility
factor has just been lowered, in my book.

Rebecca

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Re: Korff Says He Won Art Bell/Meier Debate by

From: **Brian Straight** <brians@mdbs.com>
Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 13:39:50 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 18:20:31 -0500
Subject: Re: Korff Says He Won Art Bell/Meier Debate by

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From: UFO UpDates - Toronto [SMTP:updates@globalserve.net]
Sent: Thursday, March 19, 1998 12:10 PM
To: updates@globalserve.net
Subject: UFO UpDate: Korff Says He Won Art Bell/Meier Debate by Landslide

From: TotlResrch <TotlResrch@aol.com>
Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 06:31:25 EST
To: Updates@globalserve.net
Subject: Korff Wins Art Bell/Meier Debate by Landslide

> FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

> Kal Korff Wins Landslide Victory in Jim
> Dilettoso/Meier Debate on Art Bell

> March 19, 1998

> Redmond, Washington - TotalResearch announced today, that its
> critically-acclaimed author, President and CEO, Kal K. Korff,
> was the overwhelming and unanimous winner in the historic debate
> between he and Jim Dilettoso that was featured on the widely
> popular Art Bell show last night.

I hate this kind of self-promotional garbage. If Kal Korff wants to make ufology a scientifically respectable field, he's going the wrong way about it, IMHO. I know my professional friends in the astronomical community have rabid disagreements, but would never stoop to crow about a victory, or to humiliate the "loser."

Jim Dilettoso may be a fake, but Kal's press release only tells me that ufology has failed to rise above the level of personality to become a truly serious and objective discipline.

Disappointedly,

Brian Straight

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Re: _The_ Open Letter From Jerry Black

From: **Steven Kaeser** <steve@konsulting.com>
Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 15:14:18 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 18:23:18 -0500
Subject: Re: _The_ Open Letter From Jerry Black

>Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 00:34:28 +0000
>From: Bryan Butcher <being@concentric.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: _The_ Open Letter From Jerry Black

>> Date: Wed, 18 Mar 1998 17:39:02 -0800 (PST)
>> To: updates@globalserve.net
>> From: Jim Deardorff <deardorj@proaxis.com>
>> Subject: UFO UpDate: Re: _The_ Open Letter From Jerry Black

>> >Date: Mon, 16 Mar 1998 01:16:48 -0500
>> >From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
>> >Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: _The_ Open Letter From Jerry Black To
>> > Various 'Ufologists'

>> >>Date: Sun, 15 Mar 1998 13:06:34 -0500
>> >>To: updates@globalserve.net
>> >>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>> >>Subject: UFO UpDate: _The_ Open Letter From Jerry Black
>> >> To Various 'Ufologists'

>> >.....
>> >RESPONSE TO JERRY
>> >BLACK'S LETTER ABOUT GULF BREEZE SIGHTINGS>

>> Bruce,

>> Before this debate with Jerry Black totally winds up, can you
>> tell us if the video that shows the UO that Ed Walters
>> video-taped, which cast a shadow that raced in tandem along a
>> shore line, is available anywhere? I saw it on a TV program you
>> were on some months ago, but don't know if a copy of it can be
>> acquired somewhere.

>> Jim

>Right on Jim!

>IMHO the video Jim is referring to is one of the most compelling
>pieces of imagery supporting the existence of unknowns...it is
>truly a remarkable piece of investigative video analysis. If Ed
>Walters hoaxed the sequence...he is a master of video
>manipulation.

>cheers,
>Bryan Butcher

Bruce has put together a companion video to go with "UFOs Are
Real, Here's The Proof", which he provides at a very reasonable
price. The sequence you mention is included in that compilation.

BTW, Bruce also performs the music that is used in the
background.

Steve

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Re: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance

From: **Brian Cuthbertson** <brianc@freeside.fc.net>
Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 14:58:40 -0600 (CST)
Fwd Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 18:32:29 -0500
Subject: Re: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance

Nick Balaskas writes ...

> Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 12:06:32 -0800 (Pacific Standard Time)
> From: Nick Balaskas <nikolaos@YorkU.CA>
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> record where a believing Christian has actually had a UFO
> abduction.

The above claim is flatly untrue! One of the most thoroughly investigated set of ongoing abductions ever investigated was the Betty Andreasson/Luca case, investigated by well-known UFO Researcher Ray Fowler and documented in a series of excellent books covering over a decade of incidents. These include his books "The Watchers", "The Watchers II", and others.

If anyone I know of fits the definition of a "believing Christian", Betty does. Anyone who has read Fowler's books knows this to be true.

In fact, I specifically recall one particular case where Betty was actually reading her bible when she was abducted. Also, during one of her regressions, Betty reports that she was "chosen" for these experiences because she demonstrated her intense desire to serve the Lord while in a church service when she was a girl. The "elders" actually "replay" the church scene for her where she says this, to remind her. Betty, apparently "chosen" partly because of her drawing ability, provides sketches of both of the bible abduction and the replay of the church scene in one of Fowler's books.

The "elders" indeed tell her they want her to use her ability to help educate us as to their true nature.

Its obvious to me that the authors of the above book have either done extremely poor research on their subject, or they have some sort of hidden (apparently religious) agenda. If you plan to read their book, make sure you also read Fowler's books if you want a balanced view.

-Brian Cuthbertson

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Mexico City Video In One Hour UFO Special

From: Stig_Agermose@online.pol.dk (Stig Agermose)
Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 23:20:18 +0100
Fwd Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 18:34:12 -0500
Subject: Mexico City Video In One Hour UFO Special

>From Business Wire.

"Danger in Our Skies: The New UFO Threat" Airing Monday, April 6 on UPN

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LOS ANGELES--(ENTERTAINMENT WIRE)--March 19, 1998--

Astonishing UFO Sightings, Plus Exclusive Footage of One Videotaped in Broad Daylight and Now in Great Demand, Are Featured in the Special Presentation "Danger in Our Skies: The New UFO Threat" Airing Monday, April 6

(8:00-9:00 P.M., ET/PT) on UPN

Remarkable UFO sightings that many believe are a foreboding threat to global safety, plus exclusive, vivid footage of a UFO witnessed during the day over Mexico City, are presented in a compelling one hour special, "Danger In Our Skies: The New UFO Threat," airing MONDAY, APRIL 6 (8:00-9:00 P.M., ET/PT).

The exclusive footage, never seen before in North America, is the topic of much debate and curiosity among UFO buffs.

Ann Daniel and Henry Winkler, who formerly teamed on "Sightings," are executive producers. Winkler comments, "This special features more UFOs in its one hour than any other special, ever."

Daniel explains further, "We have fantastic footage of recent sightings over Phoenix and Mexico City and will seek to explain the phenomenon of these occurrences. The special includes interviews with people who have seen UFOs as well as experts, air traffic controllers and pilots, whose livelihoods and lives depend on their ability to decipher what they see in the sky."

Daniel continues, "Among the accounts of sightings we have gathered, the most incredible is the exclusive clear, daytime footage of what appears to be a flying saucer over Mexico City."

Produced on location in Phoenix and Mexico City, the special is hosted by Jim Forbes, an Emmy-winning news reporter and recent host of "Strange Universe." Alison Holloway, a longtime reporter in the UK and a "Hard Copy" correspondent in Los Angeles, is the special correspondent.

Its content rating is TV-PG.

Stephen Kroopnick is the co-executive producer. The special is produced by Fair Dinkum and Ann Daniel Productions, in association with Paramount Domestic Television.

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Re: French Cult Leader Bourdin Dies

From: **RSchatte** <RSchatte@aol.com>
Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 15:45:17 EST
Fwd Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 18:31:17 -0500
Subject: Re: French Cult Leader Bourdin Dies

From: AOL News <AOLNews@aol.com>
Subject: French Cult Leader Bourdin Dies
Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 15:36:22 EST

French Cult Leader Bourdin Dies

.c The Associated Press

PARIS (AP) - Gilbert Bourdin, a cult leader and self-proclaimed messiah who said he shielded the world from extraterrestrial invasions, has died. He was 72.

Bourdin died overnight Wednesday in the castle he built in Castellane, a town south of Grenoble. He had suffered for several years from diabetes and Parkinson's disease.

From his Mandarom cult's mountain retreat in the southern Alps, Bourdin at times referred to himself as the ``Cosmic Christ'' and at others as ``Hamsah Manara,'' which means ``god among men'' in Sanskrit.

A former teacher from the French Caribbean island of Martinique, Bourdin founded the Mandarom cult in 1969. Followers are strict vegetarians, wear loose-fitting tunics, shave their heads and tend gardens at the Castellane castle.

A 1996 French parliamentary report said the cult had engaged in ``insidious recruitment'' practices and cited a police investigation of rape accusations brought against Bourdin by five former cult members. He was jailed for two weeks, but no formal charges were brought.

Information on survivors and funeral arrangements was not immediately available.

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What's Going On in Puerto Rico

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For the past ten years Puerto Rico has experienced continuous UFO/Alien activities mixed with bizarre creatures, explosions, tremors, crop circles, black helicopters, misinformation program, etc. The number of cases reported here represent a very small ample of the many such important situations going on today in the island. By Jorge Martin.

WHAT'S GOING ON IN PUERTO RICO?.

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Space Command Chief Urges Congress To Space

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Estes urges Congress to help fulfill 'promise of space'

Released: Mar 16, 1998

WASHINGTON (AFNS) -- Gen. Howell M. Estes III, commander in chief of U.S. Space Command, urged Congress (in prepared testimony) to continue funding space programs critical to fulfilling the "promise of space." He also urged Congress to promote public awareness of space's vital importance to Americans' security, economic prosperity and quality of life.

"Space capabilities impact almost every industry, every person, and every military strategy," stressed Estes in his March 11 testimony.

However, he warned that the nation must guard against the day when an adversary attempts to turn this growing American dependence on space into a vulnerability.

"The freedom to operate in space . . . should not be taken for granted," he said.

The general, also commander of Air Force Space Command, said his top priorities are improving space support to U.S. fighting forces today, and protecting the nation's interests and investments in space tomorrow. Estes outlined U.S. Space Command's efforts aimed at achieving both.

For example, the command recently spearheaded an effort to better integrate space into joint operations. On Jan. 29 President Clinton signed a Unified Command Plan that designated U.S. Space Command as the single focal point for far-flung military space operations and gave it traditional responsibilities shared by regional commanders.

A comprehensive long-range plan scheduled to be completed in early April will provide a gameplan for meeting key space needs by 2020 by:

- Fully integrating space forces with land, sea and air forces;
- Assuring U.S. and allied access to, and freedom to operate in, space and denying the same to an adversary when required;
- Applying precision force from, and through, space;
- Leveraging civil, commercial, and international space systems to cost-effectively augment military systems.

Estes urged congressional support for specific efforts critical to the

success of the long-range plan:

-- Space Based Infrared System to improve both strategic and theater missile warning and defense;

-- Joint Tactical Ground System upgrades to improve accuracy and timeliness of warning and defense against "Scud" missile and similar theater attacks against U.S. troops overseas;

-- Assured access to space;

-- Evolved Expendable Launch Vehicles built by two competing firms to reduce launch costs;

-- A long-range strategy to protect the radio frequency spectrum that balances commercial demands with military and civil needs;

-- Global Positioning System and Navigation Warfare -- assuring military access to GPS during conflicts, selectively denying it to adversaries and minimizing the impact on other users;

-- Military Satellite Communications that will rely on a mix of commercial and military systems to meet growing needs; and

-- Partnerships with the civil and commercial sectors, as well as allies to leverage development efforts with limited Department of Defense funding.

"We cannot turn back the clock," Estes said. "The Information Age is upon us, the rush to exploit orbital space is unmistakable, and forces have been cut in anticipation of space's promise.

"The chance to find resources will come . . . the risk is in delaying too long. Given the lead time required to develop cutting-edge technologies into military utility, today's budget decisions will not begin to influence capability for another decade-and-a-half," he said.

"Space . . . will generate vast wealth, improve standards of living and undoubtedly impact the way of life for hundreds of millions of people," he predicted.

"We must make this space vision a reality."

Estes' complete prepared statement is available on the U.S. Space Command web page at <http://www.spacecom.af.mil/usspace>. (Courtesy of AFSPC News Service)

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Filer's Files #11

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SPECULATION MOUNTS FOR INTELLIGENT LIFE ON MARS

MARS

Liz Edwards has located significant new NASA images in the south polar region of Mars. Assuming this is not a hoax, Liz's images clearly show what appears to be a probable industrial complex. The site is located next to thousands of acres of snow and ice. There is a group of structures consisting of at least eight long narrow buildings, walls or huge pipes and various odd tanks or holding structures. The complex indicates a possible power plant, storage tanks, etc. Surrounding the complex is an almost complete square shaped wall or tube like arrangement. These geometric shapes appear as unexplained artificial features inferring they are not natural. There are distinctive square rows, large holes, and unique rows of circular geometric shapes. The buildings appear to be Quonset like rounded huts of tremendous size squarely cut off at either end. They remind me of giant greenhouses. In addition the image seems obscured near the snow line by fog, heat or cloud effect that may be steam. These geometric shapes infer cultural activity and do not appear natural. One concern is that the pixel scans run up and down the image in line with the structural complex data. The structural complex data could be the result of the image scanning data. In other words, the structures may be caused by computer and transmission problems. I personally have some experience in aerial photographic analysis as a former intelligence officer in the Air Force. If these were photos taken on Earth there would be no question they were constructed by intelligent life. Although, heavy dust has probably covered the buildings over time, and assuming these are real and untouched images, this is significant evidence. We can assume if aliens once lived on Mars they would require water and oxygen for survival. We can therefore speculate, that the snow composed primarily of carbon monoxide could be heated and absorbed by plants within this giant complex. The carbon monoxide is then converted into oxygen and carbohydrates. With the addition of underground water and a source for heat this giant complex could likely be self sustaining. My initial conclusion is that Mars at least at one time had intelligent life. I repeat this is just speculation, but the evidence is building. This confirms evidence from Russian sources that their Phobus II mission detected areas of heat and what may be cities on Mars. Of course, it may be another mistaken identity or hoax, but these look very interesting. The images were posted on 18 March at:

<http://www.eaglenet.org/IWP/mars.htm>

I have queried NASA Internal Relations concerning the south pole structure. I was referred to their web sites that stated: The south pole area is of great interest to NASA and this is where the Mars Polar Lander will touch down in late 1999. The new images of the south pole landing region taken by the camera aboard NASA's Mars Global Surveyor, confirm that this strange, layered terrain represents a dramatic departure from the

now-familiar Martian landscapes previously observed. In December 1999, the next lander will set down in this uncharted territory to dig for traces of frozen, subsurface water. "Despite ground fog that obscures part of the surface in these images, we can see much more surface detail than we've ever seen before, which suggests that the 75-degree south latitude landing zone is quite a bit more rugged and geologically diverse than we had previously thought," said Dr. Michael Malin of Malin Space Science Systems, Inc., San Diego, CA. Malin is principal investigator of the Global Surveyor camera and the cameras on the 1998 missions, the Mars Polar Lander and its newly named partner, the Mars Climate Orbiter. In the current images from Mars Global Surveyor, obtained during an aerobraking orbit from about 2,800 kilometers (1,700 miles) above the planet's surface, objects about 15 meters (48 feet) across can be resolved. Over the next year, the Global Surveyor images will be used in concert with other spacecraft data such as that obtained by the thermal emission spectrometer to better characterize the geology of Martian south pole.

I phoned NASA Internal Relations and asked if they would provide images of Cydonia. NASA assured me that it plans on observing the so called Face on Mars and Cydonia with the Mars Observer now in orbit. NASA is apparently upset by the constant claims by outsiders that they will purposely avoid taking images of the controversial features in the Cydonia area. They resent the public's focus on "conspiracies" that imply they will keep information from the public. The NASA website claims that if an image of the "Face" is acquired, it will most definitely be released. The "Face on Mars," "City," "Fortress," "Cliff," "Tholus," "D&M Pyramid," etc., are in the MOC target database. Image acquisitions will be scheduled each time the spacecraft is predicted to pass over each target. This is done automatically. Given the drifting path of the satellite, there is no certainty that the images will actually include the features of interest. The Mars Observer's orbit is not exact and it may not pass directly over every spot on Mars due to the variations in the orbit, not controlled by NASA. The bottom line is NASA has done everything they can to try to acquire images of the "Face" and other features in Cydonia. This plan was not established in response to outside pressure; rather, there are two reasons for acquiring these images. First, given the interest in the general public about the "Face," it is appropriate to acquire such images for public relations purposes, especially since the public interest has been generated in no small way by the people who claim there is a conspiracy at NASA to withhold information from the public. Second, there are valid scientific reasons to examine landforms in the area (which, after all, is why the Viking spacecraft were photographing the area in the first place). Thanks to NASA. <http://www.jpl.nasa.gov/>

NEW JERSEY

BARNEGAT, NJ. A grandfather writes: My grandchild, Tyler K. is not known to tell stories and does not have any knowledge of UFOs or spacecraft according to his mother. At the time of the incident he told his mother about the UFO. So I had him draw a picture of what he observed on January 11, 1998. He drew the picture of a typical disc craft with green and yellow alternating lights around the rim. On top was a glass dome with a strange creature inside. The creature had a large head and stick like arms with two fingers on each hand. The head did not resemble a human head and looks more like a potato. Tyler explains the pilot was wearing a helmet. Tyler went to sleep as usual in his home near the bay. He awoke about midnight because a bright white light was shining in his bedroom window. He was afraid of the bright light and backed away where it could not reach him. Although his three years old brother was also in the room, he kept sleeping. He could see a disc shaped craft hovering outside his bedroom window between his home and the thirty feet to the house next door. Based on the drawing the craft had a diameter of approximately twenty feet. Tyler's drawing included an antenna at the top of the craft and distinctive markings at the bottom right under the rim lights. Tyler was very excited about the sighting and wanted his mother to place his story in local newspaper to see if others had also observed craft. At the lower right hand of the disc is what appears to be a symbol. The design drawn by Tyler appears to resemble a skull and crossbones, perhaps a pirate flag. The symbol could also be interpreted as an upside down triangle, that has been reported previously.

OCEAN GROVE, NJ: Investigator, Dr. Bruce Cornet writes: I met

with Allen Wahl today, and he showed me the location for his 27 February, sighting of the finned orb UFO over Ocean Grove, NJ. As Allen was describing where he saw it, a black helicopter gun-ship flew near us, going north just over the beachfront. I got a picture of the helicopter, if it means anything. I attach his drawing of the UFO and compare it with a 1973 sighting of a similar object in Mexico. The resemblance is uncanny! Allen Wahl is an architect who was able to use strong mechanical drawing skills to make a detailed drawing of the object. When you compare his drawing to a 1973 Mexican photograph, what do you think? Do we have a possible confirmation for the Mexican photo? Note: I think the photograph and drawing by architect Allen Wahl are virtually identical and provide excellent evidence to the existence of UFOs. This evidence is often better than that used to convict criminals in a court of law.

NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

MUFON investigators Mike Shields, Dennis Hawley and Dick Daley interviewed a witness Mr. William W. who reports observing a large boomerang shaped UFO on March 12, 1997. The witness was outside when he noticed something blocking out the stars in Orion's Belt. The object then dropped in altitude to only 200 feet and moved north along and above the Hampton Boulevard in Norfolk at a speed of between 40 to 50 mph. A portion of the object passed through a halo of amber street light emitted by the street lights. It was boomerang in shape with three dome like structures underneath and one dome on top. It consisted of two right angles curving at the apex. The UFO was between 800 to 1,000 feet long with a groove along its length on its backside. The object had no lights and was dark in color. It made a low pulsating humming sound. This location is only a few miles from Norfolk Naval Air Station. The witness thought at first it might be Navy Seals training with hang gliders. The entire right side of the craft was seen as it passed through a halo of amber light emitted by the street lights. The UFO did not appear to be aerodynamically shaped because its right wing tip did not have a tapered appearance. It consisted of two right angles curving at the apex. The drawing reminds me of a very thick boomerang. The UFO's appearance does not fit the description of any known aircraft or balloon. The drawing infers a flying wing because of its, low flight level and structure. The closest aircraft in the US inventory would be the B-2 bomber, but with unusually thick wings. The square shape and thickness of the wing are particularly puzzling. The investigators felt the witness truthful and provided a detailed description of the craft including drawings on two occasions. His unyielding account of the incident indicates this may be a potentially significant sighting. The UFO disappeared moving north behind some trees in the direction of Hampton Roads Bay. The craft was flying over some of our nation's primary Naval installations long known for tracking UFOs. Additionally, the craft would have caused a safety hazard to aircraft operating from Navy Norfolk or Norfolk International airport. The witness who is a member of the Civil Air Patrol felt the craft may have come from the nearby Craney Island Military installation. He was interviewed on two occasions and his story never changed. It is the consensus of the investigators that he was a spectator to a truly unusual event. Approximately 26 hours were spent investigating this case but no other witnesses to the event could be located. Thanks to Ricardo Atristain MUFON Virginia State Director.

NORTH CAROLINA

A UFO was seen hovering above the University campus in Charlotte, North Carolina, a large city 168 miles southwest of Raleigh, on Saturday, February 28, 1998. Mark F. was in the Mint Hills section of the city, near Harris Boulevard and Independence Boulevard, when he saw "three, maybe four, lights" blinking off and on along my drive home. I would estimate them to be at 25 degrees above the horizon. I never saw them depart, just disappear." Mark estimated the lights to be "around two radio towers that were 15 minutes away in the UNCC area, northeast of the city, or University area, as it's called." Local ufologist Aaron L. said the UFO "appeared to be either landing or coming at me." He saw it for a few seconds while driving with his father. "Oh, I'd say it was about 65 degrees above the horizon...The strobe light was white. I didn't see any structure. This wasn't a vague and off-in-the-distance thing. It was pretty close and the lights appeared larger than most planes I have seen. It was larger than Venus appears." Thanks to UFO

Roundup #10, Joe Trainor editor.

NEW YORK

Kim writes: I am somewhat hesitant to send this report to you because, well frankly, I feel a little foolish. It happened so long ago, at a time when reporting such things was much more open to ridicule, and I have kept it fairly close to the vest, so to speak. At any rate, it was in 1973 in Plattsburgh, New York, just outside the college campus and about ten miles from the Air Force base. Beth my girl friend, (now my wife) and I were traveling the back country roads to going to a movie. It was about 6:30 p.m., in late April. It was still quite light out. Suddenly, seemingly out of nowhere, a round object rimmed in lights floated noiselessly over our car a little better than tree top level. We both screamed something akin to "What the hell was that!" We looked out the back window to see it still moving slowly over the hedge row of trees to our right. Both of us, without realizing it I think, jumped out of the car to watch the object. It floated over the trees and into a clearing or open pasture area. I started to run after it. My girl friend/wife started screaming at me to "get back in the car!" I remember her pounding in the roof of the car and crying. I said something like, "I want to go see what that is!" Again, she screamed for me to get in the car or she was leaving without me. I did, and we left. We sat up all night trying to figure out what it was we saw. I think I, and every citizen of this planet, have a right to know about it and decide for ourselves its impact. Thanks to: KIM and Beth at: KBAM@clarityconnect.com

GEORGIA

Jack and Jo Dowless met me in Chatsworth this past Sunday and we interviewed our witness who lives in the area of Highway 411 on a high ridge. The witness is a Georgia native and businessman who is well established in the Murray County community. He reported observing unusual craft in the valley in the immediate vicinity of his beautiful home. He has an excellent panoramic view and reports seeing four UFOs: #1, The first sighting occurred in late summer of 1995. A thick bodied tear drop shaped disc with a 'cockpit' type bubble on the top side. The whole craft including the cockpit was a dull aluminum color. The object was about 300 yards distant in a hover, and tilted slightly giving a view of the top. The witness described the UFO as being the size of a football held at arm's length. The witness quickly retrieved binoculars and watched for two minutes. He observed a dark hole to open in the side of the object and a projection of 'icicle' like energy or rays emitted out in a spread for about 50 to 100 feet. The object then disappeared as he watched. #2-During the Summer of 1997, the witness observed an object the shape of a half moon (flat side up) moving slowly from the northwest to west. The object had the color and brightness of moon and was about the size of a VCR tape held at arm's length. #3, In late 1997 and early 1998, the witness observed an extremely bent boomerang, thick bodied, dark, moving slowly to south. Witness said it could have been a triangle, but observation was made against the night sky, but he was sure it was of the same shape as extreme boomerang/triangle. He estimated it was 300 to 600 feet from him and the size of a tractor trailer rig. Lights along the bottom of the flanks are white and red. This object has been observed twice. The Dowless Team is continuing the investigation in the pursuit of additional witnesses, and to establish the exact dates of observation. The sketches made by the witness are of excellent quality. Note: As of 18 March, we have four new members resulting from our meeting and it's attendant publicity. One of these is a pilot. Four additional persons have contacted me and may submit applications including a student preparing shortly for a degree in Cultural Anthropology, and a state police officer. Thanks to Georgia State MUFON Director, Chief Walter Sheets. Note: I have started contacting people who have panoramic views of water or a valley from their homes. Many casually report they regularly see UFOs. We encourage you to search out these people and talk with them.

FLORIDA

The National UFO Reporting Center received numerous calls concerning UFOs over Florida from 6:40 to 6:50 PM on Saturday, March 7, 1998. "Two very bright, anomalous lights were observed by many witnesses flying across the state of Florida, heading northwest. They moved erratically sometimes fast and other times

almost stooping. Danny Oakes, a "warbird" pilot with the Confederate Air Force, who lives in Okeechobee, Florida, reported two brightly lighted objects approaching his location from the southeast at what seemed to be a very high velocity. The objects appeared to Oakes to slow suddenly, after which one of the objects "shot" off and then returned to its position beside the other object. MUFON also reports UFOs hovering near Cape Canaveral. Thanks to Peter Davenport.

WISCONSIN

Mike Engebretson writes: You may be interested in a sighting of a triangular craft I saw last September in Wisconsin.. It is very similar to the NJ sighting described in Filer's Files #10-as follows:

"On two occasions both my girl friend and friend Paul Davidson, and myself saw a round band of fluorescent blue light on the under belly of a hovering craft directly above the Garden State Parkway. We followed the craft until it suddenly extinguished its lights."

Mike states, "Particularly interesting is the 'fluorescent band of blue light' which is what I saw. I would be interested if you have heard of any similar sightings. I am collecting information in an effort to investigate what I saw." You will find a report and drawing of my sighting at:

<http://www.execpc.com/~ahoj/wfiles/files/uf970903.htm>

OKLAHOMA

On Wednesday, February 25, 1998, at about 9:15 p.m., Debbie Hickman was driving west on Interstate Highway 40 in Oklahoma when she spied "a green fireball" in the night sky. Ms. Hickman saw the object "at mile marker 126, west of El Reno. "I left Oklahoma City and was driving west on I-40 back to Elk City," she reported. "I had passed the towns of Yukon and El Reno and was at mile marker 126 when I spotted a green fireball in the sky west of my position. It appeared to be about the size of a golf ball at arm's length and traveled straight-line. I spotted the fireball as it came into the view of my windshield. It was in view for three or four seconds as it traveled straight down and then impacted the ground. I saw green sparks fly up from the impact." The next evening, Thursday, February 26, 1998, Ms. Hickman saw "a huge white light just south of Clinton Lake. The light was seen near the Clinton/ Sherman Air Force Base but it was at treetop level. While (she was) observing the light, it 'instantly' came forward to the edge of the tree line...and the light could be seen through the trees. It then moved up a few feet in altitude and moved over the interstate directly over her truck. It then flew along I-40 for a few seconds." By the time Ms. Hickman reached mile marker 47, near Canute, the mysterious light had vanished. She added, "The light was so bright it illuminated the (truck's) cab." Thanks to Cliff Capers and Jim Hickman of Skywatch International.

UNITED KINGDOM

Dave Dunworth, UK Director of Skywatch International reports a Flying Triangle over M5 Motorway on March 9, 1998. The UFO was followed for fifteen minutes by Mr M. Peast, Mr D. Matthews and Mrs. J. York 39 miles from Exeter. Mr. Matthews spotted what appeared to be a star in the south that first moved like a conventional aircraft and then started to maneuver and descend with an array of bright lights. The craft descended from a height estimated at 25,000 feet to a height of 5,000 feet within a couple of seconds. It displayed a vertical lift maneuver that showed the shape of the craft as being triangular. The lights on the craft by this time became much more discernible. The craft displayed three highly luminescent white lights that were very bright and in the center there was a large section of reddish colored light that pulsated in intensity. The craft was about the size of a jumbo jet. As the craft climbed they described seeing a small kind of yellow and orange glowing ball that dropped from the reddish area of the craft. The glowing balls of light shot off at high speed towards the south and were immediately followed by the triangular shaped craft. The ball compared to the craft was about the size of a tennis ball. Both the craft and the ball of light rapidly disappeared from view into the night sky and all were left with an incredible feeling of wonderment at what they had seen. Other motorists must have also witnessed this because

the traffic slowed down and everyone that passed us had their eyes on the sky at that time. Thanks to Skywatch International Inc. and Dave Dunworth thegreenhouse@netmatters.co.uk

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March 17, 1998

Well, I'm trying to get more time on this again. One correspondent pointed out that I did not mention that times are Pacific unless otherwise noted. Oh, and a side note: if you want to participate in my annual Bufo's OSCAR Prediction Madness, please let me know right away.

ON-LINE

Omni Magazine (<A HREF="<http://www.omnimag.com/talk/>">OMNI Prime Time) will feature Carol Bowman, author of (<A HREF="<http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/ISBN=055357485X/bufosweirdworldA/>">Children's Past Lives: How Past Life Memories Affect Your Child) from 8:00 PM to 9:00 PM tonight, Tuesday.

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PBS

NOVA (times and dates vary by local station), SECRETS OF THE PSYCHICS. This features James "The Amazing" Randi, probably the leading skeptic of psychics in out time.

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Re: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance

From: Nick Balaskas <nikolaos@YorkU.CA>
Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 21:19:27 -0800 (Pacific Standard Time)
Fwd Date: Fri, 20 Mar 1998 11:59:32 -0500
Subject: Re: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance

> Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 14:58:40 -0600 (CST)
> From: Brian Cuthbertson <brianc@freeside.fc.net>
> To: updates@globalserve.net
> Subject: Re: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance Cases

<snip>

> > One recent book by David Allen Lewis and Robert Shreckhise
> > titled "UFO End-Time Delusion" not only gives many examples where
> > UFO abductions have been halted by calling on the name of Jesus
> > but goes on to make the incredible claim that there is no case on
> > record where a believing Christian has actually had a UFO
> > abduction.

> The above claim is flatly untrue! One of the most thoroughly
> investigated set of ongoing abductions ever investigated was the
> Betty Andreasson/Luca case, investigated by well-known UFO
> Researcher Ray Fowler and documented in a series of excellent
> books covering over a decade of incidents. These include his
> books "The Watchers", "The Watchers II", and others.

Hi Brian,

One should not make such a quick judgement based on a single case.
The thing to remember is that the Devil too believes in Jesus but
we would certainly not classify him as a "believing Christian".

> If anyone I know of fits the definition of a "believing
> Christian", Betty does. Anyone who has read Fowler's books knows
> this to be true.

> In fact, I specifically recall one particular case where Betty
> was actually reading her bible when she was abducted. Also,
> during one of her regressions, Betty reports that she was
> "chosen" for these experiences because she demonstrated her
> intense desire to serve the Lord while in a church service when
> she was a girl. The "elders" actually "replay" the church scene
> for her where she says this, to remind her. Betty, apparently
> "chosen" partly because of her drawing ability, provides sketches
> of both of the bible abduction and the replay of the church scene
> in one of Fowler's books.
> The "elders" indeed tell her they want her to use her ability to
> help educate us as to their true nature.

I have read Fowler's books too about the Betty Andreasson case.
Assuming that we can classify Betty as a "believing Christian",
do we do so simply because she was religious and read the Bible?
We have many religious people here at York U. who have various
opinions of who Jesus is and some of these students even study
the Bible (as part of their course reading lists). I would not
be quick to classify all of them as "believing Christians" though.

I think a reason Betty had her UFO abduction experiences is because
her experiences were not really abductions - she said "yes" when
the aliens asked her "will you follow us". There are many accounts
in the lives of saints where demons made attempts to deceive even
the elect who were not as cautious as they should have been.

> Its obvious to me that the authors of the above book have either
> done extremely poor research on their subject, or they have some

> sort of hidden (apparently religious) agenda. If you plan to
> read their book, make sure you also read Fowler's books if you
> want a balanced view.

Likewise, you must also read their book too before you can come to an honest opinion. Face it, we all have our personal biases and beliefs, but one cannot claim that the authors of a book did extremely poor research without even looking at it.

Nick

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Re: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance

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Fwd Date: Fri, 20 Mar 1998 11:59:38 -0500
Subject: Re: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance

> From: "R.Bull" <r.bull@cadcentre.co.uk>
> To: "'UFO UpDates'" <updates@globalserve.net>
> Subject: UFO UpDate: Re: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance Cases
> Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 18:39:07 -0000

> >but goes on to make the incredible claim that there is no case on
> >record where a believing Christian has actually had a UFO
> >abduction.

> <snip>

> It's also a fact that no inmate of a mental home or patient in
> the psychiatric ward of a hospital has ever reported a ghost or
> poltergeist experience (whilst in the home/hospital ward) [UK
> research indicates this].

I would like to know your source of this UK research.

If a patient in a psychiatric ward told you that he has regular visits from his dead aunt Martha or that his Jello flies to the ceiling before he gets a chance to eat it, you wouldn't take him seriously anyways, would you? Therefore, no reports.

> I would also bet that no-one in such a grouping has ever reported
> being abducted by aliens.

Don't be too quick to lose your money. Two years ago we got permission to perform mind over matter tests with such patients at a local Toronto hospital. Although the mind over matter tests turned out negative, some stories these patients told me certainly sounded like UFO abduction experiences.

> It must be to do with the mental state of such people and their
> view of reality.

Maybe the reason we sane people have not figured out the mystery of UFOs is because we refuse to even entertain certain views of reality (eg. aliens = demons) that were accepted as fact by previous generations.

> [P.S. I am NOT implying, nor do I believe, that believing
> Christians should be in mental homes!]

Of course not.

Nick

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Mexico City UFO vs. Hasenboel UFO

From: **Jim Deardorff** <deardorj@proaxis.com>
Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 18:38:45 -0800 (PST)
Fwd Date: Fri, 20 Mar 1998 12:24:10 -0500
Subject: Mexico City UFO vs. Hasenboel UFO

>Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 00:36:43 -0500
>From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Mexico City UFO program April 8th
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>

>Below is a preliminary report on the video analysis. This will be
>published in the next issue of the MUFON Journal along with the
>graphs/figures referenced herein.

> THE MEXICO CITY, AUG. 6, 1997 VIDEO
> OF AN UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT (UO)
> by
> Bruce Maccabee

> \$#@& !!! (Expletive deleted.) Its just a model hanging on a
> string...a stupid hoax!!

> That was my immediate reaction watched the beginning of the
> Mexico City video for the first time back in early November,
> 1997. Its wobbling and rotating saucer seemed just as big as
> life...but not as real. What immediately popped into my mind
> was a vision of a 1950s movie portrayal of flying saucers... the
> movie with rotating saucers that crash into the U. S. Capitol
> building (Invaders from Space?)! I was disgusted!!!>

> Five seconds later I was no longer disgusted. Instead, I was
> surprised.

> During the first seconds of the video I had envisioned a small
> model saucer rotating and wobbling as it was hanging from a
> string.

> Then it abruptly moved to the right.

> Thats no hanging model, I thought as it accelerated without any
> swinging back and forth characteristic of the pendulum motion of
> a small model at the end of a string. As the video continued I
> watched carefully for any evidence of swinging.

> There was none.

> I then reversed the video and watched the image of the
> Unidentified Object (UO) as it moved to the left toward its
> starting position.

> Suddenly it stopped moving...as if running into a brick wall
> (crash dummies inside?).

> I ran it back and forth several times.

> Each time I became more convinced that the acceleration was very
> rapid, perhaps even instantaneous. Suffice it to say that I
> watched the rest of the video with more respect. ...

Hi Bruce,

I'm sure many others also appreciated your research on this.

Here I'd like to refresh your memory about this kind of
maneuvering on film being predated some 21 years by the

Meier-case 8mm film of 29 March, 1976, near Hasenboel-Langenberg, Switzerland. No -- I'm not suggesting that the 1997 Mexico City video must therefore be a hoax!
It's just interesting to look at the similarities.

This Hasenboel scene was on a windy evening shortly after sunset; a limb of a foreground fir tree can be seen to rustle about continually in the wind. This is the film where the UFO moves from off the left side to center-right of the frame, stops (as if scarcely slowing down before crashing into an invisible brick wall) and hovers motionless there, then suddenly accelerates back to the left to a speed of up to 15 UFO widths per second in some small fraction of a second. It then repeats this maneuver a few times, with small rocking oscillations (apparently about a horizontal axis at right angles to the direction of motion; circa 4 cps) superimposed at various times.

The trajectory is arced somewhat, with its lowest point being approximately where it stops and hovers before retreating back to the left. The fairly small curvature of the arc implies, if it were a suspended model, an estimated suspension length of some 50 model widths (or a pendulum period of some 10 seconds for a model of 1-foot width). However, unlike a simple pendulum motion, it's missing the right-hand halves of the pendulum oscillations. Most impressive therefore is the fact that on its repeated maneuvers the UFO, when coming to a speedy hovering halt, or when suddenly accelerating back towards the left, does so without executing any random oscillations suggestive of the suspension point having been moved.

Also impressive is the absence of wind-induced motions while it is hovering perfectly still. Any model suspended by a long string could not have been hovering motionless in a breeze in excess of 10mph, but would instead be bouncing up and down somewhat as well as rocking about different horizontal axes, and also twisting about the vertical axis. However, the lack of high resolution of the video of the copy of the film permits the lack of twisting to be deduced only for the two or three occasions when one or two white light beams flashed out from the UFO. The light beams appeared to be columnated and can be viewed for a short distance away from the UFO; they did not sweep out oscillatory paths during the brief periods they were turned on as they would if the object had been twisting about on a string. Of course, the existence of the lights themselves is quite impressive in ruling against the possibility of a model. All in all, one sees why no anti-Meier fan has attempted to duplicate such a series of maneuvers while filming a suspended model UFO on a windy day.

The impression an open-minded skeptic could gain is that the pilot of the UFO was saying: "We've followed a trajectory that could look like half of a repeated pendulum motion if a 25-meter pole suspending a model were being cleverly maneuvered around, and we've added in a rocking motion to make it seem like it was a model with a particular moment of inertia. All this while staying mostly within the field of view of Meier's movie camera. That should satisfy the negative skeptics and ensure that our actions here will not cause the whole UFO coverup to come unraveled prematurely. Now, however, let's see if any thinking ufologist will eventually notice that we accelerated rapidly without any subsequent jerks and similarly stopped smoothly, hovered motionless, and turned on a couple of our columnated lights."

Would you or another on this list be interested in looking into it more quantitatively than I can do with my old VCR and with no means of computerizing it? The film sequence is in the "Beamship: The Movie Footage" video that Genesis III has available. I mean, what else have you to do now that you've looked carefully into the Mexico City video? :) An additional qualification you'd need is the ability to withstand the heat upon investigating a politically-incorrect topic. The one advantage the Meier film has over the Mexico City video is that Meier's movie-film camera was mounted on a fixed tripod. Another might be considered to be the knowledge, from swirled-grass landing traces, that the UFO's diameter was about 7 meters.

Jim Deardorff

"Truth is sometimes painful, but is necessary and critical if we are ever to achieve full understanding."

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Information needed on VanTassel

From: "Ben Field" <ben@abcfield.force9.co.uk>
Date: Fri, 20 Mar 1998 07:52:23 -0000
Fwd Date: Fri, 20 Mar 1998 12:40:30 -0500
Subject: Information needed on VanTassel

I am doing some research for someone who emailed me asking for help to find information on VanTassel, I have been unsuccessful and was hoping someone here could help.

-----original email follows-----

What ever happened to the guy VanTassel who reported to have gone aboard a UFO and wrote the book Into This World And Out Again?

He had a home under a Big Rock or Giant Rock near Landers California. I was there and talked to him but it was about 35 to 40 years ago. Let me know if you have any information about him.

-----End-----

Thanks for your help in advance

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Discovery [UK] Programme

From: jeremy.gordon@bbc.co.uk (Jeremy Gordon)
Date: Fri, 20 Mar 1998 09:31:30 GMT
Fwd Date: Fri, 20 Mar 1998 12:44:38 -0500
Subject: Discovery [UK] Programme

I hope you will be able to help me.

I am working on a Discovery Channel Programme where we are looking at the history of paranormal activity in the Casablanca Traingle, an area with apexes in Casablanca, the Azores and the Canary Islands. I have interesting info on disappearing ships, panes etc, but enough on UFOs and similar sightings, can you help?

I look forward to hearing from you, do please call me collect (mornings US time) or let me know how I can reach you.

Yours,

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Re: Mexico City Video In One Hour UFO Special

From: Paul Williams <paulw@escape.com>
Date: Fri, 20 Mar 1998 09:05:11 -0800
Fwd Date: Fri, 20 Mar 1998 12:53:11 -0500
Subject: Re: Mexico City Video In One Hour UFO Special

> From: Stig_Agermose@online.pol.dk (Stig Agermose)
> To: updates@globalserve.net
> Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 23:20:18 +0100
> Subject: UPN Press Release: Mexico City Video In One Hour UFO Special

> >From Business Wire.

> *****

> "Danger in Our Skies: The New UFO Threat" Airing Monday, April 6 on UPN

Dear List,

I surley hope that this latest offering from UPN is not the same trash they served up in the Inicident at Lake County program. The line up below is impressive, nice to have "journalist" Strange Universe and Hard Copy, two tabloid TV show's working together. And to have executive producers from Sightings. Just what can we expect? With a budget like what they seem to have perhaps this group has done it right? Hmmm, Inicident at BS county was a large budget production as well. Hopefully, "The exclusive footage, never seen before in North America, is the topic of much debate and curiosity among UFO buffs", will indeed do just that.

Copy states the producers have interviewed people who will try to interpet what these strange objects in our skys portend. That unto itself scares me. who are these people, I hope these folks have some standing in the UFO community, or at the very least let them be real people not actors playing air traffic controllers, cops, what have you.

The Inicident at Lake County was a tremendous disservice to the UFO community, I sincerely hope UPN does not yet again, throw mud into the faces of those of us earnestly seeking some understanding to this phenomena.

Best,

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Re: NZ/OZ UFO 'Cube'

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Date: Fri, 20 Mar 1998 22:45:58 +1000
Fwd Date: Fri, 20 Mar 1998 12:50:13 -0500
Subject: Re: NZ/OZ UFO 'Cube'

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>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 00:09:18 +0100
>Subject: Fwd: POLICE AND NZ/OZ UFO HOTLINE LOOK INTO UFO CUBE..

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>Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 03:37:07 +1000
>From: ippoz@eisa.net.au
>Subject: POLICE AND NZ/OZ UFO HOTLINE LOOK INTO UFO CUBE..

>POLICE AND NZ/OZ UFO HOTLINE LOOK INTO UFO CUBE..

>Wednesday 18th March 1998 @6.20pm Queensland.

>Respondents reported sighting a rounded edged black cube shaped
>object carrying a bright white travel over the district.

Just to confirm sightings here in Queensland Australia.

In South East Brisbane there were a number of sightings reported to MUFON Qld. of unusual lights, dome shaped and also triangle lights seen from Manly West to Mt. Gravatt. there were also several people as well as myself and husband that witnessed a very loud explosion and lights flashing in the sky. At the time we just assumed it was unusual lightning as we have a very bad electrical storms the previous night.

More people would love to contact Ross Dowe (Alias Greg Vere) but cannot afford to pay \$3.95 per minute. The MUFON Qld, & Queensland UFO Network can be contacted by e-mail or by phoning 61 07- 3849-6450. Qld UFO Research are also in the Brisbane telephone book under UFOs and only cost of a local call, 30 cents.

Regards
Glennys

>
>The black cubed dropped the accompanying light (falling to the
>ground) and then changed direction towards Kingaroy. (to the NW)
>
>Total sighting time was about 2 mins, the object appeared to be
>moving faster than a commercial Jet. As the object traveled away
>and about the same time of the white light impacting the ground a
>loud rumbling sound was heard, the sound was unlike a sonic bomb
>but almost like the rumble from a high altitude jet or roar.

>
>Over the past 3-4 nights the OZ National UFO Hotline has been
>receiving UFO reports from the Kingaroy area. Respondents have
>reported seeing bright white lights crossing at low altitude over
>the area. The first of these reports was on Saturday and then
>each night there after.

>
>Times Sat 6.40 Sunday 6.33 Monday @ 6.26 Tues. 6.33pm. Wed
>6.20pm..

>
>Tuesday 17th @ 6.26 6.33 PM EACH NIGHT Kingaroy

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Re: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance

From: **Bruce Maccabee** <brumac@compuserve.com>
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Fwd Date: Fri, 20 Mar 1998 13:14:09 -0500
Subject: Re: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance

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>To: "'UFO UpDates'" <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Re: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance Cases
>Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 18:39:07 -0000

Regarding "certified wackos" reporting UFO sightings/abductions etc. Twenty some years ago psychiatrist Berthold Schwarz wrote that he had queried some 3,000 (?) inmates of "nice places to be if you don't fit anywhere else" and found (if recall correctly) none,zero,-zip of the inmates reporting anything like UFO experiences.

So evidently you don't have to be crazy to see a UFO.
(But you knew that anyway.)

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Re: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance

From: **Brian Cuthbertson** <brianc@freeside.fc.net>
Date: Fri, 20 Mar 1998 14:42:40 -0600 (CST)
Fwd Date: Fri, 20 Mar 1998 18:38:46 -0500
Subject: Re: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance

Nick Balaskas writes ...

> Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 21:19:27 -0800 (Pacific Standard Time)
> From: Nick Balaskas <nikolaos@YorkU.CA>
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> Subject: Re: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance Cases

> > Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 14:58:40 -0600 (CST)
> > From: Brian Cuthbertson <brianc@freeside.fc.net>
> > To: updates@globalserve.net
> > Subject: Re: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance Cases

> <snip>

> > > One recent book by David Allen Lewis and Robert Shreckhise
> > > titled "UFO End-Time Delusion" not only gives many examples where
> > > UFO abductions have been halted by calling on the name of Jesus
> > > but goes on to make the incredible claim that there is no case on
> > > record where a believing Christian has actually had a UFO
> > > abduction.

> > The above claim is flatly untrue! One of the most thoroughly
> > investigated set of ongoing abductions ever investigated was the
> > Betty Andreasson/Luca case, investigated by well-known UFO
> > Researcher Ray Fowler and documented in a series of excellent
> > books covering over a decade of incidents. These include his
> > books "The Watchers", "The Watchers II", and others.

> Hi Brian,

> One should not make such a quick judgement based on a single case.
> The thing to remember is that the Devil too believes in Jesus but
> we would certainly not classify him as a "believing Christian".

Well, the above opinion definitely depends on one's religious and/or philosophical outlook! This, unfortunately, is one of those planes of thin ice where ufology must tread extremely carefully. The idea that the UFO phenomenon may be intimately bound-up with spirituality and religious frameworks is a real minefield, in the sense that it impacts people's belief systems even more profoundly than acceptance of advanced extraterrestrial life.

Unfortunately, evidence like Fowler presents in the Andreasson/Luca case does lean in that direction. If ufology ignores this material, it risks possibly missing the crux of the phenomenon. On the other hand, digging in this direction leads ufology into a very dangerous realm that could draw extremely severe reactions various segments of society whose fundamental belief systems become threatened.

That's quite a dilemma! And it could very well be part of the reason governments seem to have buried so deeply what they know.

My personal opinion (for what little its worth) is that the phenomenon may encompass both the ET and the spiritual, all in some incredibly complex stew that permits no easy answers. I personally seriously doubt the phenomenon is anywhere near as simplistic as the concept that "aliens are demons". Perhaps the

phenomenon includes that as one element among many. But in general that answer just seems far too simple-minded. And to consider it the ultimate answer would be, I believe, a very premature, and misguided conclusion.

Regards,
-Brian Cuthbertson

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Chat with Laura Lee, Host and Creator of The Laura

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Subject: Chat with Laura Lee, Host and Creator of The Laura

The Laura Lee show takes it's listeners on weekly journey of exploration and conversation with today's cutting edge theorists, researchers and scientists.

Lee's sole mission is to get her audience to think, not tell them what to think. A rare experience in today's world where mainstream media shies away from the controversial and yellow journalism hypes the hoaxes.

Lee searches for the genuine amongst the myriad of alternative ideas and information.

Join the UFO Forum and Laura Lee Sunday, March 22nd 7pm, PT for a special chat regarding the Media's Influence on the topic of UFOs. This chat is available at <http://forums.msn.com/ufo>

The Briefing Room chat can be accessed by any IRC client. The chat server name is publicchat.msn.com and the room or channel name is #briefing.

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Chat with Author/Journalist Jim Marrs

From: "Yvonne Hedenland" <vonni_h@kirkham.ewind.com>

Date: Fri, 20 Mar 1998 17:54:25 -0600

Fwd Date: Fri, 20 Mar 1998 19:10:27 -0500

Subject: Chat with Author/Journalist Jim Marrs

UFO Evidence: The Search for the Smoking Gun?

Alien Agenda author Jim Marrs joins the UFO Forum for a discussion on what drives the need for evidence in the field of Ufology. Does that evidence already exist? And can the drive to find it actually be the cause behind all the hoaxes? Marrs addresses these questions in addition to responding to recent comments made in the Phoenix New Times by Tony Ortega.

Join us for a frank look at the state of the nation in the UFO Community on Tuesday, March 24th at 6pm, PT.

This chat and the Netshow audio interview are available at <http://forums.msn.com/ufo>

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Re: Information needed on VanTassel

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Fwd Date: Fri, 20 Mar 1998 20:01:08 -0500
Subject: Re: Information needed on VanTassel

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> Subject: Information needed on VanTassel
> Date: Fri, 20 Mar 1998 07:52:23 -0000

> I am doing some research for someone who emailed me asking for
> help to find information on VanTassel, I have been unsuccessful
> and was hoping someone here could help.

Jerome Clark's The UFO Encyclopedia, vol. 2, Pgs. 390-391 discusses Van Tassel at length. Van Tassel died in 1978. Sources are also given. This book is in print or available through inter-library loan.

Tom Benson

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Wide-Appealing Special Programming Scheduled To

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Wide-Appealing Special Programming Scheduled To Air In April and
May On UPN

LOS ANGELES--(ENTERTAINMENT WIRE)--March 20, 1998--Nine
wide-appealing primetime specials from such prominent producers
as David Zucker ("Airplane"), Henry Winkler ("Sightings") and Vin
di Bona ("America's Funniest Home Videos") are scheduled to air
in April and May on UPN.

Among the hosts are actor/director/producer Michael McKean
("Laverne & Shirley"); victim's rights advocate Fred Goldman;
actor David McCallum ("Man from U.N.C.L.E."); Olympic Gold
Medal-winner Jonny Moseley; actress Jeri Ryan ("Star Trek:
Voyager") and a computer generated "virtual Ed Sullivan."

The specials are as follows:

"Danger in Our Skies: The New UFO Threat" (Revised airdate,
revised title fka "UFO Sighting!") Airing Monday, April 6
(8:00-9:00 p.m., ET/PT)

From executive producers Henry Winkler and Ann Daniel
("Sightings"), this riveting one-hour special centers around
exclusive video footage of last year's daytime UFO sighting over
Mexico City, and seeks to explain the phenomenon of unidentified
flying objects by examining other recent, mysterious observations
in the night sky.

Stephen Kroopnick is the co-executive producer. The host is
Emmy Award-winning reporter Jim Forbes ("Strange Universe") and
the reporter is Alison Holloway ("Hard Copy"). The special is
produced by Fair Dinkum and Ann Daniel Productions in association
with Paramount Domestic Television. The parental guideline is
TV-PG.

"Killers in the Water" Airing Monday, April 6 (9:00-10:00 p.m.,
ET/PT)

David McCallum ("Man from U.N.C.L.E.") hosts this startling,
documentary-style special which shows some of the generally
unknown, deadly predators lurking just off the shorelines in
waters frequented by swimmers and surfers.

Unbeknownst to the general public, their lives and limbs
could be threatened just by venturing into shallow water and
encountering a harmless looking cone snail, Humboldt squid or
small blue-ringed octopus.

Accounts from once-unsuspecting people who were attacked by
other dangerous water-dwelling animals, including hippos,
alligators and polar bears, is also presented. Craig Haffner and

Donna Lusitana are the executive producers. The special is a production of Greystone Communications Inc. The parental guideline is TV-14.

"Totally Ridiculous! The World's Funniest True Stories" (Revised airdate, revised title fka "Real Dumb People") airing Monday, April 13 (9:00-10:00 p.m., ET/PT)

Michael McKean ("Laverne & Shirley," "This is Spinal Tap") hosts this zany laugh-along hour from the unequalled comedic sensibility of producer David Zucker ("Airplane," "Naked Gun").

Highlighted are real people who have found themselves in unbelievably ridiculous situations, including a Harpswell, Maine woman who administered mouth-to-mouth resuscitation on her prized pet chicken; the Uhrichsville, Ohio police officers who found themselves in hot pursuit of a stolen truck "driven" by a dog; and a Long Beach, Calif. man who tied helium balloons to his lawn chair and accidentally launched himself 16,000 feet into the air.

David Zucker and Stu Schreiber are the executive producers. The special is a production of Triage Entertainment. The parental guideline is TV-PG.

"Search for Justice with Fred Goldman" airing Wednesday, April 15 (8:00-9:00 p.m., ET/PT)

Fred Goldman, in this one-hour special, shines the light on the injustices of the criminal and civil justice system and provides hope and inspiration as he champions the rights of victims and identifies the resources to effect positive change. David Garfinkle, Matthew Papish and Jay Renfroe are the executive producers.

Thomas Klein is the co-executive producer. Fred Goldman is the host and producer. The special is a production of Gold Coast Entertainment. The parental guideline is TV-PG.

"You're Unbelievable! The World's Funniest Kids" airing Monday, April 20 (9:00-10:00 p.m., ET/PT) Mischievous kids, their wild, playful antics and amusing pranks on adults, are featured in this entertaining hour. Plus, an endearing all-tot tribute to a popular television series is presented in a segment entitled "Whinefeld."

Vin di Bona, Richard Broustein and Tamara Rawitt are executive producers. The special is produced by Vin di Bona Productions. The parental guideline is TV-G.

"America's Greatest Pets: Amazing But True" airing Monday, April 27 (9:00-10:00 p.m., ET/PT) Actress Jeri Ryan ("Star Trek: Voyager") hosts this one-hour special spotlighting heroic, astonishing, delightful and extraordinary feats by ordinary pets.

Included are the captivating stories of Lightning, the line dancing horse of the Indianapolis Police Mounted Unit; Shotgun, the seeing-eye horse who helps his owner, a blind rancher, fix fences; Bruin, the popular Dalmatian at Los Angeles Fire Station 37 who received an outpouring of community support after he was hit by a car; and Daisy, the rascally chimpanzee who served as a bridesmaid at her owner's wedding.

JC Shardo is executive producer. The special is a production of JCS Entertainment. The parental guideline is TV-G.

"Extreme World Records" (revised airdate) airing Monday, May 4 (9:00-10:00 p.m., ET/PT)

Olympic Gold Medal winner Jonny Moseley hosts this fast-paced special featuring young daredevils attempting to break world records in several spectacular "Generation X"-type stunts.

Included are a snowboarder's attempt to break a world record by jumping off a 3,400 foot cliff in Norway; a parachutist's backward fall off a 20-story skyscraper and an astonishing aerial feat with two skydivers swapping airplanes.

Moseley narrates as one bold athlete careens down a French mountainside in hopes of breaking the mountain bike speed record of 122 miles per hour. The executive producers are Phil Gurin and

Bob Horowitz. The special is a production of Trans World International and the Gurin Company. The parental guideline is TV-PG.

"Beauty Pageants ... Exposed!" airing Monday, May 11 (9:00-10:00 p.m., ET/PT)

On the eve of the Miss Universe pageant, this daring special exposes untold stories -- from the scandalous to the ridiculous -- from behind-the-scenes of popular beauty pageants.

Included are accounts from former contestants who have made their way through the competitive, hectic pageant circuit in hopes of walking down a runway with a tiara on their head. Bob Bain is executive producer. The special is a Bob Bain Production. The parental guideline is TV-PG.

"The Virtual Ed Sullivan Show" (revised airdates) airing Monday, May 18 (9:00-10:00 p.m., ET/PT)

Old meets new through the use of motion-capture computer-generated imagery in this inventive one hour special. Featured is the quintessential variety show host Ed Sullivan introducing and interacting with, in his trademark style, the best in contemporary variety entertainment.

Song, dance, specialty and comedy acts will be showcased. Andrew Solt and Richard Crystal are the executive producers. The special is produced in cooperation with the Ed Sullivan estate by Andrew Solt Productions in association with SOFA Entertainment. The parental guideline is TV-G. -0- NOTE TO EDITORS: This information supersedes previously announced airdates and titles.

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March 17 UFOs, Orlando Florida

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Fwd Date: Sat, 21 Mar 1998 04:20:41 -0500
Subject: March 17 UFOs, Orlando Florida

Channel 9, in Orlando Florida, reported on March 17 UFOs seen in the shape of an L - perhaps the boomerang formation? Flying over an area 20 minutes south of Orlando.

Many witnesses interviewed - this happened during day time. One lady lost 11 chickens to unknown causes - they just died on the spot - as the UFO flew over her house.

As per usual, that report was seen once only, in the afternoon. Nothing has been on since. They did interview a number of people who saw the lights and many more had seen them. Anyone interested can contact channel 9 over here.

Best, McE.Winterfield
on camera

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Confirmation of Masking

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Subject: Confirmation of Masking

From: matthew <eagle1@flex.com.au>
Subject: re: masking event

The following is a draft report of a case my colleague Matthew worked on. I thought the Net might find it interesting. It's the first case we've seen where the masking is so vividly revealed AND has independent evidence to back it up. Matthew and I lead a group of non-aligned researchers who are professionals (hypnotherapists, physicists, etc.) called Australia UFO Encounters. The slow motion recall hypnotic technique is one we are exploring.

To network group

Two people were recently sent to me over a possible UFO Abduction. The husband and wife were driving home late at night when the husband had the urge to take a "short cut" home. Normally the trip would take 30 minutes. This trip, the supposed short cut, took one and a half hours.

During the hypnosis session the man only saw bits and pieces of his alien experience (his wife, terrifyingly, remembered more as we progressed into the session with her husband, though she was not under hypnosis).

Normally, the wife, "other abductee" would not be present during a hypnotic regression. But this was no normal regression. We had a film crew in making a documentary called "Romancing the Chakra". They supplied to me the abductees to work upon. My office was lit for filming so I suggested to the husband he wear a sleeping mask across the eyes so that the lights would not bother him. He readily accepted.

He remembered going down the road and then the road looking strange. He could not easily recognize common landmarks. He knew something had happened but could not recall what.

On further deepening he recalled that the car was frozen, he was alone and that there was a light to the left up in the sky. He heard a buzzing or humming sound and next recalled a corridor. As he was remembering this, he said he felt warm and good, that the light outside that car was making him feel "warm, good, and happy". Then as he tried to focus upon the experience he heard in his mind another thought --which he said emanated from (in his words) "The right side of my brain" . He turned to his right as if following the memory visually.

He literally tracked the thought coming in. It said: "Nothing happened, you just drove home, you feel so warm, happy and good".

(It is interesting to note that in his recall of the abduction memory, --in hypnosis and when recalling the event BEFORE the Hypnotic induction-- he would gulp and you could easily see his fear and terror. He said "It took me and my wife over a year to go down that road again and when we did, it was in the daytime")

Now he was remembering two simultaneous experiences. Driving home feeling good. And the other, the terrifying UFO abduction. He laughed as the conflict amused him. The thought that "nothing happened" comforted him and primarily took over, and masked the

memory of the experience.

One would wonder if he simply made the whole alien abduction thing up! But looking at his terrified wife, in the room with us proved that she remembered the incident and not the happy one.

Talking to her later she recalled (without hypnosis) that the car was frozen and that she was alone. Remember that he recalled the car being frozen and being alone. I conclude that both had missing time, and away from each other.

Clinically it was interesting to note that I relaxed him to see things in slow motion, bit by bit, piece by piece. So when I said focus on the light outside the car, he literally was aware of his own brain firing (uploading a new program?) a new memory pattern into his mind. He said it "emanated from the right side of his head". This unfolded so slowly, we could track its influence and power, simply because the alternative thought was becoming dominant in his mind=85 "Nothing happened, you simply drove home" You feel happy, peaceful, warm"

The more he tried to get the original memory, the more warm and fuzzy he felt, (appeared almost drunk). His wife however, wanted to run from the room, remembered more of the experience=85. "The UFO room with metal protrusions, a factory of some sort". He has a scoop mark and his daughter has one too. The wife has developed only recently, hyperthyroidism, and the doctors cannot explain her condition coming on so swiftly and late in life=85

On awakening he still had the two memories, the happy one dominating, triggered by us probing into the abduction experience. Both are willing to have more investigative hypnotic work be done

Post note:

(Now I stress, as we probed his UFO abduction, this new "masking" memory triggered itself within him and eventually took over his experience and memory of the event. I did not create this hypnotically, nor suggest it. I was somewhat powerless to stop this, and the more I focused him on the "abduction experience", the stronger the alternative trigger got. I saw this unfold in the hypnosis chair in front of me, he felt "warm happy and good". You could see the new thought triggering a new experience and warm happy feelings washed in and became the more dominant memory of his experience. "Nothing happened, you just drove home, you feel so warm, happy and good".)

Matthew Favaloro

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Fawcett's UFO Collection Goes To Roswell Museum

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>From The Charlotte Observer. URL:

<http://www.charlotte.com/localreport.htm>

Posted at 4:24 p.m. EST Friday, March 20, 1998 LOCAL AFTERNOON REPORT

Friday, March 20

The truth is out there

LINCOLNTON -- For 12 years, UFO investigator George Fawcett tried to raise \$5 million for a saucer-shaped museum in his home state, North Carolina -- a repository for his half-century of UFO collecting.

But with only about \$100 in the pot, it was clearly time for another plan.

So his 20,000-item Sauceriana Collection has gone to the International UFO Museum & Research Center in Roswell, N.M. -- deep in the historical heart of UFO country.

"It's a mixed bag of emotions for me," says Fawcett, 68, a retired YMCA director, textile employee, weekly newspaper manager and sandwich shop operator. "But the good outweighs the bad. The Roswell museum is no fly-by-night thing. I'm happy to find a home for my collection. It's like a dream come true."

Fawcett was into UFOs way back in 1944 as a kid in Mount Airy, where he says he played basketball with Andy Griffith. He read a newspaper account of "mysterious balls of fire" that American pilots encountered in night flights over Germany during World War II.

"That was a curiosity sparker for me," Fawcett says. "It's been my magnificent obsession. I've had a passion for everything I've ever done."

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DA, Nevada Lab Investigate Cattle Mutilations

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Best regards

Stig

Today: March 20, 1998 at 14:07:58 PST

District Attorney, Nevada lab investigate cattle mutilations

ARROYO HONDO, N.M. (AP) - Rancher Jessie Gonzales was tending his cattle under a pre-dawn sky when he stumbled on a frightening sight.

There in the pasture, one of his prime bulls lay mutilated. A large, neat hole had been cut in the flank and the animal's anus had been cored out. The scene was odd, though, for no blood poured from the massive wounds and there were no tracks from predators.

Another rancher, Tony Trujillo, found an eerily similar scene last spring. "The funny thing is, that you don't see the dogs or the birds. They don't get near it," Trujillo said.

For decades, seemingly healthy cattle have turned up dead in northern New Mexico, bearing mysterious holes, severed ears and missing tongues and sex organs. There is never a sign of struggle.

Some blame the mutilations on space aliens, others credit the government, satan worshippers or drunken teen-agers. Skeptical investigators argue the animals simply died naturally and were attacked by hungry predators.

But townspeople in this small northern New Mexico ranching community where pickup trucks outnumber cars refuse to accept the mutilations as a natural phenomenon. Unlike another mythical, alien-like creature dubbed "chupacabra" - or "goatsucker" in Spanish - the cattle deaths are serious business.

"People who raise animals don't cry wolf," Gonzales said. "When you have mysterious deaths like these, you have questions."

A prosecutor for Taos, Colfax and Union counties says he wants answers, too. The investigation stems from concerns, frustration and lost money among constituents, District Attorney John Paternoster said.

His office has teamed with the Las Vegas, Nev.-based National Institute for Discovery Science in a tissue-testing investigation. The private lab is funded by Robert Bigelow, a wealthy real estate mogul who once donated \$3.7 million to the

University of Nevada to create a department for students to study parapsychology.

NIDS describes itself as a nascent research organization that studies a variety of unconventional scientific theories.

Six strange animal attacks were reported last year, though there may have been many more that went unreported, Paternoster said.

"The farmers and ranchers have been reluctant to report cattle mutilations, they don't want to be painted ... as being crackpots and ufologists," Paternoster said.

Paul Velasquez, a rancher in Blanko, says two of his bulls were mutilated more than a year ago, costing him \$2,000. The animals' intestines were cut, the right ears sliced off, the tongues removed and precise holes were punched on the animals' rectums.

Velasquez suspects UFOs are responsible. He scoffs at a suggestion that birds picked at the cattle after they died of natural causes.

"What kind of birds do we have that would cut a hole with a sharp object? We don't have those kind of birds," he said.

Once a mutilated cow is discovered, an investigator from the district attorney's office collects evidence from the scene, Paternoster said.

The lab also sends a veterinarian to collect tissue samples from the animal and a series of laboratory tests are conducted, including toxicology and bacterial exams to determine the cause of death, research scientist Colm Kelleher said.

The lab has tested 10 animals since it began studying the animals just over a year ago and wants to investigate at least a dozen mutilations before it speculates on a cause of the attacks, Kelleher said.

It already has determined that some of the animals died of natural causes, he said.

Both Paternoster and Kelleher say they are open-minded about the cause. "I really want to have to a scientific, intellectual line of inquiry and not taint our discovery by any preconceived notions," Paternoster said.

In the late 1970s, New Mexico spent \$50,000 investigating cattle mutilation reports. A chief investigator, retired FBI agent Kenneth Rommel, said then that the mutilations were the result of predators and bloating.

Paternoster scoffs at those findings. "I was not satisfied that there was sufficiently comprehensive proof that animals were being attacked," he said.

A New Mexico Livestock Board investigation into the mutilations conducted several years ago concluded that there was "possible involvement of clandestine Satanic groups."

With a combination of scientific research and cooperation from the district attorney's office, Kelleher said he hopes an answer will be found.

And how long will the search continue?

"Until we find an answer," he said.

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THE TRANSMIGRATION OF DR CHEN

BY RODNEY PERKINS AND FORREST JACKSON

With the year 2000 approaching, incidents of strange religious activity have increased throughout the world. During the 1990s, a few aggressive cults have reared their heads with bizarre and sometimes lethal results. Branch Davidians, Aum Supreme Truth, and the Order of the Solar Temple are the most prominent examples of marginal faiths gone sour. Recently, another doomsday cult has emerged near Dallas, Texas. Variouslly known as God's Salvation Church, God Saves the Earth Flying Saucer Foundation, and Chen Tao (True Way), the group has proclaimed that God will arrive on Earth in a flying saucer to warn humanity about an impending nuclear holocaust. Although Chen Tao may not become dangerous, their predictions of the End of the World are indeed cause for alarm.

When theories of UFOs merge with New Age concepts like reincarnation and channeling, the result is space religion. Groups like Unarius, the Raelians, and, most notoriously, Heavens Gate, have built entire religious systems around space aliens who reportedly watch over Earth. In the case of Chen Tao, flying saucers (masked as clouds) are an important component of a theology that mixes the tenets of established Eastern and Western religions with millenarian paranoia.

The leader of the True Way is a Taiwanese national named Hon-Ming Chen. He has drawn international attention by claiming that God will be reincarnated in his body on 31 March, 1998 at 10:00 AM Central Standard Time. Six days before this epiphany, God will make a worldwide announcement of his return on television Channel 18. Chen boasts that he will perform three miracles to prove his divine power. He will be able to 1) turn invisible, 2) duplicate his body to greet everyone simultaneously, and 3) speak with anyone, regardless of his or her native tongue. In his spiral-bound book Gods Descending in Clouds (Flying Saucers) on Earth to Save People (1997), Chen says, I have the full faith to say that God will appear at the referred time. At that time people shall see the One in exactly the same look of me to meet the people. I guarantee this on my life. (178) Based on this statement, some people have surmised that the group might be suicidal like Heavens Gate, but Chen and his followers disavow this morbid speculation. Citing strict vegetarianism as proof of respect for life, he denies that they will commit mass suicide.

The 42 year-old Hon-Ming Chen once taught at Chianan College of Pharmacology and Science. Originally, he received direction from Ms. Yu-Hsia Chen, who he believes was one of Gods representatives on Earth. His first spiritual proclamation was that on 11 February, 1996 all Gods and Buddhas descended upon a temple at

Pei-Pu village in, Hsin-chu County, Taiwan. According to Richard Liu, Chens translator, before that time there wasnt a gathering place, but we were instructed by God to build one so that God could come down to operate on the Earth. We built it in haste. Everything was built in great haste.

God next told the group to move to San Dimas, California where they established Gods Salvation Church. Chen drew attention in mid-1997 when he claimed to have discovered a man in Vancouver, Canada who was supposedly the reincarnation of Jesus Christ. Chen already had a 10 year-old boy named Chi-Jen Lo within his group who was touted as the reincarnation of Buddha. The mentors goal was to arrange a meeting between these two embodied gods. In the preface to The Practical Evidence and Study of the World of God and Buddha (1996), Chen describes the soul of God as divided into two parts: one recognized in Taiwan and the other living in Canada. He wrote that when the time comes, they will meet people of the world at some place in the USA, and get together with the elect. (ii) The meeting between Buddha and the Canadian Christ never occurred, but a 9 year-old named Che-yu Chiang has now assumed the messianic role.

The True Way has now landed in Garland, Texas because to them it sounds like Gods Land. Chen purchased his creek-side residence on 26 March, 1997, which is coincidentally the same day that the Heavens Gate mass suicide was discovered by the San Diego police. During the next few months, about 150 members of his congregation bought expensive homes in the same neighborhood. At first, the group attracted little attention and most neighbors were unaware of their presence. However, eventually there were signs that something strange was on the horizon. In late September, groups of thirty to forty members dressed in Chinese farmer hats and white robes started riding bicycles through the streets. Neighbors found peculiar fliers at their doorsteps explaining that the bike rides were instructed by God to prepare for and welcome the descending of Gods Kingdom in America. The tone of the message was polite and even apologetic, so none of the recipients feared that the End of the World was nearing.

More on the enigmatic Dr Chen in Fortean Times 109, on sale now!

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Hello List,

Since I haven't been active lately on this list I made up for it with the lengthy offering below. I also sent a copy of it to Martin Burkey at "The Huntsville Times" in Alabama.

Martin Burkey's article on Dr. Benson Saylor's assessment of the UFO situation, once more makes it clear that the press and media in the nineties are completely incapable of doing a sound investigative piece, preferring rather to fall back on the flawed interpretations of another, in this case, Dr. Benson Saylor. There are too many reporters nowadays that are getting a free ride on the work done by Woodward and Bernstein during the Watergate incident. That story was then regarded as a masterful piece of detective work and journalism, which indeed it was, on the part of two people.

The NASA connection in this article, completely escapes me.

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Speaking of "myths", here is the same old lie, dragged out and dusted off once more, the unproved statement that there is no evidence. Is Dr. Saylor prepared to remain on record as accusing millions of people in his own country of being liars or mentally disturbed, fabricating their sightings out of whole cloth simply to gain a little publicity. He will no doubt point to Adamski and others to support this claim. But for every one he can find,

the field of UFO research can find a thousand who did not seek publicity, people who incidentally were and are much more qualified than he to make an assessment of whether there is evidence to support their claims.

Too many of these "experts" such as Saylor attempt to tie the sightings of and reporting of UFOs to some spiritual need in the witness, as he is quoted as suggesting that "people are searching for enhancement, wonder and spirituality". Whenever some expert on the human condition seeks a reason for these sightings, i.e. why they see them and why they report them, they drag out religion or some need to have some wonder or enhancement in their poor, dull, dreary, little lives. What twaddle.
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When Harry and Ethel climb in their Chevy one night to go down to the mall or supermarket, she to pick up some groceries while he goes to the local auto parts store to check out the price of snow tires, and then all of a sudden they find that they are being followed by a brilliant light that decides to play tag with them or hover silently over their car, is Dr. Saylor then saying that for some unknown reason these people, just out of the blue - and coincidentally at the same time, suddenly needed a spirituality break supplemented by enhancement and wonder. Suppose that we substitute Clyde Wambaugh - the astronomer who discovered Pluto - and his wife in this scenario and who admitted after the first time he saw a UFO his whole belief system had been cocked on its ear.

Would Dr. Saylor be so quick to claim that Wambaugh was so in need of some spirituality, so lacking in wonderment (like staring into the heart of the Universe is not enough wonder for anybody) that he therefore needed the enhancement and resulting publicity to liven up his other wise dull and uneventful life.

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> resources and refuses to give it to humanity, Saylor said. In
> Greek mythology, the gods controlled fire until Prometheus stole
> fire and gave it to mortals. India has a similar myth about
> water, he said.

Yeah, tell that to all of the military fighter jocks, airline pilots, naval personnel, astronomers, engineers, air traffic controllers, radar technicians, university professors, doctors, nurses, theologians, presidents, generals, farmers, welders, teachers, lawyers, policemen, etc. etc.etc..that have reported these things. All of the foregoing, I'm sure, will be tickled pink by the allegations that they are spiritually deprived, are seeking wonder in their lives and are "enchanted" the latter which in the old days was another way of saying that someone was crazy.

The real sin here is that by dismissing years of testimony by such people as "no evidence" Dr. Saylor has placed himself in a position of superiority, the king of the mountain, and thereby has regulated those many people below him, the UFO witnesses, as being nothing more than self seeking liars and charlatans.

> "In Roswell, the monster is the U.S. government, which controls
> the knowledge that we are not alone," said Saylor, who noted that
> he does not believe in UFOs.

It may surprise Saylor and Burkey that the Roswell Incident is as much of a hot potato amongst experts in the UFO field as it is outside the field, with its own detractors and supporters. Burkey and Saylor should also make note that Roswell is not the be-all and end-all in the UFO field. There are plenty of highly puzzling incidents around the world to keep everyone busy for a long time.

> Saylor said UFOs are used for "individual empowerment," a way for
> people to make themselves popular.

I don't know how to spell a Bronx cheer, but that last statement is so done to death, it deserves one. Of course there is individual empowerment, the same as there is in any field. If Dr. Saylor took a few moments he could probably come up with number of individuals in his own field of anthropology who make use of individual empowerment. He is also probably aware of many more who work diligently away in obscurity, making small gains that eventually will result in some other less scrupulous person

practicing "individual empowerment" at the expense of the formers hard work.

> UFOs also are a vehicle for anti-government fears in the wake of
> Watergate and the Vietnam War, Saylor said. "Shaken confidence in
> government makes it seem more plausible. The government cant win
> this case."

In the first place, Watergate was not a government action, it was a party action, carried out by the Republican election machine. that's why it was so easy to expose it. There were no professionals involved here. Those involved were ex-newspaper reporters, spin doctors, marketing people and politicians who tried to use the privacy of the office of the President as a block against the whole story coming out. Can you imagine a less qualified bunch of people trying to cover up Watergate. Had there been a concerted effort supported by various covert government agencies who deal in such black operations then the Watergate affair would probably never have seen the light of day. As well, had the reporter of this story bothered to check, and Dr. Saylor as well, he might have found that the Vietnam war seems to have depressed UFO sightings to some degree rather than bring them out. This might have something to do with the fact that the United States was fighting in Vietnam, not the rest of the world where life went on as usual.

> The appeal of UFOs is also driven by docu-dramas and other media
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These docudramas are presented by reporters and producers who for the most part have, like Dr. Saylor, little knowledge of the phenomenon.

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Yes so what's the point?

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Again, Saylor uses Watergate as an example. I've already given the reasons why Watergate was so easy to expose but here is another, self-serving interest on the part of the press. They were a willing ally in the pre-prosecution of Nixon.

The only body to profit from the Watergate Affair was the press and the media. Nixon lost, his henchmen lost, the American people lost (innocence and faith in the system), but the press and the media profited. The media profited not only by gaining some "integrity" brownie-points on the back of the Washington Post and Woodward and Bernstein as seeming defenders of the constitution, not to mention brilliant detectives to boot, but they profited monetarily as well, which is really the bottom line.

> "Its not what you find in a journalistic expose," he said. "Its
> what you find in myths."

If the UFO phenomenon had the press and media onside or at least in the middle, there might be more rapid developments in discovering the truth about Unidentified Flying Objects. Those people that don't come forward for fear of ridicule, those persons who deal with it during their professional careers and who can't talk because of some bogus belief that there are laws saying they can't speak, might open up if they believed they were going to get half of a chance with a press and media that seeks only sensationalism.

I would suggest to Martin Burke that the next time he needs a filler piece, because its a slow day on the revelations of Clinton's sexual proclivities, that he go to the real experts instead of some ill-informed, self appointed defender of the human psyche such as Dr. Saylor.

If you want to know who the experts are, then this will be a good test of your investigative abilities, because like any other

field there are many, seemingly obvious experts-like Dr.Saylor for instance, that stand out because they make an effort to do so. They will at first blush appear to be experts, and SOME are, due to their excellent investigative work over the years, but many are not. Beware.

By the time you have found your experts you will have learned much that you did not know when you wrote this piece, not the kind of self-serving tripe offered up by the good Doctor. And please, remember those witnesses I mentioned earlier, make an effort to give them a break.

Don Ledger

Bedford, Nova Scotia

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Hi list,

A kind soul who emailed me privately brought to my attention that I had referred to Clyde Tombaugh as Clyde Wambaugh. For some reason I had my cops mixed up with my astronomers.

Sorry for the mixup. Fortunately I have not yet sent that email to the Times Herald.

Thanks,

Don Ledger

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Project 1947: Reasons for Historians to Look at

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What effects did UFOs have on national policy or mainstream defense thinking in the 1940s and 1950s. Here are some topics that could prove interesting if examined by historians.

1. The Fugo balloons were suspected of carrying biological agents. One would expect that this war time experience might have an effect on defense thinking. (News stories mentioned that flying saucers might be a manifestation of a potential enemy testing out a biological delivery system.) To what extent was this possibility considered?
2. The "ghost rockets" had previously been considered all the way up to the President Truman. Similar interest was reported at all levels of the French government by Hillenkoetter when he was Naval Attache there. (The Menzel/Condon correspondence had Menzel wanting to write the CIA about the GRs. His thesis was that previous concerns about GRs had trapped the Air Force in a state of mind that prepared it to take flying saucers too serious.) To what extent had the GRs influenced later attitudes on UFOs?
3. In June of 1947, prior to Arnold, the US Military Attache in Moscow picked up a report that the Soviet were manufacturing a large fleet of Horton-like aircraft for reconnaissance and/or attack on the US.
 - a. what effect would this have on US intelligence when what seem like a prophesy is fulfilled by the appearance on the scene of "flying saucers."
 - b. was there thinking within the government similar to the FBI's opinion which seemed to consider that UFOs might be a psychological operation against the US by either internal or external agents? (Some early documents on UFOs are filed under "Rumors" or "Propaganda" in the HQ, AAF Intel Files.)
4. To what extent were UFOs used in the offensive/defensive air controversy? Early in on 1947 the Press noticed the lack of air defense represented by flying discs. (Much of this air defense controversy was not visible to the public.) (The arguments against a strong air defense were:
 - 1) a good offense is the best defense,
 - 2) it would cost billions and divert needed resources to nonproductive areas,
 - 3) the system if built would be obsolete in 5 years.)

(Senator Albert Gore accused the military of concocting or spreading stories of flying saucers and to scare people into supporting higher defense budgets in 1952.)

5. (Maybe a subtopic of four.) To what extent did the ADC, FEAF, and possibly the Alaska Air Command, view UFOs as a Soviet reconnaissance? (Some evidence of this is in the

exchanges between White, FEAF, and the ADC Commander.) Some of the "reconnaissance" reports later would end up at in UFO files.

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Obviously the above would take some high powered research. Much of the material needed is not in official sanctioned publicly available versions of events.

Some examples of leads include:

The fact that the Fugo balloon recovery teams were issued biological protective gear was not declassified until years after the Fugo records were first declassified.

COL Friend told me that balloon recovery teams were kept in place until 1953. They did investigate some UFO accounts. (See also JUFOS #4). (The 555th Inf Regt (Para), a Fugo balloon recovery unit in the Northwest, organizational history was not declassified for years after the war.)

The large amount of reserved data in the USAF files in the 1947 era is astonishing compared to other time periods (Even the Top Secret control sheet are reserved so the titles of documents cannot be read.)

The Navy records for ONI are really sparse. Routine to Secret ONI correspondence for all 1947 is missing. In contrast there are 100s of pages of GR information. The only available Technical Air Intelligence Center documents are completed "Air Power Studies."

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Test Message #6 - Ignore

From: campbell@ufomind.com (Glenn Campbell, Las Vegas)
Date: Sat, 21 Mar 1998 10:42:31 -0800
Fwd Date: Sat, 21 Mar 1998 10:42:31 -0800
Subject: Test Message #6 - Ignore

Sample address: smurf@ufomind.com
loonytunes@nowhere.org
repunsel-verylongaddress@long.domain.name.too

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Test Message #7 - Ignore

From: campbell@ufomind.com (Glenn Campbell, Las Vegas)
Date: Sat, 21 Mar 1998 11:01:29 -0800
Fwd Date: Sat, 21 Mar 1998 11:01:29 -0800
Subject: Test Message #7 - Ignore

Sample address: daffyduck@ufomind.com
loonytunes@nowhere.org
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From: campbell@ufomind.com (Glenn Campbell, Las Vegas)
Date: Sat, 21 Mar 1998 11:34:10 -0800
Fwd Date: Sat, 21 Mar 1998 11:34:10 -0800
Subject: Test Message #8 - Ignore

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Enhancements to UFO Updates Web Archive

From: campbell@ufomind.com (Glenn Campbell, Las Vegas)
Date: Sat, 21 Mar 1998 15:26:50 -0800
Fwd Date: Sat, 21 Mar 1998 20:51:43 -0500
Subject: Enhancements to UFO Updates Web Archive

I've made some improvements to the UFO UpDates web archive at
<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates/>

-- The "Search by User Name" feature is now working again,
and the search engine is immediately updated whenever a new
message comes in.

-- In new messages, the username portion of every email address
is a hot-key which leads to a list of all messages by or about
this person. This is a good way to track down other messages in
a thread.

-- A "Search by User Name" query box is now available at the
bottom of the main screen.

-- We are now keeping a counter of all messages in the UFO
UpDates archive -- currently approaching 10,000! The counter
is at the top of the main page.

Glenn Campbell
Ufomind Webmaster

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Re: Author: NASA Profits By High Interest In UFOs

From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
Date: Sat, 21 Mar 1998 19:35:18 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 21 Mar 1998 21:03:37 -0500
Subject: Re: Author: NASA Profits By High Interest In UFOs

>From: [Stig Agermose](mailto:Stig.Agermose@online.pol.dk) (Stig Agermose)
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Date: Sat, 21 Mar 1998 04:37:28 +0100
>Subject: Author: NASA Profits By High Interest In UFOs

>From The Huntsville Times (Alabama). URL:

><http://groupmaster.al.com/city/huntsville/List.asp?Section=3D1&ID=3D25038>

>March=BF20, 1998 Author: Blame NASA for high interest in UFOs

>By MARTIN BURKEY
>Times Aerospace/Science Writer
>3/20/98

>NASA doesn't advertise flying saucers as a space program spinoff,
>but the agency gets at least a share of the credit, the author of
>a book about UFOs said Thursday.>

>"The exploration of space makes reverse exploration seem
>reasonable," said Dr. Benson Saylor, professor of anthropology at
>Brandeis University in Massachusetts.

This article shows just how naive the "straight " scientific
community is with respect to knowledge about the UFO phenomenon.

Evidently Dr. Saylor knows virtually nothing of the history other
than the Roswell case (which he may also know very little
about).

He says that unlike "true stories" such as Watergate the UFO
stories change with time. Well, guess what... so did Watergate
during investiagtion (and we still don't know who Deep Throat
was/is). And science "stories" also change. He is apparently
arguing from a very narrow viewpoint.... myopic.... as a result
of concentrating on the Roswell case.

The extreme irony of this is that one of the BEST cases in the
early years was the sighting by Dr. Charles B. Moore.... yes, he
of "Mogul Balloon" fame and, if I recall correctly, coauthor
with Dr. Saylor. (Perhaps Moore didn't dare say anything about
his sightings.)

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Re: Confirmation of Masking

From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
Date: Sat, 21 Mar 1998 19:35:07 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 21 Mar 1998 21:10:46 -0500
Subject: Re: Confirmation of Masking

>Date: Sat, 21 Mar 1998 14:51:56 +1100
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>From: Robert Marx <robm@flex.com.au>
>Subject: Confirmation of masking

>From: matthew <eagle1@flex.com.au>
>Subject: re: masking event

>The following is a draft report of a case my colleague Matthew
>worked on. I thought the Net might find it interesting. It's the
>first case we've seen where the masking is so vividly revealed
>AND has independent evidence to back it up. Matthew and I lead a
>group of non-aligned researchers who are professionals
>(hypnotherapists, physicists, etc.) called Australia UFO
>Encounters. The slow motion recall hypnotic technique is one we
>are exploring.

>The more he tried to get the original memory, the more warm and
>fuzzy he felt, (appeared almost drunk). His wife however, wanted
>to run from the room, remembered more of the experience. "The
>UFO room with metal protrusions, a factory of some sort". He has
>a scoop mark and his daughter has one too. The wife has
>developed only recently, hyperthyroidism, and the doctors cannot
>explain her condition coming on so swiftly and late in life

Mention of thyroid condition..... more information might be
valuable. Reportedly a witness to the Mexico City Aug6 event has
had major changes in thyroid condition..

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Is It A Campaign?

From: **barry chamish** <chamish@mail.netvision.net.il>
Date: Sun, 22 Mar 1998 14:46:51 +0300 (IDT)
Fwd Date: Sun, 22 Mar 1998 09:08:43 -0500
Subject: Is It A Campaign?

Hello,

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Nonetheless, why are you giving a forum to slander? Frankly, I have nothing to lose. UFO writing is a tiny part of my income. But others have spent years making ufology or related mysteries a good part of their lives.

It would only be fair to them to screen your correspondence and get some background on the accusers before giving them the stage.

Barry Chamish

Sent by Barry Chamish - Israeli journalist.
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Taiwanese Cult Raises Concern

From: [Stig Agermose@online.pol.dk](mailto:Stig.Agermose@online.pol.dk) (Stig Agermose)
Date: Sun, 22 Mar 1998 03:33:27 +0100
Fwd Date: Sun, 22 Mar 1998 09:13:41 -0500
Subject: Taiwanese Cult Raises Concern

New York Times Newsservice via the Star Tribune. URL:

<http://www.startribune.com/cgi-bin/stOnLine/article?thisSlug=3DUFO21>

Published Saturday, March 21, 1998

Arrival of religious group in Dallas has residents wary (sic!)

Sam Howe Verhovek / New York Times News Service

GARLAND, Texas -- The members of God's Salvation Church started moving in last summer. They have bought at least 30 homes, all with cash and all within a 2=BF-mile radius. At least 150 followers have arrived from Taiwan, with more on their way.

They dress almost completely in white, including white sneakers and white straw cowboy hats. Their leader, Heng-ming Chen, whom they call "Teacher Chen," says he talks to God through his hand and discerns godly wisdom from golden balls that he sees floating in the sky.

But what really has attracted the neighbors' attention here is the bold pronouncement in Teacher Chen's long guide to his religion, titled "God's Descending in Clouds (Flying Saucers) on Earth to Save People." On page 176, he promises: "At 10 a.m. on March 31, 1998, God shall make His appearance in the Holy Land of the Kingdom of God: 3513 Ridgedale Dr., Garland, TX 75041 U.S.A." He concludes: "I guarantee this on my life."

The modest, split-level, beige-brick home is the home of Teacher Chen, a 42-year-old former social-science professor who says he fathered Christ nearly 2,000 years ago and whose group includes two boys, Chi-Jen Lo and Che-Yu Chiang, whom he describes as the reincarnations of Jesus and Buddha.

In Garland, a working-class city of about 200,000 people just north of Dallas, the arrival of this religious group with its unusual garb and rituals has been greeted with some wariness, but mostly bemusement.

"They told me that Garland is God's land, and I thought, 'Well, OK, to each his own,'" said Bonnie Nichols, who lives three doors down from Chen. Said her husband, Carl: "They all seem nice enough. They're quiet. They keep their yards up and everything."

Worried relatives

But back in Taiwan, where Chen's followers generally sold everything they owned before coming here, the group's gathering in Texas has been major news. It has set off a wave of concern from distraught relatives who describe Chen as a cult leader who has swindled and brainwashed the members into paying him their life savings for the supposed privilege of taking a ride on a flying saucer to heaven.

Even more alarmingly, there have been recurring rumors reported in the Taiwan press, that the group plans to commit mass suicide if God does not arrive on schedule in Garland on March 31.

Teacher Chen, in an interview in front of his home, staunchly denied that his group, which includes several former professors and engineers, has any suicidal tendencies.

"That is absolutely impossible," he said through his interpreter, Richard Liu. The boy whom Chen describes as the reincarnation of Jesus, 10-year-old Chi-Jen Lo, stood a few steps away, drinking Mountain Dew soda and nibbling on raisins. "Our principle is respect for all life, including human life, and no one has the right to take a life."

At the same time, though, Chen says he has volunteered to surrender his fate to his followers if his prophecies prove untrue. "He is willing to be executed, stoned to death, put on a cross," Liu said. "It doesn't matter."

In Taiwan, the group is known as the most controversial outgrowth of a booming national interest in unidentified flying objects. Numerous associations and quasi-religious organizations that track sightings or predict arrivals of UFOs have cropped up around the island nation.

Chen's group, whose Chinese characters are best translated as "God Saves the Earth Flying Saucer Association," started its first American chapter in San Dimas, Calif., in 1995.

But it moved to Texas last year after the leader said he received a prophecy from God instructing him to move to the suburbs of Dallas. If you say it fast, Chen tells his followers and curious visitors, "Garland sounds just like 'God's Land.'"

No Heaven's Gate

In most cases, intact families have joined the group, although late last year sheriff's deputies in Los Angeles County retrieved a 16-year-old girl, Nan-Hua Chiang, after her mother in California expressed fears that she was joining a dangerous pilgrimage with the group to Texas.

No one knows whether Chen's group may be an Asian version of Heaven's Gate, the reclusive group that committed mass suicide last March in a suburban house near San Diego in an attempt to rendezvous with Comet Hale-Bopp, or whether members simply subscribe to an unusual set of beliefs and will simply accept the development if God does not appear here on March 31.

Taiwanese officials in Texas, who say they are monitoring the group, play down its prospects for self-harm, noting that most group members have temporary United States visas and bought round-trip tickets to come here.

"They're just average people, just following their leader," insisted Chi-Chia Chen, assistant to the director general of Taiwan's Economic and Cultural Office in Houston, the equivalent of a consulate. "Their leader claims God will show on March 31 and will send a flying saucer to pick them up. If God doesn't show, then he says his followers can pack and go back to normal life in Taiwan."

Perhaps, but if interviews with Teacher Chen and several followers here are a reliable guide to their deepest beliefs, none would seem to have any intention of returning to Taiwan or any place else in Asia, even though many of their visas for stays in this country are scheduled to expire this spring.

Pointing to the ground in front of Teacher Chen's house, Ching-Hung Chiang, a follower, said: "This is where God is going to come. This is where God is going to be."

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Revista's (Brazilian UFO Magazine) Anniversary

From: "Gevaerd (Revista UFO)" <gevaerd@ufo.com.br> [A.J.Gevaerd]
Date: Sun, 22 Mar 1998 12:07:22 -0300
Fwd Date: Sun, 22 Mar 1998 21:16:24 -0500
Subject: Revista's (Brazilian UFO Magazine) Anniversary

Dear friends and colleagues:

Today, March 22, is Brazilian UFO Magazine's birthday. We are celebrating.

13 years ago, back in Mach 22, 1985, I founded what was called "Ufologia Nacional & Internacional" magazine. It lasted 13 issues, during such period we also experienced publishing a magazine about the psi phenomena, called "Parapsicologia Hoje" magazine (6 editions).

Later on we combined both magazines and started the "PSI-UFO" magazine, but it lasted only 6 editions because it was launched under the worst Brazilian financial recession crises. After 6 months it was over we restarted it all again.

This time we launched the "UFO" Magazine, now in its number 58. Simultaneously we have been publishing the parallel publication "UFO Especial", now it its number 24. Each publication is monthly with an average of 17,500 issues per month.

Altogether, considering discontinued series and other not mentioned here, we have produced 124 editions of UFO publications in Brazil, totalizing over 2,5 million magazines printed. I believe this is an international record and we wanted to share this with you.

Here are other numbers:

- . Over 200 authors had their articles published.
- . Over 1.500 articles were published.
- . Over 5,000 pages and 3,000 pictures were printed.
- . Over 120,000 readers had contact with the magazines.
- . Over 7,500 subscribed the magazines at any time.
- . Over 1,5 million magazines were actually sold.

Now we are proud to say the our team of consultants covers 95% of the Brazilian UFO researchers, with a total of 42 persons in all over the country. We have contributors and representatives in 46 countries. Almost everything that happens in Brazilian Ufology, plus in many other countries, come to our attention almost immediately.

We have an office in the city of Campo Grande with 8 employees all dedicated to produce the magazine. We receive over 70 letters every day from people interested in the phenomena and in the magazine. About 30 faxes and 200 e-mails come to our office each day too, plus about 50 calls.

We are so proud of such numbers that I just wanted to share with as many people as possible.

Thank you very much!

A. J. Gevaerd
editor, Revista UFO Magazine
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Re: Is It A Campaign?

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Sun, 22 Mar 1998 20:42:13 -0500
Fwd Date: Sun, 22 Mar 1998 20:42:13 -0500
Subject: Re: Is It A Campaign?

>Date: Sun, 22 Mar 1998 14:46:51 +0300 (IDT)
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>From: Barry Chamish <chamish@mail.netvision.net.il>
>Subject: Is It A Campaign

Hello Barry,

>Why have you suddenly decided to publish, what appears to me,
>an organized campaign against established ufo researchers?

Presumably, since you didn't observe e-mail protocol and provide, as attribution, the header of the 'offending' message that I 'published', you are referring to Joachim Koch's post to this List?:

>>From: koch@wad.berlin.fido.de (Joachim Koch)
>>Date: 04 Mar 98 16:29:00 +0000
>>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Israel '97
>>To: updates@globalserve.net

[<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates/1998/mar/m06-035.shtml>]

Barry, you're not a subscriber to UpDates and when Joachim's message was posted to the List I included your address in the 'Blind carbon-copy:' line of the message header - as a courtesy. I'd also hoped that you would respond to it.

That message went out to the List and to you on March 6th.

Your 'response', unfortunately, hasn't lived up to my anticipation. For some reason you have opted to 'attack the messenger rather than the message'.

>You published one crank letter against me and now Hesemann,
>Gevaerd, Maussan, Stevens and more are all being attacked.

I didn't 'publish one crank letter' I posted a dissenting message. E-Mail consists of messages. 'Letters' go in envelopes and are sent via 'post offices'. And whose definition of 'Crank' are you using? Because someone calls you to account for some of your ufological work they're a 'crank'? And what is the other message to which you refer? There have been many negative posts regarding some of those names.

Were you a subscriber here you would know that Joachim has been on this List from the outset and that English is not his mother/father tongue.

>Frankly, I'm not certain what is behind the campaign but
>ultimately you're doing no good by damaging the reputations of
>ufologists without justification.

For what its worth, let me state that there is no organised 'campaign' against anyone. There is, however, a very obvious and growing awareness amongst ufologists that there are a few of

our number who, with their high public-profiles, are being less than honest. That is detrimental to ufology.

Some 'ufologists' have damaged their own reputations and, in the minds of some 'civilians' and media, the reputations of the many low-key ufologists who are doing the 'grunt-work' behind the scenes.

Eventually, ufologists will have to use some of their precious time to come together and deal the inflated claims and downright-dishonesty of those who see 'UFOs' as a major meal-ticket and who do little or nothing to compliment the work of serious ufologists.

>So far we have been told that Hesemann is a phoney, Maussan, >paranoid, Gevaerd, a mere UFO-taster etc.

'Told'? By whom? Who are 'we'? There was no mention of those three names in Joachim's post regarding you. And you've missed at least a half-dozen other 'names' whose motives/words are considered questionable by many of their peers.

As it happens, Michael Hesemann had his 'fifteen minutes' on this List. He was challenged by several of his peers, stated his views, was again challenged and fell silent - eventually his address 'bounced' and it was removed. One might conclude that Michael's heart wasn't in what he was promulgating - un-like several here whose views and positions are constantly being challenged and defended.

There are many high-profile 'lurkers' subscribed to this List. Some of them are probably 'shady' in the eyes of others, probably using this List for 'adds' to their lectures and as a barometer of their standing with their peers.

>Fortunately, the attack against me was so poorly constructed it >was laughed off. That probably is the case with with everyone >else...so far.

Barry, all of us take 'hits' at one time or another - human nature is such that things that others do or say get us pissed. What is interesting around here, are the responses or lack thereof. Oftimes they can be quite telling.....

>Nonetheless, why are you giving a forum to slander?

An interesting, if incorrect, use of two words in the same sentence.

Let's see:

According to Funk & Wagnalls' Standard College Dictionary (a good price for this impecunious ufologist):

fo-rum, n.

1. The public market place of an ancient Roman city, where popular assemblies met, and most legal and political business was transacted.
2. A tribunal; court.
3. An assembly for discussion of public affairs.

slan-der, n.

1. Law.
 - a. An oral statement of a false, malicious, or defamatory nature, tending to damage another's reputation, means of livelihood, etc.
 - b. The utterance of such a statement. Distinguished from 'libel'
2. A maliciously false tale or report; defamation; calumny.

transitive verb --

1. To injure by maliciously uttering a false report; defame; calumate.

li-bel, n.

1. Law.
 - a. A written statement or graphic representation, especially in published form, that damages a person's reputation or exposes them to public ridicule.
 - b. The act or crime of making or publishing such a statement or representation. Distinguished from 'slander'.
2. Any defamatory or grossly unflattering statement or representation.
3. Law - The written statement of the claims of a plaintiff in a lawsuit, as in a church or admiralty court.
4. Obs.[solete] A short treatise.

Of course, the above definitions are predicated on proving malicious intent in a court of law.

So, in order to not set yourself up for a potential libel suit your question should have been phrased:

'Nonetheless, why are you giving a forum to potential libel'?

>Frankly, I have nothing to lose. UFO writing is a tiny part of
>my income.

Hmmmm. Most here don't even make a 'tiny' from their UFO work.

>But others have spent years making ufology or related
>mysteries a good part of their lives.

Yes, they have and are also increasingly aware of the effect of a few 'high-profile in it for the money and glory' individuals.

>It would only be fair to them to screen your correspondence and
>get some background on the accusers before giving them the
>stage.

And, again..... hmmm. Lemmee see - I put almost a hundred hours a week into this list - gratis. Add to that my other UFO work.... and you're suggesting.....

I sent you a copy of the offending post - it took you two weeks to not-respond, apparently with laughter, in its general direction.

You could have taken advantage of this List, despite the fact that you are not a subscriber and had a rebuttal posted far and wide and archived in perpetuity at UFOmind [see URL below].

I'm still intrigued - why would you choose to harrass me instead of responding to what you consider to be an attacking message?

There are close to a thousand pairs of eyes reading this very message - most of them working in this field, un-paid and very concerned about the loud few who claim to represent ufology. The few who claim to be eager to solve the mysteries and at the same time hoard rather than share information which might speed up the process. Who make outrageous statements about their activities in the past. Who make us all appear loonie-like to those few in the media who might also help speed up the process.

Yes, there are also those who point fingers among us - often in the wrong direction and often because they aren't/haven't been around long enough or done their homework and are not yet astute enough to know who deserves trust and who doesn't.

And yes, it's interesting to watch who flocks with whom. And who responds to whom and how.....

Barry, this forum is open to you - use it wisely.

Errol Bruce-Knapp,
Moderator - UFO UpDates

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UFO ROUNDUP, Volume 3, Number 12

From: Masinaigan <Masinaigan@aol.com> [Joseph Trainor]
Date: Sun, 22 Mar 1998 12:29:23 EST
Fwd Date: Sun, 22 Mar 1998 21:11:21 -0500
Subject: UFO ROUNDUP, Volume 3, Number 12

UFO ROUNDUP
Volume 3, Number 12
March 22, 1998
Editor: Joseph Trainor

UFOs PROWL NIGHT SKIES
OVER DEVON

Two UFO incidents were reported recently in Devon, in the southwestern corner of the United Kingdom.

On Monday, March 9, 1998, three people--M. Perst, D. Matthews and Mrs. J. York--were driving on motorway (highway) M5, heading for Exeter, a city 60 miles (100 kilometers) northwest of Plymouth.

As they reached a point 39 miles from Exeter, Matthews "spotted what appeared to be a star in the south at a height (altitude) of almost 30,000 feet (9,090 meters)."

Matthews alerted his companions, and they watched as the object "began to maneuver and descended about 3,000 feet and then disappeared in an array of bright white lights and a red light in the center, the total seven."

As the trio watched, the UFO "descended from a height estimated at 25,000 feet (7,575 meters) to a height of 5,000 feet (1,515 meters) within a couple of seconds and executed a vertical left maneuver."

At the lower altitude, the trio were able to get a better look at the object. They described "the shape of the object as triangular...The craft deployed three very bright white lights and in the centre there appeared to be a large" circle of pulsating red light.

The UFO then released "a small yellow or orange glowing ball that dropped from the reddish area of the craft. The gleaming ball of light shot off at high speed towards the south and was instantly followed by the triangular-shaped craft."

On Sunday, March 15, 1998. at around 6 p.m., UFOs were reported from Yealmpton, Devon to the city of Plymouth, 160 miles (256 kilometers) southwest of London.

At Brixham, a town on the English Channel 45 miles (72 kilometers) east of Plymouth, two coastguards, Andi Lloyd and Reginald K. Hill, spotted a UFO.

Lloyd and Hill had just left the Maritime Rescue Sub-Centre at Kings Quay in Brixham when they "observed a bright white light travelling across the sky...The light was heading in a southeast to northwest direction at about 1,000 to 1,200 feet. It was large and very bright and lasted about one to two seconds."

"There was a flash of bright light and simultaneously (a) crackling/exploding sound was heard," Lloyd reported. "The light then disappeared."

"Looking at the sky afterward," he added, "I saw a mass of white, very dense vapour in the area that the object had been in. The vapour looked like a comma in the sky at 1,000 feet. The semi-circular vapour plume was 30 feet high and 10 feet across." (Many thanks to Dave Dunworth of Skywatch International for these

reports.)

BLACK CUBE-SHAPED UFO
SPOTTED IN QUEENSLAND

Kingaroy, a town in central Queensland about 150 miles (240 kilometers) northwest of Brisbane, is the site of Australia's newest UFO flap.

On Saturday, March 14, 1998, at 6:40 p.m., residents of Kingaroy reported seeing "bright white lights" overhead and near the horizon.

Like clockwork, the mysterious lights returned again each succeeding night--at 6:33 p.m. on Sunday, March 15--at 6:26 p.m. on Monday, March 16--and at 6:33 p.m. on Tuesday, March 17.

During the Tuesday, March 17, sighting, Kingaroy people "reported sighting a rounded-edged, black, cube-shaped object carrying a bright white light...The black cube dropped the white light," which fell to the ground. The UFO then "changed direction" to the northwest, heading straight for Kingaroy.

The witnesses had the black cube in sight for two minutes. "The object appeared to be moving faster than a commercial jet. As the object travelled away, and about the same time of the white light impacting the ground, a loud rumbling sound was heard." (Many thanks to Ross Dowe of the Australia/New Zealand National UFO Hotline for this report.)

LARGE V-SHAPED UFO FLIES
OVER NARCOOSSEE, FLORIDA

On Tuesday, March 17, 1998, Channel 9, an ABC affiliated TV station in Orlando reported that a large UFO "shaped like an L," i.e. a broad V or boomerang shape, "with bright white lights" had flown over the small town of Narcoossee, Florida.

Located on the shores of East Lake Tohopekaliga, on Florida Highway 15, Narcoossee is about 20 miles (32 kilometers) southeast of Orlando.

According to McEllis Winterfield, "many people" witnessed "the UFO seen in the shape of an L," and "one lady lost 11 chickens to unknown causes--they just died on the spot--as the UFO flew over her house." (Many thanks to Steve Wilson Sr. for forwarding this report.)

DIAMOND-SHAPED UFO SEEN
IN SOUTH CAROLINA

On Tuesday evening, March 10, 1998, Patricia B. and her two daughters, aged 17 and 11, were driving south on Interstate Highway 26 in South Carolina, heading to Florida for a vacation.

As they approached Columbia (population 98,052), the state capital, the family spotted a UFO. They were travelling at about 65 miles per hour on I-26, just past the Broad River Road exit, north of Dutch Square Mall.

"It seemed to be hovering over the highway," Patricia reported, "I got a very good look at it from underneath. It was rectangular, almost a diamond shape, with unusually bright lights on the bottom and more lights on the top...The lights shining up seemed equal to those shining below, and there were at least 12 or 13" lights.

"When we first saw the object, it appeared to be a stationary light about 20 degrees above the horizon, about the size of a light on a radio tower. As we drove closer, we went directly under it...Directly overhead it was as big as a basketball held at arm's length."

Patricia offered this sketch of the UFO:

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She estimated that she and her daughters

had the UFO in view for "five minutes." (Email Interview)

CIGAR-SHAPED UFO SEEN
NEAR PLACERVILLE

On February 28, 1998, at 10:55 p.m., Karl S., a former air crewman with the U.S. Navy Reserve, was on a Boeing 747 jumbo jetliner, returning home to Los Angeles from Asia.

As the jetliner passed over San Francisco, turning to 170 degrees for its final approach into Los Angeles, Karl glanced out the window and spotted the impossible.

"We had just dropped to 30,000 feet and were turning south to fly over the central California valley," Karl reported. "As I looked toward the northeast direction (the area around Sacramento--J.T.), scanning the full breadth of the mountains, I noticed what I quickly categorized as a slender, dark-colored cloud. If you would hold up a ballpoint pen, you would see the approximate shape."

Taking a second look, Karl saw "that the end of the 'cloud' had 'gone up' about 30 degrees from its original horizontal position. I immediately exclaimed that clouds do not tilt up."

The UFO "became level again and then rotated in the horizontal and was pointing toward the aircraft (Boeing 747). At this point, I described it as a black pencil with the top layer shaved off...At no time did I see any control surfaces."

As the UFO moved out of the window's field of view, Karl left his seat and rushed to the rear of the aircraft. He peered through the window of the rear emergency door "but could not see it any longer." (Many thanks to Tim Hagemeister of NACOMM for this report.)

(Editor's Comment: From Karl's description, the object appears to have been closer to the mountains than to Sacramento. Most likely it was hovering high above Placerville (population 8,355) about 135 miles (216 kilometers) east of San Francisco.)

V-SHAPED UFO SIGHTED
OVER NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

On Thursday evening, March 12, 1998, William W. "observed a huge boomerang-shaped UFO...blocking out the stars in Orion's Belt. The object then dropped in altitude to about 200 feet and moved north along and above Hampton Boulevard" in Norfolk, Virginia (population 261,229).

The object flew slowly at a speed of between 40 and 50 miles per hour, he reported. It was so low that light from Hampton Boulevard's bright amber streetlights illuminated a portion of the craft.

"It was boomerang in shape...and consisted of two right angles coming into the apex. The UFO was between 800 to 1,000 feet high with a groove along its length on the back side. The object had no lights and was dark in color."

At first the witness thought he was seeing U.S. Navy SEALs on a nighttime training exercise with hang gliders. But the sheer size of the object convinced him otherwise. "The UFO did not appear to be aerodynamically shaped because its right wingtip did not have a tapered appearance. The UFO disappeared moving north behind some trees in the direction of Hampton Roads Bay."

The seaport city of Norfolk is located 93 miles (154 kilometers) southeast of Virginia's capital, Richmond. The case is being investigated by Michael Shields, Dennis Hawley and Richard Daley of Virginia MUFON. (See Filer's Files #11 for 1998. Many thanks to George A. Filer and Ricardo Atristain, director of Virginia MUFON, for this story.)

UFO TRAILS A PASSENGER
BUS IN SOUTHERN BRAZIL

On Friday, March 13, 1998, at about 4 a.m.,

Mauro Batista, 42, was driving a passenger bus on Brazil's Highway BR622 from Araxa to Uberaba in western Minas Gerais state when he spied a strange light in the sky.

"The strange object was flying at a distance of two kilometers (1.2 miles) from my vehicle," Batista told the newspaper O Estado de Minas. "And it had a very strong light at its back. It was as big as one half of a soccer ball."

When he first spied the UFO, Batista said, "I was crossing the (railroad) bridge over the Rede Ferroviaria, which is 15 kilometers (9 miles) away from Araxa. It appeared after Araxa and followed us for one hour and 45 minutes."

While Batista drove the bus, his five passengers crowded the windows and kept the UFO in view. They said it had "an oblique shape" and "a strong light on its back."

Araxa is located on highway BR622 approximately 264 kilometers (165 miles) west of Belo Horizonte, capital of Minas Gerais state. (See the newspaper O Estado de Minas of Belo Horizonte, M.G. for March 14, 1998. Muito obrigado a Eduardo Castor Borgonovi por eso caso.)

(Editor's Note: Eduardo informs me that this end of Minas Gerais is known as Triangulo Mineiro or "the Triangle." The city of Uberaba, 416 kilometers (260 miles) west of Belo Horizonte, is the main center for raising cattle in Minas Gerais.)

BLACK HELICOPTER SEEN BY UFOLOGIST AND WITNESS IN OCEAN GROVE, NEW JERSEY

Last week Dr. Bruce Cornet, a New York ufologist, and architect Allen Wahl visited the beach in Ocean Grove, New Jersey. At this site on February 27, 1998, while walking his dog, Wahl spotted a UFO he described as "a diving bell with fins, a bathysphere... a Jules Verne antique with rust stains running down the side" as it flew over the beach heading inland.

According to Dr. Cornet, "As Allen was describing where he saw it, a black helicopter gun-ship flew near us, going north just over the beachfront. I got a picture of the helicopter, if it means anything."

Wahl drew a very detailed sketch of the UFO he saw, which Dr. Cornet claimed is quite similar to a photograph of a UFO taken in Mexico back in 1973.

"The resemblance is uncanny," Dr. Cornet reported. "Allen Wahl is an architect who is able to use his mechanical drawing skills to make a detailed drawing of the object." (See Filer's Files #11 for 1998. Many thanks to George A. Filer for this news story.)

CATTLE MUTILATION REPORTED IN NORTHERN BRITISH COLUMBIA

A cow was found dead and mutilated in February 1998 at the farm of George Giersch near Dawson Creek, British Columbia, Canada. Giersch found the cow "lying in a pool of blood with its tongue missing, half its face stripped to the bone and a deep slash to its chest."

Dawson Creek (population 10,981) is located in northern British Columbia approximately 733 miles (1,173 kilometers) northeast of Vancouver.

Giersch said, "I've never seen anything quite like this."

Giersch added that an incision to the cow's jaw "was too precise to be caused by a predator."

No tracks were found in the surrounding snow.

At the suggestion of a local investigator, Giersch left the cow's carcass in place for a few days. "No animal came near until the fifth day, when birds began to land on it."

"That's odd. It's a large coyote community here," he said, of the area around Dawson Creek.

According to the Ottawa Sun, "RCMP and Alberta officials have concluded that cattle are dying natural deaths and becoming food for predators."

"But Fern Belzil, a farmer in the St. Paul area of northern Alberta and a part-time mutilation investigator,

wrote that most of the 50 cattle killings reported by Alberta and Saskatchewan farmers in the past three years weren't done by animals."

Last June (1997) Laura Afdahi found a dead Charolais cow on her farm in the Pincher Creek area of southern Alberta. "The cow's teeth were missing, as were its sex organs and teats."

"I can't tell you how sick I felt when I looked at it," Afdahi said, adding that the coyotes and magpies had no interest in feeding on the carcass."

Pincher Creek (population 3,660) is just east of the Alberta/British Columbia provincial border, and located 655 miles (1,048 kilometers) east of Vancouver. (See the Ottawa Sun for March 15, 1998. Many thanks to Dr. Diane Landry for forwarding the newspaper article.)

JARVIS TEAM TRACKS ORBS OVER LAKE ONTARIO

On Thursday, March 12, 1998, at around 7 p.m., Canadian ufologist Jennifer Jarvis and a fellow skywatcher set up shop on the south shore of Lake Ontario, near St. Catharines, Ontario, 30 miles (48 kilometers) due south of Toronto.

At 7:30 p.m., a UFO "appeared at approximately 10 degrees elevation and flew in an easterly direction for about three minutes" before descending to four degrees above the horizon. The "orb" changed color from whitish-gold to red as it descended.

At 7:37 p.m., the team saw another orb east of St. Catharines (population 129,200).

At 8:10 p.m., a UFO appeared "and seems to be a whitish colour. This is a more solid-looking object. Lowers to about 5 degrees elevation heading east."

Three minutes later, this UFO plunged into Lake Ontario at a point just north of St. Catharines and Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont. "Submersion very clear," Jarvis reported, "There appear to be three lights (on the object) and there was definite rotation, even as the object submerges." (See the webpage Orbwatch for March 12, 1998. Many thanks to Jennifer Jarvis for this report.)

from the UFO Files:

1965: UFO INJURES A GUIDE IN THE EVERGLADES

On March 15, 1965, "James W. Flynn, 45, was training hunting dogs in the Everglades when at about 1 a.m. he saw a cone-shaped UFO hovering about 200 feet over some cypress trees. The UFO moved rapidly and changed positions several times, and Flynn thought it was a helicopter until he looked at it through binoculars."

"Then, thinking it was 'some new device from Cape Kennedy' (now back to its original name of Cape Canaveral--J.T.), perhaps in trouble, he tried to approach and offer help."

"The cone-shaped object appeared to be almost 25 feet high and had four tiers of windows emitting a yellowish glow. Flynn could hear a noise like 'a diesel generator,' which disturbed one of his dogs 'who was howling in his cage and trying to get out.'"

"Within 200 yards of the UFO, Flynn jumped out of his swamp buggy (shallow draft boat propelled by an airplane engine--J.T.) waving his arms. At that point, the UFO emitted a jet-like noise and a blast of wind that knocked him off-balance."

"As he continued to approach within a few yards, the UFO emitted a light beam like a welder's torch and Flynn blacked out."

"I felt a blow like a sledgehammer between the eyes--and that's all I know," he told the local newspaper.

"When he awoke, the UFO was gone and his vision was severely impaired. Flynn sought aid from an Indian acquaintance who helped him back to Fort Myers. Flynn required medical treatment and had a small dark spot on his forehead. He suffered impaired vision in one eye, numbness and loss of hearing."

"Extensive physical trace evidence was found at the site, including an area of burnt sawgrass 72 feet in diameter." (See the Fort Myers, Fla. News-Press for March 18, 1965. Also UNINVITED GUESTS by Richard Hall, Aurora Press, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 1988, pages 250-251.)

FUN UFO WEBSITES:

Follow the quests of Jennifer Jarvis and her Orbwatch team at their website, which can be found at <http://www.per.to/orbwatch>

For the latest on UFO sightings in Colorado's San Luis Valley, check out author/researcher Christopher O'Brien's Mysterious Valley page at <http://home.amigo.net/tmv>

There's a new UFO newspaper on the Web. Stefan Duncan's American UFO News website went online last week. Check out the latest issue of AUFON at <http://www.aufon.com>

For readers who can't get enough of mysteries on the planet Mars, you might want to visit the Mars Anomalies Page, with mysteries galore at <http://rush.digitalchainsaw.com/marspage.html>

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Space history was made on March 22, 1946, when the U.S. Army launched its first multi-stage rocket from the missile range in White Sands, New Mexico. The rocket rose to an altitude of 55 miles, becoming the first American-built missile to leave Earth's atmosphere.

We'll be back next weekend with more saucer news from "the paper that goes home--UFO ROUNDUP." Have a nice week.

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'Unofficial' Military Bases in UK?

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Fwd Date: Sun, 22 Mar 1998 21:43:32 -0500

Subject: 'Unofficial' Military Bases in UK?

Hi everyone! I'm looking for information on "unofficial" military bases in the UK. I know about Menwith Hill, and I know about the BMEWS at Fylingdales. I've seen a couple of "MOD - Navy" bases right at the very top of Scotland, but I'm keen to know if there are any others. Any help would be very much appreciated!

BTW ... any recent "Triangular shaped craft spotted over Manchester" reports in the last few years could be attributed to British Aerospace developing a multi-million pound triangular shaped aircraft. I know they're doing this as a definite fact (I've seen evidence) but I'm a little wary of telling exactly what I know on a list such as this, for, I hope, understandable reasons.

Thanks in advance for any help on the bases!

Dave

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Yemenis Claim Mars Based On Ancient Mythologies

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The links are preceded by stars.

Sunday, March 22, 1998 Published at 13:23 GMT

Despatches

Yemenis claim Mars

Three men from Yemen have offered to sell land on Mars to interested investors. The three claimed ownership of the planet last year in a law suit filed against the American Space Agency NASA. The court did not take them seriously but, as Barbara Plett reports, these innovative entrepreneurs have not given up on their bizarre mission.

It's a bargain really - \$2 a square metre for a plot of your own on the red planet. The three men who claimed the right to sell the land handed out the statements in mid-March assuring buyers they would be issued a deed of ownership for their new property.

Newspapers quoted them saying there was a great deal of enthusiasm since most poor Yemenis cannot afford a piece of land on planet Earth. But observers who have been following the Mars drama since it began dismissed the offer as, at best the latest antics of three eccentric Yemenis on a lark, at worse an amateur scam to get rich quickly.

The self-proclaimed land holders have expanded on a failed court case filed last July. At that time they accused NASA of trespassing on land owned by their ancestors by exploring Mars with its Pathfinder space craft.

They based their argument on mythologies of the Himyaritic and Sabaeen civilizations that existed several thousand years before Christ. Now they say they have timed the announcement of their sale with the anniversaries of several ancient cities and will use the money to restore them.

Whatever their motives it's unlikely they will get more than a handful of customers and it's even more unlikely customers will ever get anything but a property deed.

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Re: 'Unofficial' Military Bases in UK?

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Hello the list, and to "Dave."

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>Dave

You don't want to reveal what you know, yet you ask
for information about "unofficial" (in other words,
secret) bases.

Um, you wouldn't be with the KGB, or one of those types,
would you? <grin>

Regards,

Jack

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'The National Space Society' Endorses 'The

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<http://www2.astrobiology.com/nasa/nss/03.12.98.astro.endorse.html>

But go the homepage, too, where you'll find many interesting astrobiological links. URL:

<http://www2.astrobiology.com/astro/>

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NATIONAL SPACE SOCIETY ENDORSES ASTROBIOLOGY WEB

Recognition of website highlights Society's commitment to astrobiology

(Washington, DC) -- March 12 -- The National Space Society today announced its endorsement of the "Astrobiology Web"

<http://www.astrobiology.com/>

- a leading online resource for news and information concerning the growing multi-disciplinary study of life in the universe. The announcement was made in conjunction with a related symposium held at George Washington University.

"I am doubly pleased by this endorsement," said Keith Cowing, editor and webmaster of the Astrobiology Web. "Astrobiology represents an emerging scientific discipline of the next millennium -- one which strives to bring together aspects of biology, astrophysics, and chemistry, with both robotic and human space exploration in a synergistic fashion not previously seen at NASA. Astrobiology's multi-disciplinary approach is very compatible with the broad, enthusiastic methods the National Space Society has always used in its advocacy for the exploration of space. As we strive to be a spacefaring species, astrobiology will become an increasingly important endeavor. This is a natural fit."

Cowing went on to say that he is "also pleased to receive this endorsement as a long time member of the National Space Society -- having joined both of its predecessors (the National Space Institute and the L-5 Society) as a student in the 1970s. The NSS fed my passion for space exploration then and I am now only too happy to be able to help repay them via the Astrobiology Web."

The "Astrobiology Web" endorsement is the latest NSS action supporting this emerging field. Sparked by the 1996 discovery of possible microbiological life in a Martian meteorite (as first suggested in the Society's magazine, Ad Astra, in the May/June 1995 issue), astrobiology has become an increasingly present issue within the Society's goals and

visions.

"With the recent discovery of riverbeds on Mars, water ice on the Moon, and what seems to be a frozen ocean beneath Europa's outer crust, the imperative to seek out life has never been more pervasive - or compelling. I am pleased to see NSS taking an activist leadership role in this area and look forward to further collaborative ventures in the years ahead," Cowing said.

Also announced today, NSS has dedicated the January/February 1999 issue of its magazine, Ad Astra, to astrobiology and its related studies. The issue will feature a forward by Gerald Soffen and Michael Meyer of NASA Headquarters.

The National Space Society, founded in 1974, is an independent, nonprofit space advocacy organization headquartered in Washington, DC. Its 23,000 members and 90 chapters around the world actively promote a spacefaring civilization. Information on NSS and space exploration is available at

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NASA Opens 'Astrobiology Institute' Next Month

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From The Astrobiology Web's newspaper. URL:

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20 March 1998:=BF Astrobiology: Ames Tackles the Riddle of Life:
Researchers eagerly await the opening of the Astrobiology Institute at
NASA's Ames Research Center next month. Its ambitious agenda includes
creating a new field of science, by Andrew Lawler, Science [Note:
annual AAAS fee required for full access]

"The astrobiology effort also has made waves within NASA. Goldin
assigned it to the office of space science rather than life sciences
and microgravity research, a move that exacerbated tensions between the
two bureaucracies. Life sciences managers so far have refused to
contribute any funding. Joan Vernikos, a former Ames researcher who is
now NASA's life sciences chief, says that having the organization run
by civil servants rather than a fresh batch of outside scientists
"could put the bureaucratic reins on the academic community" and make
it harder for the institute to support top-notch science. She says she
wants to see a string of achievements before she spends scarce funds.
But Ames officials say the real issue is turf. "They are very concerned
this could turn out to be a raid on their budget," explains [ARC center
director Harry] MacDonald."

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'World UFO Report'

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Dear colleagues and friends,

Mr. Michael Wysmierski, former editor of the Brazilian UFO Report, has launched his new home page entitled:

WUFOR - World UFO Report
<http://www.fortunecity.com/tattooine/swampthing/20/>

Those of you who are interested in what's going on in Brazilian UFOlogy will find some reliable info in his site.

Oh...By the way... Mr. Wysmierski kindly introduced an interview that he had carried with me some time ago. I hope you enjoy.

Always in tune,

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>From: XianneKei <XianneKei@aol.com> [Rebecca Keith]
>Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 14:12:38 EST
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

>> From: "Gevaerd (Revista UFO)" <gevaerd@ufo.com.br>
>> To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <updates@globalserve.net>
>> Subject: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame
>> Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 07:36:46 -0400

>> Folks!

>> THE UFO PUBLIC NUISANCE HALL OF FAME PRECINCT REPORT, posted in
>> the net by Charles T. Oliphant, amused me, but is interesting...

>> Living in Brazil, I wonder how could I have 4 nominations?!?
>> Anyway, considering that people like Budd Hopkins, Linda Moulton
>> Howe and Michael Hessemann, who I respect very much, have similar
>> number of nomination, I think I should be proud. Or shouldn't I?

>Do you think living in Brazil makes you exempt? Obviously 4
>people don't respect your work. I'm not familiar with your work
>to comment, but if you respect Michael Hessemann, your credibility
>factor has just been lowered, in my book.

>Rebecca

Rebecca, I didn't mean that I was exempt of anything by living in
Brazil. I WONDERED how could I have 4 nominations since I live
down here, so far away from the hot discussions of the American
Ufology...

And YES, I respect the work of Hessemann, as well I respect the
work of Budd Hopkins, Linda Howe, Bob Shell, Wendelle Stevens and
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after 13 years dedicating myself ENTIRELY 24-H DAY to Ufology --
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field and just disconsider the rest.

If you disregard Hessemann's work entirely, as it is implied in
your mail, you fall into the most common problem UFO researchers
do about anything: generalization. I choose to think differently.
There's something about Hessemann's work that I approve, something
that I don't, __in my book__. And he is a close friend.

A. J. Gevaerd

PS.: Sorry for my terrible English...

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Carried By Comets?

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The links are preceded by stars.

Scientists Find Life Forms in 100,000-Year-Old Antarctic Ice

They may be clues to whether there's also life on Europa

David Perlman, Chronicle Science Editor=BF

Tuesday,=BFMarch 17, 1998

American and Russian scientists, seeking clues to possible life on one of Jupiter's major moons, have found an astonishing array of living organisms in layers of Antarctic ice hundreds of thousands of years old.

The search for new evidence of how extremely hardy Earth life can be has been spurred by recent dramatic images of the Jovian moon Europa. Deep cracks, ridges and gaps in Europa's icy surface have revealed slush and icebergs that apparently float on seas of water.

To assess whether the slush or water might hold life, researchers have been exploring deep Antarctic ice cores more than 100,000 years old -- and have detected a variety of bacteria, algae, fungus spores and other one-celled plants called diatoms.

This week, two of the scientists, astronomer Richard Hoover and his research partner Sabit S. Abyzov of the Russian Institute of Microbiology in Moscow, are working at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena to analyze samples from the ice cores, which were retrieved by the Russians after drilling nearly a mile deep at their Vostok research station in Antarctica.

ANCIENT COMETS

The frozen organisms may have been carried to Earth inside ancient comets, the scientists believe.

Hoover, an expert on diatoms, is from NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, Ala., the place where Abyzov recently brought samples of the deep Vostok ice cores. There, he and Hoover examined them with the center's highly specialized Environmental Scanning Electron Microscope.

This instrument uses X-rays to scan samples, but unlike more conventional versions of such microscopes, the samples do not need to be coated with gold to reflect the X-rays. Thus, signs of life in the material are not hidden by the gold coating, Hoover said.

"We've seen some really bizarre things that we've never seen before," Hoover said.

At the Jet Propulsion Laboratory, meanwhile, Hoover and Abyzov are enlisting the help of microbiologist Kenneth Nealson in an effort to identify the species of the microscopic organisms they have seen. Nealson is part of the laboratory's new astrobiology division, where scientists are studying the evolution of planets and life both within and beyond the solar system.

GALILEO SPACECRAFT

When the first images of Europa were transmitted to Earth last year from the Galileo spacecraft that is now orbiting Jupiter and its major moons, the pictures showed clear evidence that what was once thought to be a solidly frozen ice crust covering the planet's entire surface is actually warmed in part by some interior heat source.

That discovery, in turn, aroused fervent speculation about the possibility of life.

"The combination of interior heat, liquid water and infall of organic material from comets and meteorites means that Europa has the key ingredients for life," declared Brown University geologist James Head, a member of the Galileo team when the latest images from Europa were released earlier this month.

Hoover goes even further, noting in an interview that some of the clearest images of Europa's icy regions show colored material. Some spots on the slush, he said, seem to be reddish, some bear a green tint and some are golden brown.

"I get excited in Antarctica when I see golden brown ice," Hoover said, "because to me golden brown means diatoms, and that's what shows up in the ice cores from Vostok, too. It's a safe guess that colors like that could come from biology anywhere."

Even deeper core samples from the Vostok station are still stored in a laboratory freezer in St. Petersburg, and later this month Hoover and Abyzov will bring them back to Hoover's laboratory for analysis.

The stored samples, the deepest of all the Antarctic cores, came from a drilling venture that was deliberately stopped at 3,610 meters -- more than two miles down, where the ice layer is 400,000 years old.

The reason for the halt was a dramatic one: The spot was almost exactly 100 meters above the surface of a 155-mile-long warm water lake that Soviet radar showed to be directly beneath their research station.

UNCONTAMINATED LAKE

Russian and American scientists do not want to risk contaminating the lake with coring equipment because they eventually hope to seek evidence of life in the lake itself.

As a result, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, together with Russian researchers, is planning ways to design a completely sterile robotic life-detecting instrument that can reach the lake and emerge with uncontaminated water samples. The device has already been named a "Cryobot," and teams from both nations will be meeting in San Diego this summer to discuss strategies for building it.

"That lake is one of the most precious resources on Earth," Hoover said. "It's the best analogue of Europa we have, and when we hunt for life down there, we'll have to be as careful about contamination as we would be when we bring back samples from the planets." Get a printer-friendly version of this article

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Re: 'Unofficial' Military Bases in UK?

From: Dave <dave422x@geocities.com>
Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 09:09:47 +0000
Fwd Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 09:33:36 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Unofficial' Military Bases in UK?

>From: ufo1@juno.com [Jack P Sargeant]
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: 'Unofficial' Military Bases in UK?
>Date: Sun, 22 Mar 1998 22:23:51 EST

>You don't want to reveal what you know, yet you ask
>for information about "unofficial" (in other words,
>secret) bases.

>Um, you wouldn't be with the KGB, or one of those types,
>would you? <grin>

>Regards,

>Jack

Nah course not! I just don't want "just anybody" knowing that I know about the aircraft. I used to work for a company who had a lot to do with both Lockheed & BAe and I wasn't supposed to see what I saw, if you get what I mean. Even the staff who weren't working on the project didn't know what it was all about. And the ones who were working on it had to sign a declaration. Needless to say I wasn't working on it and so didn't sign a declaration. ; -)

And if I was the KGB I'd probably already know about all the bases over here! <s>

Dave

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Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

From: "A.J.Gevaerd (Revista UFO)" <gevaerd@ufo.com.br>
Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 08:39:59 -0400
Fwd Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 09:42:35 -0500
Subject: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

I just got the last results of the UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame and I am completely surprised. 10 days ago I had 4 nominations, what seemed to me very strange, since I live in Brazil and I am thousand of miles from the hot discussions of the American Ufology, which -- by the way -- I never got involved! Now I see I have 8 nominations!!! How come???

What wonders me most is that I seem to be more popular (or unpopular) in USA than so many other native UFO researchers!!! This sounds ridiculous. I've been to USA many times, lecturing, but never got involved in any of its intricates problems. I don't publish articles in USA and I am not largely known in USA. So how come I have 8 nominations???

I used to take this thing as a joke, now I will start thinking this is a fake. Does anybody really know me that much in USA to disapprove my work???

Does anyone of you, members of this list, know my work? Really? Well, I think my old friend Ted Oliphant III may have received some nominations from my opponents in Brazil, what would explain things here.

Anyway, I continue surprised and suspicious of something not smelling good...

A. J. Gevaerd

PS.: Can I vote from Brazil????

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Ufomind Web Site: Another Titanic?

From: campbell@ufomind.com (Glenn Campbell, Las Vegas)

Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 12:12:28 -0800

Fwd Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 16:59:50 -0500

Subject: Ufomind Web Site: Another Titanic?

The world's largest UFO and paranormal website -- www.ufomind.com -- appears to be the finest ship on the seas. It's sleek, fast and state-of-the-art. It can accommodate thousands of passengers, and it is certified 100% unsinkable.

We've got just one little problem: Ufomind is still losing money. This is like more water flowing into your ship than being pumped out of it. It can't go on forever.

Honestly, UFOMIND MIGHT HAVE TO SHUT DOWN IF WE DON'T RECEIVE ENOUGH FINANCIAL SUPPORT FROM OUR READERS.

Contributing to Ufomind is easy. Just buy something occasionally from our extensive on-line catalog of UFO and paranormal books (See <http://www.ufomind.com/catalog/>). We stock the best books in these fields, and we ship orders faster than anyone to anywhere in the world. We do not usually discount the books we sell, but unlike the big Wal-Marts of the internet, we provide honest reviews and do not encourage you to buy books you don't need. When you order from us, you get your money's worth, plus you have the satisfaction of supporting the most valuable paranormal research tool on the web.

If people don't buy enough books from our catalog, then Ufomind will go away. Simple as that.

THE FACTS OF LIFE

Here's the straight poop on who we are and where we are headed:

-- Looking at our massive site and its tens of thousands of documents and connections, you might think it is run by some big organization with a staff of dozens. Not true. It's just me and the wife, operating out of our home in a suburban subdivision of Las Vegas. Our "warehouse" is the garage. Our "programming center," where I currently sit, is the 5x5' vanity area upstairs. (I share it with the mascara.)

-- Seeing the huge number of hits on our site -- consistently 50,000 to 80,000 every day -- you might think we are doing an enormous volume of business in our catalog section. False. Those thousands of hits translate into only a handful of orders each day -- sometimes only three or four. The stable hit numbers prove that people appreciate our site, and we have received no lack of email messages praising our work. However, praise alone doesn't pay the bills.

-- We do this for love, not money. If I wanted to make money, I'd be back in the software business, where you can make obscene fortunes selling out to Bill Gates. At the least, we could be selling a lot of tacky alien souvenirs on our website. Everybody wants them, and the profit margin is high, but we refuse to engage in commerce that we regard as frivolous or distracting.

-- We are dedicated to the concept of open information. Although Ufomind is more valuable than most subscription services, we have no intention of charging people for access to it. We don't mind giving away our best material for free as long as we have enough income to keep going. We believe that Ufomind can work only as an interactive site that anyone can contribute to. Personally, I feel that maintaining this site is a public trust that has fallen into my hands.

Monk-like in my vanity area, I will selflessly defend the sacred cause. If I cannot maintain the high ethical standards I have set for this site, then I will shut it down rather than turning it over to the Microsofts of the world.

-- People often ask us, "Where's the Desert Rat?" Unfortunately, our free on-line newsletter is still in hibernation until the Ufomind site is on a stable financial footing.

DIRE PROSPECTS

Regrettably, I am forced to issue this ultimatum: If sales in our catalog section do not improve, I will have to get a job.

Ponder for a minute the terrible implications. As moderator, programmer and webmaster, I currently spend 8-14 hours a day, 6-7 days a week, working on this website. Without my input, the site would quickly slide into chaos. Although anyone can add links and comments to our pages, someone has to review those additions. Otherwise, the spammers will take it over, and pages will be swamped with irrelevant information. No one will be there to remove dead links, create new pages or provide new systems for linking records together. No one will provide free customer service, which currently occupies about half of my time. The site will cease to have a soul and will become a chaotic mirror of usenet.

Another alternative would be to freeze the site so that no one could make any further additions to it. Then it would no longer be alive. Information would start getting stale, and old links would stop working. People would eventually stop coming. At that point, I would consider shutting the site down altogether to save the monthly operating costs.

Ufomind tries to be as efficient and professional as possible and doesn't plead for support very often. We don't ask for donations. We don't hold annoying fund drives every few months like public radio and TV stations. The ads we insert on our index pages are unobtrusive, and we don't try to actively "sell" you anything. If you consult one of our index pages, we want you to know if there is a useful book available on that topic, but we won't try to force it on you. The only problem with this low-key approach is that it doesn't sell many books.

Our next step -- prior to my getting a job -- will be to get more aggressive about pushing our products. No one likes this, especially us. Our primary goal is to assist serious research, and that's how we want to spend most of our resources.

As Ufomind seems to become an internet institution, please don't take us for granted. Institutions aren't always as invulnerable as they seem to be, and sometimes they run into things. Underneath all that apparent complexity, there has to be something keeping them afloat.

Glenn Campbell
Ufomind Webmaster

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Re: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance

From: "R.Bull" <r.bull@cadcentre.co.uk> [Rob Bull]
Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 14:14:44 -0000
Fwd Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 17:26:01 -0500
Subject: Re: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance

>Date: Thu, 19 Mar 1998 20:27:51 -0800 (Pacific Standard Time)
>From: Nick Balaskas <nikolaos@YorkU.CA>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Are Researchers Hiding Abduction Resistance Cases

>> It's also a fact that no inmate of a mental home or patient in
>> the psychiatric ward of a hospital has ever reported a ghost or
>> poltergeist experience (whilst in the home/hospital ward) [UK
>> research indicates this].

>I would like to know your source of this UK research.

Philip Walton of ASSAP (the Association for the Scientific Study of Anomalous Phenomena) in the UK. Also Tony Cornell, former head of the University of Cambridge Psychic Phenomena society. I'm not sure that either of these people have email addresses.

>If a patient in a psychiatric ward told you that he has regular
>visits from his dead aunt Martha or that his Jello flies to the
>ceiling before he gets a chance to eat it, you wouldn't take him
>seriously anyways, would you? Therefore, no reports.

Of course not, but surely the hospital shrinks would use such information to try and deduce the nature of the patient's illness/psychosis?

> >> I would also bet that no-one in such a grouping has ever reported
> >> being abducted by aliens.

>Don't be too quick to lose your money. Two years ago we got
>permission to perform mind over matter tests with such patients
>at a local Toronto hospital. Although the mind over matter tests
>turned out negative, some stories these patients told me certainly
>sounded like UFO abduction experiences.

Since my original post, I hear that Eric Morris, a psychiatric nurse for (at least) 10 years at mental hospitals in the UK said recently when he talked at a UFO conference in Southport, UK, that no patients that he had cared for had ever reported being abducted by aliens. I know a lady myself who is currently in the psychiatric ward of a hospital here in the UK. She has told me of a variety of experiences that she has had, but being abducted by aliens was not one of them.

For some good stuff on abductions and other phenomena, try checking out:

<http://www.magonia.demon.co.uk/abwatch/>

Rob

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NICAP Website Announcement

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Subject: National Investigations Committee on Aerial
Phenomena (NICAP)
Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 13:25:21 -0600
From: Francis Ridge <slk@EVANSVILLE.NET>
Reply-To: Discussion about UFOs and research for PROJECT 1947
<PROJECT-1947@LISTSERV.AOL.COM>
To: PROJECT-1947@LISTSERV.AOL.COM

Greetings List Members,

It is with great pleasure that I announce the official authorization of the web site for the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP). We have been working on the site change from InterLink:UFO to NICAP the InterLink:UFO site for weeks. The authorization came today from Mark Rodeghier of the Center for UFO Studies (CUFOS) in Chicago which holds the NICAP rights and records.

NICAP will not be another UFO organization, as before. The one thing we don't need is another UFO group, per se. NICAP will now be the web site, the international site for the peer-reviewed Best Available Evidence.

The "Latest News" in the electronic version of the "UFO Investigator", one for each month with archived copies for newcomers, will replace the InterLink:UFO's Director's Message. I will not be the Director of InterLink:UFO, the head of "Fran Ridge's UFO web site", but the Web Site Coordinator (webmaster) with a number of official NICAP advisers providing the guidance and control over this NICAP site.

The Home Page is now:

<http://www.evansville.net/~slk/nicap.html>

The imminent authorization was even withheld from our previous webmaster, Clint Stone, awaiting approval from CUFOS. Clint will be working on the "Who's Who In Ufology".

The "Latest News" is accessible from the Home Page but is also listed here:

<http://www.evansville.net/~slk/ufoi.htm>

The web site will operate in the spirit and tradition of the original NICAP and will be building the site under the structure of the UFO Evidence (early history to 1964) and UFO Evidence II (to-date).

I ask for your cooperation and your support.

Sincerely,

Francis Ridge
NICAP Site Coordinator

HERE IS THE NEW MISSION STATEMENT

NICAP's InterLink:UFO web site is designed to be a primary internet UFO evidence depository for special evidence and other important information regarding serious UFO research. Besides a few primary directory sites to handle the main routing/linking, as many reputable sites as possible are utilized to control the storage and downloading bandwidth, plus provide security for all the information provided. Numerous UFO web sites exist on the web, many which have good data even among the bad. It is NICAP's consensus that, by selecting the useable links, we will be gleaning something of use, plus thereby encouraging everyone to work towards both quantitative and qualitative entries.

By filing the evidence into several directories (Case Book by year, Case by Categories, etc.) researchers can quickly locate the topic of their choice. The evidence selected is not only time-tested, but it is also qualitative data kept isolated from the "lights-in-the-sky" and other candidates for UFO's. Rather than explain what NICAP's InterLink:UFO has to offer, simply take a look.

We are also working on a directory of UFO researchers or a "Who's Who in UFOlogy". This will be a great task, with links to images on hundreds of web sites.

We need your help! We urge you to USE the site, but really need your cooperation to make it work. We need suggestions and links you have found that we have missed. We need some of your server storage space. Web pages don't take much space. We need images stored, however, and this DOES take up space.

Email me at: slk@world.evansville.net
Francis L. Ridge
Site Coordinator
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> after 13 years dedicating myself ENTIRELY 24-H DAY to Ufology --
> I learned to pick up the best thing anyone has to offer in this
> field and just disconsider the rest.

A. J. I am not at all familiar with your work, although, I do know your name and have it seen associated with several cases (don't ask me which ones!). Some of the people you mention above are people whom I like, but that doesn't go hand in hand with respecting their work.

I'm thrilled that you are so devoted to ufology, but does it ever make you upset that ufology doesn't get much respect -- not only outside the field, but inside as well?

If I devoted as much time as you claim (and I'm not doubting you) to ufology, I'd be upset when people whom I respected promoted lousy cases, such as the Alien Autopsy or the genuiness (whatever THAT means) of crop circles.

It has been clearly demonstrated by Theresa Carlson that there are problems with the Alien Autopsy. While she wasn't the first naysayer, she has found clear and convincing evidence that the Mr. Santilli's video is not what it has been claimed to be. Yet, people you respect, like Mr. Hesemann, have refused to even look at her work and continue on with banal excuses for the video's genuiness.

Why would you respect someone like that? How could you trust any of his work, when he has clearly demonstrated his mind is made up?

These could be considered rhetorical questions -- I'm not going to make you answer for your friends.

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> do about anything: generalization. I choose to think differently.
> There's something about Hesemann's work that I approve, something
> that I don't, __in my book__. And he is a close friend.

I have to disregard Hesemann's work entirely, because his "work" can't be trusted. He has clearly misrepresented a number of things about the alien autopsy video. Sure, maybe he does do something good, but once an "expert" makes a mistake, it more or

less taints the rest of their work.

You speak of generalizations, but ufology isn't the only places generalizations occur. The public, whom I would suspect that some "researchers" are trying to reach about the seriousness of this phenomenon we call ufology, generalizes everyone remotely interested in the phenomenon into one group: KOOKS!

Frankly, A. J., I don't like that. And as long as we tolerate people who make wild unsubstantiated claims and who do lousy research, we are going to be considered "one of them."

In reference to Hesemann, you mention that some of his work you disregard because you don't like it. Do you ever say that in public? Specifically, what part of his work do you not like? I would think as someone who devotes as much time to this field as you do, that you would want to point out, via you various publications and lectures, which work is bad. That's called peer review -- something which is sorely lacking in this field.

> A. J. Gevaerd

> PS.: Sorry for my terrible English...

A. J., your English is great. I appreciate the effort you made in responding.

Thank you.

Rebecca

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From: **Bob Shell** <bob@bobshell.com>
Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 13:57:20 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 18:04:12 -0500
Subject: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

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Hi A.J.,

Don't feel bad about the 4 nominations. It just means 4 people
somewhere don't like your work. To me that sounds pretty good!

I agree with your comments to Rebecca about Mike. I disagree
with a lot that Mike says, but I still like him and respect him
and consider him my friend.

And, BTW, I like and respect you and your work as well.

Bob

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Re: Confirmation of Masking

From: Mark Cashman <mcashman@ix.netcom.com>
Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 14:05:33 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 18:09:50 -0500
Subject: Re: Confirmation of Masking

> Date: Sat, 21 Mar 1998 14:51:56 +1100
> To: updates@globalserve.net
> From: Robert Marx <robm@flex.com.au>
> Subject: Confirmation of masking

> From: matthew <eagle1@flex.com.au>
> Subject: re: masking event

> The following is a draft report of a case my colleague Matthew
> worked on. I thought the Net might find it interesting.

> During the hypnosis session the man only saw bits and pieces of
> his alien experience (his wife, terrifyingly, remembered more as
> we progressed into the session with her husband, though she was
> not under hypnosis).

> Normally, the wife, "other abductee" would not be present during
> a hypnotic regression. But this was no normal regression. We had
> a film crew in making a documentary called "Romancing the
> Chakra". They supplied to me the abductees to work upon. My
> office was lit for filming so I suggested to the husband he wear
> a sleeping mask across the eyes so that the lights would not
> bother him. He readily accepted.

> One would wonder if he simply made the whole alien abduction
> thing up! But looking at his terrified wife, in the room with us
> proved that she remembered the incident and not the happy one.

> On further deepening he recalled that the car was frozen, he was
> alone and that there was a light to the left up in the sky. He
> heard a buzzing or humming sound and next recalled a corridor.

> Talking to her later she recalled (without hypnosis) that the car
> was frozen and that she was alone. Remember that he recalled the
> car being frozen and being alone. I conclude that both had
> missing time, and away from each other.

The last time we read a report this contaminated, a tremendous outcry and debate ensued. I find it incredible to think that this report might ever be considered a part of the abduction literature. Let's look at the methodological errors.

1) Witness selection was performed by a group producing a video called "Romancing the Chakras". The incentive to produce a lurid abduction scenario certainly existed for the video company and probably also for the witnesses, who were, if not paid, certainly under psychological pressure to "perform".

2) The wife was not interviewed separately in an attempt to determine if her testimony confirmed or contradicted that of the husband. Instead she was kept on camera while listening to her husband's hypnotic testimony. This meant that her later "recall" is hopelessly contaminated and thus valueless.

3) Because the lights for the recording were so bright, the witness wore a sleep mask, making it impossible for the eye movements of the witness during recall to be assessed.

4) The naive acceptance of the wife's on-camera reactions as genuine reveal the investigators to be completely credulous.

This would be bad practice if performed on a dual witness UFO sighting. How much worse must it be considered when added to the already dubious mix of hypnosis and the "Chakra" "documentary"?

This is the reason that abduction data is viewed with such caution of distaste by credible researchers. At least this researcher was kind enough to reveal the extent of his folly. Many others, no doubt, have concealed their errors in method, and have led those who base conclusions on such testimony down several useless garden paths.

I would suggest that any abduction researchers who wish to be considered credible follow the lead of BUFORA - reject the use of hypnosis.

Further, standard interview procedures must be followed, including separate interviews in multiple witness cases. Only in this way can some progress be made in sorting the wheat from the chaff among the abduction accounts.

Mark Cashman, creator of The Temporal Doorway at
<http://www.geocities.com/~mcashman>
- Original digital art, writing, and UFO research -
Author of SF novels available at...
http://www.infohaus.com/access/by-seller/The_Temporal_Doorway_Storefront/

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Re: Is It A Campaign?

From: **barry chamish** <chamish@mail.netvision.net.il>
Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 23:21:36 +0300 (IDT)
Fwd Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 18:15:47 -0500
Subject: Re: Is It A Campaign?

[A non-subscriber post -- ebk]

Hello,

Apology. I didn't mean yours was the only List printing the criticism. I'm getting it from everywhere, especially Brazil. Maybe you're right. I've become establishment and am defending the status quo. But I will stick my neck out for Michael Hesemann, anyway. I worked with him twice in Israel and his research is ambitious. In fact, my aging body barely withstood his pace.

As for my critic and I'm glad there's just one, he doesn't know the scene here at all and I frankly don't believe his correspondent from Israel, if he/she exists, could be a ufology reporter and not know so many of our most important incidents.

I won't join any correspondence list because I will never enter the politics of ufology. If an incident happens here, I'll report it. It's dry now but I won't settle into opinion pieces until things pick up. I'll follow your correspondence on the net with great interest. And you do a fine job. But please screen the criticism if it's way off and mine wasn't even close to useful for anyone.

Best, Barry

Sent by Barry Chamish - Israeli journalist.
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Tim Good in UFO FORUM on Compuserve - 03-25-98

From: georgina@easynet.co.uk
Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 20:40:21 +0000
Fwd Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 19:11:05 -0500
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UFO FORUM on COMPUSERVE - GO UFO
THIS WEEK'S SPECIAL GUEST- TIMOTHY GOOD!

Wednesday, March 25
6PM EST, 3PM PST,
11PM GMT

Conspiracies Conference Room [7]

Please join us for Tim's first On-Line Conference.

UFO investigator and researcher Timothy Good, will be a special guest in our forum to discuss his most recent book, "Alien Base." Focused on alleged government involvement in concealing the UFO phenomenon from the public, Timothy Good is one of the more prominent UFO writers internationally.

"Alien Base" represents the pinnacle of close to forty years of research into claims of contact with extraterrestrials, concentrating on worldwide reports of actual encounters. Featuring the highest level official documentation and the most convincing evidence that aliens are indeed here, Good concludes that Earth is a base of operation for several alien species.

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Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

From: John Velez <jvif@spacelab.net>
Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 16:23:58 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 19:19:58 -0500
Subject: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

>From: "A.J.Gevaerd (Revista UFO)" <gevaerd@ufo.com.br>
>To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Indignation from Brazil
>Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 08:39:59 -0400

Hi Errol, hi All,

A.J. wrote,

>I just got the last results of the UFO Public Nuisance Hall of
>Fame and I am completely surprised.

<snip>

>Anyway, I continue surprised and suspicious of something not
>smelling good...

Don't ever appologise for your English A.J. - "Something not
smelling good" is as perfect a description of the UFO-PNHF as
anyone could have written. Couldn't have said it better myself!
<G> <sonrisa>

>PS.: Can I vote from Brazil????

Why would you want to? It's an infantile (not to mention a Joe
McCarthy) type of thing to participate in. Popularity lists went
out with Junior high school. (Cosas de ninos!)

What I'd really like to discuss is the content of the letter that
was recently presented to the Brazilian government. This is not
about 'who signed it' or 'why.' It is about the content of the
letter.

First, . . .

How was it recieved by your [governments] officials?

Has it resulted in any concrete action on the part of your
government?

And on a personal note:

I thought, (after reading it) that the language of the letter was
more than just a little bit speculative. I think that many
claims/statements were made in that letter that were purely
speculative in nature have never been proven as fact but, they
were nonetheless presented to your government officials in that
fashion. As if they were fact)

This bothers me tremendously as 'credibility' is always a major
issue in ufology. What hurts the progress of ufology (as an
abductee) hurts me. Until folks actually look at the already
available evidence they will never begin to formulate a course
of action. As a result, the plight of individuals like me will
continue sit in mid-boil on a (social priority) back burner
somewhere. I hope you understand where my concern and critisizm
is coming from. I applaud the effort, it took great courage. But
I do not applaud the content of the letter itself. Too much
assumption/science fiction mixed in with the facts.
It hurts us, not helps us. Just my opinion.

Good to see you posting here AJ. I have so many questions for you about Varginha, and other Brazilian sightings that I have been carefully following that I hardly know where to begin. <G>
<sonrisa>

Bienvenido mi hermano.

John Velez, Webmaster-Intruders Foundation Online/AIC

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Aurora Sighting?

From: **Greg Landry** <glandry@mailexcite.com>
Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 17:02:58 -0600
Fwd Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 20:38:08 -0500
Subject: Aurora Sighting?

Yesterday, on 2/22/98 at 16:00 Central Time, while traveling in a SW direction from the middle of the TX/LA border, I observed a very distinctive "doughnuts on a rope" contrail. It appeared to be at commercial airline altitude.

It was oriented roughly East-West and appeared to be almost directly overhead in west central Louisiana.

The contrail's shape was "doughnuts on a rope" for most of its length, then became thick and puffy. It broke up near a boundary with a light layer of cirrus clouds.

I observed no aircraft nor sound emanating from the contrail's location.

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Alfred's Odd Ode #233

From: Alfred Lehmborg <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 16:16:22 -0600
Fwd Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 20:22:22 -0500
Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #233

Apology to MW #233 (For March 23, 1998)

Oh my stars, and little sputniks, but there's water on the moon! I hope this means a lunar rush, and I hope it means it's soon! A boon to our economy, it could save us from the Rock; let's gird our loins for future's sake; own up and buy some stock!

Our destiny is manifest; to live upon new worlds. We crawled from slimy seas at first, progression was the herald. 'Twas then we gulped our first mean air -- now it's vacuum we're to breath. We'll step out into timeless space -- let's do it! Ready? HEAVE!

I know not courses you will take, but mine is changing now! There's potential, wondrous bounty, resting off the starboard bow. I'm setting sail, the winds are port, our canvases are filled; we're booming with prosperity; it's in space we'll be fulfilled!

And think of all the up sides -- no natives to subvert! A planet of unclaimed dead space; no one to shame or hurt! A gravity to play in, rare metals to refine, and toxic crap to stay in places safe, secure, confined! We'll sleep well in the vacuum, and we'll farm the lunar soil; we'll mine that precious water -- satisfactions for our toil.

We'd do it now! Why would we wait when every second counts! Where's the profit in delay when all our pressures strain and mount! Procrastinate at peril, ignore this carrot on a stick, and our watchers will conclude at last that we're as thick as bricks.

Water on the moon, my friends, water on the moon! It's enough to make you wobble; it's enough to make you swoon! It's enough to make you wishful that perhaps there is a chance we might even have some hope, still left, to laugh, or sing and dance.

Lehmborg@snowhill.com

Make it so! If I was Bill Gates, I'd pay for it myself.

Keep a billion, Bill, to start your corrupt and traditional personal dynasty <g>, but the rest should go to the moon! No one should sit on forty billion dollars, dude, even when it's the law of the land <g>.

Did you know you were compelled to eat less, and live a lot longer on the moon?

Restore John Ford.

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Explore the Alien View?

<http://www.fortunecity.com/roswell/arecibo/46/>

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UK.UFO.NW -IRC- guest Ros Renalds

From: **United Kingdom UFO Network** <ufo@holodeck.demon.co.uk>
Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 22:11:09 +0000
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Subject: UK.UFO.NW -IRC- guest Ros Renalds

UNITED KINGDOM UFO NETWORK

- Please note that uk.ufo.nw have now changed IRC servers. We now meet on Chatnet. A full list of Chatnet servers can be found at the foot of this mail -

Saturday 28th March 1998

United Kingdom UFO Network special guest:

Ros Renalds

Ros will be answering your questions live in a moderated meeting taking place at 11pm UK time on Saturday 28th February 1998.

In 1982 my life was turned upside down when I had an encounter which totally ruined my life and turned it on it's head. Before the experience I had no interest in UFOs or anything like that, my interest being country and western, horse riding and CB's.

Since then I have slowly rebuilt my life, marrying Mark the man who investigated my case and setting up a successful business. I have learned to face up to what happened even if I am not totally sure as to how to describe it. I try to help others cope and deal with the changes they feel in themselves after any strange encounter.

I have found my encounter to be both good and bad in the way my life has been influenced through it. But I find the encounter itself was not the most influential aspect as much as my experiences with people and their reactions since then.

I am definitely NOT a UFO orientated person, even now I don't have "little alien men wallpaper, t-shirt, and books". I lead as near normal life as possible running the business and showing/breeding my dogs in England and Ireland.

Unfortunately since the first 1982 encounter I have learned this is an ongoing experience. Things happen on a very much DAILY basis. I had another serious experience in Aug 1996 witnessed by a coach full of people and my last experience was on Monday 15th March 1998.

But much more has happened in between. One thing I have learned is. There is no such thing as coincidence and I am still trying to find answers. So hopefully with speaking to people I can help them and maybe, hopefully help myself too.

Here is A basic run down of my initial experience. The whole thing is very long a drawn out so I try to keep it to a minimum. Suffice it to say, if there's an avenue to investigate other than the ufo thing, I have more or less covered it, but I am open to options.

1982 late Sept. We (my boyfriend at the time Philip) decided to visit the relatives in Corby Northants and at around 8pm we had arrived at Sudbury Suffolk. As we approached, a horseshoe shaped

group of lights flew very low over the car at the same time that we passed under some power cables. I remember the lights, the silence and the blue tendrils bouncing off the cables, my first thought was "Helicopter" but everything was wrong, it's movement, speed, silence etc.

As we drove out through the town, through Long Melford and headed along the Claire to Haverhill Rd, it came back and zipped over the car 2 or 3 times scaring the pair of us.

The thing finally matched our speed and ran parallel with us for some time along the road. From the side it was a big, bright egg shaped light with a faint set of smaller coloured lights rotating around inside. I guess it was between 50 and 100 feet away and the whole thing was at least the size of the length of our car (cortina mk2). It was NOT the moon or any such object as it negotiated the hedges and telegraph wires. I had plenty of time to get a GOOD look at it. Philip on the other hand was so scared he just looked straight ahead.

The car suddenly acted as if it had run out of petrol and died along with the lights. We both had an argument as to who would look under the bonnet and then got out together. Me to keep my eyes on this thing as it hovered silently over the field.

The next thing I know was that we were both back in the car, engine running, lights on and *it* was still hovering. I did not notice this gap until later. We basically felt very quiet and subdued for want of a better explanation and just drove off as fast as possible. We never spoke the rest of the way, or I do not think we did.

We arrived at Corby, not at 10pm as expected, but 1.30-1.45am!

We made our excuses (didn't mention the event) and went home. It was the following day I suffered a severe nose bleed (never had one before or since). I started doing drawings, writing, typing and felt generally ill. I had a very bad burn mark on my chest which has scarred and a *V* shaped incision on my back. The rest of my medical problems are too much to catalogue here, but I was fine before. My lifestyle, eating habits and personality has completely changed.

For 3 years I was afraid to go outside. I split with Philip by Jan 1st on very violent terms, he was NEVER a violent person before. I sought medical help over some of the problems but never mentioned my fears of it being possibly *UFO* related, partly as I didn't admit it to myself and partly as I was embarrassed and felt I would be laughed at as a fool.

1988. A free paper with an article about UFO's popped through the door & I phoned up the group. They came and saw me and after getting very excited arranged a hypnosis session.

As the hypnotist started to put me under, a beam of light appeared in the room, the video and audio equipment malfunctioned and spun around, the sceptic who came to observe was pinned to the chair with such force as to leave claw marks on his arms and all the clocks in the house stopped. I never got hypnotised, but they did bring in a psychic investigator.

Mark Parnham tried showing me a film called "The Betty & Barney Hill story". I became completely hysterical to the point where he had to call the hypnotist on the phone to try to calm me down. I felt a flood of memories come back and a lot of disjointed memories slot into place. I have NEVER seen the film or any UFO film like it to this date. I can't. Mark has worked with me and still does. We Married in 1990 and he has to live with me and my problems 24 hrs a day, so there's no hiding anything.

I do not sleep very well at all & tend to go to bed about 3am these days. In an effort to overcome it all I now try to help others, talk to people and try to get the thing into the open and stop people laughing.

If you are using one of the dedicated IRC programs such as the excellent MIRC available free from: <http://www.mirc.co.uk/> enter one of the below irc server addresses into your program. The nearer the server to your location the faster the connection. If one fails then try another.

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Auckland: 10am (Sunday)
Beijing: 6am (Sunday)
Berlin: Midnight
Cairo: 1am (Sunday)
Colorado Springs: 4pm
Hong Kong: 6am (Sunday)
Jo'Burg: Midnight
Las Vegas: 3pm
Los Angeles: 3pm
Moscow: 2am (Sunday)
New Delhi: 4am (Sunday)
New Orleans: 5pm
New York: 6pm
Paris: Midnight
Perth: 7am (Sunday)
Rio De Janeiro: 7pm
Riyadh: 1am (Sunday)
Rome: Midnight
Singapore: 6am (Sunday)
Sydney: 9am (Sunday)
Tel Aviv: 1am (Sunday)
Tokyo: 7am (Sunday)

We look forward to seeing you there.

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New Video From Gulf Breeze

From: [Stig Agermose@online.pol.dk](mailto:Stig.Agermose@online.pol.dk) (Stig Agermose)
Date: Tue, 24 Mar 1998 01:40:02 +0100
Fwd Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 22:24:43 -0500
Subject: New Video From Gulf Breeze

Some of you will remember my post from March 15 regarding the recent wave of sightings in Gulf Breeze. The "Skywatch Diary" page which supplied the information has just been updated with a new piece. Go to

<http://www.deleree.com/skywatch-diary/index.html>

SKYWATCH DIARY

by Carole Baker

Weekly UFO sighting reports from Gulf Breeze

NEWS FLASH

NEW VIDEO FROM GULF BREEZE --At approximately 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 21st, 1997, Jeff Ritzmann from Maryland shot an approximately thirteen second video of a UFO flying from east to west over the Sound between Pensacola Beach and Gulf Breeze. He shot the footage from outside Chan's Cafe, located in the parking lot of the Best Western Hotel. The video shows a bright white/silver object travelling quite fast along the sky. Toward the end of the footage, the object seems to tilt, or turn, causing a bright flash as it catches the sun's rays. After that it appears to fade, possibly turning away, it pursues an erratic course until it is out of sight. This object does not appear to be an airplane approaching Pensacola Airport, since its speed and altitude are too high and fast at its position. They are researching a source to have this video analyzed as soon as possible. Current Diary Reports:

NEW E-MAIL ADDRESS

Carole Baker <bakerswd@bellsouth.net>

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Re: 'Unofficial' Military Bases in UK?

From: Michael Christol <mchristo@mindspring.com>
Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 19:11:50 -0600
Fwd Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 23:05:47 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Unofficial' Military Bases in UK?

>Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 09:09:47 +0000
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: Dave <dave422x@geocities.com>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: 'Unofficial' Military Bases in UK?

Jack Sargeant wrote:

>>You don't want to reveal what you know, yet you ask
>>for information about "unofficial" (in other words,
>>secret) bases.

>>Um, you wouldn't be with the KGB, or one of those types,
>>would you? <grin>

>>Regards,

>>Jack

>Nah course not! I just don't want "just anybody" knowing that I
>know about the aircraft. I used to work for a company who had a

>And if I was the KGB I'd probably already know about all the
>bases over here! <s>

>Dave

Hi Dave.

I have a friend who works for Lockheed in California. He has seen
some interesting things himself. Do you think you and I could
chat about this?

I have ICQ. Do you? If not, you can get it at
www.microsoft.com/icq Just go on there and download it, install
it, and register it. It is free. While you are at it get
NetMeeting as well. This will allow not only real time chats,
but audio and video chats as well, if you have a video camera or
camcorder and a video card, such as "snappy" or "TV for PC."
There are probably others, but these are the two I am aware of.

REgards, Mike

The fastest way to respond to this message is through the ICQ Network. A
message sent this way will go directly to my screen.

If you have ICQ you can message me at ICQ#:7508455.

If you don't have ICQ you can page me through: My Personal Communication
Center: <http://www.mirabilis.com/7508455> (go there and try it!)

Or you can send me a regular e-mail to my EmailExpress address:
7508455@pager.mirabilis.com.

Download ICQ at <http://www.icq.com/>

Include your ICQ details in YOUR e-mail signature:
<http://www.icq.com/emailsig.html>.

Re: 'Unofficial' Military Bases in UK?

My BBS Telephone Number is: (502) 683-3026
My Fax Number is: (502) 686-7394
My Home Telephone Number is: (502) 683-6811

Michael Christol

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Re: Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

From: "Gevaerd (Revista UFO)" <gevaerd@ufo.com.br>
Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 22:13:12 -0300
Fwd Date: Tue, 24 Mar 1998 00:35:23 -0500
Subject: Re: Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

>Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 13:13:17 -0500
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: Steven Kaeser <steve@konsulting.com>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

Dear Steven:

>Herein lies the problem with a "list" such as this.

>Any researcher whose work has become controversial will likely
>end up on someone's "nusiance" list, and would certainly garner a
>few votes here. However, that doesn't mean their work has been
>invalidated, or that the researcher is somehow flawed. Indeed, I
>would suggest that it also means that they were noticed for their
>contibution, and someone at least took the time to be critical
>(which IMHO is probably more than some may have deserved).

I agree completely.

>This genre has become so diverse that it is unlikely that it will
>ever be brought under one single belief structure. It's no
>wonder that many researchers have chosen to concentrate their
>efforts on one facet of ufology, and many of them have (in turn)
>chosen to avoid the endless debate in cyberspace.

>Steve

Well, I am an example of someone who tried to avoid the endless
debate in cyberspace for quite some time. If you are concentrated
in getting information to feed your mind in a larger proportion,
that's something you have to do. It has its price, but has to be
done...

On other hand, there are a lot of UFO researchers who just don't
care about that large an amount of information. Some of these
guys (a few are friends of mine) have devoted their lives to
field investigations and most of these people are plenty
satisfied with what they have found so far.

The bigger are the questions, the bigger will the answers? Maybe.

A. J. Gevaerd

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Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

From: "Gevaerd (Revista UFO)" <gevaerd@ufo.com.br>
Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 22:05:46 -0300
Fwd Date: Tue, 24 Mar 1998 00:32:15 -0500
Subject: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

>From: XianneKei <XianneKei@aol.com> [Rebecca Keith]
>Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 12:59:53 EST
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

>> From: "Gevaerd (Revista UFO)" <gevaerd@ufo.com.br>
>> To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <updates@globalserve.net>
>> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame
>> Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 08:23:40 -0400

Hi Rebecca!

>With the internet growing the way it has been, we are
>increasingly becoming a global society.

I definitely agree with that. And it is each day harder and
harder to get familiarized and updated with such increase.

>A. J. I am not at all familiar with your work, although, I do
>know your name and have it seen associated with several cases
>(don't ask me which ones!). Some of the people you mention above
>are people whom I like, but that doesn't go hand in hand with
>respecting their work.

I understand.

>I'm thrilled that you are so devoted to ufology, but does it ever
>make you upset that ufology doesn't get much respect -- not only
>outside the field, but inside as well?

Sure. It is not a problem we are facing only now and this problem
will not fade away. Ufology, because of its own nature, isn't
something exactly respected, as well as UFO researchers are not
very much respected either. There are some countries where this
problem is smaller, however (Chile for instance).

>If I devoted as much time as you claim (and I'm not doubting you)
>to ufology, I'd be upset when people whom I respected promoted
>lousy cases, such as the Alien Autopsy or the genuiness (whatever
>THAT means) of crop circles.

That upsets me, too. And sometimes I have that feeling that it
doesn't matter what you do, how you do and how much you do,
things will always be the same. Right now, in Brazil, we are
engaged in a very serious argument with UFO sects. I have
published long articles in my magazine denouncing the
activities of UFO cults, most of the time fooling people and
using believer's good will in the name of UFOs and ETs. I made
quite a few enemies because of that, but I just don't care.

>It has been clearly demonstrated by Theresa Carlson that there
>are problems with the Alien Autopsy. While she wasn't the first
>naysayer, she has found clear and convincing evidence that the
>Mr. Santilli's video is not what it has been claimed to be. Yet,
>people you respect, like Mr. Hesemann, have refused to even look
>at her work and continue on with banal excuses for the video's
>genuiness.

I see. Michael is a little stubborn and temperamental, but he is a good guy. He might not tell you that he has looked into other evidences against the film. He may not admit it, but I am sure he has... And I believe that if he had found something that he believed in those evidences, he would have give them a chance. Here we Brazil we say: there is nothing like one day after the other to build people.

>Why would you respect someone like that? How could you trust any
>of his work, when he has clearly demonstrated his mind is made up?

Well, Rebecca, you must be your own judge. I can only answer to myself. And the answer for me is that nobody is essentially bad or wrong and nobody is completely right or accurate. Another Brazilian saying: there's nobody stupid enough that he or she doesn't have anything to teach someone else. And there's nobody that smart that doesn't have anything to learn from someone else...

>I have to disregard Hesemann's work entirely, because his "work"
>can't be trusted. He has clearly misrepresented a number of
>things about the alien autopsy video. Sure, maybe he does do
>something good, but once an "expert" makes a mistake, it more or
>less taints the rest of their work.

Ok.

>You speak of generalizations, but ufology isn't the only places
>generalizations occur. The public, whom I would suspect that some
>"researchers" are trying to reach about the seriousness of this
>phenomenon we call ufology, generalizes everyone remotely
>interested in the phenomenon into one group: KOOKS!

Oh yes, generalizations occur everywhere, everyday. The public can't tell much difference between good and bad UFO researchers. This is a problem that was created partially by the UFO researchers themselves and partially by the government misinformation programs. If UFO researchers -- and let's generalize -- were more united and less egoistic, we could have reached much more knowledge of the phenomena by now.

>Frankly, A. J., I don't like that. And as long as we tolerate
>people who make wild unsubstantiated claims and who do lousy
>research, we are going to be considered "one of them."

I agree with you, however partially. I think we must get away from adventurers and work for the establishment of higher standards in UFO research. But we have to be careful not to create an apartheid. Here, in Brazil, I am proud to say that we have about 90% of all UFO researchers united. It is over 70-80 good, accurate researchers working together. Well, we have a few bad guys down here too..,

>In reference to Hesemann, you mention that some of his work you
>disregard because you don't like it. Do you ever say that in
>public? Specifically, what part of his work do you not like? I
>would think as someone who devotes as much time to this field as
>you do, that you would want to point out, via you various
>publications and lectures, which work is bad. That's called peer
>review -- something which is sorely lacking in this field.

Sometimes I do. I am a friend of Michael and that's what friends are for. I particularly have some problems with the Meier case, not to say the autopsies... BUT I HAVEN'T BEEN ENGAGED in the research myself and I cannot do anything more than see the other guy's research -- pro and con -- and have my own opinion. I prefer to devote my time researching (when I have time), and most doing analyze of the data, so I can publish the better info available in the magazine.

>A. J., your English is great. I appreciate the effort you made in
>responding.

>Thank you.

>Rebecca

It was my pleasure, Rebecca.

Best regards.

A. J.

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Re: 'Unofficial' Military Bases in UK?

From: **The Duke of Mendoza** <101653.2205@compuserve.com> [Peter Brookesmith]
Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 21:03:22 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 24 Mar 1998 00:39:56 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Unofficial' Military Bases in UK?

With the compliments of CO 239th Mountain Brigade, Mossad:

>Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 09:09:47 +0000
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: Dave <dave422x@geocities.com>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: 'Unofficial' Military Bases in UK?

>I just don't want "just anybody" knowing that I
>know about the aircraft. I used to work for a company who had a
>lot to do with both Lockheed & BAe and I wasn't supposed to see
>what I saw, if you get what I mean.

[...]

I think you just blew your cover, son.

You'll shortly see tiny bright lights hovering high over your house in the wee small hours. That'll be Pflock's BOGUS-1 and the 239th's own CNI-DAWG spysats cosyng up together to count your cat's whiskers, check your friends' fingerprints, read the contents of your dustbins, and exchange information on tomorrow's runners at Aintree.

Speaking of rubbish... what can you tell us Tim Matthews hasn't?

Yrs &c
P. Disinformation Mendoza
"Obeying the 11th Commandment"

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Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

From: "Gevaerd (Revista UFO)" <gevaerd@ufo.com.br>
Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 22:44:35 -0300
Fwd Date: Tue, 24 Mar 1998 08:10:14 -0500
Subject: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

>Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 16:23:58 -0500
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: John Velez <jvif@spacelab.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

John Velez wrote:

>Don't ever appologise for your English A.J. - "Something not
>smelling good" is as perfect a description of the UFO-PNHF as
>anyone could have written. Couldn't have said it better myself!
><G> <sonrisa>

Thanks John. But what does it mean PNHF???

>>PS.: Can I vote from Brazil????

>Why would you want to? It's an infantile (not to mention a Joe
>McCarthy) type of thing to participate in. Popularity lists went
>out with Junior high school. (Cosas de ninos!)

I was just checking on the possibility that someone from Brazil
is voting. That could mean that a so called opponent I have in
this country could be voting on me... Just a though, anyway...

>What I'd really like to discuss is the content of the letter that
>was recently presented to the Brazilian government. This is not
>about 'who signed it' or 'why.' It is about the content of the
>letter.

Sure.

>How was it recieved by your [governments] officials?

It was received officially by authorities designated by the
federal government. But so far we haven't had the happiness of
seeing, or hearing any one of the them doing something about our
requests.

>Has it resulted in any concrete action on the part of your
>government?

Not yet, but we will start a campaign in June for fully
recognisement of UFO Phenomena in Brazil. Do you know that Chile
recently recognised the phonemena as extraterrestrial and even
created a official civilian-military commission to investigate
the subject?

>And on a personal note:

>I thought, (after reading it) that the language of the letter was
>more than just a little bit speculative. I think that many
>claims/statements were made in that letter that were purely
>speculative in nature have never been proven as fact but, they
>were nonetheless presented to your government officials in that
>fashion. As if they were fact)

Some researchers disagree that the UFO phenomena is
extraterrestrial.... Some say that we shouldn't be talking it

without proofs.... We used this kind of words in the letter. Because, for us, Brazilian researchers, there's no more need to prove that ETs are ETs, that UFOs are from out of this planet and that they are coming here often. Some people disagreed. They preferred that we use words such as "possibly", "accidentally", "who knows" etc.

>This bothers me tremendously as 'credibility' is always a major
>issue in ufology. What hurts the progress of ufology (as an
>abductee) hurts me. Until folks actually look at the already
>available evidence they will never begin to formulate a course
>of action. As a result, the plight of individuals like me will
>continue sit in mid-boil on a (social priority) _back burner_
>somewhere. I hope you understand where my concern and criticism
>is coming from. I applaud the effort, it took great courage. But
>I do not applaud the _content_ of the letter itself. Too much
>assumption/science fiction mixed in with the facts.
>It hurts us, not helps us. Just my opinion.

You say you are an abductee. Who abducted you? Terrestrials? Well, John, all we did in the letter was to write things that we firmly believe we know for sure. I understand (and please don't apologize) your criticism, but it is necessary to tell what we know to everyone. Not to be afraid. But I also think that most the governments of this planet don't need to be told what we know. Because they know already the truth.

>Good to see you posting here AJ. I have so many questions for you
>about Varginha, and other Brazilian sightings that I have been
>carefully following that I hardly know where to begin. <G>
><sonrisa>

Thanks for the warm reception. Please feel free to ask. I will try to answer all your questions or find someone who can.

>Bienvenido mi hermano.

>John Velez, Webmaster-Intruders Foundation Online/AIC

Thanks agains and please say Hi to Budd!

A. J.

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Re: Alfred's Odd Ode #233

From: authority@webtv.net (Doc in Phoenix) [John M. Barry]
Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 19:32:08 -0700
Fwd Date: Tue, 24 Mar 1998 08:04:28 -0500
Subject: Re: Alfred's Odd Ode #233

>Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 16:16:22 -0600
>From: Alfred Lehmborg <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #233

I am delighted that postings are finally paying attention to
NASA's announcement of ice at the poles on the moon.

Doc in Phoenix, Founder and President,
North Lunar Pole Ice Skating Pavillion

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from government sources. Any negativity is coming from UFOlogists and researchers. We've been burnt enough that we are looking at each new disclosure of information very carefully now.

I'm also not comfortable with the idea that Corso is only giving us the Army's side of this story. If the Army had this much to work with, what about the Air Force or the Navy? (It surprises most researchers when they discover that the Navy has always been the department assigned to investigate UFOs, not the Air Force.)

Now comes along a new player in this game. Jack Shulman, president of American Computer Company, has also come forward with his discoveries concerning alien back-engineering that led to the development of the transistor. The American Computer Company has been publishing a series of articles on a web site devoted to the Roswell incident.

According to Shulman, he discovered a "lab shopkeeper's notebook" while working as a consultant, with ties to Bell Labs. He later acquired thousands of more pages, dating back to the post-war period.

Shulman says that he plans to release at least one "bombshell" from the notebook per month until the government agrees to disclose their own information. In December he announced the transcapacitor (T-Cap), a device that can store vast amounts of data while consuming very little energy. He says that his company plans to manufacture a 90-gigabyte storage device within the next couple of years that will sell for about \$800. In January he announced the photonitron. (I wonder what was revealed in February?)

UFO Magazine also discussed Corso's book "The Day After Roswell", stating that Corso "was the first to raise questions about Bell Labs' account of its discovery of the transistor. My personal database shows this to be incorrect. Peter Moon, author of the Montauk book series, talks about the transistor being an alien device in "Montauk Revisited", Sky Books 1994.

According to Moon, a company was formed in the 1950's to manufacture electronic devices. This company was known as the E.T. Company, and supposedly produced almost all the transistors in the U.S. during the 1950's. This was an actual company, and Moon shows a copy of their letter head in his book. According to a former employee, the company joke was that "E.T." stood for "Extra-Terrestrial." Another employee also admitted that the original device, a Surface Barrier Transistor, was indeed obtained from an "alien" source.

Moon was able to obtain an original data sheet on these devices. In the footnotes at the bottom of the page he found the statement, "The research leading to the development of the Surface Barrier Transistor was supported in part by the Bureau of Ships, Dept. of Navy", and gave the contract number. Sounds like the Navy counterpart to what Corso claims that he was doing for the Army.

Great Britain was working on a device that they called the Crystal valve in 1946, but Bell Labs managed to be first, by introducing the transistor in 1947. They were also referring to their early device as a crystal valve. The first transistors produced for the military during this time period were labeled as a "crystal amplifier." It didn't say transistor.

Bell Labs' assignment appeared to be focused mainly on releasing this new device in a manner that was easily reproducible and marketable. A man named Osborne was asked to handle the business end. He and his partners then formed the first company that would market these crystal amplifiers. Osborne knew that this device was the result of alien technology, so he came up with the name "E.T. Company", planning to change it to the full name "Extra-Terrestrial Company" after the aliens were introduced to the general public, which he thought would happen within a few years. He wanted to have a monopoly on the name.

The problem with this name was that sooner or later someone would want to know what E.T. stood for. The E. could stand for Electronic, but what about the T. This crystal valve was sort of like a translator, but that name didn't quite sound right. It also had properties of a resistor, so they decided to put the two names together, and came up with the name "Transistor." If anyone asked, they were the Electronic Transistor Company.

The E.T. Company was in actuality a spinoff of Western Electric, the Bell company that has been linked to being a major contractor to the Navy for the "Philadelphia Experiment." The E.T. Company was making nearly all of the transistors being sold, and Bell Labs was promoting them through their channels.

Peter Moon has stated that the aliens providing this technology were from

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UFOs, and we decided to form a small group to study them. (This had to be more fun than math or English) We even started a project to figure out a way to build a UFO. (It's amazing what you think you can do when you're young)

After highschool, I joined the Air Force, to hopefully pursue a career in Electronics. To my amazement, I soon found myself working for the Aerospace Defense Command, maintaining the equipment that provided radar feeds to NORAD. Yes, I saw some very strange blips on my radar screens. Craft that flew faster and higher than anything we had at the time.(I plan to write an article on the TRUE nature of UFO radar reports) I had already been collecting data during highschool, and now my interest was piqued more than ever. I read everything that I could find on the subject. I was determined to find an answer. After what I thought was a rather uneventful 4 years in the Military, (I found out later that maybe it wasn't so uneventful after all, just the opposite - another article?) I returned to civilian life and continued my research.

I organized the first MUFON group here in Birmingham, in hopes that I could meet with others that held additional pieces to this puzzle. I trained to properly conduct a real investigation. (My first investigation was a real nut case. As soon as I got out of my car, the witness started pointing at stars in the night sky. There's one... there's another one over there. I still feel that something strange was going on in the area, ...maybe not UFOs, supernatural maybe, but the witness could not be relied on for any kind of accurate information) I was discovering that interviewing people about lights in the sky wasn't leading me anywhere. Also, being in charge of a MUFON group (A very good group of people) was taking away my research time.

At the present I'm on extended leave from my computed network troubleshooting job, while I pursue my new career in real estate. I've had time to reflect back on my own research notes and rummage through my overflowing file cabinet, containing all the data that I've collected for over 30 years. I've learned to look beyond the lure of the major events of the past 50 years and concentrate on what was happening on the sidelines. What I'm seeing now is stranger than I anything that I had ever expected to find. (Hopefully a book can come out of all of this.)

While I was a part of MUFON, I had the opportunity to meet, and talk to, some of the big names in UFO research. After the initial shock of being able to talk to them face-to-face wore off, I began to realize that they didn't seem to know any more about any of this strangeness than I did (even though they had some very interesting ideas). Any one of you readers out there has just as good a chance of researching and unraveling this mystery as anyone else.

With that said, here are my views as to what we've discovered with 50 years of research.

[1] Unconventional objects are flying around in our skies and near space.

These objects have many different shapes, and have flight characteristics that far surpass anything that we believe any Government in the world is capable of producing at the present time. They range in size from tiny points of light, to several miles across. Many of these objects are undoubtedly secret military craft that are unknown to the general public, like the Aurora, or the Navy A-12 Manta. We don't know that the technology behind them originated from an extraterrestrial source, only that it is more advanced. (The government may know, but they're not telling)

Note:

I have actually had one of the "triangles" fly directly overhead at almost treetop level. Believe me, they exist!

[2] Sometimes these objects crash.

There are too many reports from all over the world from too many witnesses. The same pattern always emerges, with a military (or military-like) unit isolating the area, and cleaning up the crash site. Coverups and disinformation campaigns then cloud the issue further. Research shows that some type of incident did occur at Roswell. There are also very important revelations concerning

Roswell that still aren't being addressed. (The military was already in the area with scientists and crash teams ready to be activated. I hope to do an article on this in the near future)

[3] Technological advances made in the last 50 years appear to be in excess of what would normally be expected. These jumps in technology are now pointing back to the late 40s and early 50s.

Linking today's present level of technology to an alien source may be our best bet in forcing this mystery out into the open.

[4] Various types of Aliens appear to be involved.

When I say alien, I don't mean in an extraterrestrial sense. I'm not saying that they aren't ETs, only that they're just alien to us, and we don't know for sure where they come from.

Note:

The most common type of aliens are the Greys. If reports about them are true (That they don't have a reproductive or a digestive system), I would guess that they are nothing more than biological robots, created to serve a certain purpose. (Maybe even to create the illusion of aliens. The concept of aliens deserves to be covered in a separate article later)

[5] The abduction phenomena is real.

Too many people are giving the same details for this not to be real. The question is, are these abductions physical or spiritual, or a combination of both? I like the new term, experiencers, better. The fact that experiencers are sometimes floated through closed windows, and appear to enter a realm that resembles our concept of the afterlife, seems to give parts of the abduction phenomena a paranormal feeling.

Note:

I feel that some researchers are depending too much on hypnosis to get answers. Hypnosis is only a tool, and its use requires formal training in order to insure that the experiencer is not "led" in the process of retrieving data. Researchers point to the fact that different witnesses are giving the same information. But, they could all have been given similar screen memories. So, I do think that certain persons are going through this phenomena, but, I don't feel as if we are seeing the deeper true experience that is really happening.

[6] UFOs are taking energy from our electrical power grid, and water from our oceans, rivers, lakes and reservoirs.

Numerous witnesses have observed UFOs hovering near, or following, electrical power lines. On several occasions the object was observed extending a rod-like device onto the power lines. This could have something to do with the mysterious causes of major power blackouts.

It's also a well known fact among researchers that UFOs are attracted to large bodies of water. Witnesses have reported them even entering into and emerging from these bodies of water. They've also been observed taking in water, either by the extendable rod, or by a hose-like device.

[7] Separate paranormal events are associated with UFOs.

Researchers and witnesses alike are recipients of these paranormal events. Witnesses have reported all kinds of strangeness after going through a UFO related experience. These may include enhanced ESP and psychic abilities, poltergeist-type activity around them, unusual interactions with electrical or electronic devices (blowing light bulbs more often, street lamps turning off when they walk under them, devices that won't work or seem to work when turned off, strange tones on their telephone lines, etc...),

The same is true concerning those of us that take an active interest in this phenomena. It would seem that just investigating UFOs attracts this strangeness.

Note:

How many of you have experienced anything unusual that you feel is connected with UFO or paranormal interests? I would like to hear from you, and include your stories in this newsletter.

because sharp new images of the "Face" may soon be available. The National Aeronautics and Space Administration Global Surveyor spacecraft, now orbiting Mars, is scheduled to begin imaging in 1999.

Global Surveyor's camera is capable of making images with 30 times the resolution, or sharpness, of the Viking cameras. It can distinguish objects as small as 4.6 feet across, and will try to image the "Face."

Van Flandern holds a doctorate in astronomy from Yale University. Until 1991, he was chief of the celestial mechanics branch at the U. S. Naval Observatory, a respected astronomy facility. He then founded Meta Research, an organization based here, that fosters research on topics that conflict with mainstream theories in astronomy.

The "Face on Mars," he explained, certainly fits that bill. Some people claim that images of the Cydonia region, taken in the 1970s from the Viking spacecraft, show a gigantic human face, a pyramid, and other structures left by some ancient extra-terrestrial civilization.

In the eyes of some, the "Face" bears a striking resemblance to the "death masks" that ancient Egyptians used to adorn the sarcophagus of King Tut and other rulers. Indeed, some hint that the "Face" may be part of an immense tomb on the Red Planet.

Believers have come up with all kinds of intricate mathematical relationships between the Face and several associated landforms that supposedly prove the structures are artificial.

Conspiracy theories, charging NASA and the military with a cover-up, also abound.

"The conventional view is that this is all nonsense," says Dr. Michael C. Malin. He is chief investigator for the Mars Global Surveyor Orbiter Camera.

Cydonia, he explained, is a desert-like region that has undergone the same kinds of weathering that carve weird landforms in terrestrial deserts. He regards the features at Cydonia as strictly natural, the result of Martian weathering and erosion.

Van Flandern said his study undermines the main argument against an artificial origin for the "Face:" Its apparently random orientation on the Martian surface.

"No apparent purpose is served by a face monument looking upward toward space if it is not oriented right-side up and in an attention-getting location with respect to the surface of the planet," he said.

On Earth, one such location, visible for great distances from space, might be right on the equator, he indicated.

Van Flandern analyzed data from previous studies showing that the Martian north and south poles occupied a different position in the past. A meteor impact or other cataclysmic event relocated the poles to their current position millions of years ago. He concluded that the "Face" originally was in a much different location.

"It was a great shock to me to discover that the Cydonia area was right on the old Martian equator," he said.

Further analysis showed that the "Face" is oriented perpendicular to that old equator. The bridge of its "nose" is oriented almost exactly north-to-south.

"This has only about a 1 percent probability of occurring by chance," Dr. Van Flandern said. "The weight of existing evidence appears to have shifted in favor of an artificial origin of the Cydonia complex."

Van Flandern predicted that the Mars Global Surveyor's high-resolution cameras will finally determine whether the "Face" is a natural geologic structure, or something constructed by an earlier civilization.

Almost as an afterthought, he observed to a standing-room- only

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The UFO Evidence - Nicap - A Position Statement

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Subject: The UFO Evidence - Nicap - A Position Statement

THE UFO EVIDENCE - NICAP - A POSITION STATEMENT
Richard Hall

Over thirty years ago I compiled this documentary report (The UFO Evidence - 1964) for the leading UFO investigation group, the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP) in Washington, D.C. Few people at that time were aware of the scope and consistency of UFO reports by credible witnesses such as scientists, professional pilots, police officers, and even U.S. Air Force personnel. The Air Force was officially charged with conducting a UFO investigation, but maintained that nothing of any importance was being observed.

When The UFO Evidence was released in July 1964, coinciding with a new wave of sightings after a lull of several years, it received national and international news coverage as well as serious attention in the U.S. Congress. Less than two years later, as the sightings increased, the Air Force UFO project came under heavy fire and the House Armed Services Committee held hearings.

Late in 1966, with prodding from Congress, an investigation of the Air Force Project Blue Book was undertaken through a contract with the University of Colorado. When Dr. E. U. Condon, the scientific director, repeatedly made public statements ridiculing the UFO subject before the investigation was completed, the Colorado Project became equally controversial.

In short, nobody could agree on the evidence or how to go about studying it. Proponents like NICAP insisted that the focus should be on the apparent "signal" (credible reports from qualified witnesses showing strong patterns), while detractors tended to see only "noise" (many witnesses were fooled by common phenomena such as aircraft strobe lights and bright meteors). Despite obvious patterns and consistencies among the data after weak reports were screened out, scientists and public officials failed to recognize them or shied away from the subject because it was too controversial.

In one sense, little has changed since 1964. Skeptics have hardened their attitudes, science and government seem unable to deal with the issue, and many people continue to make poor and unconvincing UFO reports. However, significant reports by highly credible witnesses have multiplied. All of the patterns set forth in The UFO Evidence (1964) have been strongly confirmed by repeated observations, and several new patterns have emerged as well.

This report comprises a cross section of the UFO mystery as it appeared then. Sightings are presented by witness category and special types of evidence. The UFO Evidence remains a valuable resource and reference work, cited in nearly every major book on the subject published in the past thirty years.

A new volume that will cover the years since 1964 is now in preparation (due out this year) and will be a companion volume to the original report, bringing the subject up to date. New tables and case summaries will demonstrate that expert witnesses have continued to report exactly the same kind of objects: geometric shapes (typically disks, ellipses, or cigars) that perform in

typical ways and leave typical physical traces or other evidence.

The new volume will also report the history of the Air Force Project Blue Book after 1964, the University of Colorado Project study, and other new developments in the history of UFOs. It will also address the so-called UFO abduction phenomenon, reported interactions of human beings with apparent alien beings. Abductions first began coming into public awareness late in the 1960s and 1970s, and have dominated the UFO subject in recent years.

This reprint of The UFO Evidence (1964) affords recent generations an opportunity to read and study a report that has been widely hailed as a classic of the UFO literature. Copies of the original report have become quite scarce, and those few that can be found sell at a premium on the UFO "black market." The content was eye-opening at the time, and remains even now an important summary of the case for real UFOs. Over thirty years of data since then have totally replicated its findings.

Richard Hall

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Israeli UFO Wave of 96

From: koch@wad.berlin.fido.de (Joachim Koch)
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Fwd Date: Tue, 24 Mar 1998 18:18:12 -0500
Subject: Israeli UFO Wave of 96

Dear Errol, Dear List,

I was quite startled and a bit sad about the malice attitude in which Mr. Chamish responded to the information I forwarded here about the Israeli UFO wave of 96.

Since the first reports of the events in Israel reached Germany I have successfully tried to get in contact with the authors of the various e-mails. So I followed the chain of events quite well.

By the time, from these contacts one emerged as more durable than the others. My Source Of Information (MYSI) is male and authorized me to tell that [he] "... does not want any ufologist publicity now or in the future and does not intend to make any profit from ufology. I make enough money in my work in the software industry. Unlike Mr Chamish, ufology is just an area of interest for me, not work. "

When I am talking here of MYSI then I don't want to play the game of someone "who is in the know" but just protect the personal security of someone who has some military connections and scientific/technological background. I thought that we here in this list have a vivid interest in getting information from serious sources and that this list should help to find out what really is going on.

It was never my intention to raise a campaign against Mr. Chamish. I only found it interesting to get further information about what happened in Israel and maybe someone else here finds it interesting, too. If not, please let me know.

Well, here are further information that should help to get a clearer picture of the situation in "UFO-Israel".

Yesterday, MYSI wrote to me concerning Mr. Chamish (bc>) and his reports:

-----slightly edited correspondence-----

bc>as Gil Bar's November filming of an ellipsoid disk captured in 4 PM
bc>sunlight being chased by an Israeli Air Force F-15.

I interrogated Gil Bar [...] i made him describe in details every aspect of what he saw, how he filmed, the conditions etc.

[...]

He was totally unaware of several widely known aspects of Israel's air defence and of radar detection in general. He is an enthusiast teenager, a kid, who thinks that cutting things from newspapers is a scientific way of research. I have NOT seen the film but from what I deduce from his answers to my very specific questions, there's at least one possible and reasonable, even if not daily, explanation to what he described. It might still be a UFO too, but I'll bet on an earthly phenomena in this case.

>the small green lizard-like creature was, just to show how easy it is

>for us to fool ourselves, even when UFOs are not involved..

Two weeks ago, days after the brutal rape and murder of a young woman in Jerusalem, a young man from Jerusalem called the police saying that his cat brought home what looks like a human male penis. The police reacted immediately, things got to the news and everyone followed the police's search to find the dead body of a man from which the penis must have come from. only after a day or two it was verified that the piece of dead meat was a very young dead baby cat.... no penis, no dead body, no crime. just a dead cat.

bc> WHO THE HELL IS THIS CREEP KOCH? by Barry Chamish

How nice of him, how the saying goes.. " the mouse that roared like a lion"

bc>articles about the matter in Israelian ISRAELI NOT ISRAELIAN.
bc>HERE'S A GUY RIGHT ON TOP OF ISRAEL.

considering Chamish's repeated errors in describing geographic places and distances in Israel's he better be more humble.

bc>two young newcomers, Gil Bar

Gil Bar is only a teenager, a kid, who cuts articles about UFOs from newspapers and magazines, he was astonished when I told him about the possibilities of gathering such info from Internet, and didn't know some basic well known facts about the Israeli air defence system (re:UFOs) and radar detection in general.

His only "contribution" to ufology ever was filming what he thought to be a UFO and talking with Chamish about it. See the rest of what i wrote about this above. if Chamish considers Gil Bar a newcomer ufologist it's not only a bad humor, it also show how unreliable Chamish's descriptions are.

bc>and Eddie Shpitz,

same story. just a guy who filmed something. Unlike Mr. Rotem and others, he's NOT a ufologist. period.

bc> - 1997 saw three UFOs filmed in Rishon Letzion, 20 miles south wrong distance

bc>Tel Aviv and a center of UFO activity since 1993

unbelievable exaggeration of things, pompous descriptions, like a bag of hot air.

bc>THE INCIDENT IS RECEIVING WIDE COVERAGE BY THE UFOLOGISTS OF
bc>ISRAEL.

Ignoring Chamish's insulting attitude, Israel is a country in which every small aerial event, normal or UFO, gets full media coverage. any ufo related event, real or not, got coverage, including the Kadima events, the "big foot robot" event, mutilations, landings, police chases after ufos, the Achihud green thing. all those and many other events got full local coverage and I heard of all of them. I think it's safe to say if an event Mr Chamish talks about ever happened and did not get media coverage, it was not worth taking about, whether real of hoax. That's all. and like most Israelis I hear/see/read news several times a day.

bc> ACTUALLY BELIEVES THE ISRAELI MEDIA REPORTS UFO INCIDENTS.

It really does. all the other events got full coverage (TV, newspapers)

bc>HAVE TO DIG FOR THEM.

The Achihud green thing got prime time for 2-3 days. No need to "dig" to find it.

>>1. Too many Tel-Aviv residents, and tourists on the beach
>>riviera, would see this, enough of them would have a camcorder
>>handy and would call TV within minutes hoping to get good money
>>for the film.

and Chamish's response....

bc>THAT'S IT. I'M NOT ANSWERING ANYMORE. THE REST OF THIS GOES ON THE
bc>SAME WAY.

Considering Mr Chamish's responses so far, which contradicts the image he tries to present of a 'serious' journalist, there's no wonder that when faced with 3 hard facts (the one above and the two which follow, he fully stops answering at the first of them.

People here send tapes to the TV program similar to "America's Funniest Home Videos" with much less than UFOs, for prizes. There's no way Mr Chamish can argue with the above and the other two facts I gave (quoted below) regarding the Tel-Aviv air traffic corridor. No wonder he wouldn't deal with it. He just can't.

bc>HE NEVER HEARD OF ANY INCIDENTS.

I've heard of all the other incidents in full detail.

bc>BYE All. BARRY

Like a bank robber saying "leave the rest, that's enough" to the cashier which puts money in his bag when he hears the police sirens..

>>2. The skies over Tel-Aviv are a busy air corridor. It's the main
>>air corridor for international air traffic to/from Israel, and
>>within visual range from 3 very active airfields in the north
>>east,south, two of them military and the third is Israel's main
>>civil airport. Any disturbance in this air corridor would be seen
>>almost instantly by both radar and visual by several air traffic
>>controllers and pilots and this would trigger an immediate
>>response...

>>3. Any unidentified, or even uncontrolled!! air traffic over the
>>Tel-Aviv area would bring an immediate response - F-15s,
>>constantly at very high readiness, are located in a fourth large
>>airfield within less than a minute flight from Tel-Aviv. They
>>would be over Tel-Aviv very fast, and their noise (which so many
>>military veteran Israelis can easily distinguish from the noise of
>>a civil airliner) would bring the rest of the population to look
>>up. again, enough of them would have camcorders handy.

>>So the above story never happened or you'd have seen it in CNN and
>>every other TV network at the same day.

As I said, there's no way Mr Chamish can argue with those hard facts. If a UFO would ever be seen over Tel-Aviv in perfect daylight conditions chased by an F-15, the CNN office in Israel's would get the tape and show it the same day. period.

bc>On October 10, a UFO was seen over the Kadima suburb of Tel
bc>Yitzhak.

Chamish has a strange way of describing small suburbs as cities and smaller separate villages as suburbs...

bc>I will be bringing the videos of the low flying invasion of
bc>TelAviv, the F-15 chasing a most distinct disk over Rishon Letzion

>That would be interesting. the area between the nearby cities of
>Tel-Aviv and Rishon are both densely populated, busy with air
>traffic , and very sensitive in military terms. No visible
>aircraft, human or UFO can fly there without being seen,
>especially at day time, and without triggering a quick response
>by the Israeli air force, even for the simple reason of civil air
>traffic safety in this dense air corridor.
>Again, consider any info from Mr. Chamish with caution!

Great caution i would say now. he's not better than any of the many hot-air know-alls you can read in Internet, in newsgroups etc. i hope not too many in the UFOlogy community will take any word he said for granted just because he's from Israel's and they're not.

-----end of correspondence-----

If anything new happens, I'll keep you updated.

Auf Wiedersehen!

Joachim Koch

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100 Witnesses to Mexico City UFO?

From: [Ufojoel <Ufojoel@aol.com>](mailto:Ufojoel@aol.com) [Joe Murgia]
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Fwd Date: Tue, 24 Mar 1998 17:55:34 -0500
Subject: 100 Witnesses to Mexico City UFO?

Hi All,

My wife and I attended the Gulf Breeze UFO Conference (No Sightings. Damn!). During Jamie Maussen's lecture he dropped what I think is a bombshell if it pans out. The rest of the lecture was great. Project Awareness does a great job!

Maussen was lots of fun. He really seems like a nice guy. He didn't add anything new to the case except at the end when he dropped the bombshell. According to him, there are almost 100 witnesses ready to come forward and talk about what they saw on August 6th, 1997. Before it was only about 15 people. If this is true, then this will really make the case extremely strong.

He said that the new witnesses didn't want to come forward because they were afraid of the publicity. He said that political reasons had kept the witnesses from talking but that they had decided they would come forward now.. He didn't elaborate as to why they changed their minds.

During the question portion of the lecture, I asked Maussen if UPN knew about these witnesses. He and his assistant, who was in Gulf Breeze, both said they didn't think that UPN had this information. They both seemed to think that the case was strong enough without the other witnesses. I said that 15 or so witnesses was good but 100 would push the case over the top. Maussen said he doesn't care if the skeptics don't believe with only 15 witnesses.

I think something got lost in the translation because Maussen should care about the supposed new witnesses. This is what we need to shut-up all the skeptics who might claim that the small group of Mexicans had been paid off and they were lying. My skeptic co-workers believe this is a strong possibility. After hearing and seeing some of the witnesses, I don't think for a second that they were paid off and making it up. I think you will all agree when you see the UPN special. That's if UPN does a good job. April 6th - I can't wait.

Maussen also showed other new videos which were amazing. One showed glowing objects in the sky. In past Mexico videos there were shots of 20 and 30 glowing objects hovering and moving in the sky. This new video seemed to show at least 100 or so of these objects. It was incredible!

Maussen also showed a video of a supposed ET. It was pretty freaky. According to Maussen, there was an object tracked on radar at the airport at same time the ET was allegedly videotaped. There are also many witnesses in the immediate area that saw strange objects in the sky. The ground also had been affected similar to a crop circle but not exactly. The ET had two antennae. Fake or real, it was interesting.

Joe Murgia

BTW - Maussen speaks English but his accent is very strong. Maybe he didn't understand exactly what I was saying when I asked him about the witnesses. Maybe my accent (Don't think I have one) and

my habit of talking too quickly made it hard for him to understand me.

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The Latest Gulf Breeze Sighting

From: Vicki Lyons <vickilyons01@sprynet.com>
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Fwd Date: Wed, 25 Mar 1998 03:58:22 -0500
Subject: The Latest Gulf Breeze Sighting

Please note that the most astounding thing about the new sighting with the video taken on March 22 in Gulf Breeze was that it took place in the middle of the Gulf Breeze UFO conference! The video was taken by out of state attendees to the conference! That is what makes this so interesting! We transferred the videotape immediately to the proper format in order to be able to show the tape a few hours later to all the conference attendees in the lecture hall. The tape will be available for viewing on the Projectawareness web site by Friday, March 27th. The address to view the tape is:

www.projectawareness.com

There was also another sighting during the conference on Friday night, March 20th by Don and Cindy Rash. They saw a disc with lights all around it on the bay bridge and were interviewed live on air on the Art Bell show by Linda Howe in her segment on Dreamland.

Linda interviewed them and said they were wonderful witnesses.

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Re: 'Unofficial' Military Bases in UK?

From: Dave <dave422x@geocities.com> [Dave Watkinson]

Date: Tue, 24 Mar 1998 13:42:53 +0000

Fwd Date: Wed, 25 Mar 1998 03:54:09 -0500

Subject: Re: 'Unofficial' Military Bases in UK?

>Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 21:03:22 -0500

>From: The Duke of Mendoza <101653.2205@compuserve.com> [Peter Brookesmith]

>Subject: 'Unofficial' Military Bases in UK?

>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>

>I think you just blew your cover, son.

>You'll shortly see tiny bright lights hovering high over your
>house in the wee small hours. That'll be Pflock's BOGUS-1 and the
>239th's own CNI-DAWG spysats cosyng up together to count your
>cat's whiskers, check your friends' fingerprints, read the
>contents of your dustbins, and exchange information on tomorrow's
>runners at Aintree.

>Speaking of rubbish... what can you tell us Tim Matthews hasn't?

>Yrs &c

>P. Disinformation Mendoza

>"Obeying the 11th Commandment"

OK, OK, OK you lot. I'll tell you what little I know. Maybe then I'll get further with my unofficial base search.

I used to be an accountant for a company in north west England who make jigs which are used to make aircraft parts. Two of the major customers of two of the companies in the large group are Lockheed and British Aerospace. This company helped design and build prototypes of the F18 & F19 and (I think) F20. Then the jigs were made for the "production line" in the US. We're talking multi-million pound business here, not "helped a little in design for a few thousand".

Anyway, there was a 10 or 12 million pound contract (can't remember the exact project value) with BAe for a project which was known to all employees of the company as Project X. One time I asked the project manager what this was and he showed me a photograph of a wing and a partial body of a triangular shaped aircraft. That's all I saw, except for copies of the declarations which were signed by the men on the shop floor who actually worked on it. The craft looked kind of smooth and rounded, not at all like the text book "triangular UFO" pictures suggest. It looked as though it would be extremely aerodynamic, and it looked rusty, but this was, presumably, because the thing hadn't been painted.

So, there's no more info that I have, but as this was roughly 18 months to 2 and a half years ago and bearing in mind the photograph suggesting that a full prototype had been built, I think that many of the triangular type sightings in Manchester around that time could be attributed to this project.

Right. Now then ... can anybody help me with these unofficial bases?

: -)

Dave

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Bishops Put Their Faith In Aliens

From: Sean Jones <tedric@tedric.demon.co.uk>
Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 17:24:10 +0000
Fwd Date: Wed, 25 Mar 1998 04:04:20 -0500
Subject: Bishops Put Their Faith In Aliens

From: The Sunday Times

<http://www.sunday-times.co.uk/news/pages/Sunday-Times/frontpage.html?1571726>

Is belief in "aliens" contrary to the biblical teaching regarding the uniqueness of humans? Or is such just faddish nonsense?

Bishops put their faith in aliens
by Maurice Chittenden

C of E phone home. An overwhelming majority of Britain's Anglican bishops believe there could be alien life forms out there.

The bishops' spacemen theory departs from the traditional Christian teaching that God created the world and made man as a unique species in his own image.

In a survey of 42 bishops carried out by The Sunday Times, 40 (95%) said that life could exist on other planets. Thirty-one (74%) said that alien life could be intelligent.

Clerical encounters of the third kind are not unprecedented: Francis Godwin, the 17th-century Bishop of Hereford, is credited by many with writing the first science fiction book, *The Man in the Moone*. It tells of an adventurer who flies to the moon in a chariot drawn by geese.

However, most churchgoers will be surprised at how many latter-day bishops believe that extraterrestrials like ET are perfectly possible. Some even envisage God as a spiritual spaceman going from planet to planet creating new life forms.

Henry Richmond, Bishop of Repton, said: "Yes, alien life forms could exist. I'd like to think that ETs were human-like but we might have to adjust our ideas and recognise that even little green men are another form of intelligent life that we oughtn't to feel threatened by." Michael Turnbull, Bishop of Durham, said the discovery of other life could be a positive force. "God created all life. If it were possible to engage with life on other planets it would open our lives to the greater wonders of God's creation."

Most of the bishops accepted that finding alien life forms would require a reappraisal of traditional Christian doctrine. Mark Green, Assistant Bishop of Chichester, said there was no evidence - yet - that God had visited other planets. "But I would not be shocked if he had. If he has children on different planets he would visit them, the way a father would visit his children in different parts of the country."

Such attempts to come to terms with the possibility of life beyond Earth are not just a 20th-century phenomenon, said Lindsay Urwin, Bishop of Horsham. He quoted a hymn written by Frank Faber in the 19th century:

There is grace enough for
thousands of new worlds as

great as this
There
is room for fresh
creations in this upper home
of bliss.

"Religion has never just simply looked at the Earth to learn about him," said Urwin. "The Bible says the heavens declare the glory of God and I would say that whatever is up there declares the glory of God."

Other bishops acknowledged that their understanding of extraterrestrial life had been heavily influenced by early science fiction. Michael Bourke, Bishop of Wolverhampton, said: "I was brought up on the theory that Mars was covered in canals made by intelligent life. The canals were a semi-respectable belief. Lots of people hoped that we would discover life on Mars . . . But it's all been rather disappointing, really."

Frank Weston, Bishop of Knaresborough, was more hopeful: "I am happy with an expanding universe and I am happy with universes beyond this one. God is an almighty creator and you can't limit his creativity. There must be life in other ways. I am rather excited about it."

The attitude of the Anglican bishops was welcomed by leading British UFO experts. Lionel Beer, vice-president of the British UFO Research Association, said: "The monsignors of the Catholic church might take a different view, but we have had quite a few vicars among our members. Many writers have interpreted events in the Bible, such as the star of Bethlehem, as extraterrestrial happenings."

Lionel Fanthorpe, a Welsh church minister who presents the Fortean TV programme about unsolved mysteries, said: "For me there is no 11th commandment saying thou shall not think. I think statistically it is almost certain there is life on other planets."

Additional reporting: Samantha Lafferty, Lucy Rollin, Georgina Wintersgill

Life is but a dream, death is the only reality.
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Re: Tim Good in UFO FORUM on Compuserve - 03-25-98

From: Sean Jones <tedric@tedric.demon.co.uk>
Date: Tue, 24 Mar 1998 18:25:48 +0000
Fwd Date: Wed, 25 Mar 1998 04:36:46 -0500
Subject: Re: Tim Good in UFO FORUM on Compuserve - 03-25-98

>From: georgina@easynet.co.uk
>Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 20:40:21 +0000
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: TIM GOOD CONFERENCE

>UFO FORUM on COMPUSERVE - GO UFO
>THIS WEEK'S SPECIAL GUEST- TIMOTHY GOOD!

>Wednesday, March 25
>6PM EST, 3PM PST,
>11PM GMT

>Conspiracies Conference Room [7]

>Please join us for Tim's first On-Line Conference.

<snip>

Hi Georgina, Hi Errol, Hi All

Some of us are not on Compuserve, so how can we access the chat rooms? OR Where would we be able to obtain a copy of the log?

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Day-time Moon 'Companion'?

From: "snake" <snake@mwaz.com> [Desiree Holloway]
Date: Tue, 24 Mar 1998 16:55:40 -0700
Fwd Date: Wed, 25 Mar 1998 04:34:11 -0500
Subject: Day-time Moon 'Companion'?

Greetings All,

I just wanted to know if anyone saw something next to the moon on Tuesday, 3/24/98. On this day, my sister-in-law noticed something round and shiny near the moon. It was up and to the left of the crescent. This was around 10:30 am. Throughout the day we all glanced up at the moon periodically to see the object. It stayed with the moon, appearing closer to the right side of the crescent as it inched westward. Through the telescope, it appeared to be closer than the moon, however this could be an optical illusion.

My explanation of the whole affair, was that the mysterious object was the Lunar Prospector orbiting the moon. Is this at all likely? Would it be visible with the naked eye, as it clearly was? Is it still orbiting the moon, and how come I have not seen it before?

I live in northern Arizona, in the Prescott area, and the skies were perfectly clear. Perhaps someone else out there resides in Arizona, and might have noticed it? Let me know!

Regards,

Desiree Holloway -- (perpetually dumbfounded)
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Explaining Things About Brazilian Ufology

From: "A.J.Gevaerd - Revista UFO" <gevaerd@ufo.com.br>
Date: Tue, 24 Mar 1998 15:18:12 -0400
Fwd Date: Wed, 25 Mar 1998 04:29:39 -0500
Subject: Explaining Things About Brazilian Ufology

Dear folks!

For some unknown reason I failed to read some messages posted by a gentleman called Philippe Piet van Putten, a Brazilian, and the discussions about such items that followed.

Now that a few of these messages finally came to my attention, I feel it is necessary to answer and correct a few things. I am sorry, however, that this will be a long message and most of it will be about internal disputes in the Brazilian Ufology.

First of all, I should say that I have always been against taking our domestic, internal problems to international forums. UFO UpDates should never be used to promote problems in the Brazilian Ufology.

>From: "Philippe Piet van Putten" <abpl@uol.com.br>
>To: "Discussion about UFOs and research for PROJECT 1947"
>Date: Sat, 28 Feb 1998 13:42:17 -0300

>Mr. Ademar Jose Gevaerd
>(MUFON's National Director for Brazil)
>and Mr. Claudeir Covo (MUFON's State
>Director for Sao Paulo) replied in their
>usual aggressive manner and stated that
>Mr. Stevens is their "great pal" and a
>real ufoLOGIST (not an ufoFILLIST).
>Mr. Gevaerd mentioned Stevens books
>as "great contributions" to the field of
>ufoLOGY and seemed to credit him as
>a reliable source.

In this e-mail, Philippe Piet van Putten said that Colonel Stevens is a =93pal=94. Well, for those in the States who doesn=92t know, Wendelle Stevens is actually respected here by a large number of people. He has been down here lecturing a couple of times. I myself have no problem whatsoever to say that Stevens is my friend. So what about it?

On other hand, I consider some of Wendelle=92s books really of great contribution to worldwide Ufology. While some of his books are polemic, other are very interesting. A clear example is =91UFO Abduction at Mirassol=92, published by Wendelle and co-authored by Ney Matiel Pires and Dr. Walter B=FChler.

Now, anybody acquainted with the Brazilian Ufology will certainly recollect that Dr. B=FChler, one of our greatest pioneers, was one of the most respected UFO researchers in the world while he was alive. Also, Pires is a fine field investigator promoted by Wendelle in USA. None of them would be known in USA and worldwide without Wendelle=92s help.

Finally, the Mirassol Case is one of the most extraordinary investigations into the UFO Phenomena we have to present to the world. It involves a man, Antonio Carlos Ferreira, who was abducted at least 20 times =96 up to 1990. His case was extensively, deeply and comprehensively investigated and includes sexual, genetic manipulation.

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>From: "Philippe Piet van Putten" <abpl@uol.com.br>
>To: "Discussion about UFOs and research for PROJECT 1947"
>Date: Sun, 1 Mar 1998 12:07:24 -0300

>My message concerning the supposed
>support of MUFON to Mr. Stevens has nothing to do
>with the known disputes between myself and
>Mr. AJ Gevaerd, but has a lot to do with
>the search for truth (one of the purposes
>of UFO research, isn't it ?).

>What's going on with MUFON ?!
>Its National Director for Brazil has even
>nominated an Ashtar Sheran follower
>as a State Director !!

>And now the same man and his MUFON-Brasil
>"right arm" (Mr. Claudeir Covo) post messages
>stating the Mr. Stevens is a "" ufoLOGIST.
>Hey... The problem here goes far beyond any
>personal disputes, don't you see ?!

In this other message to, Philippe Piet van Putten insists on
discrediting Wendelle Stevens (a sarcastic =93great=94). Well, if he
doesn't acknowledge or respect Wendelle's work, it is up to him.
Other people may do so, like me, Covo and a lot more.
A very lot more!

Mentioning disputes between me and him (Philippe van Putten) is
useless here, because these are problems to remain between us or
=96 if that much =96 internally to the Brazilian Ufology. Who cares
if I disagree with him or if he disagrees with me??? Big deal.

But he is hilarious when he mentions that I nominated =93an Ashtar
Sheran follower=94 for Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) in Brazil. So
what, again? Can=92t people believe in what they want? Can=92t people
be searching for truth where they believe the truth is? If that
is the case, then we UFO researchers should ALL believe in the
same things, do the same things and never disagree=85

On other hand, the persons that Philippe van Putten says are
=93Ashtar Sheran followers=94 are great UFO researchers with a
fantastic commitment to the comprehensive research and promotion
of the UFO Phenomena. One of them, Ana Santos, is a high school
respected even by the governor of her state (Bahia) and is
nationwide recognized for introducing the UFO discussions into
the high schools.

I think that Philippe van Putten should stay calm about who I
nominate for MUFON or not. Since he was given a chance to do
better when he was the National Director, a few years ago. Now
it=92s my turn. And as for our disputes, Antonio Huneeus has given
an appropriate answer to the gentleman (bellow):

>>As to MUFON in Brazil, A.J. Gevaerd and Stevens have been pals for years
>>but Gevaerd runs there his own show. In any case, the personal disputes
>>between Mr. Gevaerd and van Putten is something that doesn't really
>>concern this list.

>>Antonio Huneeus

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>From: "Philippe Piet van Putten" <abpl@uol.com.br>
>Subject: W. Stevens and M.Hessemann (2)
>Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 16:46:13 -0300

>Well...A terrible argument started between Mr. A. J. Gevaerd
>and myself because I wrote a text calling Mr. Wendelle
>C. Stevens an ufoFILIST (not an ufoLOGIST).
>Mr. A.J., arrogant and aggressive as usual towards me,
>wrote back stating that it was a disrespect to call
>Mr. Stevens an ufoFILIST (an UFO enthusiast who
>collects - but not investigates deeply - UFO data).
>I gave some examples of Mr. Stevens' ufoFILY
>(like the distorted info about the famous
>Barra da Tijuca Case - 1952 - in his book UFO Photos).

>But A.J. stated that Mr. Stevens was his "pal" and
>that he is one of "the greatest ufoLOGISTS in the

>world" (!!). He also said that Mr. Michael Hessemann
>is one of the best ufoLOGISTS he ever saw and that
>Mr. Hessmann is well respected by the majority of
>the international UFO community.

>I don't see things the same way, so I sent a few
>messages to some international ufologists
>and they gently replied with their personal opinion
>about both (Stevens and Hessmann).
>The results showed that no one among the
>colleagues that I've contacted considered
>the two "the greatest ufologists" of the world;
>On the contrary.

More nonsense in this new e-mail. Philippe van Putten insists of classifying people into two categories: =93ufoLOGISTS and ufoFILLISTS=94, according to him. He even has a definition to each one of them, and by HIS definition Wendelle Stevens is a ufoFILLIST. Do I (or someone else) have to follow HIS BOOK about it??? Should I adopt his criteria of classification of people and give up my way of analyzing things? I don=92t think so!

The expressions =93A terrible argument started between Mr. A. J. Gevaerd and myself=94 and =93arrogant and aggressive as usual towards me=94 have to be analyzed. In fact, this =93terrible argument=94 is a problem between me and Philippe and should stay like this, not be published in UFO UpDates. Second, while he feels I am arrogant, I think he is arrogant. Who is right? Who is wrong?

And in this e-mail he also involves Michael Hessemann, once again classifying him, by HIS BOOK, as ufoFILLIST and not as a ufoLOGIST. Well, what a stupid discussion we are doing here!!! Anyway, I don=92t have to defend my friend Hessemann here, because he is a grown man and very much capable of doing it himself =96 if he chooses to defend himself against anything or anybody.

But I happen to be Michael=92s friend, despite the fact that we had several disagreements about many things =96 some of them known by a few colleagues. I DO consider Michael one of the most well informed UFO researchers in the planet. And I DO consider him a ufologist, one of the greatest. So what, it is my opinion! And I don=92t like anybody offending my friends!

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>From: "Philippe Piet van Putten" <abpl@uol.com.br>
>Subject: W. Stevens and M.Hessemann
>Date: Wed, 11 Mar 1998 15:12:46 -0300

>Mr. A.J. Gevaerd has made continuous
>public statements that his "great pal" Wendelle
>C. Stevens is one of "the best ufologists in the
>world" (!! and also stated that Mr. Michael
>Hessemann is probably the world's best UFO
>researcher (!!!???). A.J. is backed up by his
>friend and "right arm" Mr. Claudeir Covo.

Once again, a stupid dispute is going on here. YES, I repeat, I AM a friend of Wendelle and I will be defending him against any accusation he receives in any place that he ISN=92T to defend himself. And Wendelle isn=92t here in this list or in any of the Brazilian lists to do it.

Let me tell you, at this point, that Wendelle was the guy who first gave me an opportunity in USA, inviting me all the way from Brazil to speak in one conference he promoted in Tucson, 1991. I am grateful to this. He also published a manuscript I wrote, that he transformed in a book called =91UFO contact at Maringa=92, about a case I investigated. I am also grateful to this. And I happen to be a loyal kind of guy.

Now, my =93right arm=94 Claudeir Covo, sarcastically mentioned in Philippe van Puttens=92s message, is actually, right now, at this very present moment, the most respected UFO researcher in Brazil. He is an engineer with lots of degrees and dedicated to investigate UFO photos and films. Ask anybody in this country and you will hear about Covo=92s reputation and credibility.

Because of that, and because Covo is a genuine UFO investigator, I chose him to be one of my co-editors. The other ones are: Reginaldo de Athayde, one of the most respected pioneers of

Brazilian Ufology, who investigated the majority of cases in which people have been attacked by ETs in the Northeast the country. Marco Petit, a serious, young guy who have devoted his life to Ufology and has organized over 100 conferences in Brazil, gathering hundreds of lecturers from all over the country.

The other co-editor of the UFO Magazine Brazil is the lawyer Ubirajara Franco Rodrigues, who actually discovered the Varginha Case and is one of its main researchers, along with Mr. Victorio Pacaccini. These 4 guys are only a part of my team. I am very proud to say that we are all together over than 200 UFO researchers, translators and volunteers in Brazil, some of them legendary as Irene Granchi. And there=92s something about us: we are very much united. Very much indeed!!!

Thank you very much and sorry for the long message.

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New York State UFO Hotline

From: RobertC130 <RobertC130@aol.com> [Bob Canino]
Date: Tue, 24 Mar 1998 19:35:26 EST
Fwd Date: Wed, 25 Mar 1998 04:51:56 -0500
Subject: New York State UFO Hotline

As of 3/23/98 New York State MUFON has instituted a new toll free sightings hotline. That number is 1-888-311-9066 and can be reached from anywhere in the US. It is hoped that associated researchers and others interested in the UFO phenomenon circulate the number as widely as possible to catch as many UFO reports as possible.

"The hotline represents a new step for NY State MUFON" , said Jim Bouck, State Section Director and longtime UFO researcher from Schenectady. "The hotline is only one step in our continuing efforts to reach out to the public and to other investigators and investigative groups in an effort to work together on the UFO problem. As a group, NY State MUFON is interested in doing as many on- site investigations as possible and educating the public, press and media about the UFO phenomenon. If we all work together, we may indeed bring some collective intelligence to bear upon the phenomenon."

Bouck also noted that Upstate New York has long been a hot-spot for UFO activity dating from the early 50s. "Last year, " he noted, "we had a major case at the end of May that took place around Oneida Lake where two independent videos of long duration were taken of UFOs hovering over the lake and over 40 other witnesses testifying to the event. Investigators Bob Canino and Dave Bodnar are still following up on leads and continuing that investigation. Outside of the Phoenix Lights, it was one of the most witnessed display of anomalous phenomenon during all of 1997."

The group also has a website under construction, is planning a newsletter and is in the midst of planning outreach events to educate the general public about UFOs.

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DISPATCH # 88 -- the weekly newsletter of ParaScope

From: ParaScope <ParaScope@AOL.COM>
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Fwd Date: Wed, 25 Mar 1998 04:54:11 -0500
Subject: DISPATCH # 88 -- the weekly newsletter of ParaScope

DISPATCH # 88 -- the weekly newsletter of ParaScope

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Quote of the Week

"I hate to advocate drugs, alcohol, violence, or insanity to anyone, but they've always worked for me."

-- Dr. Hunter S. Thompson

Rant of the Week: "Mork Calling Orson: Nano Nano"

Every week we pick the wackiest, scariest, nastiest or funniest rant from the hundreds of letters received by us here at ParaScope headquarters, and present it to you as our Rant of the Week. This week, "NanoMike" explains in minute detail how future nanotechnology will revive the dormant (but viable) corpses of Abe Lincoln, Elvis, Marilyn Monroe and possibly even Leonardo DaVinci so that they may party with us like it's 1999 -- or, well...uh, you know. Whatever. Enjoy.

"Nanotechnology will resurrect the properly protected embalmed dead in 55-60 years. Proper protection is a sealed metal casket and a grave liner or grave vault. The encyclopoedia Americana says that embalming can last 40-50 years in excellent shape. The current embalming textbook at the University of California in San Francisco says that embalming can last 100's of years. Modern arterial embalming was invented in the 1700's at the same time that canning was invented. Check the encyclopoedia about canning. It is very sophisticated. Leonardo DaVinci embalmed 30 cadavers by artery. He is probably a mummy in a crypt in his home in Vinci, Italy. According to the embalming textbook, formalin turns proteins into insoluable resins.

"The Egyptian mummys were protein that was impregnated with resin from Persia. George Washington and Martha Washington are pickled in alcohol and sealed into lead caskets. They are in perfect shape in a humidity free vault. Abraham Lincoln is embalmed with arsenic or some other heavy metal. He is in perfect shape in a humidity free vault. Elvis Presley is embalmed and in perfect shape in a 600lb bronze casket. Marilyn Monroe is embalmed and in perfect shape in a humidity free vault. Millions of Americans are embalmed and protected from humidity and the elements. In Europe embalming is usually only done by the bourgeoisie. By that the encyclopoedia means that it is rarely done. Nanotechnology will be the ONLY thing that people talk about in 10 years.

"Nanotechnology will convert our protoplasm into tectoplasm. This will allow us to shape change. We will be able to jump 10X higher than the highest human. We will be able to run 10X faster than the fastest human. We will be able to access millions of Web sites in mere seconds. We will be able to fly in outer space when matter...anti-matter converts to energy and forces fire out our skin pores.

"Nanotechnology is powerful artificial intelligence the size of viruses and bacteria. These little robots can monitor all of our cells and reverse the aging process. Every product on Earth will be made with these robots and material as simple as Ocean water...When the process is perfected, truck loads of these little robots will be as cheap as pond water."

All rants are printed "as is," with spelling and grammar goofs left uncorrected. Some rants may be edited for brevity or clarity, to the extent such a thing is possible. If you've got a rant you'd like to share, send it to pscplady@aol.com with "possible rant" in the subject line of your letter.

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Coming Up Next Week!

Catch a number of great stories next week on a daily basis on America Online or all at once next Friday on the web site, including daily updates to our Conspiracy Newslines and Daily Dose features. Among the articles you'll want to check out:

The Paper Trail: March Edition

Dossier's monthly review of old secrets and new releases is back. In this edition we open the files on several long-hidden matters, including: the Mississippi Sovereignty Commission, a state agency that fought a dirty war against civil rights activists; nuclear secrets of the Eisenhower administration; the latest figures on U.S. intelligence spending, and lots more.

Fortean Slips: 25th Edition Spectacular!

That's right, Fortean Slips is back and better than ever with a super-spectacular special 25th edition. Coming up in this freakiness-packed edition of dispatches from the paranormal fringe:

Psychic Friends Debt-Work -- The future's not so certain for Dionne Warwick and her pals since the infomercial juggernaut has filed for bankruptcy!

A Cure for Casper -- Introducing a new wonder drug that promises to eliminate ghosts more effectively than any exorcism ever could.

Rockin' the Pyramids -- Here's one wacky theory that's really "sound": were Egypt's pyramids constructed using ultrasonic anti-gravity technology?

Houdini Theatre -- The great escape artist returns from beyond the grave to voice his opinion on a musical stage production based on his life.

Heaven's Gate: A Look Back at a Tragedy

March 26 is the first anniversary of the disturbing mass suicide of Marshall Applewhite and 38 of his followers at Rancho Santa Fe, California. Join us as we take a look back at the tragic events leading up to this deadly exodus, and read the Heaven's Gate manifesto, presented on ParaScope for the first time.

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Jane, Stop This Crazy Thing!

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Reprint of 'UFO Evidence'

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Fwd Date: Wed, 25 Mar 1998 04:49:58 -0500
Subject: Reprint of 'UFO Evidence'

Errol,

Anyone on the list interested in obtaining a copy of Richard Halls book, 'The UFO Evidence' can email me at RobertC130@aol.com and Id be happy to get one along to them.

Thanks
Bob Canino

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AUFON ISSUE 3

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Here's a free issue for everyone as an introduction. Hope you enjoy. Please send us your news, letters to the editor, story ideas, etc.

<http://www.aufon.com/aufon3.htm>

Stefan Duncan

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Fringe: Missouri 1947 'UFO Crash Debris' For Sale

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Found at

<http://www.wehug.com/crashsitedebris.html>

(alien UFO) crash site debris CSD

1947 MissouriCrash Site Debris

You probably haven't heard about this material (CSD) before... but you will. It has been introduced at The big Tucson show this February ('98). We understand that the author of "Love is in the Earth", MELODY, and some other large metaphysical companies will be offering this material for sale. Before the year is out this material will be a "must have". And you saw it here first !

This may well be the most exciting UFO news in years, and you can own a piece of History

....Read on.....

This is a fantastic story, and while the majority of visitors to this page will no doubt remain skeptical at best, I will never the less attempt to relate this intriguing tale as best I can.

Please note that the two square-ish black pieces in the upper right hand corner are perhaps the most exciting. These pieces might be from the mechanism that has to do with the propulsion system. They exhibit very unusual thermal dynamic properties, but thorough testing has not yet been done, we therefore, are not offering these pieces for sale. (See overview.jpg).

I'm sorry but I screwed up the enlargement photo of this thumbnail, I'll post ALL NEW PICTURES for this coming weekend, probably Friday evening 3/27/98.

According to a published article by the nationally well known author Melody, and released at the 1998 Tucson gem and mineral show, testing has revealed that the green and gray material (CSD) contains "Perfect Cristobalite Stars". These "Stars" show up in microscopic photos. "Other components include a chilled-porous crust, and silvery metallic balls; Some of the constituents are: Pyroxene with a composition between Hedenbergite and Johannesite, Magnesium, Iron, and significantly, 15 Rare Earth Minerals !"

For more Samples for sale - scroll down !

More Specimens will be shown this coming weekend

Part 1

How we came to know about this special Alien crash site debris

(CDS)

About a year ago during a routine sales call one of our best mineral/meteorite suppliers told us that he had meet a fellow rockhound at the site in Arizona where they was collecting specimens. As they started to chat our vendor told the new fellow about how he was into meteorites and had quite a collection. The stranger said that he too was into meteorites but that he had a come in contact with a source of some most amazing material and wanted to know if our vendor was interested ?

The rest as they say is history. Our friend joined into a limited partnership with the source for the purpose of testing and distribution.

Being two Aquarians, of course we had to have some and invested in a small quantity. Several of our local customers/friends also bought pieces, a few of which were made into the most unique jewelry in the world. All of us (locally) invested in this material long before it was tested and confirmed. We believe that as the word spreads from Tucson and begins to be promoted that the price of this rare material could easily sky rocket to \$1000. per gram or more.

We waited and waited for testing results to come in and either verify that we did indeed buy a piece of history or that we had just bought some foundry slag or whatever. The story goes on as samples that were presented for testing turned up mysteriously missing, and time seemed to go into a slow motion time warp.

Finally results started to trickle in and it looks like there is enough evidence to have justified our investment after all.

While we were waiting for the lab results to come in we took a piece to one of our friends that had a psychic gift since childhood and asked him to tell us whatever he could about the material. What happened was truly amazing.

After a meditation concentrating on the impressions of this material, he did what we call "Automatic" drawing. It is like what Edgar Cayce did only Cayce used someone else to write down what transpired during the trance like secessions.

Any way, our friend drew several "frames" of his impressions, which captured how this debris came to be and what happened. The drawings revealed a fiery crash scene showing the general area where the crash to place, plus several other "frames" depicting the scene and related impressions including what appears to be a 40's military base and military vehicles. It is absolutely irry, and we believe that one day this will all come out and be well documented by those who can do a professional job of investigative reporting.

Packets of information are available for \$20.00 to help offset the cost of copying and mailing. These packets include , lab reports, copies of newspaper accounts around the time of the crash, verifying that the UFO sightings were witnessed by local Missouri residents and reporters, cover sheets that tell about the material as analyzed so far, and copies of the "Automatic" drawings.

Now consider one thing here, any reputable scientific lab that has done or will do testing of this material will not jeopardize their standing and reputation in the scientific community by deliberately labeling this material as "Spacecraft crash Debris".

They will all have to continue there regular business and will not want to be called to task for declaring this material extraterrestrial alien ship material. It just wont happen that way, what you hope for is that the materials found in the debris will end up as "UNKNOWN" or at least components will fall out of limits of materials found on earth in some distinct way. This is the case with the small IRON spheres that are almost pure Iron, and the GRAY appearing areas that have been labeled "UNKNOWN". What else would one expect from a main stream scientific lab ? Remember they are not into UFO's as most don't acknowledge their existence at this time, at least not openly to the public.

Part II

Small pieces of the CSD for sale (More to Come)

.5 gram piece \$50.00 >SOLD<

.7 gram piece \$70.00 >SOLD<

.8 gram piece \$80.00 >SOLD<

#1 - 1.0 gram piece \$100.00

#2 - 1.0 gram piece \$100.00 >SOLD<

1.7 gram piece \$170.00 >SOLD<

2.5 gram piece \$250.00

2.6 gram piece \$260.00 >>SOLD!

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Treasure Hunter Taking "Alien" Bones To Roswell

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>From Sightings On Radio's site. URL:

<http://www.sightings.com/ufo/alienbones.htm>

SIGHTINGS

=BF
Oklahoma Treasure Hunter Taking Alien Bones To Roswell?!
From KARN News Radio
Little Rock, Arkansas
3-23-98

Treasure hunter Dane Chastain just might have located the biggest treasure of his life. The Oklahoma native says he has discovered and retrieved the decomposed body of an alien being in the woods around Fort Chaffee, Arkansas.

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In a story broken on Little Rock radio station, KARN News Radio, the body is said to be small in stature, mostly bones at this point but still having skin "like a fish" covering it. The remains also have silver hair and a strange fin protruding from its back.

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Ft. Chaffee has been held under considerable suspicion by a number of UFO researchers for years and was most recently in the news in the 80's when hundreds of Cuban refugees were sent there for detention and processing.

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Chastain is said to be enroute to the International UFO Museum In Roswell with the remains.

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The description of the creature is particularly interesting in light of the reports of chupacabras attacks in Puerto Rico, Florida, Mexico, and South America. The chupacabras was described by many eyewitnesses as being small and having a dorsal fin-like ridge of spikes running down it.

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Coincidentally, we just received an email from Joyce Murphy, our Sightings field correspondent and founder and President of Beyond Boundaries, describing a new report of chupacabras attacks in Puerto Rico. Pay close attention to the description!

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"...then from Puerto Rico, Mayor Soto's office has contacted me again, and here is what his right hand man, Jose Batalle, is telling us (remember he is the one who told us about the rockets from NASA into the inosphere that NASA alerted the mayor's office about) - At Vega Baja, same place where the rockets were sent up there was a chupacabras attack on two sheep. After a farmer took a few shots at the chupa, it threw the farmer's sheep at him! The two sheep had been drilled, or laser pierced, but not killed. The farmer had heard screams and thought that the sheep were in trouble. He dashed to the back of the ranchland where he saw one of his sheep on the ground. He heard another scream and turned to see one of his other sheep being carried away by the silvery haired, fourfoot, upright creature. The farmer attacked the creature with his sabre sword, at which time the creature threw the sheep at the farmer with great force. The farmer said that it had been very easy for the creature to raise the sheep into the air. Following

this incident, the chupacabras disappeared from the place quickly. The farmer said there were two holes in the necks of the two recovered sheep - wounds typical of previous chupa borings found in other animals. Jose said there has been some hispanic TV coverage of the incident."

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Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

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>Subject: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame
>Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 22:44:35 -0300

>>Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 16:23:58 -0500
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>>From: John Velez <jvif@spacelab.net>
>>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

Hola AJ,

You wrote,

>John Velez wrote:

>>Don't _ever_ apologise for your English A.J. - "Something not
>>smelling good" is as perfect a description of the UFO-PNHF as
>>anyone could have written. Couldn't have said it better myself!
>><G> <sonrisa>

>Thanks John. But what does it mean PNHF???

"Public Nuisance Hall of Fame" it was too long to write out so
I abbreviated it! Just lazy by nature I guess! (Vagancia!)

>Do you know that Chile recently recognised the phenomena as
>extraterrestrial and even created a official civilian-military
>commission to investigate the subject?

What evidence was presented to convince the government
officials that the UFO's are "extraterrestrial" in origin? It's
one thing to prove the existence of UFO's but quite another to
prove that they are extraterrestrial in origin.

Just a side question:

How long does something have to be -on earth- before it is
considered "terrestrial?" There is more than one way to
interpret the data unless there is an indicator or piece of
evidence/information (which is beyond question) which points to
an "extraterrestrial" origin. Something convinced the Chileans
that the phenomenon is extraterrestrial, I'm just curious what
that 'thing' (piece of evidence or information) was.

>Some researchers disagree that the UFO phenomena is
>extraterrestrial.... Some say that we shouldn't be talking it
>without proofs.... We used this kind of words in the letter.

AJ, don't get me wrong here. It is my (personal belief) that
we are dealing with an extraterrestrial phenomenon. But I
agree with the researchers who say that such claims should not
be made publicly without proof. (Sin prueba)

Taking things on faith has never been my long suit, I really do
have a nasty "show me" streak. But it has always served me well
and as a result I am a very well grounded individual and a
difficult person to fool. I'm not afraid to ask questions,..
.tough or otherwise.

>Because, for us, Brazilian researchers, there's no more need to
>prove that ETs are ETs, that UFOs are from out of this planet and
>that they are coming here often.

Why not AJ? If you have that kind of undeniable proof then please share it with us all. I promise to give it wide distribution here in the USA and in other countries where I have compadres. If you have such incontrovertible evidence - then it belongs to the world!

>Some people disagreed. They preferred that we use words such as
>"possibly", "accidentally", "who knows" etc.

Lacking incontrovertible evidence_ the language usage is not only reasonable but necessary! I don't understand your objection to it. It is simply reasonable language that any reasonable man would employ given the nature of the current situation.

>You say you are an abductee. (1) Who abducted you? Terrestrials?
>(2) Well, John, all we did in the letter was to write things that we
>firmly believe we know for sure.

1. Even I, who am a lifetime subject of their interest and machinations do not -know- "who" they are or "where" they are from, or even "why" they are here for that matter.

One reason not to trust what we 'think' we know is, these "things/beings" are -telepathic- and have the ability to subdue/subjugate our own will and ability to remember accurately or completely. How the hell am I supposed to trust what -I think I know- about them?

How do I know that maybe it wasn't intentionally planted there for reasons of their own? You're right, I AM an abductee- I figure that makes -me- more of an "expert" on ET's than someone who is not, don't you think? After all, I'm the one that's being dragged out of the house in the middle of the night in his underwear!

Well, this "expert" is telling you that I DON'T KNOW WHAT THEY ARE, WHERE THEY ARE FROM, OR EVEN WHY THEY ARE HERE! So, now you tell me_ what it is that makes you so very sure that -you- know the answers to those questions with such certainty? The fact that I claim to be an abductee -in no way- precludes my ability to apply or possess the faculty of "critical thinking." In other words, I'm not an idiot or mentally deficient so there's no need to talk down to me. "What do you think is abducting you" indeed! If I knew, then I'd tell you. How -you claim to know- is what's beyond me!

Let me turn that one around, -prove- to me that what is abducting me and my wife and my children and literally thousands of others worldwide is 'extraterrestrial.' I think they've been here as long as we have! Maybe even here first! So who are the ET's? Them or us? After countless ages I daresay that they are as "terrestrial" as we are!

2. I don't take anything at face value. I cannot afford to. As an abductee I realize -maybe more than most- what is at stake and the possible repercussions of ignoring the phenomenon. I don't settle for "second best" in researchers either. I demand the best from myself and those who claim to "represent" my interests. Especially those who claim to be "experts."

Example:

John Mack is a Pulitzer Prize winning Harvard Psychiatrist. That son-of-a-bitch could have brought more credibility to this field than anyone since maybe the late great J Allen Hyneck. But no. The only thing missing from John's "stage act" is priests robes, burning candles and incense! I stood up and walked out on his lecture at Roswell last July because I became incensed at a man of such academic accomplishment who was giving what amounted to a "sermon" on ET's and the "meaning" of their presence here on earth.

I stood up, made sure to make eye contact with him (because he knows me, and who I am) and in the middle of his speculative tirade I simply "showed him my ass" as we say here in NY. (Le vire la espalda!)
(I turned my back on him)

I have no time for that crap. This is a deadly serious business, with potentially devastating consequences. Hey, I hope they are as "enlightened" as everyone claims they are, but I refuse to go to sleep, and just go along for the ride, or take someone else's word for anything connected to "them". We need to know the answers to those questions and "reassurances" and "assumptions" just aren't going to get it! Know what I mean amigo? (Ensename el dinero! La prueba) (Show me the money! The proof)

> But I also think that most the governments of this planet don't need to be told what we know. Because they know already the truth.

Maybe so, but it's pure speculation unless you have documentation or the credible testimony of ranking government officials who are/were in a position to know. (And can prove it!) Only then does a statement such as the one you make above carry any weight.

>Thanks for the warm reception. Please feel free to ask. I will try to answer all your questions or find someone who can.

If you can handle this one then the rest will be a piece of cake! I hope you have taken this post in the spirit of open intellectual debate in which it is intended. I mean you no disrespect nor do I hold any ill will toward you. On the contrary. (Al contrario, yo tengo mucho respeto por el trabajo que usted hace.)

>Thanks agains and please say Hi to Budd!

I most certainly will AJ. Budd likes you and he speaks very highly of you. I'm sure he'll enjoy hearing from you.

I wish you continued success in your work. If ever I can be of any service, you know that you have only to ask.

Sinceramente,

John Velez, -Alien Spawn- and nobodys fool.

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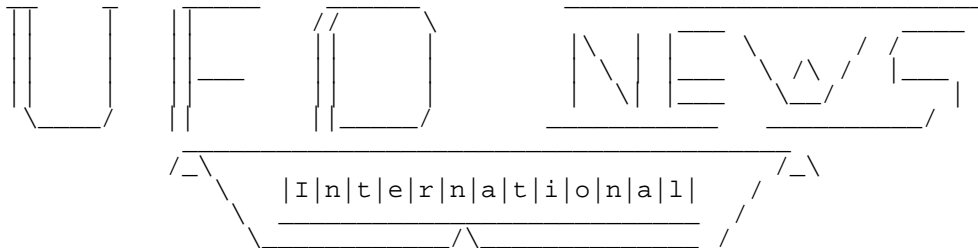
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Is the truth too hard to accept?

_____ C O M M E N T A R Y _____

- Why Ufology isn't making progress

The lookouts on the bridge of the steamship Californian observed yet another rocket that was fired from the ship in the distance. For several hours that night they had been monitoring the barely visible

vessel, but since their radio operator had gone to bed, they were at a loss of understanding what was going on.

The rockets were white, that could clearly be seen, and white meant that a ship was in distress, according to international agreements. After some discussion one of the watches decided to notify the captain, but the old man indicated he did not want to be disturbed. Several hours and several white rockets later, the distant ship could be seen tilting in an awkward fashion, one side even disappearing from view. The captain was notified a second time, but he reacted in his usual chagrined manner and dismissed the sailor.

The next morning, with the radio working again, the sailors of the steamship Californian realized that a serious situation could be developing about ten miles from their own location. The RMS Titanic, the biggest steamship in the world, had hit an iceberg, so the reports went. The captain of the Californian decided to wait for another hour before setting sail to the distressed vessel. Making use of full daylight, maneuvering through the ice field would be easier, he thought.

When the Californian arrived on the scene, the 700 survivors of the Titanic were already taken aboard the Carpathia. Carpathia was an old vessel owned by the Cunard Line, a company that competed with the White Star Line, owner of the Titanic, on the North Atlantic trade routes. At the time Titanic had hit the iceberg and sent its distress signals, the Carpathia had been about 50 miles away and, punishing its old engines, was able to cross the distance in three and a half hours. It came too late to save the other 1,500 passengers and crew of the Titanic who had already frozen to death in the ice cold waters of the North Atlantic. While the disaster unfolded, the steamship Californian had been lying still all the time only ten miles away, its sailors watching and wondering what was going on.

Those who have seen 'Titanic', the blockbuster movie by director James Cameron, will note that nothing of the above episode was included in the film. But it is true and historic. In fact, the facts regarding the Californian were revealed by its own sailors during the official investigation in London that took place in the months following the disaster. The only person denying their claims was the captain of the ship. There are interesting similarities between these facts about the Californian, the ship that refused to save 1,500 souls, and the facts about UFOs.

Firstly, few in the general public know this part of the Titanic drama, yet it has happened. Furthermore, a coterie of so called experts have stood up to explain why the Californian could not have saved the Titanic. Arguments vary from discrepancies in location to allegations that the witnesses said such and such during the investigation, but meant something else. However, every serious student of the disaster, having access to the original facts, will see for himself that these claims are untrue. The Californian was where its sailors said it was, they saw the white distress rockets of the Titanic, exchanged signals with the ship and warned their captain twice. As in the case of UFOs as non--human intelligently controlled craft, the evidence is there.

There is a third similarity that could explain the first two: the truth is sometimes simply too hard to accept. It is a horrible thought to realize that all the people on board the Titanic would have been saved, had the Californian only moved to them. It

is also distressing to realize that some people in command, in this case the captain of the Californian, are so incompetent that they risk the lives of their fellow human beings only to get a few hours of sleep. However, many people refuse to look such truths in the eye.

Most people have a tendency to look toward the government, science and the media for authority and guidance in matters that concern society. In the field of UFOs this attitude has proven to be unproductive. The reason is simple. Authorities are fallible people who don't know how to deal with an issue that is larger than everything we know. Media pundits transform their fear of extraterrestrials into a skeptic pose ridiculing the whole matter, while scientists almost never get the facts because the media don't inform them in the first place and instead portray a picture of a field filled with kooks. Meanwhile, government employees have other priorities as long as an Independence Day scenario doesn't come true, and at that point it would be too late anyway.

What the media, government and organized science have to accept is that non--humans are almost definitely here and that given the evidence, there is a probability that the abduction scenario is also true. Those truths seem to be too hard to accept. The horrible thing that those studying the UFO phenomenon have to accept is that, despite some exceptions, governments, organized science and the media are simply incapable of dealing with it and won't discuss it. But it explains why this field has hardly made any progress in the last fifty years.

-- HvdP

Quotes " " " " " " " " "

I couldn't care less what the "experts" say because they usually don't know jack. (Not Nickelson)

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Glenn Campbell questions Jack Shulman

Since president Jack Shulman of American Computer Company came out with his claims of possessing alien technology in the fall of 1997, he has been the victim of an endless stream of attacks from within the UFO community. By now I think that most UFO enthusiasts who have followed the story would think that Shulman is perpetrating a hoax for the financial betterment of his company.

So far I have covered the ACC story extensively and published almost every claim made by its president. Firstly because, for various reasons, the ACC case contains more potential of bringing some hidden truths out in the open. Also because all the attacks on the case so far were the result of unsubstantiated assumptions.

This is the first intelligent critique I found on the ACC case. The following piece written by Glenn Campbell, aka The Desert Rat, raises some interesting questions about ACC's president Jack Shulman.

-- HvdP

This afternoon, I got a phone call from Jack Shulman, president of American Computer Company. ACC, which makes itself out to be a large corporation, is a

never-ending source of amazing revelations about alien technology from the Roswell crash.

Shulman called to complain about the "Ed Wang" reference on my Shulman page (www.ufomind.com/people/s/shulman/). I cited Ed Wang, a prolific ACC supporter, as a possible pseudonym of Shulman. Shulman told me this reference was defamatory, and he said he had been talking to his corporate legal counsel about it.

Shulman's implication was that if I didn't remove the Wang reference, I would be sued.

Shulman went on at length, at least ten minutes, and so many claims were made in that short time that I can't remember them all. All I can say is, he sure sets off my "Dr. Jason Leigh" detector.

You might call this "intuition," but I think it is something more specific. Shulman exhibits a characteristic style of speech that I have heard before, and that indicates to me a high B.S. level.

Features of this speech include:

-- NAME DROPPING. Art Bell, Jeff Rense, Stanton Friedman, Stig Agermose, Henny van der Pluijm, Philip Corso, and several others were mentioned in Shulman's monologue - repeatedly. He referred to Friedman as "Stanton," as though they were close. Shulman also mentioned Bell Labs and said he used to work there.

When trying to detect lies, I think it is useful to analyse the kind of words used. Shulman's speech contained a high proportion of proper names, and a low percentage of what I call "content words" -- words that actually say something. A liar uses other people's names to try to give himself credibility. He is trying to impress us with who he knows instead of what he can do.

There is another reason to name-drop. If you recite a list of real people's names, as Shulman did a couple of times, and you throw in a couple of your own fake aliases, then it makes the fakes seem to be real, too. I wish I could have written down all

the names Shulman gave me, but he went through them too fast. "Marcus Sheridan," was mentioned at the beginning of one list, and its position suggests to me that it is a fake. I asked Shulman for the name of his lawyer -- who supposedly found the derogatory Wang references on my site -- and Shulman supplied it without missing a beat ("Daniel Grossman," or something similar). From the context, I would wager that this lawyer is either not real or not really representing Shulman. (In any case, I am ready to accept whatever legal challenge Shulman raises.)

-- PRESSURED SPEECH. This is the tendency to fill the air with words without letting the other party speak. In our ten minute "conversation," I said very little. When a person is lying, they usually have a need to keep talking and talking. They feel that they need to control the conversation.

-- OVERCOMPENSATION. In conversation, a liar tends to return repeatedly to the subjects he knows he is lying about, even if it is irrelevant. He needs to emphasize his innocence again and again. As Shakespeare would say, "Methinks he doth protest too much." A person's protests are a very good indicator of what issues they are sensitive about.

In Shulman's case, the strength of his protest about Ed Wang not being him -- to the point where he considers it "defamatory" and is supposedly consulting his lawyer about it -- suggests to me that he really might be Ed Wang.

Shulman also seemed to have a need tell me that

he is not responsible for the "transcapacitor" claims on his website, that they came from anonymous sources. Without my asking, he emphasized that he had never read Philip Corso's book (whose claims are suspiciously similar to those on Shulman's website). This information was irrelevant to his reason for calling. Instead of just saying, "Ed Wang isn't me; could you take this off your website," Shulman had to dump on me much more information than I needed, while giving me little information to correct the Ed Wang problem.

-- INAPPROPRIATE DETAIL. In the course of his protest, Shulman mentioned that Ed Wang had once come to his office. I asked him to describe Wang, and Shulman did -- in great detail. Again, I wish I could have written it all down but it went by too fast. Shulman described Wang as "a young guy, about 44" (which isn't young in my world and seemed older than Shulman's voice). Wang is a tall Asian ("very oriental" I think Shulman said). Shulman described what Wang was wearing, right down to the certain type of moccasins he had on. Shulman ended by saying, "I have a very good memory, by the way," as if recognizing the excess detail and trying to correct for it.

All this detail was useless to me. While Shulman claims that he isn't Ed Wang, he hasn't been able to provide anything meaningful about the real Ed Wang -- even though Shulman claims an attention to detail and Wang is supposed to live in Shulman's neighborhood.

-- GOVERNMENT OPPRESSION. Although it was irrelevant to the conversation, Shulman needed to tell me about how the government was harassing him. There had been "intrusions" at ACC, Shulman said, without being specific. Shulman seemed to mention several incidents of harassment, but provided no details.

As with name dropping, claims of government oppression are used by liars to give themselves credibility. They must be important people for the government to devote so many resources to them.

-- TELEPHONY. Shulman's protest that he was not Ed Wang could have easily been handled by email. All he would have to do is tell me the URL of the document in question and what was wrong with it. Shulman has never emailed me, however. Instead he chose to phone me. Why?

When you write a complaint by email, you have to state your position in black and white. You have to include some specific facts. The best sociopaths prefer speech over writing because it makes it easier to evade the facts. On the phone and in person you can more easily convey anger and other emotions that provide a smokescreen for your real intentions. Claims made on the telephone are rarely recorded, so you don't have to be held accountable for them.

In my opinion, Shulman closely fits the Dr. Jason Leigh model. Like Leigh, Shulman has created a fine mess for himself. At any time, he could just stop communicating and walk away from his lies, but it is a compulsion, and he can't stop. He must create email aliases to support his lies, then desperately deny that they are him. One wonders what will happen as his world unravels.

Will he pull another "Waco"?

The Logical Trickery of the UFO Skeptic

Essay by Todd Andrews, slightly edited

Skeptics in the scientific community resist the evidence for extraterrestrial visitation because of the implications it raises and because of the questions it begs. But should the classification of true or false be assessed in isolation of the implications? Which is worse: a false positive, meaning ruling in favor of the UFO as a unique phenomenon when in fact it does not exist, or a false negative, meaning ruling against it and missing out on its true existence?

The answer, of course, lies in the thought structure of the analyst. An equally intelligent non-scientist has no incentive nor predisposition to favor one type of error over the other, but scientists do. For scientists, it would open a whole new confounding problem domain, and it would make them look incompetent in the public's eyes for missing out on this fact for 50 years. That's why the incentive structure of contemporary scientists is such that they will not accept alien visitation unless they must, which would be when they get irrefutable physical proof. Their incentive structure prohibits them from making any such inference unless it is unavoidable, and they will strain the boundaries of logic and reason to no end to dismiss all evidence other than physical proof, no matter how powerful it may be. This scientific predisposition toward disbelief, rooted not in science and logic but rather in dogma and paradigm, brings us to the logical trickery of the scientific UFO debunker.

- What is Extraordinary?

First, the scientific debunker will say that because alien visitation is an extraordinary claim, it demands extraordinary proof. Therefore, no evidence is suggestive of alien visitation unless it is accompanied by irrefutable physical proof -- even if the observations directly indicate, within normal scientific evidential standards, the presence of a solid object under

intelligent control with propulsion technology beyond human understanding. No matter how directly the observations indicate an anomalous vehicle of non--human origin, skeptics maintain that a prosaic explanation must be adopted unless physical proof is obtained.

But such a stance, rigid beyond the normal standards of scientific methodology, is a direct product of the incentive structure, not of logic, as indicated above. Normal standards of science would require meeting the evidential threshold for each of the above conditions necessary to establish extraterrestrial origin. Yet the same degree of evidence for physical substance is rejected for anomalous vehicles when it would otherwise be accepted for observations of more conventional vehicles.

Thus, the debunkers have failed to define the boundary of extraordinariness, which renders the declaration logically specious due to its wholly arbitrary implementation that is easily contaminated by individual and collective incentives. They exploit the arbitrary classification of "extraordinary" by applying absurdly rigid evidential boundaries to cases that clearly feature anomalous, physical vehicles that humans could not have built. Instead of assessing the case for physical substance on its own merits with the radar-visual observations, they merely apply a priori probabilities of nearly zero to the detection of anomalous vehicles, with no logical defensibility in the face of insufficient information to estimate the a priori probability, and therefore give themselves license to reject all evidence of any quality unless a physical specimen is obtained.

For instance, if SETI radio telescopes receive an

anomalous repeating signal with intelligent content such as a mathematical constant, and rules out all known causes of terrestrial and deep-space interference, do they need a chunk of the alien radio dish or a dead alien to attribute it to alien origin? It would be just as easy to apply UFO-skeptic logic and insist that the signal is nothing more than anomalous until we obtain physical proof of aliens.

After all, why ascribe a radio signal to alien origin before we have physical proof of the existence of aliens? After all, we cannot rule out malfunction, fraud, or human error with 100% certainty, so the simplest explanation is an undetected flaw, not an alien message. Right?

Or is it really just the case that the a priori probability assumed by scientists of alien radio detection is higher than that assumed for atmospheric detection? Is this a priori probability differential between radio versus atmospheric detection logically defensible? Or do we lack sufficient information to make anything but a wild guess, a guess contaminated by incentive, dogma, and mere habit? Why do so many scientists, including Tipler and Fermi, argue that interstellar travel would be feasible for advanced civilizations whose productivity growth has created such vast wealth that journeys are less expensive than they would be for us humans? Do we know what alien energy resource stocks are? Even right now, we have the technology to mount a journey at 10% of the speed of light and arrive at the nearest star in 40 years.

How "extraordinary" is it to consider that, several billion years ago, one culture might have mounted a gradual expedition that took them to our solar system and many others? We sure don't know whether this is "extraordinary" or the natural outcome of technological advancement, but many scientists wish to believe, simply due to heavily entrenched ideologies with absolutely no basis in logic nor fact, that such interstellar expansions are far less likely than the human interception of alien radio signals.

So just what is "extraordinary", aside from a word referring to a claim for which extremely low a priori probabilities of truth are applied? I consider extraordinary a claim which undermines fundamental precepts of physics.

Alien visitation does not do this. And no matter the difficulty as we perceive it, interstellar travel does not violate the laws of physics. Neither do aliens. Therefore, alien visitation does not violate the laws of physics, and nor does it require a straining of credible probabilistic expectations. We simply don't know how likely it is. And that is hardly a strong case for considering alien visitation an "extraordinary claim."

Nevertheless, skeptics will insist on applying to alien visitation an a priori probability of nearly zero for some strange reason. Interestingly, many scientists such as Fermi and Tipler were skeptical of both UFOs and of alien life in general. They contended that interstellar travel would be easy for advanced civilizations, so the lack of overt contact disproved alien existence. Yet most UFO skeptics do believe alien life exists out in the universe, just not here. So they defend the near impossibility of interstellar travel, which contradicts a considerable portion of the scientific community.

This a priori probability allows them to reject evidence arbitrarily that would otherwise confirm the presence of a solid object under intelligent control with propulsion irreproducible by human technology. For instance, when a certain degree of corroboration of physical substance for an airplane is obtained for an unconventional disk-shaped vehicle,

this degree of evidence is accepted for the airplane but rejected for the anomalous vehicle. The only way to do this is to apply a priori probabilities of nearly zero to the detection of such an anomalous object. The problem, of course, is that first of all, we don't have enough information to defend a low a priori probability, and second of all, this approach guarantees automatic rejection of normal avenues of evidence. Effectively, what the skeptics are saying is that radar evidence is too "ordinary" to suffice for an "extraordinary" claim. They succeed in eliminating from review all types of indirect and direct evidence, except for physical proof.

This type of logic can be successfully applied to any claim. E.g, let's declare that dinosaurs are an extraordinary claim. This declaration requires no logical substantiation, just the way skeptics use their nearly zero a priori probability of extraterrestrial visitation to declare the claim extraordinary with no logical defense whatsoever, given the insufficient information to determine this probability. So, we have declared dinosaurs to be an extraordinary claim. The next step is to reject all fossil evidence for dinosaurs, since fossils are only acceptable for ordinary claims such as woolly mammoths; for extraordinary dinosaur claims, fossils are worthless. What we need, as dinosaur skeptics, is physical proof of an intact dinosaur. And, to make it even more similar to the skeptic approach, we don't need to defend the rationale of the demand for physical proof of dinosaurs; the fact that it is an extraordinary claim allows us to demand the very upper boundary of conceptually feasible modes of proof -- but conceptual feasibility does not translate into practical feasibility. Sure, I can demand physical proof, but will I get it? Is it worth ignoring fossil evidence in my wait for physical proof?

We could extend the analogy further by applying more skeptic logical tricks. For instance, dinosaur articles are published in journals which already believe in dinosaurs; therefore, it is biased and one-sided, and hardly representative of truly critical peer review. We could assert that all fossils are best explained as hoaxes, misidentifications of known and unknown geological processes, and hallucinations and/or misinterpretations by overzealous archaeologists imposing their belief system on an anomalous rock. This, I can contend, is the "simplest explanation", and I don't have to worry about using over strenuous logic because, in an absence of physical proof of dinosaurs, any explanation is simpler, no matter how contrived and convoluted!

This is the essence of the scientific rejection of the UFO evidence: an overwhelming need to disbelieve coupled with a shameful lack of research into the actual evidence.

- The Demand for Physical Proof

If aliens were visiting, I find the expectation of physical proof quite illogical, since it's going to be hard to obtain. In fact, it may even be impossible. But the skeptics don't mind, since they have already decided to disbelieve until they obtain the highest conceivable level of proof. In the above discussion, it was noted that anybody can apply this logic by insisting that dinosaurs should not be accepted until we find an intact, frozen, preserved dinosaur with the flesh still on the bones, and if that's impossible -- well, too bad. Is it rational to reject fossils the way skeptics reject radar-visual cases and ground-trace cases and then demand a preserved dinosaur specimen the way skeptics demand an alien and/or vehicle specimen? I contend that physical proof is an unattainable evidential boundary which guarantees rejection of the hypothesis of extraterrestrial origin.

Despite the table-pounding insistence by skeptics on physical proof, they have simply not been able to defend this demand, one which is far beyond the scientific rigor that standard scientific methodology would require. The UFO evidence has satisfied the evidential threshold of normal scientific protocols; unfortunately, the evidence has been rejected by the dogmatic, specious demands for physical proof. For all these demands for physical proof, the skeptics have not been able to meet any of the following logical criteria necessary to defend the imposition of this arbitrary evidential threshold:

- . How can one declare a claim to be extraordinary without sufficient information to defend a low a priori probability?
- . Are there degrees of extraordinariness?
- . How does one relate a degree of extraordinariness to a fair and reasonable evidential threshold?
- . What is it about extraterrestrial visitation that implies the availability of physical proof?
- . How can we obtain physical proof?
- . How can an evidential threshold be imposed with no logical defensibility nor any rational expectation of actually meeting such a stringent threshold?

- Occam's Razor and the Skeptics

The UFO skeptics don't understand Occam's Razor, and they abuse it regularly. They think they understand it, but they don't. What it means is that when several hypotheses of varying complexity can explain a set of observations with equal ability, the first one to be tested should be the one that invokes the fewest number of uncorroborated assumptions. If this simplest hypothesis is proven incorrect, the next simplest is chosen, and so forth.

But the skeptics forget two parts: the part regarding the test of the simpler hypotheses, and the part regarding explaining all of the observations. What a debunker will do is mutilate and butcher the observations until it can be "explained" by one of the simpler hypotheses, which is the inverse of the proper approach. The proper approach is to alter the hypothesis to accommodate the observations. One should never alter the observations to conform with a hypothesis by saying "if we assume the object was not physical, despite the level of evidence that would imply the solidity of a conventional aircraft with near-certainty, then we can also assume the object was not moving, was not exhibiting the color orange, was not 50 feet in diameter as described, and then declare that it was really Venus."

But that's okay for the skeptics to do because it's an "extraordinary claim" being made that deserves to be explained away in a Machiavellian fashion as rapidly as possible with the urgent zeal of a religious missionary. Now, to alter observations to force conformance with the preferred hypothesis -- is that science? Or is that dogma? The answer, of course, is dogma. This practice is extremely poor science, and the approach undermines the very spirit of scientific inquiry. It is simply unacceptable to alter the observations that refuse to conform with the predetermined, favored explanation.

The ETH and Falsifiability While a more thorough discussion of the formulation and potential falsification of the ETH can be found on the ETH page, one particular aspect is worthy of note as another logical trick. The skeptics complain that the ETH is not falsifiable, which is a condition that violates a necessary component of hypothesis formulation. This is not true, as explained on the ETH page. However, even if it were true, the skeptics fail to realize that their beloved SETI hypothesis of alien radio signal detection can be said to be nonfalsifiable! Does a lack of

detection disprove the hypothesis that aliens are beaming mathematical constants at us? Certainly not, since our equipment may not be strong enough to detect them. It's been 30 years since SETI's beginnings, with absolutely no positive results whatsoever, yet the nonfalsifiability allows preservation of the project with hopes as high as ever.

- Science versus Skepticism

Skeptics are skilled propagandists who appeal to base emotions just like a seasoned politician. Skeptics like to wrap themselves in the robe of science, declaring that their approach and conclusions are "scientific", in just the same way that a politician will cloak himself in the mantle of "family values" and "doing what's right for America." But is skepticism really as scientific as the skeptics want people to believe?

As has been explained throughout this essay, the clear answer is no. Their logical reasoning is rife with fallacies, from their arbitrary declaration of a claim as being extraordinary to their specious demand for physical proof to their abuse of Occam's

Razor to their erroneous complaints about hypothesis falsification. So why do they claim that they are the real scientific side?

Skeptics are mostly scientists, but that certainly doesn't mean they behave scientifically, as has been explained. Their behavior stems partially from their distaste for public opinions that contradict the consensus of the scientific community. When a public consensus does contradict the scientific opinion, the scientists will mount a public campaign to discredit this opinion, because such an opinion undermines the role of the scientist in society as the appointed knowledge-seeker and truth-gatherer. What good are scientists if mankind will only insist on believing in warm, fuzzy superstitions anyway? So, these scientists who are guilty of the logical infractions exposed in this essay are so consumed with the presumed validity of their opinions that, like a zealous religious fanatic, they must convert the masses to the side of truth in order to salvage their own self-image.

The second stimulus of pseudoscientific skepticism is that these scientists, who do not represent all scientists but rather a rogue band of propagandists, feel that science is about the mastery of nature. When nature introduces an anomaly -- a violation of expectation -- to science, the anomaly must be crushed. How dare nature violate science's laws and principles! The anomaly is supposed to indicate an incomplete framework or incorrect a priori assumptions, yet to the skeptical propagandists, it indicates misbehavior by nature that cannot be allowed to undermine their role in society. The anomaly is a threat to the validity of their work, so they must wish it away, convince themselves through wild logical fallacies that the anomaly does not exist, and return the public back toward the truths of nature that are approved by the scientific community. This tendency only changes when it becomes more work to deny the anomaly than to accept it; sadly, with UFOs, this is not likely to occur, because the scientific community will never deal with UFO reports.

- Conclusion

The scientific community has vociferously resisted the acceptance of anomalies for centuries, with the Copernican Revolution being the most notable historical example. They threaten the paradigm and disturb the equilibrium. They undermine the community's self-perception of usefulness and value to society by threatening to destroy the assumptions behind

their work. For the purposes of emotional well-being, they will be protested and debunked until they can no longer be denied. With UFOs, the breaking point will be physical proof. Yet as this essay demonstrated, the criterion of physical proof is a product of anomaly resistance, rather than a rational assessment of a priori probabilities or a rational interpretation of evidence. Instead of applying fallacious reasoning to the evidence, applying normal scientific standards to the UFO evidence would long ago have enabled the scientific community to embrace the ETH.

To this intelligent and well written essay I would add that some scientists have already stated in public that they have found physical evidence of alien visitation. Most notably, Dr. Valery Dvuzhilni of the Russian Academy of Sciences on the Discovery

Channel program 'UFOs, down to earth'. In this light, Todd's assumption that only tangible evidence would convince skeptics of the reality of non--human visitation does not seem to be right. My conclusion is that nothing convinces skeptics of this fact.

-- HvdP

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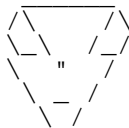
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.c The Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) - Steve Schiff, whose battle with skin cancer forced him to decide not to run for re-election this year, died today at age 51.

The five-term New Mexico Republican, who had been fighting aggressive squamous-cell skin cancer for more than a year, died this morning at his Albuquerque home.

Schiff had been absent from Washington, D.C., since last April but had been continuing to conduct 1st Congressional District from home.

During his years in Congress, Schiff was credited with a compromise plan that allowed Speaker Newt Gingrich to resolve ethics allegations by paying a \$300,000 penalty to reimburse the government for investigative costs.

Once, when Schiff opposed a congressional pay raise, he donated the amount of the raise that year to charity.

He also gained headlines in 1993, reopening a federal investigation into the so-called Roswell Incident in which extraterrestrial beings were purported to have crashed northwest of Roswell in 1947. Schiff asked the General Accounting Office, Congress' investigative arm, to seek Air Force documents relating to the incident. The Air Force said a secret high-tech spy balloon crashed, not an alien spacecraft.

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Subject: Re: Israeli UFO Wave of 96

>From: koch@wad.berlin.fido.de (Joachim Koch)
>Date: 25 Mar 98 01:07:00 +0000
>Subject: Israeli UFO Wave of 96
>To: updates@globalserve.net

Hello,

Gil Bar told me someone called him, offered him money for his film, then quizzed him. And I didn't even ask who. There are people I don't care to have in my life. I asked you to check credibility before printing nonsense.

You continued to print the views of a most jealous and unknown non-entity anyway. So the debate ends and you no longer receive my reports. Do your best with his.

Barry

Sent by Barry Chamish - Israeli journalist.
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>Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 11:46:36 -0600
>From: slk <slk@EVANSVILLE.NET>
>Subject: Position
>To: CURRENT-ENCOUNTERS@LISTSERV.AOL.COM

>THE UFO EVIDENCE - NICAP - A POSITION STATEMENT
>Richard Hall

>Over thirty years ago I compiled this documentary report (The UFO
>Evidence - 1964) for the leading UFO investigation group, the
>National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP) in
>Washington, D.C. Few people at that time were aware of the scope
>and consistency of UFO reports by credible witnesses such as
>scientists, professional pilots, police officers, and even U.S.
>Air Force personnel. The Air Force was officially charged with
>conducting a UFO investigation, but maintained that nothing of
>any importance was being observed.

>This report comprises a cross section of the UFO mystery as it
>appeared then. Sightings are presented by witness category and
>special types of evidence. The UFO Evidence remains a valuable
>resource and reference work, cited in nearly every major book on
>the subject published in the past thirty years.

>A new volume that will cover the years since 1964 is now in
>preparation (due out this year) and will be a companion volume to
>the original report, bringing the subject up to date. New tables
>and case summaries will demonstrate that expert witnesses have
>continued to report exactly the same kind of objects: geometric
>shapes (typically disks, ellipses, or cigars) that perform in
>typical ways and leave typical physical traces or other
>evidence.

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>The new volume will also report the history of the Air Force
>Project Blue Book after 1964, the University of Colorado Project
>study, and other new developments in the history of UFOs. It will
>also address the so-called UFO abduction phenomenon, reported
>interactions of human beings with apparent alien beings.
>Abductions first began coming into public awareness late in the
>1960s and 1970s, and have dominated the UFO subject in recent
>years.

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>This reprint of The UFO Evidence (1964) affords recent
>generations an opportunity to read and study a report that has
>been widely hailed as a classic of the UFO literature. Copies of
>the original report have become quite scarce, and those few that
>can be found sell at a premium on the UFO "black market." The
>content was eye-opening at the time, and remains even now an
>important summary of the case for real UFOs. Over thirty years of
>data since then have totally replicated its findings.

>Richard Hall

Hi Richard.

I cut part of your article, to reflect my idea as to the importance
of this book, "THE UFO EVIDENCE, 1964".

I have a copy of this book and have had it since the mid
sixties.

It is indeed a great reference book, outlining the phenomena as it was understood at that time.

For those who do not have an original copy, I am glad you are making a reprint available.

I would definitely be interested in procuring a copy of the new updated second edition you are preparing.

Thanks to NICAP, I investigated my first UFO sightings and crop circle in the Summer (August) 1967, and had my only sighting in Early Sept. of the same year.

I sent a sample of soy beans taken from the landing site near at Philpot, Ky. just south of Ownesboro. I received a nice letter from NICAP acknowledging the receipt of the samples and the report of the event. They told me they would contact the person in question and continue the report themselves.

I never did hear what they decided about that account. If you have access to the records of that time, let me know and you and I may be able to discuss the case in more detail.

Thanks..

REgards, Mike

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My BBS Telephone Number is: (502) 683-3026

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Michael Christol -----

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>From: Sean Jones <tedric@tedric.demon.co.uk>
>Subject: UFO UpDate: RE-Tim Good in UFO FORUM on Compuserve - >03-25-98

>Hi Georgina, Hi Errol, Hi All

>Some of us are not on Compuserve, so how can we acces the chat
>rooms? OR Where would we be able to obtain a copy of the log?

Hi Sean

If you remind me in a few days time, I'll e-mail you the transcript.

Georgina

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Cult Leader Misses Mark On Prediction

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Cult leader misses mark on prediction

By Justin Bachman

Star-Telegram Dallas Bureau

GARLAND -- At 12:01 this morning, God did not appear on Channel 18. But cult members who have gathered in Garland indicated last night that even if he didn't show, they believe he will appear Tuesday.

Chen Hon-Ming, the leader of the God's Salvation Church, had been predicting that God would appear on cable Channel 18 across the nation in preparation for his visit to Garland on Tuesday. The group said it chose Garland because it sounds to them like "God land."

Richard Liu, a spokesman for the group, said some cult members had chosen to be together last night and were gathered in the back yard of Chen's home, preparing to watch television.

"If really nothing happens, that might be a change of God's plan," Liu said about 10:30 last night, adding that Chen has not told anyone that any of his previous predictions have changed.

The street in front of Chen's house, closed to traffic, was teeming with television reporters, including a large contingent from Taiwan television networks.

Charles Amyx, 52, made about \$1,000 last night, renting his driveway to television and radio station crews who parked there, only feet from Chen's house.

"My wife just broke her tooth. I need the money," Amyx, a janitor and cardboard salesman, said as he unloaded his Dodge Caravan in front of his house last night. "If I didn't need the money, I'd just let them park there for free as a neighborly thing to do. But it's not like it's money they don't have."

His wife, Sherry, said she was pleased at the prospect of visiting a dentist.

"God works in mysterious ways," Charles Amyx said.

Chen had agreed to address the crowd by midmorning to explain what did or did not happen overnight, police Lt. Don Martin said last night.

The church is composed of some 110 adults and 50 children, many of whom have left their homes in Taiwan to follow Chen to Garland, which he says God has made the headquarters of a "salvation operation" to redeem

people before a nuclear holocaust in 1999 claims most of the world's population.

With hordes of reporters descending for the first of a two-part media "event" last night predicted to culminate with the arrival of God on Tuesday, city officials introduced themselves to journalists yesterday and unveiled a plan they hope will minimize the hoopla.

At least 25 news organizations signed up to camp out last night at Chen's home, the headquarters of the spiritual leader of the group commonly referred to as the Taiwanese UFO cult.

Another 38 organizations have told the city they will cover events related to the group's prediction that God will visit Tuesday in the 3500 block of Ridgedale Drive.

Traffic to the residential area was tightly restricted. Residents, and reporters bearing Garland media badges, were the only spectators allowed to drive into the area, Martin said.

Curious onlookers were turned away and advised to turn to newspapers, radio and television reports for information.

"We don't know what's going to happen," Martin said at a news conference at City Hall. "We're working on assumptions."

The biggest assumption is that members of the group, which says it values all life, will not harm themselves or engage in any other "negative behavior" if they do not perceive anything to have occurred either this morning or Tuesday, Martin said.

Chen's predictions come about a year after 38 members of the Heaven's Gate cult committed mass suicide in Rancho Santa Fe, Calif. Heaven's Gate members believed they would be picked up by a spaceship hidden by the Hale-Bopp comet.

Several religious experts working with police have said the group members are not violent and not likely to harm themselves or others if Chen's prophecies do not come true, Martin said.

"We'd rather overreact than underreact," he said.

Group members have said they do not intend to hurt themselves if the prophecies do not happen.

International interest has been high, with several Taiwanese journalists in Garland reporting on the group.

Such interest is why the city summoned reporters yesterday to issue bright orange credentials and explain the locations of parking, lavatories and area restaurants.

In comments to reporters last week, Chen emphasized the marvels of the "American continent" and likened Garland, a city of 200,000 on the eastern edge of Dallas, to a modern Garden of Eden.

Religious experts say the group's beliefs incorporate aspects of Christianity and Buddhism, with several unique features, including reverence of technology and the notion that God has engineered "super aircraft" able to transport 1,800 passengers through several dimensions of space and time.

Martin said Garland building and code inspectors have received several calls from residents since January, when the cult began receiving publicity for its beliefs, asking about the number of people residing at homes the group rents.

Inspectors have found no violations, he said.

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UFO Researchers in Iceland?

From: Philip Mantle <e151@dial.pipex.com>
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Fwd Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 09:56:03 -0500
Subject: UFO Researchers in Iceland?

Dear colleagues,

Does anyone have a contact for a UFO researcher or a UFO research group in Iceland at all? If they do, could they please get back to me.

All the best,

Philip.

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Fawcett's UFO Collection Goes to Roswell Museum

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ROSWELL UFO MUSEUM ACCEPTS EXTENSIVE UFO ARCHIVE COLLECTIONS

Roswell, NM-- March 18 , 1998-- Deon Crosby, Director of the International UFO Museum located in Roswell, New Mexico announced today that the Museum's Research Center would be accepting an extensive collection of UFO related items from two separate benefactors, George D. Fawcett of Lincolnton, NC and E.R. (Bob) Sabo of St. Petersburg, FL.

The items, transported to Roswell by semi-truck, encompass everything from UFO Sighting Reports to photos and videos of UFOs, many dated from the late 1940s to present day. Mayflower Transit company valued the collection at \$50,000 but first estimates by UFO researchers are upwards of \$250,000. Many of the items are priceless, one-of-a-kind documents, photos, and publications.

A key component of the collection has already been under public scrutiny and proven its worth, being included in the Smithsonian Institution's National Air Museum in 1961 as the 'Sauceriana Collection'. An October 25, 1960 Massachusetts press release stated, "Director Philip S. Hopkins of the Smithsonian Institution...said that Fawcett's 'Sauceriana' would make a good core to build around...Added impetus [is] given by a recent Air Force announcement that the UFOs are SERIOUS BUSINESS and that such sightings will tend to increase in the future."

The 'Sauceriana' Collection contains materials dealing with flying saucers consisting of 20 scrapbooks (dated 1947 through 1960) bound in 10 volumes, over 150 photographs of strange phenomena, hundreds of bulletins, magazine articles, newspaper clippings, and numerous books by both American and foreign authors. Many of these items are originals.

Both benefactors specifically requested that the collection be used to enhance the opportunity for, not only the International UFO Museum and its investigative processes, but the public's use for research. The International UFO Museum & Research Center plans to incorporate some of the items into present exhibits as may be determined by the Museum management. Many of the loose

newspaper clippings, journals, and books will be added to the International UFO Museum library, which is available to the public.

Bob Sabo was a Field Investigator and member of the investigative subcommittee of the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP) in Washington, DC from 1964 to 1980, at that time headed by Marine Major Donald E. Keyhoe and Richard Hall. Many of the committee reports, as well as investigation records are included in the collection.

Sabo was the founder of the UFO Research Organization of St. Petersburg, FL (1964-1969), through which he published monthly newsletters as Editor during this time. These 47 newsletters, as well as meeting reports are included in the archive collection. Sabo continued to collect UFO materials which include audio and video tapes, slides and photos, field investigations, correspondence, bulletins and magazines, books and symposium publications, newsletters and journals. Sabo estimates that his entire collection incorporates in excess of 10,000 individuals items.

George Fawcett has investigated over 1,200 UFO sighting reports since 1944. His interest in the UFO subject was fueled through more than 700 books and 1,000 magazine articles he has read.

His illustrated UFO lectures have been presented at 600 different colleges and universities, service clubs, military and scientific organizations, technical and special interest groups in the United States and overseas. Fawcett was the founder and chief advisor to the New England UFO Study Group (1957), the Pennsylvania and New Jersey Two-state UFO Study Group (1965), the Florida UFO Study Group (1968), the Tar Heel UFO Study Group (1973), and the Mutual UFO Network of North Carolina, Inc. (1989).

Fawcett instructed a 3 hr. accredited college course entitled 'UFOs: A New Frontier of Science' at the Lincoln County Campus of Gaston College, NC, spanning the years of 1979 to 1982. Dozens of Fawcett's articles were listed in the 1969 Library of Congress book 'UFOs and Related Subjects: An Annotated Bibliography', published under contract with the Air Force Office of Scientific Research. His efforts to make his collections available to the public were featured in the UFO Encyclopedia by Margaret Sachs and The Encyclopedia of UFOs by Ronald D. Story, both published in 1980. Fawcett is, or has been a member or field investigator for the following organizations: Aerial Phenomena Research Organization (APRO); the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP) in Washington, D.C.; the Scientific Bureau of Investigations (SBI) in New York; the J. Allen Hynek Center for UFO Studies (CUFOS); the Fund for UFO Research, Inc. (FUFOR) and the Mutual UFO Network, Inc. (MUFON).

The International UFO Museum & Research Center is located on Main Street in Roswell, New Mexico. The Museum is striving to become the worldwide clearinghouse of information concerning the UFO phenomena. Named as the Top Tourist Destination in New Mexico by the Tourism Association of New Mexico, the UFO Museum is open seven days a week and admission is free.

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UFO CORRESPONDENCE LETTERS	8,000
UFO JOURNALS & NEWSLETTERS	3,244
UFO MAGAZINE ARTICLES	2,000
UFO SIGHTING QUESTIONNAIRES	1,600
UFO TABLOID ARTICLES	900
UFO SLIDES	850
UFO BOOKS (HARBACK/PAPERBACK)	900
UFO PHOTOGRAPHS	525
UFO FREEDOM OF INFO DOCUMENTS	500
UFO MAGAZINES	1,200
UFO RELATED FILE FOLDERS	400
UFO CLIPPING SERVICE EDITIONS	342
UFO PHOTOGRAPHS FRAMED	85
UFO AUDIO CASSETTE/VHS TAPES	65
UFO FILING CABINETS	37
UFO ALBUMS	15
UFO RECORDS	9

UFO SCRAPBOOKS 10
3-D MISC. ITEMS 3

TOTAL ITEMS IN FAWCETT'S COLLECTION 20,685
ESTIMATED ITEMS IN E.R. SABO'S COLLECTION 15,000

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Re: Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

From: **Bruce Maccabee** <brumac@compuserve.com>
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Fwd Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 09:48:32 -0500
Subject: Re: Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

>From: "Gevaerd (Revista UFO)" <gevaerd@ufo.com.br>
>To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Public Nuisance Hall of Fame
>Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 22:13:12 -0300

>The bigger are the questions, the bigger will the answers? Maybe.

Yes, and...

the bigger the answers.... the bigger the questions!

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Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

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Date: Wed, 25 Mar 1998 10:19:47 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 09:43:26 -0500
Subject: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

>Date: Wed, 25 Mar 1998 02:59:54 -0500
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: John Velez <jvif@spacelab.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

John,

What is the big deal about the Brazilian Letter?

We keep forgetting that noone has the responsibility to prove to his/her government that UFOs exist since the government already knows.

My general feeling is that different governments around the world (you name 'em) know pretty well what "we" are dealing with. The problem is that these governments deny it.

On a conscious or subconscious level, most administrations have a parent-child relationship with their citizens - and children tend to believe what their parents SAY they believe. Children certainly influence the behavior of their parents, but when it comes to matters that concern security and insecurity parents must have the first answers.

As long as the governments refuse to publicly acknowledge the reality of UFOs, its DIFFERENT MANIFESTATIONS and its IMPLICATIONS, Ufology will have to do things the hard way: try to persuade most of the kids on this planet that their parents are lying to them, so that the kids can turn back and demand the right answers. Unfortunately, we are far far away from puberty.

I thus fail to see your attitude towards the Brazilian Letter. Since when has it become politically incorrect to say that UFOs are of extra-terrestrial origin? What do you want the guy to say? That UFOs may or may not be from our realm or our time, that they might even be time travellers from their own universe who happen to be here because their antimatter manifolds tend to backfire and throw them in bedrooms, that, if the later hypothesis does not fit reality, who cares since anything goes?

Let's keep it simple at first. Everybody is trying hard here.

And one last thing: I don't think you're an expert in aliens (no offense intended). Victims are not experts in criminals, cops are.

Serge Salvaille

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What Is The Long Term Plan Of The Abductors?

From: "Phil Bradley" <pjb@staffs.softnet.co.uk>
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Fwd Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 11:17:23 -0500
Subject: What Is The Long Term Plan Of The Abductors?

It seems likely to me that the human race is interacting with several alien species, some of whom may be benevolent, and some not so.

There seems to be much evidence that one or more of those species is carrying out abduction, taking eggs and sperm for purposes of a genetic engineering programme.

Some thoughts have occurred to me about the driving force behind the genetic engineering programme.

My thoughts involve Darwin's theory of evolution by natural selection, which explains the way that life has spread on the earth. By extending the concept to the spread of life from planet to planet, it seems to me that we can gain insight into the abduction phenomenon.

Natural selection acts as follows. Within a population of animals, the gene pattern will vary from one individual to another. The individuals having genes that make them more likely to have and raise children (e.g. genes conferring strength, disease resistance, social behaviour more likely to lead to finding a mate) will on average have and raise more children than others. So in the next generation the proportion of those genes is increased, thus improving the average ability of the population to replicate themselves. Thus those genes have been selected by natural processes, hence the term 'natural selection'.

If the environment changes (e.g. change of climate, new diseases), then natural selection ensures that the population as a whole adapts to cope with it. New species can arise, e.g. when a group of animals become isolated.

Natural selection is best regarded as a competition between genes to survive and spread, rather than as a competition between individuals or between species. This idea is explained very clearly in Richard Dawkin's book "The Selfish Gene" (Oxford University Press).

When a civilization develops the technology for travel to other planets and also for genetic engineering, a mechanism becomes possible for genes to spread from one planet to another. That is by the beings that have those genes travelling to another planet, then by genetic engineering techniques forming a new hybrid species that has some of their own genes and also genes of a species that already lives on that planet. The genes of the second species are needed in order that the bodies of the new species will be well adapted to the new planet.

This process does require genetic engineering techniques, since sex between two individuals of different species will not produce offspring. Genetic engineering makes hybridization possible even between very different species. Already in our university and industrial laboratories it is possible to insert genes from one species into a very different one, e.g. human genes can be inserted into lifeforms as different as pigs or bacteria (I'm not sure if those particular examples have been achieved, but I remember reading of that sort of thing being done).

What Is The Long Term Plan Of The Abductors?

What sort of genes would natural selection cause to be propagated from one planet to another in that way? It would be the genes that determine mental capabilities and motivation, specifically the genes for the intelligence necessary to undertake space travel and genetic engineering, and for the motivation and behaviour that leads to a society that would repeat the replication process on yet another planet, i.e. a society that invests in travel to yet another planet to genetically engineer yet another hybrid species with the same mental characteristics as themselves but with bodies suited to that planet.

If the right genes are propagated, the process repeats itself ad infinitum. The hybrid species formed on a planet travels to another populated planet where it genetically engineers yet another hybrid species suited to that planet, which then travels to yet another planet where it genetically engineers yet another hybrid species suited to that planet...ad infinitum.

The appearances of the species on each successive planet could be very different. What would remain constant would be the genes for mental capabilities and motivation. Such a set of genes has become self-propagating and spreads from planet to planet as described above.

Of course, one of the new hybrid species may not be given suitable genes for some reason, and so fail to repeat the replication process. Or there may be some other reason for failure, such as a natural catastrophe, or an accident of history causing the species to produce weapons that then make it extinct during warfare.

Failure to repeat the replication process is what happens in ordinary natural selection too, when an individual fails to have children. It is the individuals with the right genes to repeat the process (of making and raising children) who are likely to do so, thus propagating those genes further - individuals with different genes do not have and raise children, so those genes are not propagated further - that is the how natural selection works.

That same principle of natural selection would apply to the propagation of genes from one hybrid species to the next. The species with the genes that give the mental characteristics to repeat the replication process are likely to do so, thus propagating those genes further. Species with different genes do not replicate, and so those genes are not propagated further.

What would be observed on the planet where this process was taking place? The genes from the species that is doing the genetic engineering would cause the local population to develop the intelligence necessary to undertake space travel and genetic engineering, and probably a society that had the motivation to engage in both of those activities. We see that that has happened to the human species here on earth.

How would the genetic engineering be done? Perhaps by abduction of individuals of the local species for egg and sperm removal, and perhaps by implanting them with genetically engineered embryos. From the accounts of abductees that is what seems to be happening to the human species here on the earth.

Where would the genetically engineered babies grow up? Maybe there would be several types of genetically engineered baby being produced, but probably one of the mainstream types would be basically the same as the rest of the local population but with some genes altered.

A good way for the latter type to grow up would be as a child of the individual who was implanted with the genetically modified embryo. There would be several advantages. For example the child would be growing up in the very earth environment for which its genetic makeup was being designed. It could then be tested throughout its life for how well it coped in that environment.

Those children would then become abductees themselves for two reasons: firstly for the testing mentioned above, and secondly to be used for further breeding in the same way that they themselves were produced. Thus children of abductee parents become abductees themselves. The same then goes on from generation to generation. This is what we are seeing now here on the earth - being an abductee seems to follow from parent to child to grandchild etc.

So what we observe to be happening here on earth seem to fit the

above pattern, with the human race playing the role of the local species.

If the process has been going on for a long time then all human beings are hybrids already. At any one time in history, and at present, a certain proportion of the population are being used in the genetic engineering program, i.e. they are abductees. The rest have alien genes from ancestors who were abductees.

We might expect that if the above process is taking place, then not only would the alien genes give us intelligence, but also behaviour and motivation similar to the aliens. The abductors are often seen to be coldly clinical, uncaring of pain that they cause - humans treat animals in a similar way in some circumstances. Some abductees claim to be treated well and taught skills by aliens (or is that sometimes the result of implanted screen memories?) - humans treat animals well and teach them skills in some circumstances.

A further possibility is that now that the human race has reached a certain level of technology, the aliens have enlisted the help of a human group. There would be several advantages for them in having such local help. Is there evidence of involvement of a human group? The experiences of some abductees would indicate that there is.

To me, the involvement of natural selection as the driving force behind the abduction phenomenon seems more satisfying than rival theories that I have heard.

One such rival theory is that it is a property of DNA that after a certain time the DNA of a species inevitably degenerates to the extent that the species becomes extinct unless DNA from another species is used to regenerate it, and that abduction is occurring now because the human race is being used in such a regeneration process.

Surely that cannot apply to the species currently abducting here on earth. Surely if their genetic engineering capability is as advanced as it appears to be, they could clone or otherwise reproduce themselves by high tech means. Admittedly errors in the DNA strings would inevitably occur during that process, but surely they would be capable of knowing their present DNA strings, and then correcting the errors without requiring the taking of another species' DNA. DNA strings can be manufactured in the laboratory.

Therefore they should be able to keep their species going indefinitely in its present form without using our DNA, even if past DNA degeneration has rendered their DNA strings non-ideal.

What should be our attitude to the natural selection process that I have outlined, if it turns out to be true? If it is the genetic engineering of the aliens that has developed us to our present state, perhaps we should not be antagonistic to the process going further, except that we would wish to find a way of modifying the way that abductees are often treated.

Another reason for not being antagonistic to the process is to consider the alternative. What would happen to the human race if left to its own devices, with small terrorist groups and unstable nations gaining the capability for nuclear and biological warfare, with a large population using technology that is using up the earth's resources at an alarming rate and dumping vast quantities of waste products into land, sea and air?

I would be very interested to hear other people's thoughts on these ideas.

Phil

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Re: Day-time Moon 'Companion'?

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Fwd Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 11:25:19 -0500
Subject: Re: Day-time Moon 'Companion'?

Greetings,

Concerning my post about the moon 'object', I e-mailed Alison Davis of the NASA Ames Research center, asking if it was possible to see the lunar Prospector with the naked eye. Here was her reply:

Dear Desiree,

Thanks for your interest in Lunar Prospector. Unfortunately, one cannot view Lunar Prospector with the naked eye. In fact, it is impossible even for a high-powered telescope to see the spacecraft orbiting the Moon nearly 250,000 miles away. But you can, of course, "see" how the spacecraft is doing via our Web site

<http://lunarprospector.arc.nasa.gov> (DataViz section), where we

have posted the spacecraft's position overlaid atop previously acquired images of the Moon.

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Re: Explaining things about Brazilian Ufology

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Fwd Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 11:21:10 -0500
Subject: Re: Explaining things about Brazilian Ufology

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>To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Explaining things about Brazilian Ufology
>Date: Tue, 24 Mar 1998 15:18:12 -0400

>And in this e-mail he also involves Michael Hesemann, once again
>classifying him, by HIS BOOK, as ufoFILIST and not as a
>ufoLOGIST. Well, what a stupid discussion we are doing here!!!

Since Michael has disappeared from this list, are you his new voice?

>Anyway, I don't have to defend my friend Hesemann here, because
>he is a grown man and very much capable of doing it himself =96 if
>he chooses to defend himself against anything or anybody.

I thought he is 'very much capable of' (defending)
'himself' ...?

I have seen him on several occasions behaving like a 5-year old.
Quite interesting that was.

I know my post is useless and polemic. But so are others.

Cheers,

Ralf

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UFO-related Memorabilia - Free!

From: Philip Mantle <e151@dial.pipex.com>
Date: Wed, 25 Mar 1998 10:00:41 +0000
Fwd Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 11:12:15 -0500
Subject: UFO-related Memorabilia - Free!

Dear colleagues,

Over the years I have accumulated an amoiunt of UFO-relater memorabilia. This includes large amount pf movie posters of COMMUNION and FIRE IN THJE SKY among other things.

These are all gathering dust in my attic and are of absolutely no use to me at all. I am therefore able to offer these items free of charge to anyone who wants them.

Most of the material is in tip top condition, and all I ask is that you come and get it or arrange for someone to collect it for you.

If you are interested in this stuff please let me know and I will let the first person to contact me have it.

All the best,

Philip Mantle.
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Re: Missouri 1947 'UFO Crash Debris' For Sale

From: **RGates8254** <RGates8254@aol.com> [Robert Gates]
Date: Wed, 25 Mar 1998 18:22:34 EST
Fwd Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 11:27:43 -0500
Subject: Re: Missouri 1947 'UFO Crash Debris' For Sale

> From: [Stig Agermose](mailto:Stig.Agermose@online.pol.dk) (Stig Agermose)
> To: updates@globalserve.net
> Date: Wed, 25 Mar 1998 05:44:08 +0100
> Subject: Fringe: Missouri 1947 UFO Crash Debris For Sale

> Found at

> <http://www.wehug.com/crashesitedebris.html>

> *****

> (alien UFO) crash site debris CSD

> 1947 MissouriCrash Site Debris

> You probably haven't heard about this material (CSD) before...
> but you will. It has been introduced at The big Tucson show this
> February ('98). We understand that the author of "Love is in the
> Earth", MELODY, and some other large metaphysical companies will
> be offering this material for sale. Before the year is out this
> material will be a "must have". And you saw it here first !

I would have figured that we would have heard all about this
from Ed Wang, Wolf, or Schulman. Naturally ACC would have
been "investigating" this complete with some ET ship manual that
Schulman would have allegedly found, probably in some dusty
abandoned house that had been their since the Civil War.

But we didn't. We heard it from some jeweler whose credibility
factor is just slightly above schulmans....oh I mean snake crap.

Cheers,

Robert

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Re: Treasure Hunter Taking "Alien" Bones To

From: [Stig Agermose@online.pol.dk](mailto:Stig.Agermose@online.pol.dk) (Stig Agermose)
Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 03:42:42 +0100
Fwd Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 12:03:21 -0500
Subject: Re: Treasure Hunter Taking "Alien" Bones To

I wrote:

>From: [Stig Agermose@online.pol.dk](mailto:Stig.Agermose@online.pol.dk) (Stig Agermose)
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Date: Wed, 25 Mar 1998 07:52:07 +0100
>Subject: Treasure Hunter Taking "Alien" Bones To Roswell Museum

>>From Sightings On Radio's site. URL:

><http://www.sightings.com/ufo/alienbones.htm>

>*****

>SIGHTINGS

>=BF
>Oklahoma Treasure Hunter Taking Alien Bones To Roswell?!
>From KARN News Radio
>Little Rock, Arkansas
>3-23-98

(snipped)

December 25 at 23.39 local time (GMT + 1 hour) I received this update via "alt.alien.visitors"

Date: Wed, 25 Mar 1998 16:15:09 -0600
From: Bob Coleman <colemanb@ipa.net>
Subject: Alien Skeleton
Message-ID: <351981ED.AC5B980@ipa.net>

It was reported on local news here in Fort Smith, Arkansas, that an unidentifiable skeleton had been found on nearby Fort Chaffee, a semi-active Army installation. Chaffee was deactivated in the late 50's and largely forgotten by the public, except as a hunting area. New troops were brought in in the mid-80's and security tightened, when this 'find' was first reported. I personally heard a employee at the post say, "They crashed at Roswell, but they landed here."

For what it's worth.

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Schiff Dead At 51 (Albuquerque Journal)

From: [Stig Agermose@online.pol.dk](mailto:Stig.Agermose@online.pol.dk) (Stig Agermose)
Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 02:32:22 +0100
Fwd Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 11:58:00 -0500
Subject: Schiff Dead At 51 (Albuquerque Journal)

>From the Albuquerque Journal. URL:

<http://www.abqjournal.com/news/1news3-26.htm>

The link gives a lot of information about Steve Schiff's personality and career.

Stig

last updated:

Wednesday, 25-Mar-98 16:17:20

March 25, 1998

AARON WILSON/JOURNAL

Schiff Dead at 51

*Learn more about Steve Schiff

The Associated Press

U.S. Rep. Steve Schiff, whose battle with skin cancer forced him out of the race for the 1st Congressional District this year, died today at age 51.

The five-term New Mexico Republican, who had been fighting aggressive squamous-cell skin cancer for more than a year, died this morning at his Albuquerque home.

Funeral arrangements are pending.

Schiff had been absent from Washington, D.C., since last April but had been continuing to conduct congressional business from home.

Schiff had undergone dozens of unsuccessful radiation treatments before beginning chemotherapy.

A spokesman for Schiff denied as late as last month that the disease was terminal and said the congressman was responding well to treatment.

During his years in Congress, Schiff was credited with a compromise plan that allowed House Speaker Newt Gingrich to resolve ethics allegations by paying a \$300,000 penalty to reimburse the government for investigative costs.

Once, when Schiff opposed a congressional pay raise, he donated the

amount of the raise that year to charity.

He also gained headlines in 1993, reopening a federal investigation into the so-called Roswell Incident in which extraterrestrial beings were purported to have crashed northwest of Roswell in 1947. Schiff asked the General Accounting Office, Congress's investigative arm, to seek Air Force documents relating to the incident. The Air Force said a secret high-tech spy balloon crashed, not an alien spacecraft.

Schiff was elected to Congress after serving as district attorney for Bernalillo County.

He also was a colonel in the Air Force Reserve. In the Air Force and New Mexico Air National Guard, Schiff served as a judge advocate general. As a reserve colonel, Schiff served brief stints on active duty in Bosnia and the Persian Gulf after the war with Iraq.

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Predicted TV Showing By "God" Draws A Crowd

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Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 02:59:52 +0100
Fwd Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 12:01:45 -0500
Subject: Predicted TV Showing By "God" Draws A Crowd

>From the Charlotte Observer. URL:

<http://www.charlotte.com/topnews/pub/033250.htm>

Posted at 12:08 a.m. EST Wednesday, March 25, 1998

Predicted TV showing by God draws a crowd

By JUSTIN BACHMAN

Knight Ridder Newspapers

GARLAND, Texas -- With hordes of reporters descending for the first of a two-part media "event" on Tuesday night predicted to culminate with the arrival of God, city officials introduced themselves to journalists earlier in the day and unveiled a plan they hope will minimize the hoopla.

Chen Hon-Ming, the leader of the God's Salvation Church, had predicted that God would appear on television Channel 18 at 12:01 Wednesday morning in preparation for his return to Earth, via Garland, next Tuesday, March 31. The group said it chose the Dallas suburb because it sounds to them like "God land."

At least 25 news organizations signed up to camp out last night at Chen's home, the headquarters of the spiritual leader of the group commonly referred to as the Taiwanese UFO cult.

Another 38 organizations have told the city they will cover events related to the group's prediction that God will return Tuesday in the 3500 block of Ridgedale Drive.

Traffic to the residential area was tightly restricted, with residents and reporters bearing Garland media badges the only spectators allowed to drive into the area, police Lt. Don Martin said.

Curious onlookers were turned away and advised to turn to newspapers, radio and television reports for information.

"We don't know what's going to happen," Martin said at a news conference at City Hall. "We're working on assumptions."

The biggest assumption is that members of the group, which says it values all life, will not harm themselves or engage in any other "negative behavior" if they do not perceive anything to have occurred either Wednesday morning or Tuesday, Martin said.

Chen's predictions come about a year after 38 members of the Heaven's Gate cult committed mass suicide in Rancho Santa Fe, Calif. Heaven's Gate members believed they would be picked up by a spaceship hidden by the Hale-Bopp comet.

Several religious experts working with police have said the group members are not violent and not likely to harm themselves or others if

Chen's prophecies do not come true, Martin said.

"We'd rather overreact than underreact," he said.

But the international interest is high, nonetheless, with several Taiwanese journalists in Garland reporting on the group.

Such interest is why the city summoned reporters on Tuesday to issue bright orange credentials and explain the locations of parking, lavatories and area restaurants.

In addition, Martin said, Chen has agreed to address the crowd by midmorning to explain what did or did not happen overnight.

The church is composed of some 110 adults and 50 children, many of whom have left their homes in Taiwan to follow Chen to Garland, which he says God has made the headquarters of a "salvation operation" to redeem people before a nuclear holocaust in 1999 claims most of the world's population.

In comments to reporters last week, Chen emphasized the marvels of the "American continent" and likened Garland, a city of 200,000 on the eastern edge of Dallas, to a modern Garden of Eden.

Religious experts say the group's beliefs incorporate aspects of Christianity and Buddhism, with several unique features, including reverence of technology and the notion that God has engineered "super aircraft" able to transport 1,800 passengers through several dimensions of space and time.

Martin said Garland building and code inspectors have received several calls from residents since January, when the cult began receiving publicity for its beliefs, asking about the number of people residing at two homes the group rents.

Inspectors have found no violations, he said.

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Anthropologist Shows Video Of Secret Expedition To

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Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 02:49:45 +0100
Fwd Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 11:59:48 -0500
Subject: Anthropologist Shows Video Of Secret Expedition To

>From the Los Angeles Times. URL:

<http://www.latimes.com/HOME/NEWS/POLITICS/t000028664.html>

Wednesday, March 25, 1998

A Search on Forbidden Ground

History: An anthropologist tracing a doomed Gold Rush wagon train ventures into the Air Force's supersecret Area 51.

By BOB POOL, Times Staff Writer

If you're hunting for signs of travelers lost in uncharted space, what better place to look than the land of flying saucers?

That's where anthropologist Jerry Freeman of Pearblossom found himself when he set off to follow the trail of the Lost '49ers--the wagon train that ended up in the desert instead of the gold fields when it made a wrong turn about 150 years ago.

It was a stubborn guide that sent the wagon train crawling through the empty desert on a journey that ended in tragedy and gave Death Valley its name.

It was a stubborn government, however, that sent Freeman creeping through the same cactus-studded terrain, now better known as the Air Force's supersecret Area 51, north of Las Vegas.

When officials refused to escort the 55-year-old Freeman onto their isolated Nevada test range to hunt for remnants of the ill-fated pioneer expedition, he set out on his own secret expedition.

He didn't see any UFOs on his weeklong hike into the research and test center, Freeman says. But Area 51's high-tech guards didn't see him, either.

Famous for swooping down on sightseers who venture too close to Area 51, the security force is known as a no-nonsense crew that reportedly uses hidden ground sensors and infrared viewing devices to look for intruders. Roving armed guards in four-wheel-drive vehicles and helicopters also patrol the center.

"I feel if they'd caught me in there they'd have lit me up like a Roman candle," said Freeman, a Cal State Long Beach cultural anthropology graduate who works as an Antelope Valley teacher.

Although the government is tight-lipped about what goes on there, the site 100 miles north of Las Vegas is thought by some aviation buffs to be a testing ground for Stealth aircraft. More fanciful lore, most recently bolstered by the movie "Independence Day," suggests that the government studies captured flying saucers in special labs that are hidden beneath the area's dry lake beds.

Freeman maintains that he was looking for evidence of the Lost '49ers,

not of space aliens, when he stuffed a backpack full of food and water canteens last April 27 and sneaked into the Nevada test range.

The story of the Lost '49ers is one of the saddest chapters of the California Gold Rush.

The pioneers were traveling with a group of about 100 wagons headed west to the Mother Lode in late 1849. Remembering the misfortunes of the Donner party that had been trapped two years earlier by snow in the Sierra Nevada, the wagon train decided to bypass the mountains by heading south.

Near what is now Cedar City, Utah, the wagon train's guide came across a map that showed what appeared to be a shortcut through the mountains. Hoping to save time, the group turned west once more.

More than half the wagons backtracked after a few miles when their owners realized that mountains were ahead. The 27 others kept following the bogus map and soon found themselves lost.

What resulted was a seven-week ordeal that ended up costing the Lost '49ers their wagons full of possessions, their oxen and, in the case of at least four of them, their lives. Nine others were never found.

Their 330-mile trek sent them meandering through some of this country's most rugged and arid land. One group was stranded in a waterless area that they named Death Valley in honor of a companion who died there.

Survivors of the wagon train regrouped in February 1850 near what is now the Santa Clarita Valley's Magic Mountain before continuing on to the gold country.

Two years ago, Freeman and a small group of amateur historians and archeology buffs retraced the route of the Lost '49ers and located six of the seven trail markers that the pioneers had carved on rocks and then carefully noted in a wagon train journal.

But government officials blocked their entry onto the Nevada test grounds. The Air Force turned down repeated requests to escort Freeman--blindfolded if necessary--to the seventh rock inscription. The Pentagon even rejected an appeal on his behalf from Rep. Howard P. "Buck" McKeon (R-Santa Clarita).

Freeman said he started his unauthorized 100-mile round-trip hike from an isolated side of the Department of Energy's nuclear test site, skirting craters left from atomic bomb blasts before entering the forbidden Air Force land.

Once there, he hiked to Nye Canyon and Papoose Lake--two sites mentioned in the wagon train journal. The canyon is where the 1849 inscription was carved in rock; the dry lake bed is where pioneers pitched camp the last time before splitting up and sending one group to its Death Valley doom.

In his handwritten journal, Freeman records how he avoided detection by traveling at night and ducking behind clumps of cactus when guards appeared. He describes a large "city" of buildings illuminated at night by pulsating lights (an old nuclear device assembly area, it later turned out), strange vibrations in the ground and a mysterious ship that rests on the desert sand (a remnant of the days of atmospheric testing, authorities said).

He also discovered what seemed to be a lighted doorway that appeared and disappeared in the darkness of distant Papoose Lake--thought by conspiracy buffs to be the site of an underground hangar where scientists have tried to reverse-engineer a crashed flying saucer.

Freeman said he managed to reach Nye Canyon but didn't find the inscription. By the time he got there, he was out of water and had only a few hours of daylight to search before making a moonlit dash back to a Department of Energy water pipe to refill his canteens.

By that time, a thirsty and weakened Freeman had done what the Lost '49ers had done: jettisoned all nonessential gear to lighten his load. Left behind were binoculars, clothing, a butane stove and a cellular phone that he had used to make coded calls to family and friends to report his hike's progress, he said.

Several months after his unauthorized trek, a Las Vegas newspaper published portions of Freeman's journal detailing his trip. That caused jaws to drop in government offices.

"It disappointed us and hurt our feelings," said Capt. Lee Bloom, a spokesman for Nellis Air Force Base, where Area 51 is located. "We don't have a lot of trespassing."

Freeman says he only photographed geographic features on his hike, no classified subjects. He recently screened an edited, eight-minute video of his trip to an impressed audience at the Adventurers' Club of Los Angeles.

Freeman plans to write a book about his trek. And he's convinced that he came within a few hundred yards of the '49ers' inscription.

"Another couple of quarts of water, another couple of hours," he said, "and I'd have found it."

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Re: 100 Witnesses to Mexico City UFO?

From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
Date: Wed, 25 Mar 1998 22:15:40 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 12:58:11 -0500
Subject: Re: 100 Witnesses to Mexico City UFO?

>From: Ufojoel <Ufojoel@aol.com> [Joe Murgia]
>Date: Tue, 24 Mar 1998 00:10:23 EST
>To: UASR@MyList.net, updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: 100 Witnesses to Mexico City UFO?

>Hi All,>

>My wife and I attended the Gulf Breeze UFO Conference (No
>Sightings. Damn!). During Jamie Maussen's lecture he dropped what
>I think is a bombshell if it pans out. The rest of the lecture
>was great. Project Awareness does a great job!

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Thanks, Joe. I knew there were a couple of dozen. Didn't know about a 100. But not surprised, considering the time of the event and the location.

I know know virtually nothing about what UPN is doing with the case. I presume they will show the video and interviews with some witnesses. I do not even know if they will present the analysis I have circulated on the web and will be published in the MUFON journal.

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Re: NICAP Website Announcement

From: " Jerry Cohen" <rjcohen@li.net>
Date: Wed, 25 Mar 1998 22:28:40 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 13:20:28 -0500
Subject: Re: NICAP Website Announcement

Re: ONE RESEARCHER'S REACTIONS AND COMMENTS
TO THE PROPOSED "NICAP" WEBSITE

>NICAP Website
>Announcement

>From: jan@cyberzone.net (Jan Aldrich)
>Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 09:57:32 -0800
>Fwd Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 17:33:36 -0500
>Subject: NICAP Website Announcement

>Subject: National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP)
>Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 13:25:21 -0600
>From: Francis Ridge <slk@EVANSVILLE.NET>
>To: PROJECT-1947@LISTSERV.AOL.COM

>Greetings List Members,

>It is with great pleasure that I announce the official
>authorization of the web site for the National Investigations
>Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP).

JC: Thoughts popped into my head and I feel I'd like to air
them. I say this all with deep respect for all individuals
involved in the aforementioned endeavor. At first I was uneasy
with the whole thing, then I thought about it further.

I would really prefer Jan's statement to indicate that on this
new website will be posted cases from NICAP's files that CUFOS
and/or the new website's board feel, via research, are "the best
available evidence *from NICAP's files*," since the site will be
listed under its name. (If I'm interpreting his memo correctly.)
Obviously it should also be indicated why the particular cases
were selected as the "best" evidence. NICAP did have summations
of best cases for a particular year. I am sure further analyses
could be done.

The authorization of the website can obviously not be "for" NICAP
because the original networking that made up the organization
itself no longer exists, rights to the NICAP files not
withstanding. No group can claim that. But CUFOS does, and has
officially had, the bulk of NICAP's original files and should be
the one to decide this.

Also, I certainly can understand CUFOS' basic reasoning for it
and believe it is probably a good idea. (another newly formed UFO
group (individual?) attempted to take this name for their own
without even having a direct connection to those original files,
main creators, etc. Please see link below.)

<http://www.fufor.org/fufor-update.htm#NICAP-FAKE>

However, I also believe it is important for researchers to
distinguish the "core and nucleus of material from the original
group" with that which derives from this point onward. Hopefully,
with proper dating, of evidence, etc., this will not be a
problem.

>NICAP will not be another UFO organization, as before. The

>one thing we don't need is another UFO group, per se.

JC: Thank God for that. Although I'm only one person, I personally feel that would have been dead wrong; i.e. calling a new group by the same name as something that went before and had "closed its doors" in 1980. (17 years ago) However, I also realize that some of its original staff are still around and quite active today.

Please see: Brief overview of NICAP (for those not familiar)
<http://www.li.net/~rjcohen/nicap.html#anchor579719>

NICAP

>will now be the web site, the international site for the
>peer-reviewed Best Available Evidence.

JC: I would hope the summations of the fine discussions and archiving of that having already taken place...(and in the future) at UFO UpDates and archived at UfoMind, CA will find their important place, and linkage at this new website. One problem that I see is that if the new website's board doesn't choose to discuss various documentation or material in these archives, this information may be considered of less value and not part of the "Best Available Evidence." I really believe this would be a big mistake. This is a chance for everyone to prove your evidence is the best via discussion in this medium, have it examined by the world, and then let it be fairly judged.

It's importance can now be decided by anyone in the world willing to call it up and take a look at it, whomever that may be. What we all must realize is that the INTERNET is the big picture, no matter how prestigious any one particular individual or group may be. It now connects people from all over the world.

Also hopefully, the new website will choose to acknowledge UpDates and UfoMind fairly and find use for some of the important material therein. A number of people's hard efforts have gone into creating a database of material which certainly deserves fair review, analysis and recognition. It is no accident that so many researchers, etc. have found themselves holding their discussions in EBK's essentially non-partisan arena.

Both Glenn Campbell and Errol Bruce Knapp deserve credit for this most important contribution. (I also feel proud of my own.) A user-contributable database of the type Glenn has created out in California, USA (with Glenn as moderator) is extremely important to this endeavor. I believe that this database is one of the best of its type, if not THE best presently on the net. CUFOS, FUFOR & MUFON should all seek to support it in any way they can. From what Glenn indicates, he really needs some monetary support.

<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates/1998/mar/m23-008.shtml>

Regarding Glenn's latest note, above: It would be more than a shame to lose something that took Glenn and others, quite a lot of time and effort to build. There is important information stored on that site regarding ufologists, scientists, analyses of cases, scientific hypotheses, etc. that are not found elsewhere in one "easy to access" place. He's done a fantastic job. (With contributions by many of us.)

>The "Latest News" in the electronic version of the "UFO
>Investigator", one for each month with archived copies for
>newcomers, will replace the InterLink:UFO's Director's
>Message. I will not be the Director of InterLink:UFO, the
>head of "Fran Ridge's UFO web site", but the Web Site
>Coordinator (webmaster) with a number of official NICAP
>advisers providing the guidance and control over this NICAP
>site.

....snip....

>The web site will operate in the spirit and tradition of the
>original NICAP and will be building the site under the structure
>of the UFO Evidence (early history to 1964) and UFO Evidence II
>(to-date).

JC: To retain a true solid connection to same and from what you've indicated concerning "The UFO Evidence I & II," as I am sure you realize (and perhaps you've already asked him) one of the head advisors of this board should obviously be Richard Hall; therein supplying a most prominent NICAP connection from the

past.

See: UfoMind website address below for those not familiar with him:

<http://www.ufomind.com/people/h/hall/>

>I ask for your cooperation and your support.

>Sincerely,

>Francis Ridge
>NICAP Site Coordinator

JC: I've included the following because I believe it is certainly worth repeating. Jan has indicated:

>HERE IS THE NEW MISSION STATEMENT.
>NICAP's InterLink:UFO web site is designed to be a primary
>internet UFO evidence depository for special evidence and
>other important information regarding serious UFO research.
>Besides a few primary directory sites to handle the main
>routing/linking, as many reputable sites as possible are
>utilized to control the storage and downloading bandwidth,
>plus provide security for all the information provided.
>Numerous UFO web sites exist on the web, many which have
>good data even among the bad. It is NICAP's consensus that,
>by selecting the useable links, we will be gleaning something
>of use, plus thereby encouraging everyone to work towards both
>quantitative and qualitative entries.

JC: With that in mind, I hereby offer linkage to my personal site at <http://www.li.net/~rjcohen/index.html> or <http://www.li.net/~rjcohen/topicsaddr.html> which I believe has a summation of important information not presently found in one place elsewhere on the net. However, for the sake of economy I have intentionally kept it low on the graphics end, with quick opening and easy access to a variety of Mhz machines and to allow for the storage of more written research. My intention is to keep it that way until "graphical load speeds" get much faster for everyone. (Still waiting for the skeptics, or others, to show me any major errors I may have made..or where Mr. Oberg was right and I was wrong. Some may not realize it, but this "old" stuff is still incredibly important today.)

....snip....

>We are also working on a directory of UFO researchers or a
>"Who's Who in UFOlogy". This will be a great task, with links
>to images on hundreds of web sites.

JC: Much of this is already being accomplished at Glenn Campbell's UfoMind site at

<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/people/>

Glenn should be asked to be a big part of this if he so desires. His efforts have been extraordinary. I believe his tireless endeavor, beneficial to all, should garner as much support the major UFO groups are able to give him. Errol's equally tireless efforts in having a mail list where all these discussions can and have been held is a most vital part of this entire linking system. It goes without saying that he should be included as well. If it wasn't for him, you wouldn't be seeing this message, or the marvelous debates we have been seeing all along and especially, recently.

Respectfully,
Jerry Cohen

Author: Oberg/Cooper rebuttals
Website: <http://www.li.net/~rjcohen/>
UfoMind: <http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/people/c/cohen/>

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Re: Day-time Moon 'Companion'?

From: "snake" <snake@mwaz.com> [Desire=E9 Holloway]
Date: Wed, 25 Mar 1998 20:48:08 -0700
Fwd Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 20:37:29 -0500
Subject: Re: Day-time Moon 'Companion'?

Hello,

Many thanks to all the people who answered my post concerning my day-time moon object. Of all the possible explanations I received, the most likely one seems to be the planet Venus. I was informed in one e-mail that Venus was ".09 degrees away from the moon at 2:00 pm eastern..." Although the object appeared closer than the moon through the telescope, and moved in a peculiar fashion around the moon, this seems to be the most logical possibility. If anyone could explain to me why it appeared to stay so close to the moon throughout the day (appx. a 6-7 hour period), even seeming to move in a semi-circle around the moon, I would greatly appreciate it.

Once again, thank you all! :)

Sincerely,

Desire=E9 Holloway -- (perpetually dumbfounded)
snake@mwaz.com
<http://www.geocities.com/Area51/Corridor/8701>

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The Honourable Congressman Steve Schiff 1947-1998

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 20:34:54 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 20:34:54 -0500
Subject: The Honourable Congressman Steve Schiff 1947-1998

The Honourable Congressman Steve Schiff 1947-1998

Congressman Steve Schiff moved from his native Chicago to New Mexico in 1969 to attend The University of New Mexico Law school. During this time, he enlisted as an airman basic in the New Mexico Air National Guard. After graduation, he went to work as an Assistant District Attorney in 1972 and, in 1980, after switching to the Republican Party, won his first of two terms as Bernalillo County District Attorney.

With a well established reputation as a tough prosecutor who wasn't afraid to go after white collar criminals as well as thugs, he defeated Tom Udall in 1988 to become only the second Congressman from the First Congressional District -- after Manuel Lujan left the seat and became US Secretary of the Interior in the Bush Administration.

In 1995, with the election of a Republican majority to Congress, Steve Schiff became Chairman of the Science Committee's Subcommittee on Basic Research, where he was in an excellent position to make sure that bold new efforts to end deficit spending, control government growth, and reduce taxes did not come at the expense of the critical high technology research and development done at facilities such as Sandia National Laboratories.

And his committee assignments in Judiciary and as Vice Chair of Government Reform and Oversight, he was in a superb position to press for Law and Order reforms throughout the country as well as reform of the way government conducts itself in Washington.

Steve Schiff also served four critical years on the House Ethics committee which, during the acrimonious transition period between the old Democratic and the new Republican majority, became the eye of the storm as charges and countercharges were leveled at Speaker Newt Gingrich, Minority Leader Dick Gephardt, and others.

Indeed, it was Steve Schiff as much as anyone in Congress who kept the ethics process together and navigated a successful resolution that neither whitewashed charges nor railroaded anyone unjustly.

After 5 terms, Congressman Schiff's legacy in Congress is at least in part that the institution he has served with honesty, integrity and hard work is enjoying the fruits of his labor and his example. Congress itself now enjoys an unprecedented 57% approval rating. Steve Schiff has never been afraid to demand answers, -- he's been viewed as the conscience of Congress.

But even before Schiff and the Republicans in Congress took over in 1995, Steve was able to work effectively for the interests of New Mexico and the US as a whole. He worked tirelessly to promote provisions of the crime bill such as "3 Strikes," and organized the original Kirtland Retention Task Force, which, through a community-wide effort and a lot of hard work, was able to rescue the base from an ill conceived, but politically expedient budget ax.

And even while fighting cancer (squamous cell carcinoma), Steve Schiff was able to maintain the tradition of unparalleled constituent service. The now locally famous "gang" teenager turned exemplary U.S. Navy sailor Shawn Salazar was but one of countless cases where Steve Schiff went the extra mile and made a difference in the lives of our citizens.

Last Summer, Steve Schiff retired as a full Colonel after serving 28 years in the Air Guard and Air Force Reserve. He worked in Northern Iraq as a JAG during the Kurdish relief effort in 1991, and in the Bosnian Theater during deployment in 1995.

Born March 18, 1947, he is survived by his wife of 29 years Marcia, and children Jaimi and Daniel.

Donations in lieu of flowers:

American Cancer Society/New Mexico Division
5800 Lomas Blvd. NE
Albuquerque, NM 87110

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UFO*BC Information

From: UFO*BC <pengilly@axionet.com>
Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 05:02:15 GMT
Fwd Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 20:38:50 -0500
Subject: UFO*BC Information

From time to time, UFO*BC sends out a group e-mail to let people know about upcoming lectures, changes to the website and interesting UFO tidbits. If you do not wish to be on this group list, please let us know and we will gladly remove your name. Thank you.

1) Lecture/Slideshow: Planetarium, 7:30 Saturday, April 4, 1998.

UFO*BC presents a joint slideshow/lecture with the amazing Dorothy Izatt. UFO*BC will talk about some of their most recent cases, accompanied by some very interesting slides. Dorothy will show a collection of her unusual "lightform" photographs. Her work has baffled photographic professionals and the most respected psychic researchers from around the world. Dorothy has appeared on TV programs as "That's Incredible", "Sightings", "Encounters" and "Strange Universe".

Tickets are \$15 (\$12 for seniors & students), available at the door, at Banyen Sound in Vancouver or at Phoenix Books in Surrey. For reservations call 604-878-6511.

2) UFO*BC Website - <http://www.ufobc.org>

- Bill has given our Homepage a new look, check it out.
- Our Historical section has been re-organized into decades and put into a standard format that should be easy-to-read and quick-to-load.
- After a few dry months we had a small flurry of activity - it seems "black triangles" are "in" this month.
- We have Chris Rutkowski's annual UFO survey, gathered from UFO groups across the country (including a large percentage from BC)
- Don't forget the Half-Cat article, the 'Strange Photos' gallery and the new Guestbook.

3) UFO*BC Takes Their Slideshow on the Road!!

We have decided to limit the number of guest speakers we bring in each year, and to concentrate on our own slideshow/lecture, about local BC cases. We are currently arranging to speak in Seattle, Bellingham, Nanaimo and Victoria. If anyone would like to arrange for us to give a slideshow in their community, please let us know. We only ask for a minimum of 20 people to be present and enough funds to cover our expenses. Call 604-878-6511.

4) NEW UFO*BC QUARTERLY MAGAZINE!!

Our latest magazine should be going to print within the next week. This should be a doozy - we have cattle mutilations, Men in Black, alien abductions, black triangles, book reviews, and more!!

We plan to have the magazine ready for the lecture at the Planetarium on April 4, so drop by and have a look at it. Just \$5 an issue, or \$20 for a yearly subscription. You will love it!

UFO*BC is always eager to hear about unusual B.C. sightings,
both past and present. Please contact us if you have a story
to tell, or come across one in an old magazine or newspaper.
Our e-mail address is contactus@ufobc.org and our Hotline
number is 604-878-6511.

If you have comments please e-mail me at:
david@ufobc.org

Thank you,
Dave Pengilly,
UFO*BC

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Re: Steve Schiff - In Memorium

From: Bob Shell <bob@bobshell.com>
Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 12:54:38 -0500
Fwd Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 03:02:22 -0500
Subject: Re: Steve Schiff - In Memorium

>Date: Wed, 25 Mar 1998 21:28:57 -0800
>From: "Terry J. Blanton" <commengr@bellsouth.net>
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: Schiff Passes

>.c The Associated Press

> ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) - Steve Schiff, whose battle with skin
>cancer forced him to decide not to run for re-election this year,
>died today at age 51.

This is sad news, indeed. Although I never met Steve Schiff, I spoke with him briefly by phone once, and his office staff were very helpful to me in my research. I'm saddened to learn that this courageous man lost his battle with cancer.

Bob

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Re: The UFO Evidence - Nicap - A Position Statement

From: Steven Kaeser <steve@konsulting.com>
Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 08:41:23 -0500
Fwd Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 02:56:02 -0500
Subject: Re: The UFO Evidence - Nicap - A Position Statement

>Date: Tue, 24 Mar 1998 23:40:15 -0600
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: Michael Christol <mchristo@mindspring.com>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: The UFO Evidence - Nicap - A Position Statement

>I have a copy of this book and have had it since the mid
>sixties.

>It is indeed a great reference book, outlining the phenomena as
>it was understood at that time.

>For those who do not have an original copy, I am glad you are
>making a reprint available.

>I would definitely be interested in procuring a copy of the new
>updated second edition you are preparing.

>Thanks to NICAP, I investigated my first UFO sightings and crop
>circle in the Summer (August) 1967, and had my only sighting in
>Early Sept. of the same year.

>I sent a sample of soy beans taken from the landing site near at
>Philpot, Ky. just south of Ownesboro. I received a nice letter
>from NICAP acknowledging the receipt of the samples and the
>report of the event. They told me they would contact the person
>in question and continue the report themselves.

>I never did hear what they decided about that account. If you
>have access to the records of that time, let me know and you and
>I may be able to discuss the case in more detail.

>Thanks..

>REgards, Mike

The reprint of "The UFO Evidence" was released in June of last year by Barnes and Noble, and the second volume is to be released a little later this year. Richard has been working on this for several years, and my understnading is that Barnes and Noble will also sell a set that includes both I and II.

As far as NICAP's records are concerned, they are now in the custody of CUFOS in Chicago. Richard and others have some duplicate records and other information gathered through the years, but they don't have the "official" files. I would note that there is now an officially sanctioned NICAP web page:

<http://www.evansville.net/~slk/nicap.html>

This has been established by former NICAP researchers who are still involved in the continuing research.

Steve

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Capt Bill Miller discusses the Tampa Triangle

From: "Yvonne Hedenland" <yvonne_h@email.msn.com>
Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 00:18:06 -0600
Fwd Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 02:53:11 -0500
Subject: Capt Bill Miller discusses the Tampa Triangle

Capt Bill Miller has compiled a book full of unusual happenings that occur in Tampa and the surrounding Gulf called the Tampa Triangle Dead Zone.

<http://www.artquarter.com/tampatriangle/book.html>

Join Capt Miller and myself Sunday 3/29 at 8E in the Briefing Room as we talk about UFOs, abductions, and what the Coast Guard, local authorities, and media think. This chat is available at <http://forums.msn.com/ufo>

The Briefing Room chat can be accessed by any IRC client. The chat server name is publicchat.msn.com and the room or channel name is #briefing.

Bill Stockstill
Section Leader
The Politics of UFOs

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Re: Day-time Moon 'Companion'?

From: **Jim Deardorff** <deardorj@proaxis.com>
Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 11:17:37 -0800 (PST)
Fwd Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 03:10:04 -0500
Subject: Re: Day-time Moon 'Companion'?

>From: "snake" <snake@mwaz.com> [Desiree Holloway]
>To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Moon 'Companion'
>Date: Wed, 25 Mar 1998 16:09:09 -0700

>Concerning my post about the moon 'object', I e-mailed Alison
>Davis of the NASA Ames Research center, asking if it was possible
>to see the lunar Prospector with the naked eye. Here was her
>reply:

Which, of course, was that it (obviously) wasn't possible.

However, what *was* possible, Desiree, was that a UFO posed
itself in the Arizona sky along your line of sight right next to
the Moon, and maintained that position for quite a while, but was
only a few miles up from the ground. That's a very feasible or
easy thing for a UFO to do, whether it be relative to the Moon or
a comet or whatever.

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Chris Rutkowski to discuss Canadian UFO activity

From: "Yvonne Hedenland" <yvonne_h@email.msn.com>
Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 14:42:18 -0600
Fwd Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 08:17:12 -0500
Subject: Chris Rutkowski to discuss Canadian UFO activity

Mysterious Manitoba
The study of UFO activity in Canada

Join the UFO Forum and Chris Rutkowski March 31st, 6pm, PT for a detailed look into the Canadian UFO scene.

Rutkowski is well known and respected for his methodical manners of investigation. Author and co-author of several books, his most recent work is reflected in the 1997 Canadian UFO Survey which finds more UFOs Seen in Canada Last Year.

This chat is available at <http://forums.msn.com/ufo>

The Briefing Room chat can be accessed by any IRC client. The chat server name is publicchat.msn.com and the room or channel name is #briefing.

The Netshow audio Interview is now available, just follow the links on the above site.

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Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

From: John <jvif@spacelab.net>
Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 15:12:50 -0500
Fwd Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 08:11:14 -0500
Subject: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: "Serge Salvaille" <sergesa@connectmmic.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame
>Date: Wed, 25 Mar 1998 10:19:47 -0500

>>Date: Wed, 25 Mar 1998 02:59:54 -0500
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>>From: John Velez <jvif@spacelab.net>
>>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

Serge writes,

>John,

>What is the big deal about the Brazilian Letter?

The speculative terms that it is couched in.

>We keep forgetting that noone has the responsibility to prove to
>his/her government that UFOs exist since the government already
>knows.

Yeah, but if someone is going to "assume" that responsibility
then they should be "responsible" about how it is presented. I'm
sure you'll agree.

>My general feeling is that different governments around the world
>(you name 'em) know pretty well what "we" are dealing with. The
>problem is that these governments deny it.

Yeah, well it's just a "feeling" so don't worry. If you have
witnesses or documentation about this worldwide
conspiracy/cover-up I'm very interested to see it. If it's just a
"feeling" then it's OK, I get "feelings" too. <G>

>On a conscious or subconscious level, most administrations have a
>parent-child relationship with their citizens - and children tend
>to believe what their parents SAY they believe. Children
>certainly influence the behavior of their parents, but when it
>comes to matters that concern security and insecurity parents
>must have the first answers.

Old school eh? <G> I especially like the part about the
"subconscious level of Govern"mental" administrations. Wasn't
aware they had a "subconscious" or a "conscience" for that
matter! <VBG>

>As long as the governments refuse to publicly acknowledge the
>reality of UFOs, its DIFFERENT MANIFESTATIONS and its
>IMPLICATIONS,

Ahhh, see, you ask and answer your own question! You ask me what
I think is wrong with the Brazil letter and then two paragraphs
later answer your own question. The key words are: (and I'll
SHOUT it back at you) "DIFFERENT MANIFESTATIONS!" The very plain
and simple truth is, _no-one knows for sure who or what these
things are, much less their point of origin! All I asked AJ or
anyone else who makes such statements is to be responsible about
how they word it and represent the rest of us. That's no big deal

or demand I think. Just be responsible.

Actually, we're on the same side, (AJ & myself) but I think that their usage of such speculative language hurts us more than helps us. My communique to AJ is not "tearing down" as much as an attempt to improve or "build up" strength in the presentation of the material to the general public.

My 'primary' concern -always- is the experiencers/abductees.

Until the public accepts the reality of these craft and their occupants, abduction experiencers will never get the services and attention that is needed. The public will never pay that attention if they continue to view us all as space-cadet whacko's that that always make outrageous or presumptuous claims and statements.

>Ufology will have to do things the hard way:

Now your speaking! Yes, I agree, as long as we continue to allow speculation to pass as fact or assumption to pass for logic or reason UFology -will have- a rough road to walk.

>I thus fail to see your attitude towards the Brazilian Letter.

I hope that my response has cleared that up for you.

>Let's keep it simple at first. Everybody is trying hard here.

"Simple" is all I know! <G>

>And one last thing: I don't think you're an expert in aliens (no >offense intended). Victims are not experts in criminals, cops >are.

Let's agree to disagree on this one Serge.

Peace,

John Velez

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Re: Explaining Things About Hesemann?

From: "A.J. Gevaerd (Revista UFO)" <gevaerd@ufo.com.br>
Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 19:20:50 -0300
Fwd Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 08:35:28 -0500
Subject: Re: Explaining Things About Hesemann?

>Subject: Explaining Things About Hesemann?
>Date: Wed, 25 Mar 1998 22:43:50 +0000
>From: Ralf Zeigermann <kag15@dial.pipex.com>
>To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <updates@globalserve.net>

Hi Ralf:

I wrote:

>And in this e-mail he also involves Michael Hesemann, once again
>classifying him, by HIS BOOK, as ufoFILIST and not as a
>ufoLOGIST. Well, what a stupid discussion we are doing here!!!

You replied:

>Since Michael has disappeared from this list, are you his new
>voice?

I answer again:

No, not at all. I was only answering a few messages about me where Michael is also mentioned in such a way that he was discredited.

I wrote:

>>Anyway, I don't have to defend my friend Hesemann here, because
>>he is a grown man and very much capable of doing it himself =96 if
>>he chooses to defend himself against anything or anybody.

You replied:

>I thought he is 'very much capable of' (defending) 'himself' ...?
>I have seen him on several occasions behaving like a 5-year old.
>Quite interesting that was. I know my post is useless and
>polemic. But so are others.

I answer again:

What? My English is that bad? That's what I mean: he is capable of defending himself. Sorry. About Michael, he is a strong personality. He is a good friend.

Cheers.

A. J.

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AP: CAUS Files Suit Over Roswell

From: [Stig Agermose@online.pol.dk](mailto:Stig.Agermose@online.pol.dk) (Stig Agermose)
Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 00:32:17 +0100
Fwd Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 08:37:25 -0500
Subject: AP: CAUS Files Suit Over Roswell

>From AP via MSNBC. For a full view of the page go to:

<http://www.msnbc.com/news/153843.asp>

Arizona group files suit over Roswell

Freedom of Information action focuses on rumored UFO crash

ASSOCIATED PRESS, PHOENIX, Ariz., March 26 - The name says it all: Citizens Against UFO Secrecy. The organization - accusing the Army of hiding the truth - has filed suit to obtain documents on the rumored crash of an unidentified flying object near Roswell, N.M., in 1947.=BF

CITING THE FREEDOM of Information Act, the group is seeking documents to which retired Army intelligence officer Philip Corso referred in "he Day After Roswell," a book on the Roswell incident that was published last year. Corso claimed that his office helped leading American businesses adapt alien technologies to develop products such as lasers and microprocessors.

In its lawsuit filed Wednesday in U.S. District Court, the Scottsdale-based group says the Army denies such documents exist. That doesn't ring true with the group, which says its mission is to "educate and enlighten the public about the continuing presence of an extraterrestrial intelligence in contact, directly and indirectly, with the people of this planet."

According to a now-famous story, the government recovered a crashed spaceship and alien bodies from a ranch near Roswell in July 1947. The Air Force has long contended the wreckage was actually a high-altitude balloon. In 1995, the Pentagon said the balloon was part of a secret project to monitor the atmospheric effect of Soviet nuclear tests. And in June 1997 an Air Force report said people may have mistaken parachute test-dummies as alien bodies.

The government's assurances have done little to change the minds of those who believe there has been a conspiracy to cover up evidence of alien visitations. The conspiracy theories have enjoyed a new burst of popularity due to TV programs such as "The X-Files" as well as observances of the 50th anniversary of the Roswell incident.

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Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

From: alien2@sound.net (Keith M. King)
Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 18:43:47 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 08:40:08 -0500
Subject: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: "Serge Salvaille" <sergesa@connectmmic.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame)
>Date: Wed, 25 Mar 1998 10:19:47 -0500

>Let's keep it simple at first. Everybody is trying hard here.

>And one last thing: I don't think you're an expert in aliens (no
>offense intended). Victims are not experts in criminals, cops
>are.

>Serge Salvaille

One other thing, Serge....just who IS an "expert" on
Aliens?

Keith M. King
M. King Studies

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UFOs in Brazil and South America [was: UFO Public]

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Subject: UFOs in Brazil and South America [was: UFO Public]

>>Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 16:23:58 -0500
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>>From: John Velez <jvif@spacelab.net>
>>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

Hola John, thanks for the mail.

>What evidence was presented to convince the government
>officials that the UFO's are "extraterrestrial" in origin? It's
>one thing to prove the existence of UFO's but quite another to
>_prove_ that they are extraterrestrial in origin.

No evidence was shown by the civilian UFO researchers to the Chilean government. It wasn't necessary. As far as I know (I have been sometimes in Chile, last time in February) the Chilean authorities _themselves_ decided to go public with what they say they already know about the phenomena. They said in national television that the UFO situation was very serious, that the country was being visited and that the Chilean Air Force (FACH) has started a committee to investigate the cases in cooperation with the civilians (some of them are Rodrigo Fuenzalida and Mario Dussuel, very fine guys).

In South America, Chile is one of the closest countries to the US, regarding politics and military affairs. CIA has admitted, so have the Chileans, that it helped to fire their last democratic president, Allende, and replace him with the long-living Pinochet. The Chilean militaries are probably some of the most well informed people about UFOs. Since 1996 there has been a _great_ wave in the country. UFOs have been chased by jets just over Santiago. Militaries have had contacts and etc. They don't need to be told about UFOs reality and extraterrestrial origin by the civilian...

>How long does something have to be -on earth- before it is
>considered "terrestrial?" There is more than one way to
>interpret the data unless there is an indicator or piece of
>evidence/information (which is beyond question) which points to
>an "extraterrestrial" origin. Something convinced the Chileans
>that the phenomenon is extraterrestrial, I'm just curious what
>that 'thing' (piece of evidence or information) was.

Sure. There are many ways to interpret the data, specially in the case of UFOs. Well, I am praying that the Brazilian, Argentinean, Uruguayan and other governments down here do the same as Chile. All of these nations have official committees investigating UFOs and THEY KNOW what is about it. Don't forget, John, that the governments have the personnel, the budget, the airplanes and other means of transportation, the satellites, the labs etc. They are fully equipped to research UFOs. I don't mean Gana or Burundi, but certainly most countries with some expression are devoting time to research UFOs.

See, 10 months ago I interview for many hours the late colonel Uyrange Bolivar Soares de Hollanda Lima, who was the head of the Operation Saucer, designated by the Brazilian Air Force (FAB) in the Amazon. OS had three objects: (a) to talk to as many witnesses and victims as possible and evaluate the situation of sightings and contacts by the Amazon River. (b) to try to

officially document UFOs in the Amazon, with photos, films, equipment etc, whatever it takes. And (c) to try to CONTACT the visitors on a safe way. Uyrange became a friend and, since he was retired (now he is dead), he said just about EVERYTHING that happened.

Among the things he said was that the BAF got at least 500 pictures of UFOs and about 3,5 hours of film footages (super-8 and -16 mm). They have talked (about 7-8 people took part in OS) to over a thousand witnesses and dozens of victims, some of them badly injured by "strange balls of light that came from the water to chase them". And what is hotter: the team that was designed to undertake OS, headed by Uyrange, had contacts with huge UFOs as big as 100 meters (300 ft). Even some contacts with ETs took place. It was all documented. I have published the whole interview and checked the history. I have published more than 20 photos and now I am chasing another guy with lot more to speak.

Well, this will be all for now. I have to go. I hope I can answer all your long e-mail by parts...

Take care and have my best regards.

A. J.

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Re: NICAP Website Announcement

From: jan@cyberzone.net (Jan Aldrich)
Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 19:57:09 -0800
Fwd Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 09:10:17 -0500
Subject: Re: NICAP Website Announcement

> Date: Wed, 25 Mar 1998 22:28:40 -0500
> To: " UFO UpDates - Toronto" <updates@globalserve.net>
> From: " Jerry Cohen" <rjcohen@li.net>
> Subject: Creation of a Website under the name NICAP

> Re: ONE RESEARCHER'S REACTIONS AND COMMENTS
> TO THE PROPOSED "NICAP" WEBSITE

> >NICAP Website
> >Announcement

> >From: jan@cyberzone.net (Jan Aldrich)
> >Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 09:57:32 -0800
> >Fwd Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 17:33:36 -0500
> >Subject: NICAP Website Announcement

> >Subject: National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP)
> >Date: Tue, 17 Mar 1998 13:25:21 -0600
> >From: Francis Ridge <slk@EVANSVILLE.NET>
> >To: PROJECT-1947@LISTSERV.AOL.COM

> >Greetings List Members,

> >It is with great pleasure that I announce the official
> >authorization of the web site for the National Investigations
> >Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP).

> JC: Thoughts popped into my head and I feel I'd like to air
> them. I say this all with deep respect for all individuals
> involved in the aforementioned endeavor. At first I was uneasy
> with the whole thing, then I thought about it further.

> I would really prefer Jan's statement to indicate that on this
> new website will be posted cases from NICAP's files that CUFOS
> and/or the new website's board feel, via research, are "the best
> available evidence *from NICAP's files*," since the site will be
> listed under its name. (If I'm interpreting his memo correctly.)
> Obviously it should also be indicated why the particular cases
> were selected as the "best" evidence. NICAP did have summations
> of best cases for a particular year. I am sure further analyses
> could be done.

> The authorization of the website can obviously not be "for" NICAP
> because the original networking that made up the organization
> itself no longer exists, rights to the NICAP files not
> withstanding. No group can claim that. But CUFOS does, and has
> officially had, the bulk of NICAP's original files and should be
> the one to decide this.

Jerry:

I am only the messenger here. However, I will happily answer
some of these concerns. NICAP was merged into CUFOS in a
rather complicated way. I think there is, however, no doubt
that John Timmerman and Sherm Larson were the heroes who saved
the NICAP files. CUFOS has the claim to the NICAP name if anyone
does through the merger.

If there is anyone left from the old NICAP organization who

would protect the NICAP name and reputation better than Francis Ridge (with the possible exception of Richard Hall) I can't think of them.

> Also, I certainly can understand CUFOS' basic reasoning for it
> and believe it is probably a good idea. (another newly formed UFO
> group (individual?) attempted to take this name for their own
> without even having a direct connection to those original files,
> main creators, etc. Please see link below.)

> <http://www.fufor.org/fufor-update.htm#NICAP-FAKE>

<snip>

> NICAP
> >will now be the web site, the international site for the
> >peer-reviewed Best Available Evidence.

> JC: I would hope the summations of the fine discussions and
> archiving of that having already taken place...(and in the
> future) at UFO UpDates and archived at UfoMind, CA will find
> their important place, and linkage at this new website. One
> problem that I see is that if the new website's board doesn't
> choose to discuss various documentation or material in these
> archives, this information may be considered of less value and
> not part of the "Best Available Evidence." I really believe this
> would be a big mistake. This is a chance for everyone to prove
> your evidence is the best via discussion in this medium, have it
> examined by the world, and then let it be fairly judged.

I think Francis' 'Interlink:UFO' site was an attempt to take advantage of the best material available. Both Ufomind and UFO UpDates are broad base, wide spectrum sites where you can find anything and anybody. NICAP at one time had more members than some of the current UFO organizations have and with a much narrower focus. I expect that Francis will continue the original NICAP conservative approach to UFO matters.

<snip>

> >The "Latest News" in the electronic version of the "UFO
> >Investigator", one for each month with archived copies for
> >newcomers, will replace the InterLink:UFO's Director's
> >Message. I will not be the Director of InterLink:UFO, the
> >head of "Fran Ridge's UFO web site", but the Web Site
> >Coordinator (webmaster) with a number of official NICAP
> >advisers providing the guidance and control over this NICAP
> >site.

>snip....

> >The web site will operate in the spirit and tradition of the
> >original NICAP and will be building the site under the structure
> >of the UFO Evidence (early history to 1964) and UFO Evidence II
> >(to-date).

> JC: To retain a true solid connection to same and from what
> you've indicated concerning "The UFO Evidence I & II," as I am
> sure you realize (and perhaps you've already asked him) one of
> the head advisors of this board should obviously be Richard Hall;
> therein supplying a most prominent NICAP connection from the
> past.

Of course, Fran consulted a number of NICAP members and officials including Richard Hall. The idea of peer-review is Hall's.

> See: UfoMind website address below for those not familiar with him:

> <http://www.ufomind.com/people/h/hall/>

> >I ask for your cooperation and your support.

> >Sincerely,

> >Francis Ridge
> >NICAP Site Coordinator

> JC: I've included the following because I believe it is
> certainly worth repeating. Jan has indicated:

> >HERE IS THE NEW MISSION STATEMENT.

> >NICAP's InterLink:UFO web site is designed to be a primary
> >internet UFO evidence depository for special evidence and
> >other important information regarding serious UFO research.
> >Besides a few primary directory sites to handle the main
> >routing/linking, as many reputable sites as possible are
> >utilized to control the storage and downloading bandwidth,
> >plus provide security for all the information provided.
> >Numerous UFO web sites exist on the web, many which have
> >good data even among the bad. It is NICAP's consensus that,
> >by selecting the useable links, we will be gleaning something
> >of use, plus thereby encouraging everyone to work towards both
> >quantitative and qualitative entries.

> JC: With that in mind, I hereby offer linkage to my personal
> site at <http://www.li.net/~rjcohen/index.html>
> or
> <http://www.li.net/~rjcohen/topicsaddr.html> which I believe has a
> summation of important information not presently found in one
> place elsewhere on the net. However, for the sake of economy I
> have intentionally kept it low on the graphics end, with quick
> opening and easy access to a variety of Mhz machines and to allow
> for the storage of more written research. My intention is to keep
> it that way until "graphical load speeds" get much faster for
> everyone. (Still waiting for the skeptics, or others, to show me
> any major errors I may have made..or where Mr. Oberg was right
> and I was wrong. Some may not realize it, but this "old" stuff is
> still incredibly important today.)

>snip....

Jerry, I suggest you and others who would like to contribute
material communicate directly with Fran.

slk@evansville.net

There are many interesting items that could be linked.
Fran would surely welcome your efforts and suggestions.

> JC: Much of this is already being accomplished at Glenn
> Campbell's UfoMind site at

> <http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/people/>

Again, I think Fran's purpose is to take advantage of this type
of thing. However, I don't think you will find remote viewers,
new age gurus, paranormal promoters, conspiracy advocates or
other people like that on the NICAP website.... the focus will be
much narrower.

Glenn has offered Fran his assistance in certain matters.

> Glenn should be asked to be a big part of this if he so desires.
> His efforts have been extraordinary. I believe his tireless
> endeavor, beneficial to all, should garner as much support the
> major UFO groups are able to give him. Errol's equally tireless
> efforts in having a mail list where all these discussions can and
> have been held is a most vital part of this entire linking
> system. It goes without saying that he should be included as
> well. If it wasn't for him, you wouldn't be seeing this message,
> or the marvelous debates we have been seeing all along and
> especially, recently.

> Respectfully,
> Jerry Cohen

> Author: Oberg/Cooper rebuttals
> Website: <http://www.li.net/~rjcohen/>
> UfoMind: <http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/people/c/cohen/>

The purpose of the NICAP site is to offer information that is
carefully checked and has been peer-reviewed. Some of that
information will be from the old NICAP and some will be new which
has meet the old NICAP standards. NICAP was able to attract a
large number of scientists and serious minded individuals with
its approach. Fran hopes to revive that approach.

Best regards,

Jan

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Jan Aldrich
Project 1947
<http://www.iufog.org/project1947/>

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Filer's Files #12

From: Majorstar <Majorstar@aol.com>
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Subject: Filer's Files #12

Filer's Files #12-1998 MUFON Skywatch Investigations
George A. Filer: MUFON Eastern Director,
March 26, 1998 Majorstar@aol.com (609) 654-0020

Sightings increase over Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, Canada
and Panama.

FLORIDA

SEBRING: Josh Harris reports that he saw a UFO while standing on his front lawn from 10:00 to 10:30 PM on March 18, 1998. Josh states, "At first I saw six bright orange lights in the north east sky that disappeared. Four lights in a line appeared in the eastern sky then also disappeared. Back at the original location eight new lights appeared. There four light in line line with four in a line beneath them. Josh's phone number is: 941-699-5369, Sebring, FL

GULF BREEZE: William M. Bonacum writes here is something for the filer's file. On March 21, 1998, MUFON members from Long Island were attending a conference in Gulf Breeze had had a UFO sighting. Later, some were interviewed for the Art Bell Radio Show. I will follow up when I have more details. The craft was caught on tape, and seen for about 15 seconds about 3:30 PM. It was the size of a quarter at arm length and moved fast, faster than a jet. Thanks to William M. Bonacum Tmac5.

ORLANDO: On March 17, 1998, Channel 9, an ABC affiliated TV station in Orlando reported that a large UFO "shaped like an L. The broad V or boomerang shape craft with bright white lights flew over the small town of Narcoossee, Florida. Located on the shores of Lake Tohopekaliga, Narcoossee is about 20 miles southeast of Orlando. According to McEllis Winterfield, "many people" witnessed "the UFO. One lady claims eleven of her chickens mysteriously died on the spot as the UFO flew over her house." Thanks to Steve Wilson. Note: Several days later Highways 192 & 441 two of the major roads in the area were closed due to an alleged truck crash and toxic spill.

GEORGIA

In 1997, Georgia was the most active state in the country with UFO sightings almost nightly. The UFO pilots appear interested in our newest fighter, the F-22 Raptor under development at at Dobbins ARB that first flew on September 7. Georgia MUFON Director, Chief Walter Sheets writes: "After a relatively quiet few months, UFO activity has returned. There is renewed activity in the Cannonville area just south of La Grange. A UFO with three lights on it was seen floating and blinking in the Hogg Mountain area. Witnesses were close enough to have heard any sound, but there was none. The incident happened on a Sunday night in February, probably the 21st at 2200 hours.

MUFON Investigator, John Thompson also reports "Cannonville, five miles south of La Grange, is hot again. On Sunday, March 22, at 4:00 PM, two sisters who live in Cannonville had two UFO incidents, five minutes apart. The first sister, while driving east on Long Cane Road, saw two bright "silver balls" hanging in the air, just west of Hogg Mountain. The silver balls were about a mile away from her on the eastern horizon at approximately 60 degrees high. The silver balls each had an apparent size several times bigger than Venus and a real size larger than a four-room home. As she watched the southern most UFO "disappeared" straight up in a streaking fashion. The remaining UFO, a few seconds later the second followed according to the 57 year-old witness. Total sighting time for these first two UFOs was 15 seconds." The lady said the UFOs were clearly round and did not look or move like any aircraft she had ever

seen. Arriving in Cannonville she ran into her house and told her family what she had just seen. While talking to some of her family her sister went outside to look and saw a low flying small yellow prop plane. She then saw a hovering silver ball and yelled for everyone to come outside. As the family ran out, the UFO disappeared. Apparently, each sister saw the same type UFO, but not together. The wind was 10-15 mph from the Northwest. A call to the Troup Sheriffs Department and 911 showed no reports were made to them about the UFOs.

A Mr. Pierce phoned stating he had located another witness to his August 1996 UFO sighting. Lisa who lives at the foot of the mountain also observed a triangle like object. She stated, "The UFO appeared to be 'scanning' the mountain top using reddish rays that would click on and sort of sweep the area, then click off, on and off, etc." She told him it was the size of a baseball held at arms length. The rays may be related to the red glow Pierce saw near his triangle. John also received confirmation of the huge mother ship incident. He got more details of the bottom of the "HMS Queen Elizabeth" sized UFO. John also had a couple claim they were less than 100 feet from a UFO hovering above power lines during a daylight sighting..

SOUTH CAROLINA

On Tuesday evening, March 10, 1998, Patricia B. and her two daughters, aged 17 and 11, were driving south on Interstate Highway 26 in South Carolina, heading to Florida for a vacation. As they approached Columbia the state capital, the family spotted a UFO. They were travelling at about 65 miles per hour on I-26, just past the Broad River Road exit. "It seemed to be hovering over the highway, "Patricia reported, "I got a very good look at it from underneath. It was rectangular, almost a diamond shape, with unusually bright lights on the bottom and more lights on the top. The lights shining up seemed equal to those shining below, and there were at least 12 or 13 lights. When we firsts saw the object, it appeared to be stationary about 20 degrees above the horizon, about the size of a light on a radio tower. As we drove closer, we went directly under it. Directly overhead it was as big as a basketball held at arm's length. Their sighting lasted for five minutes, much longer than an aircraft is normally observed. Thanks to UFO Roundup 3-12, Mar 22, 1998, Joe Trainor Editor.

CALIFORNIA CIGAR-

On February 28, 1998, at 10:55 p.m., Karl S., a former air crew member with the U.S. Navy Reserve was on a Boeing 747 jumbo jetliner, returning home to Los Angeles from Asia. As the jetliner passed over San Francisco, turning to 170 degrees for its final approach into Los Angeles, Karl glanced out the window and spotted the impossible. "We had just dropped to 30,000 feet and were turning south to fly over the central California valley, "Karl reported. Looking toward Placerville, scanning the full breadth of the mountains, I noticed what I quickly categorized as a slender, dark-colored cloud. If you would hold up a ballpoint pen, you would see the approximate shape." Taking a second look, Karl saw "that the end of the 'cloud' had 'gone up' about 30 degrees from its original horizontal position. I immediately exclaimed that clouds do not tilt up." The UFO "became level again and then rotated in the horizontal. At this point, I described it as a black pencil with the top layer shaved off...At no time did I see any control surfaces." Thanks to Tim Hagemeister of NACOMM and Joe Trainor of UFO Roundup 3-12, Mar 22, 1998

LAKE ONTARIO, CANADA

"LOOK LOOK LOOK!!!! Look at the color of him! Look at how bright he is! Where did he come from? He's about two degrees elevation, and is actually moving west. He suddenly just appeared at very low elevation as if from nowhere. He did this just because we had decided to pack up due to being freezing cold! This account was recorded on March 12, 1998, by Jennifer Jarvis and a friend, members of the Orbwatch group from Ontario. "Orbwatch is the name of a group of observers that is currently monitoring UFOs on the western end of Lake Ontario thirty miles south of Toronto. This area has long been known for strange lights both over and under the water. Numerous solid appearing UFOs and light orbs have been observed entering and leaving the lake. At 7:30 p.m., a UFO appeared at approximately 10 degrees elevation and flew in an easterly direction for about three minutes before descending to four degrees above the horizon. The "orb" changed color from whitish-gold to red as it descended. At 7:37 p.m., the team saw another orb east of St. Catherine's. At 8:10 p.m., A more solid-looking UFO appeared "whitish in color.. It lowers to about 5 degrees elevation heading east. "Three minutes later, the UFO plunged into Lake Ontario just north of St. Catherine's. Jarvis reported "The submersion was very clear. We saw three lights on the UFO and there was definite rotation, even as the object submerged." Thanks to Jennifer Jarvis webpage Orbwatch <http://www.per.to/orbwatch>

CANADIAN CATTLE MUTILATIONS: A cow was found dead and mutilated in February 1998 at the farm of George Giersch near Dawson Creek, British Columbia,

Canada. Giersch found the cow "lying in a pool of blood with its tongue missing, half its face stripped to the bone and a deep slash to its chest." Giersch said, "An incision to the cow's jaw was too precise to be caused by a predator." No tracks were found in the surrounding snow. Giersch left the cow's carcass in place for a few days. "No animal came near until the fifth day, when birds began to land on it." "That's odd. It's a large coyote community here. According to the Ottawa Sun, "Royal Canadian Mounted Police and Alberta officials have concluded that cattle are dying natural deaths and becoming food for predators." Fern Belzil, a farmer and a part-time mutilation investigator, wrote that most of the 50 cattle killings reported by farmers in the past three years were not done by animals. Thanks to Dr. Diane Landry and the Ottawa Sun for March 15, 1998..

AUSTRALIA

Kingaroy, a town in central Queensland about 150 miles (240 kilometers) northwest of Brisbane, is the site of Australia's newest UFO flap. On Saturday, March 14, 1998, at 6:40 p.m., residents of Kingaroy reported seeing "bright white lights" overhead and near the horizon. Like clockwork, the mysterious lights returned again each succeeding night--at 6:33 p.m. on Sunday, March 15--at 6:26 p.m. on Monday, March 16--and at 6:33 p.m. on Tuesday, March 17. During the Tuesday, March 17, Kingaroy people "reported citing a rounded-edged black cube-shaped object carrying a bright white light...The black cube dropped the white light," which fell to the ground. The UFO then "changed direction" to the Northwest, heading straight for Kingaroy. The witnesses had the black cube in sight for two minutes. "The object appeared to be moving faster than a commercial jet. As the object traveled away, and about the same time of the white light impacting the ground, a loud rumbling sound was heard." Thanks to Ross Dowe of the Australia/New Zealand National UFO Hotline. Note: There have been more than 1,000 weird Australian fireball events during the last several years. Often they are multiple events concerning aerial fireballs and associated light energy emission. They involve diesel freight train like noisemaking fireballs, and some noiseless variants. They are often observed flying long trajectories over Australia.

MOON ICE

The Associated Press: NASA reports scattered pockets of water ice have been found beneath the lunar surface by a robot survey spacecraft that has spent the last month mapping the moon. NASA officials said the usefulness of the water was not immediately clear, because the data from the spacecraft Lunar Prospector show it is scattered in small deposits across thousands of square miles of the lunar poles. "While the evidence of water ice is quite strong, the water signal detected by the spacecraft's instruments is relatively weak," said William Feldman, a Department of Energy researcher participating in the project. "Our data are consistent with the presence of water ice in very low concentrations across a significant number of craters." The data suggest that the water is confined only to the polar regions. Feldman and others estimated there could be 11 million to 330 million tons of lunar water ice dispersed across about 18,000 square miles of the north pole and about 7,200 square miles of the south pole. Finding water ice on the moon is a big boost for tentative plans to establish a permanent lunar base. If water could be mined on the moon, it would ease the need of sending a supply from Earth. Water weighs eight pounds a gallon. It could take thousands of gallons to maintain a permanent moon complex. The presence of water could also enable astronauts to make their own breathing oxygen and to use the moon as sort of a space-based filling station. Water can be split into its chemical components, hydrogen and oxygen. Oxygen could be used for breathing and the combination of hydrogen and oxygen can be used as a rocket fuel. Lunar Prospector was launched in January and put into a 60-mile high orbit of the moon. The 4-foot-long, 650-pound spacecraft is NASA's first return to the moon since the last manned lunar landing mission, Apollo 17 in Dec.1972. The robot craft carries instruments that can detect alpha particles, gamma rays and neutrons, along with a radar experiment. Scientists will analyze the composition of the lunar surface and to pinpoint gravity and magnetic features. The \$65 million spacecraft is expected to spend the rest of year mapping the moon's surface. When it runs out of fuel, the craft will crashed into the moon so it would not become an orbiting hazard to future lunar missions. AP-March 5, 1998

PANAMA

Government authorities report of a possible UFO landing in Panama on February 25, 1998, at 0239 Hours. The sighting and touchdown occurred in Santiago of Veraguas in the middle of the country. At 2115 hours reports were received concerning an explosion of a house in the same area. A hole was found in the roof of a Barriada Forestal home. The following night at 2323 hours, another UFO was sighted with three lights of different colors, shaped like a boomerang or triangle. The object was located over the Hill of Cerro Gordo. There was no US Air Force or Panamanian air traffic in the area. There were 15 witnesses of this sighting. Scott Johnson, a Public Affairs Officer for NORAD,

responded to our inquiry about the incidents in Panama. He said a careful check was made for the area around Santiago, Panama but NORAD showed no "space-junk" reentering. He also pointed out that the United States Air Force does not investigate UFOs or keep track of "natural phenomenon" such as meteorites entering Earth's atmosphere. Thanks to John Thompson .

CONGRESS

Congressman F. James Sensenbrenner, Jr., Chairman of the Committee on Science has responded to questions concerning the proposed UFO open hearings. He says the "decision, ultimately falls under the jurisdiction of the Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics and its Chairman, Congressman Dana Rohrabacher (CA). At this point, Chairman Rohrabacher has indicated that the Subcommittee does not intend to pursue the subject of non-terrestrial crafts during this session of Congress." Congressman Sensenbrenner concludes by saying, "No branch of the United States Government is currently involved with or responsible for investigations into the possibility of contact with alien life in Unidentified Flying Objects" and to check with the National Archives, the repository for the Air Force's past investigations. Bottom line: Unless Congressman Rohrabacher changes his mind there will be no hearings anytime soon. While the tone of Congressman Sensenbrenner's letter is friendly it is rather discouraging. What I think needs to be done is for all to concentrate on contacting Congressman Dana Rohrabacher, Chairman of the Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics 2320 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515 Fax: (202)225-6415.

I'm sorry to report that one of Ufology's best friends, Congressman Steven H. Schiff died from cancer. He had a great personal interest in the reported crash of a UFO at Roswell, NM in 1947 and an alleged cover-up.

THE WHITEHOUSE, HAWKINGS SPEECH CORRECTION: Keith Barbour writes: "By way of introduction, I am a physics information analyst by profession having degrees in particle physics and astrophysics and a keen student of the UFO phenomenon. I picked up the March 6th, C-Span Real Audio/Video White House speech by Cambridge University Professor Stephen Hawking and would respectfully like to correct two words. "...the reason we have not been visited..." should read "...the reason we have not been contacted..." "...might descend into a state of brutalization..." should read brutalism..." On analysis, Hawking's statement on UFO's is subtle and rather complex, especially his comments "...why we have not been contacted..." together with "...even without that, there is a very real danger..." Of course, Professor Hawking would have not chosen any of his words lightly, especially to such a distinguished audience that included President and Mrs. Clinton. Sincerely, Thanks Keith Barbour .

Stephen Hawking considered one of brightest men on Earth lecturing on the growth of population and scientific knowledge stated as corrected: "Clearly the present exponential growth cannot continue indefinitely. So what will happen? One possibility is that we wipe ourselves out completely by some disaster such as a nuclear war. "There is a sick joke that the reason we have not been CONTACTED by extra-terrestrials is that when a civilization reaches our stage of development it becomes unstable and destroys itself. "Of course it is possible that UFO's really do contain aliens as many people believe, and the government is hushing it up" I wouldn't like to comment on that. "Personally I believe there is a different explanation why we have not been contacted, but I won't go into it here. "However, even without that, there is a very real danger that we will kill everything on this planet now that we have the technological power to do so. Even if we don't destroy ourselves completely, there is a possibility that we might descend into a state of BRUTALISM and barbarity like the opening scene of "Terminator": Thanks to Pat and Tony Craddock, webmaster@cseti.org and Keith Barbour :. barbour@ndirect.co.uk. Note: Hawking apparently believes the distances between star systems are too great for frequent space trips.

MORE EVIDENCE OF INTELLIGENT LIFE ON MARS

The speculation is increasing that each day NASA is getting closer to announcing they have irrefutable evidence of intelligent life on Mars. Consider for a moment how our lives would change. Hopefully, overnight most of the differences between national groups would end and at least for a while we might work together in our world. Last week, I gave my opinion that recent images taken near the of the south pole of Mars indicated a sophisticated building complex called Nod. The images implied ancient intelligent life on Mars. Several experts assured me the complex was the result of transmission errors and pixilization. I also received several phone calls indicating I was correct. For example, the NASA Pathfinder has uncovered evidence that Mars was once more like Earth than anyone thought. There is proof of former river beds with running water, warm temperatures and an atmosphere. We can speculate that as the atmosphere on Mars deteriorated the inhabitants set up complex facilities to produce oxygen and food. We now know that the south pole area is rich in carbon monoxide and water. Only a fuel or energy source would be needed for establishing buildings for growing plants to obtain oxygen and

food. We can speculate if the Martians realized their atmosphere was escaping and the planet was dying they would have several courses of action. First, they would be to signal for help building Giant faces and beacons carved out of rock. Giant greenhouses and self supporting cities with their own atmosphere could be constructed. Finally, they could attempt inter-planetary travel. Realistically only small numbers could be transported to the closest planets like Earth. If this occurred than it is reasonable to assume that evidence could also be found on Earth of this migration.

The Martian faces appear similar to human faces and our Sphinx. Martian pyramids appear similar to our pyramids and our Sphinx. Various Martian symbols appear similar to symbols of ancient cultures on Earth. Perhaps this is all not a coincidence. I visited Cairo, Egypt the place that appears most like the Cydonia area of Mars. The Egyptian word "Al Qahira" means "to conquer. The root of this Egyptian word, "Al Qahir" means "Mars." Why has the god of war always been associated with Mars? Is it just coincidence that one of the oldest cities on Earth is named after Mars. There are even Egyptian writings describing UFOs.

When Cosmonaut Colonel Maria Popovitch visited the US a few years ago. She stated, "The Soviet Phobus II mission had obtained infrared data of a city the size of Los Angeles on Mars." Shortly thereafter the satellite ceased transmitting data. Its last transmission was of a cigar shaped craft. I have her taped interview to prove her statements. These are important times. We may not be alone in the universe after all.

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CNN reports CAUS lawsuit of Roswell Papers

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Well, not really a report.

Perhaps most of the list members are familiar with the little blue banners that report collateral news items at the bottom of the screen on the Headline News station.

A banner for New Mexico reported the lawsuit and was flashed throughout the day on Thursday.

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eSufo - Militarization of Space

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* THE TROUBLE WITH TECHNOLOGY (and popularity)

This newsletter has gone through quite a bit of difficulty as of late, and I must thank all the subscribers for hanging in! :) to all!

Why hasn't it been published? Well...thanks to the extremely jumpy nature of our ISP, we've been constantly shut down due to our bandwidth usage. They've been promising a new solution for months, yet nothing has appeared. So I'm now publishing it as I used to, using a bizarre system of email servers pushing data through a 28.8k modem (inefficiency!). Hopefully this will work, and I HOPE that I 'll be able to keep publishing for some time without interruption.

* US MILITARY'S SPACE PLANS

The US military is quite quickly realizing the strategic importance of space. The GPS navigation and communication uses are already clear. There is of course thought of SDI-style defenses. But what is most interesting is the offensive use of space, attacking both land AND SPACE targets.

"Applying precision force from, and through, space;"

So it seems we're about to leap into space with the military. Conspiracy theorists draw all you want from this. But the cold fact which comes from this is that the US military is planning space fleets. Draw from this whatever you like about the nature of military control, and any implications it has for the plausibility of our space future.

Read more at:

<http://exosci.com/news/45.html>

* EXOSCI.COM

Check out the redesigned exoScience home page (not eSufo). Any comments are welcome, as eSufo will quickly adopt a similar design.
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Calling Off "God" Watch In Texas

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<http://www.msnbc.com/news/153219.asp>

Calling off God watch in Texas

Sect leader says prediction is =91nonsense,=92 promises compensation

MSNBC STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

March 25 -=BFEven though God didn=92t appear on Channel 18, something unusual did happen Wednesday in Garland, Texas. The church leader who predicted the divine arrival quickly conceded that his prophecy should be considered "nonsense" and promised to take responsibility for financial losses caused by the no-show.

HON-MING CHEN, a 42-year-old former professor from Taiwan, leads God=92s Salvation Church, a group which blends Buddhism, millennial Christianity and UFO science. For months, Chen had been predicting that a divine broadcast would prepare the way for an appearance by God, who would take on Chen=92s physical form.

About 140 Taiwanese followers settled in Garland because Chen thought the name of the Dallas suburb sounded like "God=92s Land." The divine message was to begin worldwide just after midnight Wednesday on Channel 18 - on cable systems as well as the UHF band - and God was predicted to arrive at 11 a.m. ET March 31.

The divine manifestations, Chen said, would herald a time of "Great Tribulation" and an interdimensional rescue of the faithful in 1999.

All this raised troubling parallels to the "Heaven=92s Gate" mass suicide in California, which came about a year ago because of expectations that a interdimensional craft would gather up the 39 souls who "shed their containers."

Those worries drew scores of journalists to Chen=92s home in Garland. Police cordoned off the neighborhood to control the crowds and to stand by in case something untoward developed.

But at the appointed time, UHF Channel 18 showed only static. Garland=92s cable system aired regularly scheduled religious programming. And Chen soon came out to admit to reporters that he was wrong.

"Because we did not see God=92s message on television tonight, my predictions of March 31 can be considered nonsense," Chen said through a translator at a press conference held on his front lawn. "I would rather you don=92t believe what I say any more."

But he also told journalists to "keep watching." And he said he still believed that a time of tribulation was coming.

He said his followers were free - as they always have been - to

find their own routes to happiness. He also pledged to "take responsibility" for the financial losses they sustained by giving up their jobs, though he did not elaborate.

Chen said he would remain in Garland and continue to study the teachings of God and his religion.

"God's revelation to me is that if I want to take the responsibility of preaching the kingdom of God, I have to take the scorn and insults along with it," he said, surrounded by followers. "Otherwise the media will pay no attention."

"Even though the image doesn't show on television, I don't have any reason to doubt the existence of the Supreme Being, God, in this universe," he said.

Some journalists indeed treated Chen with scorn. "Are you a false prophet?" one local reporter demanded. But at least some of Chen's followers said their faith was as firm as ever.

"I know God will show his great power very soon. I have been following Teacher Chen for four years, and I know many things he has said will be proved, and we will have the answer," said one follower, Ching-Huang Chiang.

Chiang said he would stay in Garland a while longer. He still expected God to appear, either March 31 or soon thereafter.

"In a few days, or one or two weeks, we will have the answer from God," Chiang said.

THE NEXT CHAPTER

During the coming days and weeks, members of God's Salvation Church will likely adjust their beliefs to fit a changing reality, religious experts say.

"Their teachings and their predictions are very fluid," said Jason Barker, a spokesman for Watchman Fellowship, a Texas-based cult awareness group. "They change on a regular basis."

Although Barker voiced concern over reports that some people paid tens of thousands of dollars to join the religious group, he said Watchman has seen no evidence that church members would come to any harm. He and other observers were confident that another Heaven's Gate was not in the cards.

"Teacher Chen makes it very clear that suicide, far from advancing your spiritual development, retards it. ... He also explicitly mentions that any priest of a sect who entices his followers to take their own lives as a way of entering paradise or accelerating spiritual advancement is really an agent of the devil," said Lonnie Kliever, chairman of the religious studies department at Southern Methodist University.

Another bulwark against suicide was the church's strong streak of nonviolence, which seemingly extends to all living things: Believers have said they follow vegetarian diets, shrink away from killing ants and even pray before cutting the grass.

Much had been made of the movement's flying-saucer aspect - and the idea that some clouds are actually divine spacecraft - but Kliever said "the whole language of flying saucers is really tangential to the faith." Heaven's Gate and most UFO religious groups are rooted in 19th-century spiritualism and Western theosophy, while God's Salvation Church is a more exotic brew of "pure-land Buddhism and millenarian Christianity that was carried to the Orient by Protestant missionaries," the professor said.

"They have used the language of flying saucers because this communicates more clearly to a modern society how spiritual beings from a higher level of reality - a level they call the fourth or fifth dimension - will intervene and rescue the faithful from this three-dimensional reality in which most of us are currently living," he said.

Kliever said he expected many of the Taiwanese church members to remain in the United States because they believe North America is a "paradise" that will be spared from future tribulations.

It=92s really not all that unusual for new religious groups to deal with prophecies that fail, Kliever pointed out. "In fact, virtually every belief at some time or another deals with failed prophecy," he said.

MSNBC=92s Alan Boyle, Reuters and The Associated Press contributed to this report.

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Mars Global Surveyor To Image 'Face'

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Mars Global Surveyor will attempt to take images of the "Face on Mars" and other features of public interest over the next few months, according to this March 26 NASA press release. URL:

http://nssdc.gsfc.nasa.gov:80/planetary/text/mgs_pr_19980326.txt

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MARS GLOBAL SURVEYOR TO ATTEMPT IMAGING OF FEATURES OF PUBLIC INTEREST

NASA's Mars Global Surveyor spacecraft is about to begin a summer-long set of scientific observations of the red planet from an interim elliptical orbit, including several attempts to take images of features of public interest ranging from the Mars Pathfinder and Viking mission landing sites to the Cydonia region.

The spacecraft will turn on its payload of science instruments on March 27, about 12 hours after it suspends "aerobraking," a technique that lowers the spacecraft's orbit by using atmospheric drag each time it passes close to the planet on each looping orbit. Aerobraking will resume in September and continue until March 1999, when the spacecraft will be in a final, circular orbit for its prime mapping mission.

It will not be possible to predict on which orbit the spacecraft will pass closest to specific features on Mars until Global Surveyor has established a stable orbit and flight controllers are able to project its ground track. This process should be completed in the next few days. The exact time of observations and the schedule for the subsequent availability of photographs on the World Wide Web are expected to be announced early next week.

"Global Surveyor will have three opportunities in the next month to see each of the sites, including the Cydonia region, location of the so-called 'Face on Mars,'" said Glenn E. Cunningham, Mars Global Surveyor project manager at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory, Pasadena, CA. "The sites will be visible about once every eight days, and we'll have a 30- to- 50-percent chance of capturing images of the sites each time."

Several factors limit the chances of obtaining images of specific features with the high-resolution mode of the camera on any one

pass. These factors are related primarily to uncertainties both in the spacecraft's pointing and the knowledge of the spacecraft's ground track from its navigation data. In addition, current maps of Mars are derived from Viking data taken more than 20 years ago. Data obtained by Global Surveyor's laser altimeter and camera during the last few months have indicated that our knowledge of specific locations on the surface is uncertain by 0.6 to 1.2 miles (1 to 2 kilometers). As a result, the locations of the landing sites and specific features in the Cydonia region are not precisely known.

In addition, the Mars Pathfinder and Viking landers are very small targets to image, even at the closest distance possible, because they are the smallest objects that the camera can see. The Cydonia features, on the other hand, are hundreds to thousands of times larger and the camera should be able to capture some of the features in that area.

Global Surveyor's observations of the Viking and Pathfinder landing sites will provide scientists with important information from which to tie together surface observations and orbital measurements of the planet. Data from landing sites provide "ground truth" for observations of the planet made from space.

As for the "Face on Mars" feature, "most scientists believe that everything we've seen on Mars is of natural origin," said Dr. Carl Pilcher, acting science director for Solar System Exploration in NASA's Office of Space Science, Washington, DC. "However, we also believe it is appropriate to seek to resolve speculation about features in the Cydonia region by obtaining images when it is possible to do so."

Information about Viking observations of the Cydonia region and a listing of those images are available on the World Wide Web at:

<http://www.hq.nasa.gov/office/pao/facts/HTML/FS-016-HQ.html>

New images of the landing sites and Cydonia region taken by Mars Global Surveyor will be available on JPL's Mars news site at:

<http://www.jpl.nasa.gov/marsnews>

and on the Global Surveyor home page at

<http://mars.jpl.nasa.gov>

These sites will also carry detailed schedules of the imaging attempts once they have been determined. Images will also be available on NASA's Planetary Photojournal web site at:

<http://photojournal.jpl.nasa.gov>

So far in the aerobraking process, Global Surveyor's orbit has been reduced from an initial 45-hour duration to less than 12 hours. During the aerobraking hiatus, the spacecraft will be orbiting Mars about once every 11.6 hours, passing about 106 miles (170 kilometers) above the surface at closest approach and about 11,100 miles (17,864 kilometers) at its farthest distance from the planet. The pause in aerobraking allows the spacecraft to achieve a final orbit with lighting conditions that are optimal for science observations.

Mars Global Surveyor is part of a sustained program of Mars exploration, managed by JPL for NASA's Office of Space Science, Washington, DC. Lockheed Martin Astronautics, Denver, CO, which built and operates the spacecraft, is JPL's industrial partner in the mission. Malin Space Science Systems, Inc., San Diego, CA, built and operates the spacecraft camera. JPL is a division of the California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA.

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'Face on Mars' To Be Scrutinized

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'Face on Mars' To Be Scrutinized

.c The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Mars, it's time for your close-up.

The area of the Red Planet on which some people believe they see a face is about to come under scrutiny by Mars Global Surveyor spacecraft's camera.

Mission officials are taking an opportunity to satisfy public curiosity before the spacecraft begins mapping the planet, NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory said Thursday. The Mars Pathfinder and Viking lander sites will also be photographed.

Global Surveyor was to turn on its science instruments Friday, about 12 hours after it suspends aerobraking, the process in which the spacecraft lowers and circularizes its orbit by dipping into the atmosphere.

The so-called ``Face on Mars'' is in the Cydonia region, which the spacecraft will have three opportunities to observe in the next month, said Glenn E. Cunningham, the Mars Global Surveyor project manager at JPL in Pasadena.

``The sites will be visible about once every eight days, and we'll have a 30 to 50 percent chance of capturing images of the sites each time,'' Cunningham said.

The pictures could put an end to speculation about the site.

``Most scientists believe that everything we've seen on Mars is of natural origin,'' said Carl Pilcher, acting science director for solar system exploration at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's Office of Space Science in Washington, D.C.

The Mars Pathfinder and Viking landers will be very small targets for the camera but images of the sites will give scientists help in tying together surface observations and orbital measurements of the planet, JPL said.

Pathfinder landed on July 4, 1997. The two Viking landers set down on the Red Planet in 1976.

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Re: NICAP Website Announcement

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Subject: Re: NICAP Website Announcement

>Date: Wed, 25 Mar 1998 22:28:40 -0500
>To: " UFO UpDates - Toronto" <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: " Jerry Cohen" <rjcohen@li.net>
>Subject: Creation of a Website under the name NICAP

>I would really prefer Jan's statement to indicate that on this
>new website will be posted cases from NICAP's files that CUFOS
>and/or the new website's board feel, via research, are "the best
>available evidence *from NICAP's files*," since the site will be
>listed under its name.

Hi Jerry,

While I was distracted with other things today, Jan Aldrich came to my rescue. I couldn't have done better. But I will say this, the whole idea of InterLink:UFO (which recently became the NICAP web site) was just that: the best we have. Dr. Hynek originally told us to concentrate on the close encounters and other good cases. We have to have a foundation to refer to and a place to go when we're dealing with UFO evidence. There are many, many sites. MUFON, CUFOS, FUFOR have their jobs to do with limited resources. I believe that the NICAP site will serve to fill a great gap, one of filtered information to researchers, the media, the schools. And, yes, we all can use our best from all our sites to make this work. But in the tradition and spirit of NICAP we must make sure the quality is there, first.

By the way, the idea of peer-review was really mine, but Richard Hall, Robert Swiatek & Mark Rodeghier all agreed we needed that. I didn't (and I'm sure they didn't either) want this site to be one man's repository nor one man's opinion. The reason I knew we could do it, was because I know these people and how they feel about the evidence. We've worked together longer than we'd like to admit.

>The authorization of the website can obviously not be "for" NICAP
>because the original networking that made up the organization
>itself no longer exists, rights to the NICAP files not
>withstanding. No group can claim that. But CUFOS does, and has
>officially had, the bulk of NICAP's original files and should be
>the one to decide this.

Exactly. We'll be using the UFO Evidence and NICAP records to complete Phase One. The UFO Evidence II will help us construct Phase Two. Here's where you'll all need to be patient. The last phase contains more of the less peer-reviewed and more controversial material, if for no other reason than the fact we haven't had the advantage of time. And this is where you guys really shine. You've spent more time on the recent stuff. Just bear with us, and HELP us.

>>NICAP will not be another UFO organization, as before. The
>>one thing we don't need is another UFO group, per se.

>JC: Thank God for that. Although I'm only one person, I
>personally feel that would have been dead wrong; i.e. calling a
>new group by the same name as something that went before and had
>"closed its doors" in 1980. (17 years ago) However, I also
>realize that some of its original staff are still around and

>quite active today.

It's pretty scary knowing how much we have available from people like Richard Hall and the NICAP files that needs to be posted. I hadn't really planned on doing more than just getting this thing started. The next thing I new, if it was going to work and be a reality, I had to do it. I'm about ready to go back to work, but I should have the basics pretty well set. This site will take a year or more to get where it should be, unless I get a lot of extra help.

>JC: I would hope the summations of the fine discussions and >archiving of that having already taken place...(and in the >future) at UFO UpDates and archived at UfoMind, CA will find >their important place, and linkage at this new website. One >problem that I see is that if the new website's board doesn't >choose to discuss various documentation or material in these >archives, this information may be considered of less value and >not part of the "Best Available Evidence." I really believe this >would be a big mistake. This is a chance for everyone to prove >your evidence is the best via discussion in this medium, have it >examined by the world, and then let it be fairly judged.

I certainly hope that these sites have good pages with quality information already completed. This would be great and would be a big help to me and the others. If we have to redo a site page because it has aliens lurking on it or contains material that would not be in the spirit of NICAP or CUFOS/MUFON, etc, then this will be frustrating for two reasons: Extra work for us and someone's feelings unnecessarily hurt. Try to keep in mind who will be seeing these pages and using them. Slight changes on existing sites could make all the difference in the world.

>It's importance can now be decided by anyone in the world willing >to call it up and take a look at it, whomever that may be. What >we all must realize is that the INTERNET is the big picture, no >matter how prestigious any one PARTICULAR individual or group may >be. It now connects people from all over the world.

Education is the key. Ignorance is rampant these days, in spite of the world-wide-web and the information highway. What's really surprising is, the truth is better than all the rumors and controverseys. It is also quite simpler.

I am thrilled that anyone would really WANT to help us and offer their services. We're going to need all the help we can get. And everybody gets credit for what they do since the NICAP Web Site will simply be a unique directory. Be sure to properly mark your pages for the best advantage. And I sincerely hope you all do most of the good work and we can simply link to you. We're not looking for anything other than a one-stop place to go for information, linked to all of you and your best work. It just has to meet the standards we have come to appreciate from working with groups like NICAP.

More later.

Francis Ridge
NICAP Site Coordinator

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Re: New Video From Gulf Breeze

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>Subject: New Video From Gulf Breeze

>Some of you will remember my post from March 15 regarding the recent
>wave of sightings in Gulf Breeze. The "Skywatch Diary" page which
>supplied the information has just been updated with a new piece. Go to

><http://www.deleree.com/skywatch-diary/index.html>

>*****

<snip>

Hello all at UFO UpDates,

Tonight at 10:30p.m. (local time - Sydney, Oz) a half hour docu
on the Gulf Breeze sightings was broadcast on a local t.v.
station.

Included was some footage and stills of ufo activity. What I
found of particular interest was a story of five military people
who went a.w.o.l. a few years ago taking with them 'evidence' of
government/alien technology activity. They were apparently given
honourable discharges after some negotiations about the public
release of the said 'evidence'.

If any one is able to fill me in on this matter I would be very
grateful as it sounds most intriguing.

Regards and thanks in advance,

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Gil Bar and related issues

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Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 19:17:16 +0300 (IDT)
Fwd Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 10:56:44 -0500
Subject: Gil Bar and related issues

>Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 14:36:19 +0200
>From: Jakes Louw <louwje@telkom.co.za>
>To: chamish@mail.netvision.net.il
>Subject: Gil Bar and related issues

>Barry

>I think you have to come off your high horse. I'm emailing you
>direct, so that you can respond without a concern for
>reprisal from UFO UpDates. (And I'm not representing the mailing
>list in any way: I'm just a list member).

>Joachim Koch, while not my favourite UFO personality, does
>have a certain presence in the international community.
>Apart from that, Errol Bruce-Knapp, as list moderator,
>has the obligation to post both sides of the story.

>If you decide not to post or reply to UFO UpDates again,
>then that's your loss, because in the time I've been on
>the list, I've seen some really usefull debate, and I have
>an insight into UFOlogy I never had a year ago.

>By all means rebutt and destroy the claims made by Joachim.
>The list awaits your wisdom!

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Hello,

Here's the problem: he's not worth it. My work can be criticized for interpretation, but not for fact. This guy is an ignoramous, and whether I intended it or not, I'm an expert on Israeli ufology. What is his debate based on?: basically he's never heard of most incidents, therefore I'm making them up. His other arguments are just lies: I tried to cash in on the Achihod fraud, I'm not a real journalist. I just don't want to deal with such low-class criticism. If he has a problem with me, I don't care.

As for UpDates: a half-serious publication would have been sued for genuine slander. Anyone half professional would have checked out the validity of the claims before publicizing them. So I don't want to deal with amateurism, either. Because of your fine appeal to me, I'll forward this to them and break my previous vow.

Best, Barry

Sent by Barry Chamish - Israeli journalist.
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Re: CAUS Files Suit Over Roswell

From: Ylseohb <Ylseohb@aol.com> [Bill Hoesly]
Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 09:11:18 EST
Fwd Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 11:17:19 -0500
Subject: Re: CAUS Files Suit Over Roswell

>From: [Stig Agermose@online.pol.dk](mailto:Stig_Agermose@online.pol.dk) (Stig Agermose)
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 00:32:17 +0100
>Subject: AP: CAUS Files Suit Over Roswell

In his book Lt. Col. Corso claims also that they brought down a UFO over Ramstein, Germany in 1974 using 'Star Wars' technology.

Has anyone heard whether or not any 'ebe's ' survived this experience...and if so, where they might be held...etc? thanks for any input...bill h.

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Re: NICAP Website Announcement

From: slk <slk@evansville.net>
Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 08:22:50 -0600
Fwd Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 11:22:01 -0500
Subject: Re: NICAP Website Announcement

>Date: Wed, 25 Mar 1998 22:28:40 -0500
>To: " UFO UpDates - Toronto" <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: " Jerry Cohen" <rjcohen@li.net>
>Subject: Creation of a Website under the name NICAP

>JC: I would hope the summations of the fine discussions and
>archiving of that having already taken place...(and in the
>future) at UFO UpDates and archived at UfoMind, CA will find
>their important place, and linkage at this new website. One
>problem that I see is that if the new website's board doesn't
>choose to discuss various documentation or material in these
>archives, this information may be considered of less value and
>not part of the "Best Available Evidence." I really believe this
>would be a big mistake. This is a chance for everyone to prove
>your evidence is the best via discussion in this medium, have it
>examined by the world, and then let it be fairly judged.

Hi Jerry & List Members,

I meant to respond to that statement. I was so pre-occupied
yesterday that I had to rush through a reply and didn't address
this. And it IS an important one. The whole idea of the NICAP
site is to focus attention on the best cases, avoid those that
are non-cases. To this day, after twenty years or more, many
cases have two or more "explanations". Some cases were explained,
many with numerous "explanations" are still unknowns.

The important thing to keep in mind for now, is that if a
sighting event is NOT listed, it just might be that we haven't
gotten to it or found an accurate version. Here is where you can
REALLY help. For example, we are concentrating on radar cases at
this time and some of these are also sightings from aircraft.
Once we get the Section 9 (Radar) cases completed as much as is
possible, we'll start on additional Section 11 (aircraft) cases.

We already have a good start on Section 8 (photographic) cases,
but we have a very long way to go. We'll even list hoaxes, but
mark them as such or "dubious" as needed. We will also code them.
Those that are screened by Ground Saucer Watch will have a code
letter designating as such. Approval/disapproval by other experts
will be coded in so you'll know how much we can put into a photo
case, who was supportive, who wasn't.

We stated the Section 3 (E-M Case) web page with the NICAP
entries prior to 1964. This is going to take a long time to
complete if we will link from the best ones to the full reports.

Ted Phillips will soon begin inputting information into the
Section 6 (trace cases). Here is where, having someone who is an
authority on such cases working on the construction of the site
(by providing quality input) we can really help and accelerate
the work.

We'll make a special effort today to look at your sites to see
what you have. In the past we've done searches for information
without worrying about where it takes us, watching for credible
names attached to the work.

If you have any other questions or concerns, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Francis Ridge
NICAP Site Coordinator

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Re: NICAP Website Announcement

From: **Steven Kaeser** <steve@konsulting.com>
Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 09:57:16 -0500
Fwd Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 11:22:11 -0500
Subject: Re: NICAP Website Announcement

>Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 19:57:09 -0800
>From: jan@cyberzone.net (Jan Aldrich)
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: NICAP Website Announcement

[. . .]

>The purpose of the NICAP site is to offer information that is
>carefully checked and has been peer-reviewed. Some of that
>information will be from the old NICAP and some will be new which
>has meet the old NICAP standards. NICAP was able to attract a
>large number of scientists and serious minded individuals with
>its approach. Fran hopes to revive that approach.

>Best regards,

>Jan
>--
>Jan Aldrich
>Project 1947
><http://www.iufog.org/project1947/>

A site on the Internet that provides some sort of peer review has long been needed, and it will be greatly appreciated by many of us. A number of former NICAP researchers and investigators have dropped out of the genre over the years, but a revival of the standards they had helped to define will perhaps attract them back into the mix. Fran should be encouraged in this endeavor, and has my support.

Steve

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Lunascan: NASA to Image Cydonia Today?

From: slk <slk@evansville.net> [Francis Ridge]
Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 12:32:59 -0600
Fwd Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 14:21:51 -0500
Subject: Lunascan: NASA to Image Cydonia Today?

From: "Tom DAngelo" <tomdan@wizard.com>
To: <slk@evansville.net>
Subject: cydonia pictures
Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 09:47:49 -0800

CNN just announced today at 9:00 am pacific time that NASA will attempt to photograph the Cydonia region today, Friday. Hopefully they will put the pictures on the web.

Tom

Las Vegas

THE LUNASCAN PROJECT (TLP): An Earth-Based Telescopic Imaging (EBTI) program using live and recorded CCD technology to document and record Lunar Transient Phenomena (TLPs). This mailing list is sponsored by Anomalous Images.

The Lunascan Project Home Page:
<http://www.evansville.net/~slk/lshomepage.html>

Anomalous Images and UFO Files: <http://www.anomalous-images.com>

Send "subscribe lunascan" or "unsubscribe lunascan" in the body of the message to majordomo@world.std.com

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Re: March 17 UFOs, Orlando, Florida

From: Jean Brown <Eugene.jean@aol.com>
Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 13:04:12 EST
Fwd Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 17:38:21 -0500
Subject: Re: March 17 UFOs, Orlando, Florida

Today sighting was reported from Lake Port, Florida. For past week crew of 5-10 people harvesting palms at night have been seeing lights in the sky estimated 20-30 miles to the north (north of Lake Okeechobee). These lights hovered, were lined up, moved around, and blinked out.

One night the lights were directly over them and they tried shining their spotlights on them but could not see anything.

Total sighting time each time of around 3 min.

Reporter from Sebring, FL newspaper also called today and reported seeing lights from SR 60 driving to Lake Wales Wed. night this week.

Informed this morning by Ops Mgr at Avon Park Bombing Range that for the past two weeks the AF has been dropping flares attached to parachutes, 2 at a time, from A-10s at high altitude testing night vision goggles. He said testing was supposed to end last night and that they had received many calls as these flares had been seen from Lake Wales south.

Doubt this is what was seen on March 17 southeast of Orlando since it was a reported daylight sighting. Did anyone see any structure?

Would appreciate any more details anyone has on that sighting. We were up in Gulf Breeze, FL for a UFO Conference and missed all the reports.

BTW there was a daylight UFO sighting caught on video on Saturday at that conference. The video and stills can be viewed at:

www.projectawaremess.com.

Jean Brown,
Tampa Bay MUFON
Asst. State Section Director

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Re: CAUS Files Suit Over Roswell

From: "Greg Sandow" <gsandow@prodigy.net>
Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 14:07:02 -0500
Fwd Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 17:54:23 -0500
Subject: Re: CAUS Files Suit Over Roswell

> From: Ylseohb <Ylseohb@aol.com> [Bill Hoesly]
> Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 09:11:18 EST
> To: updates@globalserve.net
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: AP: CAUS Files Suit Over Roswell

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> experience...and if so, where they might be held...etc? thanks
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Or, starting at square one, whether anyone even remembers an
aerial commotion near Ramstein back then.

Greg Sandow

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Moon's Companion on March 24

From: "Frank P. Maloney" <FMALONEY@email.vill.edu>
Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 19:21:23 GMT
Fwd Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 17:53:13 -0500
Subject: Moon's Companion on March 24

On March 24, 1998, the bright planet Venus was close to the Moon, as viewed from the Earth. A simulation of this circumstance may be found at:

http://astro4.ast.vill.edu/ea/m_v.gif

The Moon and Venus were quite close, as seen from various places on the Earth. The green line at the bottom of the simulation is the horizon line at that time as seen from Philadelphia.

In parts of Mexico and Texas, the Moon actually eclipsed (or occulted) Venus. You may replicate similar circumstances for various places on the Earth at various times or dates by downloading "home planetarium" software from:

<http://astro4.ast.vill.edu/ea/ea.htm>

Dr. Frank P. Maloney
Astronomer at Villanova University

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Filer's Files #12 CORRECTED COPY

From: Majorstar <Majorstar@aol.com> [George A. Filer]
Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 13:21:15 EST
Fwd Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 17:14:49 -0500
Subject: Filer's Files #12 CORRECTED COPY

Corrected copy: A draft copy was accidentally sent out.
Filer's Files #12-1998 MUFON Skywatch Investigations
George A. Filer: MUFON Eastern Director,
March 26, 1998 Majorstar@aol.com (609) 654-0020

Sightings increase over Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, Canada and Panama.

FLORIDA

SEBRING: Josh Harris reports he observed a UFO from 10:00 to 10:30 PM on March 18, 1998. Josh states, "At first I saw six bright orange lights in the north east sky that disappeared. Four lights in a line appeared then lit up in the eastern sky, then also disappeared. Back at the original location eight new lights appeared, four lights were in line with four more in a line beneath them. Josh's number is: 941-699-5369, Sebring, FL

GULF BREEZE: William M. Bonacum wrote on March 21, 1998, MUFON members from Long Island were attending a conference in Gulf Breeze, and had a UFO sighting. Later, they were interviewed for the Art Bell Radio Show. The craft was caught on tape, and observed for about 15 seconds around 3:30 PM. It was the size of a quarter at arm's length and it moved faster than a jet. Thanks to William M. Bonacum Tmac5.

ORLANDO: On March 17, 1998, Channel 9, an ABC affiliated TV station in Orlando reported that a large UFO "shaped like an L or boomerang shape. The craft with bright white lights flew over the small town of Narcoossee, Florida, located on the shores of Lake Tohopekaliga. Narcoossee is about 20 miles southeast of Orlando. According to McEllis Winterfield, many people witnessed the UFO. One lady claims eleven of her chickens mysteriously died on the spot as the UFO flew over her house." Thanks to Steve Wilson. Note: Several days later Highways 192 & 441, two of the major roads in the area were closed due to an alleged truck crash and toxic spill.

GEORGIA

Last year, Georgia was the most active state in the country with UFO sightings almost nightly. The UFO pilots appear interested in our newest fighter, the F-22 Raptor under development at Dobbins ARB. It's first flight was September 7, 1997. Georgia MUFON Director, Chief Walter Sheets writes: "After a relatively quiet few months, UFO activity has returned. There is renewed activity in the Cannonville area just south of La Grange. A UFO with three lights was seen floating and blinking in the Hogg Mountain area. Witnesses were close enough to have heard any sound, but there was none. The incident happened on a Sunday night in February, probably the 21st at 10:00 PM.

MUFON Investigator, John Thompson reports "Cannonville, five miles south of La Grange, is hot again. On Sunday, March 22, at 4:00 PM, two sisters who live in Cannonville had two UFO incidents, five minutes apart. The first sister, while driving east on Long Cane Road, saw two bright "silver balls" hanging in the air, just west of Hogg Mountain. The silver balls were about a mile away from her on the eastern horizon at approximately 60 degrees high. The silver balls each had an apparent size several times bigger than Venus and a real size larger than a four-room home. As she watched the southern most UFO "disappeared" straight up in a streaking fashion. The second UFO followed a few seconds later according to the 57 year-old witness. Total sighting time for these first two UFOs was 15 seconds." The lady said the UFOs were clearly round and did not look or move like any aircraft she had ever seen. Arriving in Cannonville she ran into her house and told her family what she had just

witnessed. The second sister went outside to look and saw a low flying small yellow prop plane. She then saw a hovering silver ball, and yelled for everyone to come outside. As the family ran out, the UFO disappeared. Apparently, each sister saw the same UFO, but not together. The wind was 10-15 mph from the Northwest. The Troup Sheriff's Department and 911 stated they had not received any reports concerning UFOs.

Mr. P. phoned stating he had located another witness to his August 1996, UFO sighting. Lisa who lives at the foot of the mountain also observed a triangle like object. She stated, "The UFO appeared to be 'scanning' the mountain top using reddish rays that would click on and sort of sweep the area, then click off, on and off, etc." She told him it was the size of a baseball held at arms length. The rays may be related to the red glow Mr. P. saw near his triangle. John also received confirmation of the huge mother ship incident. He got more structure details on the UFO the size of the HMS Queen Elizabeth. John also had a couple claim they were 100 feet from a UFO hovering above power lines during a daylight sighting..

SOUTH CAROLINA

On Tuesday evening, March 10, 1998, Patricia B. and her two daughters, aged 17 and 11, were driving south on Interstate Highway 26 in South Carolina, heading to Florida for a vacation. As they approached Columbia the state capital, the family spotted a UFO. They were travelling at about 65 miles per hour on I-26, just past the Broad River Road exit. "The UFO seemed to be hovering over the highway," Patricia reported, "I got a very good look at it from underneath. It was rectangular, almost a diamond shape, with unusually bright lights on the bottom and more lights on the top. The lights shining up seemed equal to those shining below, and there were at least 12 or 13 lights. When we first saw the object, it appeared to be stationary about 20 degrees above the horizon, about the size of a light on a radio tower. As we drove closer, we went directly under it. Directly over our heads the UFO was as big as a basketball held at arm's length. Their sighting lasted for five minutes, much longer than an aircraft is normally observed. Thanks to UFO Roundup 3-12, 3/22/98, Joe Trainor Editor.

CALIFORNIA CIGAR-

On February 28, 1998, at 10:55 p.m., Karl S., a former air crew member with the U.S. Navy Reserve was on a Boeing 747 jumbo jetliner, returning home to Los Angeles from Asia. As the jetliner passed over San Francisco, turning to 170 degrees for its final approach into Los Angeles, Karl glanced out the window and spotted the impossible. "We had just dropped to 30,000 feet and were turning south to fly over the central California valley," Karl reported. Looking toward Placerville, scanning the full breadth of the mountains, I noticed what I quickly categorized as a slender, dark-colored cloud. If you would hold up a ballpoint pen, you would see the approximate shape." Taking a second look, Karl saw "that the end of the 'cloud' had 'gone up' about 30 degrees from its original horizontal position. I immediately exclaimed that clouds do not tilt up." The UFO "became level again and then rotated in the horizontal. At this point, I described it as a black pencil with the top layer shaved off...At no time did I see any control surfaces." Thanks to Tim Hagemaster of NACOMM and Joe Trainor of UFO Roundup 3-12, Mar 22, 1998

LAKE ONTARIO, CANADA

"LOOK LOOK LOOK!!!!!! Look at the color of him! Look at how bright he is! Where did he come from? He's about two degrees elevation, and is actually moving west. He suddenly just appeared at very low elevation as if from nowhere. He did this just because we had decided to pack up due to being freezing cold! This account was recorded on March 12, 1998, by Jennifer Jarvis and a friend, members of the Orbwatch group from Ontario. "Orbwatch is the name of a group of observers that is currently monitoring UFOs on the western end of Lake Ontario thirty miles south of Toronto. This area has long been known for strange lights both over and under the water. Numerous solid appearing UFOs and light orbs have been observed entering and leaving the lake. At 7:30 p.m., a UFO appeared at approximately 10 degrees elevation and flew in an easterly direction for about three minutes before descending to four degrees above the horizon. The "orb" changed color from whitish-gold to red as it descended. At 7:37 p.m., the team saw another orb east of St. Catherine's. At 8:10 p.m., a more solid-looking UFO appeared "whitish in color. It lowered to about 5 degrees elevation heading east. "Three minutes later, the UFO plunged into Lake Ontario just north of St. Catherine's. Jarvis reported "The submersion was very clear. We saw three lights on the UFO and there was definite rotation, even as the object submerged." Thanks to Jennifer Jarvis webpage Orbwatch <http://www.per.to/orbwatch>

CANADIAN CATTLE MUTILATIONS: A cow was found dead and mutilated in February 1998 at the farm of George Giersch near Dawson Creek, British Columbia, Canada. Giersch found the cow "lying in a pool of blood with its tongue missing, half its face stripped to the bone and a deep slash to its chest."

Giersch said, "An incision to the cow's jaw was too precise to be caused by a predator." No tracks were found in the surrounding snow. Giersch left the cow's carcass in place for a few days. "No animal came near until the fifth day, when birds began to land on it." "That was odd because there is a large coyote community in the area. According to the Ottawa Sun, "Royal Canadian Mounted Police and Alberta officials have concluded that cattle are dying natural deaths and becoming food for predators." Fern Belzil, a farmer and a part-time mutilation investigator, wrote that most of the 50 cattle killings reported by farmers in the past three years were not performed by animals. Thanks to Dr. Diane Landry and the Ottawa Sun for March 15, 1998..

AUSTRALIA

Kingaroy, a town in central Queensland about 150 miles (240 kilometers) northwest of Brisbane, is the site of Australia's newest UFO flap. On Saturday, March 14, 1998, at 6:40 p.m., residents of Kingaroy reported seeing "bright white lights" overhead and near the horizon. Like clockwork, the mysterious lights returned again each succeeding night--at 6:33 p.m. on Sunday, March 15--at 6:26 p.m. on Monday, March 16--and at 6:33 p.m. on Tuesday, March 17. During the Tuesday, March 17, Kingaroy people "reported citing a rounded-edged black cube-shaped object carrying a bright white light...The black cube dropped the white light," which fell to the ground. The UFO then "changed direction" to the Northwest, heading straight for Kingaroy. The witnesses had the black cube in sight for two minutes. "The object appeared to be moving faster than a commercial jet. As the object traveled away, and about the same time of the white light impacting the ground, a loud rumbling sound was heard." Thanks to Ross Dowe of the Australia/New Zealand National UFO Hotline. Note: There have been more than 1,000 weird Australian fireball events during the last several years. Often they are multiple events concerning aerial fireballs and associated light energy emission. They involve diesel freight train like noise making fireballs, and some noiseless variants. They are often observed flying long trajectories over Australia.

MOON ICE

The Associated Press: NASA reports scattered pockets of water ice have been found beneath the lunar surface by a robot survey spacecraft that has spent the last month mapping the moon. NASA officials said the usefulness of the water was not immediately clear, because the data from the spacecraft Lunar Prospector show it is scattered in small deposits across thousands of square miles of the lunar poles. "While the evidence of water ice is quite strong, the water signal detected by the spacecraft's instruments is relatively weak," said William Feldman, a Department of Energy researcher participating in the project. "Our data are consistent with the presence of water ice in very low concentrations across a significant number of craters." The data suggest that the water is confined only to the polar regions. Feldman and others estimated there could be 11 million to 330 million tons of lunar water ice dispersed across about 18,000 square miles of the north pole and about 7,200 square miles of the south pole. Finding water ice on the moon is a big boost for tentative plans to establish a permanent lunar base. If water could be mined on the moon, it would ease the need of sending a supply from Earth. Water weighs eight pounds a gallon. It could take thousands of gallons to maintain a permanent moon complex. The presence of water could also enable astronauts to make their own breathing oxygen and to use the moon as sort of a space-based filling station. Water can be split into its chemical components, hydrogen and oxygen. Oxygen could be used for breathing and the combination of hydrogen and oxygen can be used as a rocket fuel. Lunar Prospector was launched in January and put into a 60-mile high orbit of the moon. The 4-foot-long, 650-pound spacecraft is NASA's first return to the moon since the last manned lunar landing mission, Apollo 17 in Dec.1972. The robot craft carries instruments that can detect alpha particles, gamma rays and neutrons, along with a radar experiment. Scientists will analyze the composition of the lunar surface and to pinpoint gravity and magnetic features. The \$65 million spacecraft is expected to spend the rest of year mapping the moon's surface. When it runs out of fuel, the craft will crashed into the moon so it would not become an orbiting hazard to future lunar missions. AP-March 5, 1998

PANAMA

Government authorities report a possible UFO landing in Panama on February 25, 1998, at 0239 hours. The sighting and touchdown occurred in Santiago of Veraguas in the middle of the country. At 2115 hours reports were received concerning an explosion of a house in the same area. A hole was found in the roof of a Barriada Forestal home. The following night at 2323 hours, another UFO was sighted with three lights of different colors, shaped like a boomerang or triangle. The object was located over the Hill of Cerro Gordo. There was no US Air Force or Panamanian air traffic in the area. There were 15 witnesses of this sighting. Scott Johnson, a Public Affairs Officer for NORAD, responded to our inquiry about the incidents in Panama. He said a careful check was made for the area around Santiago, Panama but NORAD showed no "space-junk"

reentering. He also pointed out that the United States Air Force does not investigate UFOs or keep track of "natural phenomenon" such as meteorites entering Earth's atmosphere. Thanks to John Thompson .

CONGRESS

Congressman F. James Sensenbrenner, Jr., Chairman of the Committee on Science has responded to questions concerning the proposed UFO open hearings. He says the "decision, ultimately falls under the jurisdiction of the Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics and its Chairman, Congressman Dana Rohrabacher (CA). At this point, Chairman Rohrabacher has indicated that the Subcommittee does not intend to pursue the subject of non-terrestrial crafts during this session of Congress." Congressman Sensenbrenner concludes by saying, "No branch of the United States Government is currently involved with or responsible for investigations into the possibility of contact with alien life in Unidentified Flying Objects" and to check with the National Archives, the repository for the Air Force's past investigations. Bottom line: Unless Congressman Rohrabacher changes his mind there will be no hearings anytime soon. While the tone of Congressman Sensenbrenner's letter is friendly it is rather discouraging. What I think needs to be done is for all to concentrate on contacting Congressman Dana Rohrabacher, Chairman of the Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics 2320 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515 Fax: (202)225-6415.

I'm sorry to report that one of Ufology's best friends, Congressman Steven H. Schiff died from cancer. He had a great personal interest in the reported crash of a UFO at Roswell, NM in 1947 and its alleged cover-up. He was a fine man who will be greatly missed. We send our condolences to his love ones and friends.

THE WHITEHOUSE, HAWKINGS SPEECH CORRECTION: Keith Barbour writes: "By way of introduction, I am a physics information analyst by profession having degrees in particle physics and astrophysics and a keen student of the UFO phenomenon. I picked up the March 6th, C-Span Real Audio/Video White House speech by Cambridge University Professor Stephen Hawking and would respectfully like to correct two words. "...the reason we have not been visited..." should read "...the reason we have not been contacted." and "...might descend into a state of brutalization..." should read brutalism..." On analysis, Hawking's statement on UFO's is subtle and rather complex, especially his comments "...why we have not been contacted..." together with "...there is a very real danger..." Of course, Professor Hawking would have not chosen any of his words lightly, especially to such a distinguished audience that included President and Mrs. Clinton. Sincerely, Keith Barbour .

Stephen Hawking considered one of brightest men on Earth lecturing on the growth of population and scientific knowledge stated as corrected: "Clearly the present exponential growth cannot continue indefinitely. So what will happen? One possibility is that we wipe ourselves out completely by some disaster such as a nuclear war. "There is a sick joke that the reason we have not been CONTACTED by extra-terrestrials is that when a civilization reaches our stage of development it becomes unstable and destroys itself. "Of course it is possible that UFO's really do contain aliens as many people believe, and the government is hushing it up" I wouldn't like to comment on that. "Personally I believe there is a different explanation why we have not been contacted, but I won't go into it here. "However, even without that, there is a very real danger that we will kill everything on this planet now that we have the technological power to do so. Even if we don't destroy ourselves completely, there is a possibility that we might descend into a state of BRUTALISM and barbarity like the opening scene of "Terminator": Thanks to Pat and Tony Craddock, webmaster@cseti.org and Keith Barbour : barbour@direct.co.uk.

MORE EVIDENCE OF INTELLIGENT LIFE ON MARS

Speculation is increasing that each day NASA is getting closer to announcing they have irrefutable evidence of intelligent life on Mars. Consider for a moment how our lives would change. Hopefully, overnight most of the differences between national groups would end and at least for a while we might work together in our world. Last week, I gave my opinion that recent images taken near the of the south pole of Mars indicated a sophisticated building complex called Nod. The images implied ancient intelligent life on Mars. Several experts assured me the complex was the result of transmission errors and pixilization problems. I also received several phone calls indicating I was correct. For example, the NASA Pathfinder has uncovered evidence that Mars was once more like Earth than anyone thought. There is proof of former river beds with running water, warm temperatures and an atmosphere. We can speculate that as the atmosphere on Mars deteriorated the inhabitants set up complex facilities to produce oxygen and food. We now know that the south pole area is rich in carbon monoxide and water. Fuel and materials would be needed for buildings for growing plants to obtain the necessary oxygen and food. We can speculate the Martians realized their

atmosphere was escaping and the planet was dying. Various groups apparently decided to accomplish various actions for survival. First, they might try to signal for help by building huge faces or beacons carved out of rock. Second, they might build giant greenhouses and self supporting cities each with their own self contained gaseous envelope. Finally, they could attempt inter-planetary travel. Realistically only small numbers could be transported to the closest planet Earth. If this transpired then it is reasonable to assume that evidence should be found on Earth of this migration.

We do have some tentative evidence towards the migration thesis. The Martian faces appear similar to human faces and our Sphinx. Martian pyramids appear similar to our pyramids. Various symbols observed on Mars appear similar to symbols of the ancient cultures on Earth. Perhaps this is all not a coincidence. I visited Cairo, Egypt the place that appears most like the Cydonia area of Mars. The Egyptian word "Al Qahira" means "to conquer. The root of this Egyptian word, "Al Qahir" means "Mars." Why has the god of war and conquest always been associated with Mars? Is it just coincidence that one of the oldest cities on Earth is named after Mars? There are many ancient writings describing UFOs and gods from space. When Cosmonaut Colonel Maria Popovitch visited the US a few years ago. She stated, "The Soviet Phobus II mission had obtained infrared data of a city the size of Los Angeles on Mars." Shortly thereafter the satellite ceased transmitting data. Its last transmission was of a cigar shaped craft. I have her taped interview to prove her statements. These are important times. We may not be alone in the universe after all.

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Seeking Information on 1977 'Military Abduction'

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I have agreed to investigate and write a book of John Vasquez's story of an incident alleged to occurred at Fort Benning in 1977 with over 1,300 soldiers.

John will be on the Jeff Rense Show this evening, Friday, discussing one of the events that happened. One of our main purposes of the show is hoping to make contacts with anyone that has information about the incident that will help me on my investigation.

If anyone has information of this event or in relation to it, please e-mail me at duncan@tarheel.net. or phone beginning Saturday at 704-636-9811.

I am also the editor of AUFON, American UFO News at:

<http://www.aufon.com>

Thanks.

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Nua Blather: Orbiting Fur-Balls

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A NEW LIFE AWAITS YOU IN THE OFF-WORLD COLONIES

On Saturday 14th March, this Blatherskite was conversing with the Church of Subgenius's Rev. Nickie Deathchick (<http://www.subgenius.com>) whilst attending an open-house reception in the Fringeware Store (Austin, Texas <http://www.fringeware.com>). Suddenly, a representative of a company calling themselves 'Celestis' (<http://www.celestis.com>) was thrust upon us. In case you don't know, Houston based Celistis were responsible for last year launching into space the ashes of Star Trek creator Gene Rodenberry (<http://www.philosophysphere.com>), and philosopher and scientist Timothy Leary (<http://www.leary.com>). This Celestis representative (who I shall refrain from naming) filled us in on the basic idea of their latest project - but asked us to keep mum until he contacted us with further details, as this information was not yet public knowledge. We agreed (wondering why he had told us at all). . . but on the following Tuesday, March 17th, the Daily Telegraph (<http://www.telegraph.co.uk>) ran a story concerning this 'secret' information. As this story quotes David Goldstein of Encounter 2001, the consortium of which Celestis is a part, I can only assume that it involved an officially endorsed press release, and that I am at liberty to Blather away to my heart's content.

Encounter 2001 has booked space upon an Ariane rocket (<http://www.esrin.esa.it/>) to be launched from French Guiana in 2001 (not on their own craft as hinted by the Telegraph) and plan to launch the DNA of some 4.5 million people, in the form of hair, into space for about \$50 a head (pun intended). The Telegraph records Goldstein saying 'in theory at least, an alien race could work out what we are made of from the hair samples on the spaceship, and possibly recreate human life'.

This is pretty much the the party line conveyed to Rev. Deathchick and myself. Being given to idle wonder about such matters, I immediately recalled a lecture which I had the good fortune to attend at last year's Fortean Times UnConvention, given by Dr. Mark Biddiss on 'The Voyager Tapes' (<http://www.fringeware.com/hell/barry/unconv97/97voyage.html>).

Biddiss argued the foolishness of bunging off data concerning our existence into the cosmos, under the assumption that the space brothers and sisters (if they exist) are benevolent souls who won't use the information in any way harmful to our existence. In essence, he likened the voyager mission to leaving the house keys swinging on the garden gate. I told the Celestis fellow this, and informed him that I could happily liken his behaviour to signing over the deeds to the property to the first passer-by who takes a fancy to our two-bit planet. Nonchalant was he, and made the only too reasonable point that *people will buy it*. And, you know, he's only too right.

Still, I saw fit to interrogate him on how Celestis intend to explain the practical use of shoving our DNA into the big empty yonder, to which there was no useful reply. . . other than 'well, why not?'. Why not, indeed?

The prospect of orbiting fur-balls has me rather concerned, I must admit. . .

WHY ARE WE WAITING?

Is disillusionment rife amongst the congregation of God's Salvation Church, in Garland, Texas? The 150-member Taiwanese sect had predicted that 'God' would make an appearance on television Channel 18 at 12:01 on Wednesday 25th to announce his imminent arrival on earth (chalked down for 10am on March 31st). And contrary to media excitement about the affair, there were no suicides, and their leader, Hon-Ming Chen, was quite happy to say everyone could now discount his predictions, has he was wrong.

Reuters quoted Chen as saying, 'Since God's appearance on television has not been realised, you can take what we have preached as nonsense, I would rather you don't believe what I say any more'. I would propose that his followers are *less* than impressed, despite Chen claiming that he still maintains a hotline to 'God', and that the aforementioned deity will be back next year to save hundreds of millions of humans from the holocaust. I can hardly wait. But, at least they didn't all do a 'Heaven's Gate' on us (a year ago now!) (http://dailynews.yahoo.com/headlines/human_interest/oddly_enough/story.html?s=z/reuters/980326/odd/stories/sect_1.html)

Remember to keep an eye out for God next Tuesday.

CANS OF RED HERRINGS, KETTLES OF RAGWORMS

In last week's Blather

(<http://www.nua.ie/blather/archives/issuelno45.html>), I slung in a story gleaned from the The (London) Times of November 2nd 1945, concerning a kangaroo making off with a farmers waistcoat and a five pound note. I threw in this tale from sheer whimsy and devilment, and I'm glad to admit that I elicited several passionate responses from Blather's readers.

His Highness, Duke of Mendoza (a.k.a. Pilaurice D. Murghphall):

'O yeah. Highly suspect. Whale tumour, one of a whole bunch of animal-revenge folk stories. See Jan Harold Brunvand, "The Mexican Pet" (Penguin 1986), pp. 24-5. Summary:

The Sydney Herald of 22 May 1983 had a version of this story (based on accounts from three readers) that had a passport, not an old white fiver, being stolen from a 'roo that tourists had run down & propped up with a jacket on, for a photie. A US version has the Kingston Trio losing their passports in this way to a reviving 'roo that was hit by their vehicle. There is a US native variant involving a placid bear in Yellowstone National Park. Mother puts babe in arms of bear for snapshot, bear walks off into woods with babby. Oop-a. And then there's the shot but undead deer with the hunter's rifle in its antlers.'

Martin Herbaty relates that 'this one's an old urban legend, reported from various places and times, coming up again every tourist season, usually involving a kangaroo - or, in Africa, an antelope, ostrich or even a lion - mistaken for roadkill, dressed up for a family photo and fleeing with money, passports and tickets of the unfortunate tourists'.

As Pat O'Halloran asks, why would and Australian have a 5 pound note? Pat, bear in mind that the newspaper report, however disputable, was printed in 1945. As far as I am aware, Australia didn't change to Dollars until 1966.

(<http://www.vision.net.au/~pwood/feb97.html>)

Dave (daev) Walsh
27th March 1998

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Einstein Right Again - A Spinning Mass Curves Time

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Einstein is proved right yet again

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WASHINGTON - Einstein has been proved right yet again, an international team of researchers say.

They said Thursday that observations of U.S. satellites orbiting Earth showed that a spinning body can curve space - something Albert Einstein predicted in his general theory of relativity.

Einstein said the spin of a body must change the geometry of the universe by generating space-time curvature.

He called it "frame dragging" but it is also known as the Lense-Thirring effect, after Austrian physicists Josef Lense and Hans Thirring, who said celestial bodies that rotate, such as the Sun, create a force that pulls space towards them.

The effect is so strong it should affect a clock rotating slowly around a spinning body.

Ignazio Ciufolini of the Universita di Roma "La Sapienza" and colleagues tested and measured the effect by analyzing the orbits of two NASA satellites, LAGEOS and LAGEOSII.

They used lasers to measure tiny changes in the orbits of the satellites and concluded the Earth was affecting them in a way that could not be accounted for by gravity or tidal forces.

"Based on the analysis of the orbits of the ... satellites LAGEOS and LAGEOS II, we conclude that the Lense-Thirring effect exists," they wrote in a report in the journal Science.

"This direct measurement of the Lense-Thirring effect confirms one of the remaining fundamental predictions of general relativity, that a current of mass-energy, such as a spinning mass, as a result of its mass motion changes the geometry of the universe by generating space-time curvature."

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Paper On Flying Disk Performance On The NICAP

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Re: Your paper on flying disk performance on the NICAP website

<http://www.evansville.net/~slk/discperf.htm>

Dear Mr. Ridge:

I found your paper very interesting. Amongst other things, it also shows that scientific testing doesn't have to be high-cost or even especially high-tech to be of value. You were able to duplicate many of the reported UFO maneuvers with your model. And, as one would expect, the model worked best when the flight path was towards the edge.

This, of course, seems obvious--and follows UFO reports and photographs. The reason I bring this up is because of the "air spike" tests performed by the Rensselaer Polytechnique Institute (RPI) back in 1994-5. You may recall that I made a post to CURRECT ENCOUNTERS a month or two ago concerning an article in Aviation Week & Space Technology (Phill Klass' old stomping grounds), the May 15, 1995 issue, pages 66 & 67.

It is unstated (but inherently obvious) that the RPI folks were trying to figure out how flying saucers work (Note: I have used *that* term deliberately, vice "UFO"). The test model configurations tested and discussed match famous UFO photographs--ones with the central tower, central knob, and smooth lens-shaped. The trick is, though, to make their theories work, the saucers have to travel in the direction of the blunt sides--normal (mathmatically) to the edge. I do not believe that anyone has reported any of them traveling in that manner.

It could be that they travel in the edge-forward aerodynamic way in slow speed and switch to the air spike, plasma-shield, blunt-forward attitude in high altitude, high-hypersonic (Mach 10+) flight.

If you have not had a chance to look at the article, I highly recommend it. I can fax you a copy if you'd like.

Have a good one,

Steven J. Dunn

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NASA Press Release re: 'Nars Gloval Surveyor'

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MARS GLOBAL SURVEYOR TO ATTEMPT IMAGING OF FEATURES OF PUBLIC INTEREST

NASA's Mars Global Surveyor spacecraft is about to begin a summer-long set of scientific observations of the red planet from an interim elliptical orbit, including several attempts to take images of features of public interest ranging from the Mars Pathfinder and Viking mission landing sites to the Cydonia region.

The spacecraft will turn on its payload of science instruments on March 27, about 12 hours after it suspends "aerobraking," a technique that lowers the spacecraft's orbit by using atmospheric drag each time it passes close to the planet on each looping orbit. Aerobraking will resume in September and continue until March 1999, when the spacecraft will be in a final, circular orbit for its prime mapping mission.

It will not be possible to predict on which orbit the spacecraft will pass closest to specific features on Mars until Global Surveyor has established a stable orbit and flight controllers are able to project its ground track. This process should be completed in the next few days. The exact time of observations and the schedule for the subsequent availability of photographs on the World Wide Web are expected to be announced early next week.

"Global Surveyor will have three opportunities in the next month to see each of the sites, including the Cydonia region, location of the so-called 'Face on Mars,' " said Glenn E. Cunningham, Mars Global Surveyor project manager at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory, Pasadena, CA. "The sites will be visible about once every eight days, and we'll have a 30- to- 50-percent chance of capturing images of the sites each time."

Several factors limit the chances of obtaining images of specific features with the high-resolution mode of the camera on any one pass. These factors are related primarily to uncertainties both in the spacecraft's pointing and the knowledge of the spacecraft's ground track from its navigation data. In addition, current maps of Mars are derived from Viking data taken more than 20 years ago. Data obtained by Global Surveyor's laser altimeter and camera during the last few months have indicated that our knowledge of specific locations on the surface is uncertain by 0.6 to 1.2 miles (1 to 2 kilometers). As a result, the locations of the landing sites and specific features in the Cydonia region are not precisely known.

In addition, the Mars Pathfinder and Viking landers are very small targets to image, even at the closest distance possible, because they are the smallest objects that the camera can see. The Cydonia features, on the other hand, are hundreds to thousands of times larger and the camera should be able to capture some of the features in that area.

Global Surveyor's observations of the Viking and Pathfinder landing sites will provide scientists with important information from which to tie together surface observations and orbital measurements of the planet. Data from landing sites provide "ground truth" for observations of the planet made from space.

As for the "Face on Mars" feature, "most scientists believe that everything we've seen on Mars is of natural origin," said Dr. Carl Pilcher, acting science director for Solar System Exploration in NASA's Office of Space Science, Washington, DC. "However, we also believe it is appropriate to seek to resolve speculation about features in the Cydonia region by obtaining images when it is possible to do so."

Information about Viking observations of the Cydonia region and a listing of those images are available on the World Wide Web at:

<http://www.hq.nasa.gov/office/pao/facts/HTML/FS-016-HO.html>

New images of the landing sites and Cydonia region taken by Mars Global Surveyor will be available on JPL's Mars news site at: <http://www.jpl.nasa.gov/marsnews> and on the Global Surveyor home page at <http://mars.jpl.nasa.gov>. These sites will also carry detailed schedules of the imaging attempts once they have been determined. Images will also be available on NASA's Planetary Photojournal web site at: <http://photojournal.jpl.nasa.gov>.

So far in the aerobraking process, Global Surveyor's orbit has been reduced from an initial 45-hour duration to less than 12 hours. During the aerobraking hiatus, the spacecraft will be orbiting Mars about once every 11.6 hours, passing about 106 miles (170 kilometers) above the surface at closest approach and about 11,100 miles (17,864 kilometers) at its farthest distance from the planet. The pause in aerobraking allows the spacecraft to achieve a final orbit with lighting conditions that are optimal for science observations.

Mars Global Surveyor is part of a sustained program of Mars exploration, managed by JPL for NASA's Office of Space Science, Washington, DC. Lockheed Martin Astronautics, Denver, CO, which built and operates the spacecraft, is JPL's industrial partner in the mission. Malin Space Science Systems, Inc., San Diego, CA, built and operates the spacecraft camera. JPL is a division of the California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA.

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Project Snowflake - Canadian "Saucer" Project

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SPACED-OUT RESIDENTS OR CANADIAN CONSPIRACY?
WHAT IS PROJECT SNOWFLAKE AND WHO WAS BEHIND IT?

Project Snowflake:
The exclusive story unfolds on exn.ca March 27 to April 1, 1998

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Poisson Aerospace, a Canadian aerospace company, may have been running a top secret program during the mid-seventies that had Alberta residents convinced that they had been visited by UFOs.

Located on an abandoned farm near Gilton, Alberta, the program, code-named "Project Snowflake," is rumoured to have been a \$136 million initiative to develop a Canadian "flying saucer"-style surveillance vehicle. The craft was said to be similar in appearance to the famous Avrocar flying disk, but operated on an entirely different lifting and propulsion system. Inside sources reveal that only a handful of senior aerospace experts was privy to this top secret program, which allegedly ran between 1971 and 1975. During this time a working prototype of the craft was developed and flight tested at night in and around Gilton, Alberta. Poisson executives decided to scrap "Project Snowflake" in 1975 after stories began to circulate about local farmers seeing strange lights in the sky at night and circular markings in the snow.

Discovery Channel Canada's Web site, exn.ca, will unveil exclusive details of the program, photos and all of the latest developments to blow the lid off "Project Snowflake" at

<http://www.exn.ca>

beginning March 27, 1998 through April 1, 1998.

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develop Canada's source for science news and content on the Internet. Currently, exn.ca serves 145,000 visitors each month and recently garnered a Top-5 rating from WEB MAGAZINE, alongside other notable science sites run by the Smithsonian Institution and Scientific American.

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Mars Global Surveyor's Michael Malin's web page

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Subject: Mars Global Surveyor's Michael Malin's web page

Hello there,

I just thought I add my two cents here. Michael Malin, the guy who actually built/designed the camera for the Mars Global Surveyor has his own web page. You might want to check it out too, considering he's the guy with his finger on the trigger so to speak...

He's already has a bunch of pictures up.

Here you go!! <http://barsoom.msss.com/>

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A TRUE STORY OF ALIEN INTRUSION INTO HUMAN LIVES

By D. Lynne Bishop

Alien Humour

A light-hearted look at ufology

Editorial
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UK.UFO.NW social meet in Birmingham (UK)

If anyone lives in or near to Birmingham in the UK and would like to get together for an evening's informal, friendly, social chat about our favourite subject then please contact us. The venue, which still has to be decided, will be a pub somewhere in Birmingham.

For further information please mail: ufo@holodeck.demon.co.uk Please put as your subject heading: Birmingham meeting

UK.UFO.NW now has a new IRC (internet relay channel) home

UK.UFO.NW are pleased to announce that we now have a new IRC home situated on the Chatnet servers, thanks to the hard work of Crow and Raine our IRC experts. Nothing else has altered. All meeting times remain the same. All meetings commence on Saturdays at 11pm (UK time). For the equivalent time in your part of the world please mail: ufo@holodeck.demon.co.uk with IRC WORLD TIME in the subject header. In the main mail include your: Country / Location / Nearest major city. For any help on connecting to our meetings via the IRC please send your questions to: ufo-irc-advice@crowman.demon.co.uk

16 bit and 32 bit versions of probably the best IRC software (MIRC) will shortly be available for download fully configured for connection. For those of you with IRC programs you will find a full list of Chatnet servers at the foot of this e-zine.

Future UK.UFO.NW IRC guests

Saturday 28th March 1998 - Ros Renalds

"1982 late Sept. We decided to visit the relatives in Corby Northant's and at around 8pm we had arrived at Sudbury Suffolk. As we approached, a horseshoe shaped group of lights flew very low over the car at the same time that we passed under some power cables. I remember the lights, the silence and the blue tendrils bouncing off the cables, my first thought was "Helicopter" but everything was wrong, it's movement, speed, silence etc.

As we drove out through the town, through Long Melford and headed along the Claire to Haverhill Rd, it came back and zipped over the car 2 or 3 times scaring the pair of us."

Ros arrived at her destination nearly four hours late. She will be telling us of her experiences and answering your questions live at our moderated meeting on Saturday 28th March.

Saturday 4th April 1998 - Nick Redfern

Nick Redfern UK ufologist and author of new book 'A COVERT AGENDA'

"For almost half a century, you have been denied access to the facts which lie behind discoveries of monumental proportion."

Nicholas Redfern

The shocking truth of the British Government's UFO conspiracy is revealed for the first time in...

A COVERT AGENDA
WITH AN INTRODUCTION BY NICK POPE

A conspiracy of silence has existed at the highest levels of the British Government to prevent the general public from learning the shocking facts which lie behind one of the most emotive issues of our time - unidentified flying objects. Now, the truth can be told.

Nick will be answering your questions live in a moderated meeting on Saturday 4th April 1998.

United Kingdom News
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uk.ufo.nw says: It has not been so quiet in the UK these last few weeks. Here are a number of reports from various sources.

[UK 1]*****

Source: East Kilbride News
Publish Date: 30th December 1997
From: UFO Roundup volume 3, number 2
Issue date: 11th January 1998

STRATHCLYDE JOLTED BY MYSTERIOUS TREMORS

Strange earth tremors have rocked Scotland's Strathclyde region twice in the past couple of weeks.

In mid-December, a strong tremor shook the multi-million-pound Centre One building in Stewartfield. "More than 30 Inland Revenue (the UK's tax agency--J.T.) workers were evacuated... Desks rocked, computer screens flickered and windows rattled as employees were whisked to a safety zone. The tremor triggered emergency readings at several seismological stations in Scotland."

During the early hours of Monday, December 22, 1997, a second round of tremors struck the East Kilbride area, 30 miles (48 kilometers) southeast of Glasgow.

"Frightened residents in Greenhills, Westwood and Calderglen have reported another round of tremors...A number of people called the (East Kilbride) News to say they had been all shook up by a quake in the early morning hours..."

"'It was like a low overhead thunder directly above the house,' said Aileen Wilson, 39, from Gasgoyne, Westwood. She said that she "feared for her seven-month-old baby daughter when the tremor started just before 7 a.m."

The tremor "'was followed by a series of noises like fireworks going off,' she explained, 'It sounded like a gas explosion coming from the Westwood playing fields. I jumped out of bed and lifted my baby Lynsay. Everything in the room was shaking. It lasted quite a long time.'"

"Thomas Stewart, 39, from Carnoustie Drive, Greenhills, heard deafening whirring noises when his windows shivered violently around 7 s.m."

"'It sounded like a rocket,' said the Ministry of Defence worker. 'I'm puzzled as to what exactly is going on and would like an answer.'"

"Glenn Ford of the British Geological Survey in Edinburgh said, 'This was NOT an earthquake and went on for too long for a sonic boom. It is very strange, but we are getting readings on our instruments, but the actual cause remains a mystery so far.' (See the East Kilbride News for December 30, 1997, "Mystery Tremors," page 3. Many thanks to Dean Ladds of Flying Saucer Review for forwarding this news article.)

[UK 2]*****

Source: UFO Roundup volume 3, number 3
Issue date: 18th January 1998

UFOs SEEN OVER BEDFORD AND IMMINGHAM, UK

Two UFO sightings were reported in the United Kingdom last week, over Bedfordshire and Humberside.

On Wednesday, January 14, 1998, at 6:10 p.m., Andi T. was in a car "near the roundabout (rotary) where the (Motorway) A6 Luton-to-Bedford road meets the Bedford By-pass" when a UFO flashed by overhead. The sighting took place about 60 miles (96 kilometers) north of London.

"A bright light shot across the sky about a mile from the roundabout," Andi reported. "This light was like a shooting star except it lasted a lot longer and had a tail. Not long after I witnesses this light, I saw two lights at the horizon (near Bedford), but those objects didn't move any nearer to me." (Email Interview)

On Sunday night, January 4, 1998, at about 11 p.m., a UFO described as "a yellow harvest moon" hovered above a residential neighborhood in Immingham, on the river Humber, approximately 75 miles (120 kilometers) northeast of Sheffield.

The object was first seen by a woman in the house, who immediately called her relatives to come and look. Among the relatives was Paul H., a local skywatcher. "There was a harvest moon in the wrong part of the sky--too low, too large and too yellow," he said. "Whatever it was, it was at about rooftop height, under conditions of low cloud. We saw the 'moon' from upstairs, and from there the 'moon' appeared to be at the same elevation as us. It appeared to be big, as is a harvest moon, but the actual moon had already been seen about one hour earlier by me, much higher up in the sky. The (UFO's) colour was yellow. I got out my 30mmX30mm telescope for a better look."

Paul estimated the UFO's size as "about ten meters (33 feet) in length."

"After five minutes of discussion and telescope viewing, we checked from another angle from another room, but in the time I moved from one room to another, it had moved so as to be no longer visible... I went back to my room, and it appeared that the 'moon' was rapidly being covered by cloud--much like watching an eclipse," he noted, adding that, because of the overcast, "nothing was visible above 50 degrees" from the horizon. (Email Interview)

[UK 3]*****

Source: UFO Roundup volume 3, number 4
Issue date: 25th January 1998

TEN LUMINOUS UFOs HOVER OVER GLASGOW

On Friday, January 16, 1998, at 7:45 a.m., Gordon MacAndrews and his wife Fiona were waiting for sunrise in Glasgow, Scotland when they spotted mysterious lights in the southern sky.

"I viewed the lights from the top of a hill in the north of Glasgow," MacAndrews reported, "which overlooks the city, as the lights were some way off. As I mentioned in my post, my wife also saw the lights and was as mystified as I am."

He described the UFOs as "whitish-yellow" and "smaller than a small coin" held at arm's length. "They did not approach; they stayed in the same area," over the southern suburb of Busby.

>From their observation point near Springburn Road, the couple "watched the lights for 20 minutes...As the sun rose, we were unable to see them any longer."

"As I saw them from the other side of the city, I was sure someone else would have seen the display but apparently not," he added.

Glasgow, Scotland's largest city, is about 55 miles (88 kilometers) west of the capital, Edinburgh. (Email Interview)

[UK 4]*****

Source: UFO Roundup volume 3, number 6
Issue date: 8th February 1998

UK MEN SPOT A UFO OVER GREAT BENTLY, ESSEX

On December 3, 1997, at 8 p.m., two men, one 18, the other 34, were walking in Great Bently, Essex, about 55 miles (88 kilometers)

northeast of London when they spied a strange light in the sky.

"To start with, it was very small," the younger witness reported, "Only about the size of a normal aeroplane light. But as it got closer to us, it got bigger and at one point it was much bigger than a coin held at arm's length."

"We saw it up close for thirty seconds, but it was in view for at least a few minutes. It passed directly overhead at one point. The colour was white. The object seemed to be giving out light all over its surface."

"It came from the northeast and departed towards the southwest. It wasn't very high up. It was much lower than a normal plane, probably only about 100 feet (30 meters). It traveled much faster at first, but seemed to slow down when it passed over me." (Email Interview)

[UK 5]*****

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Sighting over Dunlop, Erdington, Birmingham

Sighting No. 1: At 6.20 am on Friday 9th January 1998, rubber worker Stephen was driving himself and his two pals Jim and Derek to work at Dunlop in the Erdington area of Birmingham. The Dunlop plant is part of a large built up area, which includes other factory units. Dunlop's makes rubber tyres for vehicle's including motor cars, racing cars and aircraft. It is also on a major flight path to Birmingham airport situated 5.25 miles away.

Weather conditions on this morning were very good. It was dark. The sky was clear. Both the stars and moon were clearly visible. As they drove towards the entrance of Dunlop they saw a man standing on the street corner looking into the night sky. They followed his gaze and saw a stationary single flashing red light. The darkness behind the light appeared to show the outline of an aircraft or it may have been a triangular shape?

Work time was pressing so they had to move on. Unfortunately the man standing at the corner has not as yet been identified. Although a busy airline route Steve who is an avid aircraft spotter and knows his planes stated "It had only one flashing red light on and the rest was in darkness. I'm not sure what it may have been".

UK.UFO.NW are continuing with enquiries.

[UK 6]*****

Sighting M6 motorway

Sighting No. 2: At 5.23 am on Saturday 10th January 1998, traffic warden Margaret was driving north along the M6 motorway between junctions 3 and 4 towards Birmingham airport approximately 7 miles away.

Weather conditions on this morning were very good. It was dark and clear. There were no motorway lights at this point.

In the distance at an angle of approximately 40 degrees through her vehicles front windscreen she saw an oblong shape stationary in the air. She viewed the object for 30 seconds before it moved away retrospectively into the distance. Margaret who has worked at Birmingham airport for 7 years stated "I see aircraft everyday of my working life. The oblong shape of this was most unusual and not like any aircraft I have ever seen".

UK.UFO.NW are continuing with enquiries, however it is worth bearing in mind that this sighting occurred only 24 hours after sighting number 1. We also found that the Goodyear blimp was in the UK for the first time in 20 years. It was seen later the same day over the Wolverhampton football field 20 miles from Birmingham airport. Margaret stated: "it was not a blimp."

[UK 7]*****

Sighting over Small Heath, Birmingham

Sighting No. 3: At 6.00 pm on Friday 13th February 1998, June was in her neighbours south facing kitchen in the Small Heath area of Birmingham. Small Heath is approximately 3 miles from Birmingham airport.

June stood in her next door neighbours kitchen with three other witnesses when they became aware of an extremely bright light that they could see due south through the kitchen window. It appeared to be hovering over Digby Park and remained there stationary for approximately 15 minutes. By naked eye the object appeared to be a diamond shape. When viewed through binoculars the object was too bright to define a shape. An aircraft was seen to travel towards it or at least in that direction. As it got closer the light from the object: "went out and it shot off but it shot off at such a speed and there was all sort or red lights on it" said June "actually the way it shot off I expected it to crash into the church at the top of the road and I ran actually from the back door to the front to see if I could still see it but it had gone." June told us that as the object moved off at speed a number of red lights could be seen which appeared to be moving around the object.

UK.UFO.NW are continuing with enquiries. One point worth mentioning is that June who lives quite close to Birmingham International Airport is very used to seeing aircraft flying near to her house. She is also used to seeing the West Midlands Police helicopter with it's powerful search light. Her 'UFO' was not like any of these.

[UK 8]*****

From: thegreenhouse@netmatters.co.uk
Dave Dunworth UK Director Skywatch International Incorporated
Sighting Date: Monday 9th March 1998

uk.ufo.nw would like to thank Dave Dunworth for sending this report to us.

Flying Triangle over M5 Motorway

Report submitted by Dave Dunworth UK Director SI Inc This report came in at 23:15 09 March 1998

At aprox, 19:45 until 20:00 last night Monday 09th March 1998 a Mr M Peast Mr D Matthews and Mrs J York were travelling south bound on the M5 Motorway heading towards Exeter UK SW.

They were aprox 39 Miles from Exeter when Mr Matthews spotted what appeared to be a star in the south at a height of about 30,000 feet. As he watched the star it began to move just like a conventional aircraft with no obvious signs of erratic movement or obvious navigation lights just a small glistening not unlike a star. Mr Matthews alerted his companions and asked for their opinion, all were watching to try and identify the object that resembled a star and hanging in the same position for the last 5 mins. As they travelled on the object manoeuvred around and descended about 3,000 feet to display an array of bright white lights with a red light in the centre or the tail section, it was difficult to be exact, as the object was some distance away at that time. They began to take all the information and asses what they were actually looking at, just then the craft descended from a height estimated at 25,000 feet to a height of 5,000 feet within a couple of seconds and displayed a vertical lift manoeuvre which showed the shape of the craft as being triangular, the lights on the craft by this time became much more discernible. The craft displayed three highly luminescent white lights that were very bright and in the centre there appeared to be a large section of reddish coloured light that pulsed in intensity. The craft was about the size of a jumbo jet in our estimation although it was difficult to give an accurate account of its size. As the craft climbed they described seeing a small kind of yellow and orange glowing ball that dropped from the reddish area of the craft. This glowing balls of light shot off at high speed towards the south and was immediately followed by the triangular shaped craft. The ball compared to the craft was about the size of a tennis ball but as it moved so fast it's hard to give accurate information on the exact size.

Both the craft and the ball of light rapidly disappeared from view into the night sky and all were left with an incredible feeling of wonderment at what they had seen.

The motorway was steady with traffic and as this unfolded, other motorists must have also witnessed this because the traffic slowed down and everyone that passed us had their eyes on the sky at that time.

We watched this for about 15 minutes and by the motorway signs had travelled about 9 miles at an average speed of 50 mph.

Thanks to Mr Matthews who gave me this information.

If anyone out there has also witnessed this event I would be very pleased to hear from you.

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and don't forget us here at: ufo@holodeck.demon.co.uk

[UK 9]*****

Source: Teletext (ITV text service)
Publish Date: Sunday 1st March 1998

Strange But True
The Weird World This Week

It is hoped that Little Green Men will visit the Millennium Dome.

A punter stands to win 500,000 pounds (801,500 dollars) if little green men turn up to view the Millennium Dome after betting 10 pounds (16.03 dollars) that it will attract extraterrestrials.

Bookmakers William Hill said George Vernon of Bristol had been given odds of 50,000/1 for his wager.

Spokesman Graham Sharpe said "If he's right, he's going to be collecting a payment that's out of this world."

[UK 10]*****

Source: Teletext (ITV text service)
Publish Date: Sunday 1st March 1998

Strange But True
The Weird World This Week

Sunrise of the new Millennium.

This first sunrise of the new Millennium in Britain will be over the white cliffs of Dover - and not Lowestoft.

Astronomers have calculated the tilt of the sun means dawn will break over the Kent coast at 7.58am on January 1st 2,000 ahead of the rest of south-east England.

The news is a blow for Lowestoft, which had been billing itself as the place to be for the millennial sunrise.

[UK 11]*****

Source: The News Of The World
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New book claims ETs are secretly among us.....

By ROY STOCKOILL

THAT neighbour you always thought was weird, the barman at your local who makes you uneasy, the boss who seems to be on another planet... it could be they're more spaced out than you feared. In his astonishing new book, Alien Base, best selling UFO expert Timothy Good demonstrates that extraterrestrials are living among us in secret bases all over Earth including Britain. Some of his chilling eye-witness accounts, documented over 40 years, indicate they are even able to take on human form.

Today we present his evidence. But remember, the truth isn't necessarily out there it might be right under your nose!

IT was a journey that newsagent Hubert Lewis had made hundreds of

times before.

Dawn had yet to break over the deserted country lane as he wearily powered his old bicycle through the wind and rain.

All he could think of was getting to the Shropshire town of Church Stretton to collect the newspapers waiting there for him and getting home as quickly as possible.

At first Lewis barely noticed the tall figure standing in the road ahead. But a second glance brought him stumbling to a halt-for hovering in the sky, to the right of the stranger, was a circular object, 60 to 100ft across.

The panicking newsagent cried out, demanding to know who or what was there. But the tall figure answered him, saying there was "no need to be alarmed".

Lewis recalled: "My visitor spoke quite clear English. He told me I had nothing to fear from the future.

"He knew of my troubles and mentioned names of people I had known. He wished me well-then vanished."

Thirty minutes had slipped by-and all the time the circular object had rotated above, whistling softly.

A year or so later, in the summer of 1958, the Shropshire newsagent was confronted by another of the strange beings-this time in a field.

The second stranger, says Lewis- who had taken on the appearance of a human male-claimed he was from Venus and that other aliens from his planet were living among us.

It was arranged that Lewis would take the train to London to meet the alien, who brought with him a second visitor, a female.

They were "well dressed, dark, with a likeness to Continentals." They went to Hyde Park and strolled for an hour by the Serpentine, then drove to Wanstead Flats.

The three then went to a nearby cafe where the couple from Outer Space had tea and sandwiches.

The three had further meetings over the next week before the aliens saw him off back to Shropshire.

Lewis said: "There is much that I learned. Many spacecraft land on Earth. Many aliens are living among us-one can't tell the difference."

Author Good agrees, saying: "The evidence suggests that several extraterrestrial races have established underground and undersea bases on Earth, perhaps as a centre of operations within the solar system."

He tells how a Sheffield-based market researcher, Joelle, witnessed an alien known to her as Mark land in his spaceship in the Derbyshire Peak District in 1963.

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And although most members of the Taiwanese cult speak only Chinese, God will be communicating in English, Liu said. The spokesman clarified that God will be heard, but not seen. The screen will be filled with pictures of Garland's leafy Ridgedale Drive where Chen has predicted God, assuming Chen's own outward appearance, will appear March 31, clone himself and speak any language.

"God also will tell people how they should prepare themselves for his arrival," Liu said of the broadcast. "We don't have any further details."

The Taiwanese, who number about 110 adults and 50 children, began arriving in the Dallas suburb last fall after Chen decided that Garland would be the spot where God would descend. To them, it sounds like "God-land," he explained at a December news conference.

Chen's prophecies include a nuclear holocaust in parts of Asia with God manning a flying saucer to shuttle between the continent and Gary, Ind., saving lives

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CHAPTER 12

As the hypnosis session drew to a close, I pondered the new information that had been unearthed. The memories I had consciously recalled prior to the regression had not altered under the hypnotic trance, and the additional data had fit concisely into a cohesive whole. The proof of this encounter was based not only on anecdotal memories, but was substantiated by physical evidence: the pain in my hands and body, the pulled threads in the bedsheets, and the stain on my nightshirt.

As I contemplated the weight of the physical evidence, I recalled one other piece of substantiating information that had lain forgotten in my mind: the dog had been ill for several days following the encounter. She had eaten nothing unusual at home that could account for her ailing, yet she had been lethargic and sick at her stomach. The images I had seen during the regression, coupled with her illness, strongly suggested she had been an accidental tourist during this abduction. I was very disturbed by this possibility--taking innocent pets by design or by accident outraged me. With a fiendish delight, I hoped she had torn the aliens' ship apart and spilled every garbage can they had on board.

On the return trip home, my husband, Jack, Mary, and I talked excitedly about the abduction phenomenon. We all realized what an opportunity lay before us--particularly if my abductions were to remain on a conscious level. Jack and Mary owned a videocamera, and could attempt to catch an abduction on film. My husband and I, while not owning a camera ourselves, could easily borrow my brother's.

With eager anticipation, we planned the method by which at least one of us might obtain proof on camera. Full of optimism, we parted that day--certain that soon we would obtain incontrovertible proof of the reality of the aliens--proof that could be shared with others.

Several days passed, and we checked regularly with Jack and Mary to see if anything had occurred. My brother's camera was on loan to his older daughter, but he assured us we could borrow it as soon as she returned it. In the meantime, the evidence from Jack and Mary's camera was slow in arriving. We shared their laughter as they described the boredom of watching hours of film containing nothing but themselves sleeping.

A week passed by in relative calm, and I became lulled by the sameness of the daily routine. The night hours remained a time of unrest for me; a dark mystery housing the potential of that altered reality I had come to dread. Insomnia had become my permanent bed-partner.

The last weekend in November passed without further incident, and my husband and I made plans to borrow my brother's camera for the following weekend. I felt strengthened by my resolve to take positive action against the unseen foe--and also felt a new sense of control over my reactions to the phenomenon. It was a heady combination-- and too good to last.

Monday, the 30th, was one of those days where you fervently wish you'd stayed in bed. Nothing went right at my job, and by workday's end, I was tired and disgruntled. After a quiet supper, my husband began flipping channels on the television with the remote control. Irritated, I decided I would go to bed, to escape the strangled sounds of the changing channels. My husband joined me sometime later, and he easily fell asleep. I dozed fitfully on and off, watching the digital clock as the hours leisurely strolled by, and the first seconds of December 1 were heralded.

At 1:00 A.M., I was completely awake and alert. Suddenly, with no warning, a wave of lethargy overcame me, and my eyes closed--as if an unseen force had sapped every atom of energy I possessed. My world spiraled inward as my sense of hearing disappeared, and I lost contact with my husband and the dog. Panicked and paralyzed, I struggled against the invisible bonds that held me tightly in check--knowing it was futile, but determined to try.

I will never know what that alien presence felt that night--if it felt at all--as it disdainfully lifted the covers off my will-less body, lying there like a sacrifice upon an unconsecrated altar. Prolonging a soul-deep agony, the creature removed each blanket, one-by-one. And I counted them, one-by-one, praying the alien life-form would not reach the last one . . . praying that someone--something---would intervene before that creature and I had no barrier between us.

My prayer lay fallow on the bedroom floor, as I arose from the bed, devoid of will--a marionette played by a master puppeteer. With my emotions clamoring inside, I was relieved when my consciousness finally faded to black.

Struggling back to consciousness, my first clear view encompassed the gray back of an alien, gliding purposefully a few steps before me. The long-fingered hand of another alien rested lightly upon my right shoulder, and I could barely discern with my peripheral vision the shape of its owner, walking slightly behind me to the right. We were moving through a curved hallway, the walls and floor a ubiquitous gray color. Two arched doorways stood before us. As we neared the first door to the left, the alien in front of me entered. I paused, unsure of my destination. With an overwhelming concern, I thought, "But I don't know where I'm supposed to go. Which door am I supposed to enter?" Within my head, the answer came, "Continue to the second door." I moved forward again, relieved to have an answer. Somehow I had been told the first door led into the pharmacy area; the second into the examination room.

My thoughts in a tumult, and powerless to object, I stepped into the second room. Haziness engulfed my senses as I passed the threshold, and I blacked out. I awoke to find myself prone on a table--another sacrificial altar-- and facing a doorway. In mounting horror, I stared, wide-eyed, as one of the gray's entered the room, approaching the table where I lay unable to move. The nonhuman creature held an object in its hand, and as it neared my feet, my fears overwhelmed me. Closing my eyes, I mentally drifted away.

After an unknown passage of time, I regained consciousness. To my surprise, I was now in a large circular room with two tiers. In the center of the room was a large, raised platform that contained a tube- or cage-like structure, surrounded by a metal railing, with ramps leading down either side to the floor below. There were two doors on the left-hand wall below the platform.

Dazedly coming to my senses, I realized I was standing in this cage-like structure. Frantic, I ran around the inside perimeter, looking vainly for an exit. The metallic structure appeared to have openings at regular intervals, but some strange force prevented my exiting the holding cage. As I desperately sought a way out of the tube, I saw innumerable aliens coming and going through the doors below. I slowed my frantic run to a steady pace, and noticed several aliens standing below the platform, watching my movements. No emotion flickered across their impassive faces; no pity registered in their staring, black, endless eyes.

Feeling like a caged animal in a zoo, I came to a dead halt within the confining tube. Exhausted emotionally and physically, I angrily stomped toward one of the openings--and easily passed through it. My performance had come to an end, as far as I was concerned. I would not "jump through the hoop" for these inhuman creatures anymore. I stepped onto the platform, toward the railing, and watched in consternation as the aliens began departing the room.

The sense of abandonment I felt struck like a physical blow. Forlorn and bereft, I raced toward the ramp leading down to the doors, intent on catching one of the entities. I had to let them know I was human--not one of them--and they couldn't just leave me there.

As my foot touched the ramp, I was accosted by my "Oriental" alien. Physically barring my entry onto the ramp, he reached toward me with his alien hands. I mentally cried out to him, "Please don't forget to take me home!", and he hugged me. Engulfed in that hug that broke the language barrier and spanned the gap between two distinct life-forms, I was comforted in a manner as ancient as the world. With a child's wonderment, I watched in awe as he transformed before my eyes--once an alien, now a tall, dark-haired older man. I sensed an abiding humor in his response to my heartfelt plea, "These humans . . . as many times as we've dealt with them, and they never seem to learn."

My head swam, and I blacked out again. With no transition noted from the altered state to present reality, I was once again awake, in my bed. My husband's respirations came very faintly from beside me, and the dog lay quietly at our feet. With the hairs on the nape of my neck standing up, I slowly turned my head to glance at the digital clock by the bedside. It read 2:37 A.M. After several moments spent in calming myself, I heard my husband move in his sleep, and the dog snuggled deeper into the blankets at the foot of the bed. On edge, I watched the clock as the hours slowly passed and night faded into daybreak.

While my husband and I prepared for work that morning, I related what had transpired that past evening. The encounter had left me depressed, and I had difficulty in expressing the elements that had caused my deep sadness. Having been raised a "military brat," I had grown up under the stricture of giving only "name, rank, and serial number" to the enemy. With human beings, this motto could easily be applied, but in dealing with telepathic creatures, it had no meaning. My private thoughts and feelings had been used to manipulate me, and I felt raped. I had, at least, been hugged afterward--but for what purpose? What astounding secrets could I divulge about the human race--and why would these entities be so intent on gathering information? None of it made sense.

Alien Humour
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Do you know what comes from outer space, and has Three Testicles?

E.T: The Extra Testicle!!

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Two Aliens in Detroit

Two Aliens land in Detroit, next to a Gas station. The Aliens waddle out of their ship and look around. The first thing they see that resembles a being is the Gas pump. The two Aliens approach. The first one says "Earthling take me to your leader!"

He gets no response. The first Alien looks at his buddy then addresses the pump again. "Earthling, I said Take me to your leader!"

Still no response. The first Alien then turns to the second and says "If this Earthling doesn't show me some respect I'm going to blast him!" . The second Alien replies "O.K. but, I'm just going to stand down on the next block." The first Alien looks a little puzzled, but waits for the other to waddle to the next block. He then addresses the pump a third time. "Earthling take me to your leader!"

No response. The Alien then pulls out his ray-gun and shoots the pump. After the explosion the Alien gets up dusts himself off then goes down the block to his buddy, He then says to the second Alien "If you knew that was going to happen why didn't you warn me?"

The second replies "I didn't know what was going to happen, but I'm not going to mess with anyone who's pe**s can hang to the ground, wrap around his body twice, and still stick it in his ear!"

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away, say the family.

Puerto Rico has long been regarded as a possible site for an alien base. For four decades there have been reports of disc-shaped spacecraft.

But sightings literally cover the globe. In Italy, photographer Filiberto Caponi claims to have met an alien creature several times outside his house in Abruzzo. He captured it on Polaroid film in 1993.

Adapted from 'Alien Base: Earth's Encounters With Extraterrestrials' by Timothy Good. To be published by Century on Thursday, 15 pounds and 99 pence.

World News

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[W 1]*****

Source: Teletext (ITV text service)
Publish Date: Sunday 1st March 1998

Strange But True
The Weird World This Week

The cloning continues.

First there was Dolly the cloned sheep. Now the frontiers of science are being pushed forward by Mr Jefferson the calf.

The birth of the healthy 98lb Holstein was announced by scientists at PPL Therapeutics, the company that brought Dolly into the world.

It said the calf was produced by its US subsidiary in Virginia and delivered at Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine.

[W 2]*****

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Strange But True
The Weird World This Week

Potatoes fight against cholera.

US researchers say they have genetically engineered potatoes to carry a vaccine against cholera.

The development creates the possibility that people could be inoculated by eating chips (french fries).

"We anticipate that this system will be very useful in economically developing areas where cholera is endemic," said a university in California spokesman.

[W 3]*****

Source: The Associated Press
Date: January 1998
From: Lloyd Bayliss <lloyd@power-age.demon.co.uk>

Steve Schiff Won't Run Again

By REBECCA ROLWING

Steve Schiff said Friday he won't seek re-election in the fall because of his battle with skin cancer.

The five-term Republican, diagnosed a year ago, has been absent from Congress since April.

"Because I have not yet recovered from my illness as anticipated, I must regretfully announce that I will not be seeking re-election in 1998," he said.

Schiff, 50, is scheduled for a third round of chemotherapy next week to treat squamous-cell skin cancer, which spread from his ear to his face.

Squamous cell is considered one of the more treatable forms of cancer, but the congressman said he has a particularly aggressive case.

As one of two Republicans on the ethics subcommittee that investigated Newt Gingrich last year, Schiff signed a letter to fellow Republicans declaring they knew of no reason why he should not continue as House speaker.

The letter was instrumental in helping the GOP leadership build support for Gingrich's re-election.

In 1993, Schiff asked the General Accounting Office for information about the so-called UFO crash in Roswell in 1947, stirring up a new round of investigations of extraterrestrial visits.

Schiff was first elected to the House in 1988, succeeding Manuel Lujan Jr., who was appointed interior secretary under President Bush. Before that, Schiff was district attorney in Bernalillo County.

[W 4]*****

Source: The Times Interface
Publish Date: Wednesday 4th March 1998

Red faces at the Pentagon as hackers drop in on the military

The sleepy Californian town of Cloverdale, north of the Golden Gate Bridge, awoke one morning last week to find the FBI roaming its streets. Two students from the local high school had orchestrated what Defence Department officials called "the most systematic attack the Pentagon has seen to date."

During February, the hackers logged on to at least 11 Air Force, Navy and Marine computer systems but, according to the Pentagon, the intruders got no further than unclassified files - although they did leave trap doors so they could return. The US military, which spends one billion dollars a year to protect itself from hackers, says it thinks the spate of attacks it has seen from many sources is unrelated to the tensions in the Persian Gulf.

But more embarrassing than that naivety is the fact that the US Air Force had flagged February as Computer Security month.

[W 5]*****

Source: The Times newspaper
Publish Date: Friday 6th March 1998

Probe finds water on the Moon

By Nigel Hawkes
Science Editor

An American spacecraft has discovered water on the Moon, scientists announced yesterday.

The water is scattered in small pockets over a large area around the north and south poles. It is found in craters, where deep shadow has protected it from direct exposure to the sun.

The satellite, Lunar Prospector, was launched in January and went into orbit around the Moon. The first results from its instruments were announced at a press conference at Nasa's Ames Research Centre in Moffett Field, California. The north pole appears to have about twice as much water as the south, the results show. In total, there appear to be between 11 million and 330 million tons of water spread over the two poles.

If it could be exploited - a big if, as it appears to be rather thinly dispersed - 33 million tons of water, towards the lower end of the estimates, would support 1,000 two-person households for over a century, without recycling. To lift the equivalent amount of water into Earth orbit would cost at least \$60 trillion (=A336.5 trillion).

The water could also be used as a source of oxygen for breathing, and to make both oxygen and hydrogen to use as a rocket fuel. It

would enormously enhance the prospect that the Moon could be colonised, or used as a base for further space exploration. The presence of water also hints at the remote possibility of simple forms of life. Water is essential to life: without it, none can exist. With it, the possibility exists of some simple life forms such as bacteria, possibly beneath the surface.

The water has been found using a neutron spectrometer which detects neutrons bouncing from the lunar surface as a result of cosmic ray bombardment. The neutrons carry the signal of hydrogen, which can be used as a signature for the presence of water.

"Our data are consistent with the presence of water ice in very low concentrations across a significant number of craters," said Dr William Feldman, a spectrometer specialist from Los Alamos National Laboratory in New Mexico. The estimate is that the ice is mixed with the rocky soil, at a ratio of only 0.3 to one per cent. This would mean that it would have to be "mined" from the soil, rather than simply collected like ice.

At the north pole, the ice is found over an area of 18,000 square miles, while at the south pole it is dispersed across about 7,200 square miles. The most likely source of the water is comets, which are "dirty snowballs" containing a lot of ice. Over billions of years, huge amounts of water could have reached the Moon through cometary impacts, but the bulk has disappeared.

Dr Jim Arnold of the University of California at San Diego has estimated that the maximum amount that could conceivably be present on the Moon as a result of impacts over the past two billion years would be between 11 billion and 110 billion tons. That assumes that the water lies in the top two metres of soil.

The Lunar Prospector neutron spectrometer signal can penetrate only about half a metre, so there could be considerably more water present than it has found - perhaps four times as much. But Dr Feldman and Dr Alan Binder of the Lunmar Research Institute in Gilroy, California, caution that their estimates could be wrong by a factor of ten in either direction.

Dr Wesley Huntress, Nasa's Associate Administrator for Space Science, said that the results would cast light on the rate of cometary impacts in the history of the solar system.

Lunar Prospector has also produced a new gravity map of the Moon, pinpointing concentrations of mass caused by lava which flowed into huge craters. It will remain 62 miles high for another ten months, before descending to as low as six miles above the surface to collect data at much finer resolution.

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Source: Las Vegas Sun
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From: bernhard.nahrgang@ob.kamp.net (Bernhard Nahrgang)

German Cult Members Released

Nineteen Germans linked to a suspected doomsday religious sect were released without charge Tuesday, a day after being arrested for allegedly planning to take part in a mass suicide.

The 19, including three children, were taken into custody late Monday after police searched a house owned by their jailed leader, said Mari Paz Bernal, a spokeswoman for the Interior Ministry.

The leader, Heide Fittkau-Garthe, was arrested last week and accused of an earlier plot to lead her 31 followers in a mass suicide. According to police, the original scheme called for the followers to kill themselves on Jan. 8 -- the day they reportedly believed the world would end.

The followers, police said, believed a space ship would come and pick up their bodies at Teide mountain on Tenerife, one of seven islands in the Canary archipelago, located off the northwest African coast.

The sect, whose name was not released, has been linked to the Order of the Solar Temple, whose followers have carried out mass suicides

in Canada, France and Switzerland.

During their search of Fittkau-Garthe's home, police discovered a child's drawing of a UFO and then concocted the space ship story, he says.

[W 7]*****

Source: American Computer Company (ACC)
Url: <http://www.accpc.com/openreward.htm>
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Dear Mr. President:

In a recent appearance, you told a citizen of the Russian Republic, a young person, that there was no "UFO" that landed near Roswell, N.M. in 1947. Then, speaking more frankly, you admitted that you tried to find out, and that the Defense Department either didn't or wouldn't tell you. I think my point to you that this issue is one of those issues that could potentially unite our fragmented world together, is well taken by the young lady's question in that far off land.

For the Record: all of us, at ACC (and I think a very large number of Americans) who believe this entire issue is still an open question, STRONGLY RECOMMEND YOU CHANGE YOUR OFFICIAL PUBLIC POSITION ON THE QUESTION OF WHETHER THE DEFENSE DEPARTMENT, THE PENTAGON AND THE AIR FORCE, HAVE A SPACE CRAFT OF EXTRA- TERRESTRIAL ORIGIN. SEVERAL NOTED PERSONS FORMERLY EMPLOYED BY THE US GOVERNMENT WOULD DISAGREE WITH WHAT YOU SAID TO THAT LITTLE RUSSIAN GIRL!

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Mr. Clinton, we politely remind you of your OATH OF OFFICE, in which you agreed to uphold the Laws of the United States of America, one of which laws PROHIBITS YOU FROM LYING TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE.

Sincerely,
Jack A. Shulman
President
American Computer Company

[W 8]*****

Source: Teletext (ITV text service)
Date: 11th March 1998

Nasa bids Pathfinder farewell

Scientists have declared the Mars Pathfinder craft "dead" after the end of a mission that produced the closest look at the red planets surface.

Team members at Nasa's Jet Propulsion Laboratory said goodbye to the lander and it's little rover Sojourner 250 days after it's landing on July 4th last year.

The farewell came after the team got no response to one last set of commands.

[W 9]*****

Source: The Mirror newspaper (UK)
Publish date: Friday 13th March 1998

End of the world?

A 6.30pm on October 26th 2028, a mile-wide asteroid with the destructive power of two million Hiroshima bombs is coming..

By Mark Dowdney
Foreign Editor

A mile-wide asteroid could be on a collision course with Earth - threatening to wipe out civilisation 30 years from now, scientists revealed yesterday.

The impact, at more than 17,000mph, would cause an explosion equivalent to two million Hiroshima sized bombs.

These would be the consequences of the space-rock catastrophe "timetabled" by astronomers to possible happen in 2028:

HUGE Earthquakes would be triggered and the blast heat would cause volcano-like meltdown.

DUST clouds would blot out the sun, plunging the earth into a prolonged cosmic winter.

MILLIONS would die in a total collapse of society.

The exact arrival time of asteroid Armageddon is calculated at 6.30pm on October 26th, 2028.

And British scientist Dr Benny Peiser said yesterday: "It would not necessarily mean the end of mankind, but it would wipe out civilisation as we know it.

"We would regress to the level of the Dark Ages. All the trappings of modern life would be totally gone."

The danger was detected three months ago by astronomers at the University of Arizona in America.

They run a spacewatch programme to spot and plot the course of objects which might threaten Earth.

Codenamed 1997 XFII, the mega-menace was added to the list of 108 asteroids - small planets orbiting the sun - which are considered "potentially hazardous".

Early calculations produced a "miss distance" from Earth for XFII of 500,000 miles...which sounds a long way, but is less than any other previous prediction for an asteroid.

Further observation suggested an approach to within 30,000 miles of Earth. Now the International Astronomical Union is warning:

"There's a small chance, not entirely out of the question, of an actual collision."

US asteroid specialist Jack Hills said: "This is the most dangerous one we have found so far. It scares me. It really does."

If it landed at sea - in the Atlantic, for example - the coasts of America and Europe would be devastated by monster tidal waves.

Dr Hills said: "Where cities stood, there would be only mudflats."

On land, the explosion would leave a crater more than 10 miles across. Everything for hundreds of miles around would be destroyed.

At present the XFII asteroid is seen by observers as a pinprick of light among many others. It's size is estimated from the amount of sunlight reflected from it.

It will move out of view of all but the largest telescopes over the next few months. Only by the year 2002, will astronomers be able to assess the risk accurately.

British scientist Dr Peiser, an anthropologist at Liverpool's John Moores University, has made a special study of asteroid impacts.

He starkly spelled out the Armageddon scenario: "The effect of a one mile-wide object hitting the Earth would be catastrophic on a global scale.

"There would be a complete collapse of society and the abandonment of agricultural settlements."

There is one ray of hope - a space mission could be launched to deflect the asteroid.

Blowing it up would only produce a shower of fragments, which could themselves present a danger.

The odds on a collision are put at 1,000-1. But seasoned punters were last night wondering if either they or the bookies would still be left standing for any payout...

ROCKS from space have been hitting the Earth for millions of years, ranging from pebble-sized meteorites to asteroids up to 10 miles wide.

ONE of the latter is believed to have wiped out the dinosaurs 65 million years ago.

TWENTY-three meteorites are known to have hit Britain since 1623. The largest, weighing about 46 kilos, broke up before impact at Barwell, Leics in 1965.

THE biggest rock this century hit Siberia in 1908 killing 1,000 miles of forest. The blast was heard 600 miles away.

[W 10]*****

Source: UFO Magazine (UK)
Publish date: March/April 1998
url: <http://www.ufomag.co.uk/>
From: duncan@life.com

(information taken from a full and very informative report)

The biggest UFO conference in history took place in the capital city of Brasilia between 7 - 14 December 1997. UFO Magazine was present throughout to cover proceedings of this momentous event.

'Graham W. Birdsall'

History in the offing?

Among the most intriguing comments to be made at the Forum, were those uttered by Russian Cosmonaut Alexandr Balandine, who spent six months aboard the Mir space station.

He had travelled to Brazil with his fellow countryman and UFO researcher, Boris Chourinov. I noticed that Alexandr delivered his speech from prepared text, which came as no great surprise.

Alexandr had already made numerous visits to and from the Russian Embassy, always collected and returned in a diplomatic vehicle.

Some of my fellow researchers didn't think this strange:

"After all," they argued, "it isn't everyday that a Cosmonaut comes

to town.. perhaps he is being feted by embassy staff."

Possibly so, but one can be quite certain that that his speech will have been vetted, making what he had to say in public all the more remarkable.

Alexandr confirmed that former Soviet and now Russian cosmonaut's had seen and recorded numerous anomalous objects in space for many years. He went on to describe several of these, but then made two telling remarks:

Alexandr said, "We Cosmonaut's had a golden rule." During their training programme they were told: "If you see something very strange, keep watching it, because you may never see something like it again...."

He then went on to announce that "future anomalous images observed and/or recorded in space would be shared between the Russian Space Agency, NASA, and a special forum of UFO researchers."

This was an incredible announcement, made all the more so if sanctioned by senior Russian aides. As is often the case at events such as these, the implications of what had been announced was lost among many present. I had to seek clarification, just in case our interpreter had made a mistake.

I spoke with Peter Davenport, who once served with the US military while stationed in Moscow some 25 years ago. He concurred that Alexandr had made such an announcement, the ramifications of which have yet to unfold.

The following day over breakfast, and with Boris Chourinov acting as interpreter, I engaged myself in a very fruitful conversation with Alexandr, who resides with his family in one of two special "space cities" built outside Moscow for current and past employees of the Russian space programme.

Without going into specifics, it soon became clear that Alexandr was disenchanted with the current economic plight back home. He told me that he and his family struggle to make ends meet on a mere 50 dollars pension paid each month.

A proud man, here was a hero of the Russian Federation who seemed ill at ease at having to attend a UFO conference on the other side of the world, but nonetheless remained adamant that some UFOs, reportedly seen by American astronauts and Russian cosmonaut's, were very real.

Interestingly, when I raised the possibility that some of these UFO sightings could be directly linked to both American and Russian 'Star Wars' programmes, neither man ventured an immediate comment.

I pursued the matter and said: "Look, you know and I know that the United States has been putting up all manner of things in space which has nothing to do with scientific exploration, so it follows that the Soviet Union, and now the Russian Federation, must be similarly engaged?"

Alexandr muttered something, and then Chourinov said: "Of course, we accept this. But some of the things seen have nothing to do with these.

-[continued in part 3]-

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Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

From: "Serge Salvaille" <sergesa@connectmmic.net>
Date: Sat, 28 Mar 1998 09:29:09 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 28 Mar 1998 10:13:39 -0500
Subject: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

John,

First: taking every bit of phrases in a communication, putting it out of context and tearing it apart is not my perception of a healthy exchange of point of view <HG>.

Let me try to rephrase what I said in a SIMPLER manner (BTW, unless you are receiving this E-mail on some sophisticated piece of software, italics can't be used to emphasise words, capitals are our last resorts in this case - please don't consider it shouting).

1. Governments know much more about UFOs than they say.
2. Some people are trying hard to have their governments recognize they know more. But to no avail.
3. Some people thus go the other way: prove to the public UFOs are real so that they can turn to their leaders and ask this simple question: WTF ?! (give me a break on this one AJ)
4. I guess most would agree that if Clinton made some Statement to the Nation on the subject of UFOs, well... I, for one, would be drinking beer and eating pizza at 9 in the morning while all the media go berzerk.

Of course, dos, tres and quatro are relevant only if uno is. If you disagree with the first statement, I have no problem with that. Just dont make fun of me. I'm doing my best to understand what is happening and I have come up we a few ideas. Being human, I consider my ideas to be answers, my answers to be THE answers, and not to be taken lightly. I have noticed there are alot of humans on this List.

If you want to play the citations/cases/witness game on this "conspiracy" theory, fine with me. We could exchange a few thoughts on the subject. I hope you can do the same with the abduction scenario.

We could also have a discussion about victims, perpetrators and expertise.

Serge Salvaille

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Alfred's Odd Ode #234

From: Alfred Lehmborg <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Sat, 28 Mar 1998 05:02:19 -0600
Fwd Date: Sat, 28 Mar 1998 10:12:26 -0500
Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #234

Apology to MW #234 (For March 28, 1998)

Koch burns and he curls and he churns with significance; easily stated but beyond comprehension =85 that a line without end on a path to infinity is bounded finitely; it paints our pretension. The thought has been shelved by the egg heads for decades. It's shoved in the shadows to hide its weird light. Its message is awesome, confusing, disturbing -- it points to a system of balance and right. It pulls at the mind, and won't be denied as it's unity's being portrayed and described. The model is clear, it's the *circle* that's dear -- the infinite path, what was far can be near.

Julia gave circles a wave and a lilt. Mandelbrot catalogued the whole of their ilk. The facts and the figures reduce in precision; away with your fear and its spawn indecision. The birth of the one is the other's kin portrait, we see them in all of the natural world. The whole of existence is fractal in nature, with time and black space it's been mixed up and swirled.

Chaos is order that's not understood. It's the lapping of waves; it's the growing of wood. It's the ice fashioned crystal; it's a stream to the coast, it's the root of the cosmos, not a fanciful boast. It's the veins in a leaf, or your hand's vascularity. It is that which portends all that is -- a new clarity! It's the shifting of markets, the spread of disease; it's the truth we all search for a crawl on bruised knees. It's what's living and breathing, or dead and inert. It's the whole of reality; it breaths and it hurts.

It is galaxies colliding, and reflections of that light. It is planet forming forces, plate tectonics -- Vulcan might. It is all that ever was, and it hides beneath the surface of a faceless bunch of numbers we can buy into for purchase.

It will put us on the moon, and help us dig up all the water. It will throw us to the stars, and it will show us what we squander. It's the lapping and the crashing of a billion, trillion seas. It defines our motivation, and we can leap up from our knees!

The volume is finite, good friend, and will not be exceeded! The perimeter is endless, ad infinitum, I've entreated. Down is up, and black is white, and all your motives are in question; chaos is predictable; and that's a new sensation.

Lehmborg@snowhill.com

Koch's curve -- a construction with a finite volume, but (and get this) an infinite perimeter! There's some real magic in there fellow motes.

Restore John Ford.

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Explore the Alien View?

<http://www.fortunecity.com/roswell/arecibo/46/>

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from

afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, while burning at the
fundamentalist's stake.

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Re: CAUS Files Suit Over Roswell

From: **Larry Hatch** <larryhat@jps.net>
Date: Sat, 28 Mar 1998 08:06:16 -0800
Fwd Date: Sat, 28 Mar 1998 22:27:04 -0500
Subject: Re: CAUS Files Suit Over Roswell

Dear sirs: (please see below)

> > From: Ylseohb <Ylseohb@aol.com> [Bill Hoesly]
> > Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 09:11:18 EST
> > To: updates@globalserve.net
> > Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: AP: CAUS Files Suit Over Roswell

> > In his book Lt. Col. Corso claims also that they brought down a
> > UFO over Ramstein, Germany in 1974 using 'Star Wars' technology.

> > Has anyone heard whether or not any 'ebe's ' survived this
> > experience...and if so, where they might be held...etc? thanks
> > for any input...bill h.

> Or, starting at square one, whether anyone even remembers an
> aerial commotion near Ramstein back then.

> Greg Sandow

Dear Greg and others:

Personally, I think a much better question is:

Does "Colonel Corso" have a microgram of credibility left?

Best wishes

- Larry Hatch.

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Mars Global Surveyor - NASA's Promise Confirmed

From: **AFSDialog** <AFSDialog@aol.com>
Date: Sat, 28 Mar 1998 15:51:51 EST
Fwd Date: Sat, 28 Mar 1998 22:35:31 -0500
Subject: Mars Global Surveyor - NASA's Promise Confirmed

NASA's PROMISE CONFIRMED
JPL Will Honor Goldin's Cydonia Policy
by Stanley V. McDaniel

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A Call from Glenn Cunningham

This evening (March 26) I received a welcome telephone call from Glenn Cunningham of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena. Mr. Cunningham informed me that as scheduled, the Mars Global Surveyor would come out of aerobraking configuration this evening and activate science instruments about 12 hours later, on March 27. As reported in this newsletter on Feb. 25, science activity will continue through the summer. Mr. Cunningham, who heads the MGS project, stated that during April there will be three opportunities to image the area of interest at Cydonia, and that attempts to secure images will be made on each of these occasions.

This information was contained also in a press release sent out by JPL this evening and available on JPL's MGS website. The press release was picked up by AP and distributed nationally.

The Spacecraft will be Maneuvered

To optimize the chances of obtaining the desired images, Cunningham assured me that the MGS will be "rolled" or tilted by means of the onboard momentum wheels, so even if the craft does not fly directly over the area, images may still be obtained. In addition, it is expected that lighting conditions will be good on these passes. The "roll" capability of the spacecraft will not be available later on in 1999 during the mapping orbit, since then the spacecraft must be kept oriented directly downward. It was one of our strong recommendations, at our meeting with Dr. Pilcher at NASA HQ last November, that imaging of Cydonia be attempted prior to the mapping orbit in order to take advantage of this capability and also to benefit from optimal chances for imaging a larger area due to the greater distance from the planet.

A Promise to be Kept

It appears now that JPL will follow through with these steps in the spirit of Dr. Pilcher's promise. By making its intentions public, JPL has confirmed the new open policy toward public concerns as articulated by Administrator Daniel Goldin over the past year. The meeting with Society for Planetary SETI Research (SPSR) scientists last November constituted a tentative recognition by NASA of the scientific legitimacy of the Cydonia question. In keeping with this developing recognition of legitimate scientific concern regarding the Martian anomalies, JPL also has agreed to a meeting with SPSR representatives to discuss technical questions regarding the upcoming imaging. That meeting is expected to take place at JPL on March 30.

The Case for the Face Goes to NASA and JPL

Preparatory to that meeting, Mr. Cunningham and Dr. Arden Albee of the MGS project were sent advance copies of the new anthology of Mars Anomaly Research, The Case for the Face. That new volume has also been sent to Daniel Goldin, NASA Administrator, and other NASA scientists.

Mr. Cunningham also stated that advance notice of the imaging opportunities will be posted on the internet as soon as more accurate orbital data is developed. When asked if Dr. Michael Malin, the MGS camera operator who is an outspoken opponent of Mars anomaly research, would be cooperating with the new priority given to imaging the anomalies, Mr. Cunningham assured me that he will do so.

What Will We Discover?

April, 1998 may be the month we will see the final solution of the Cydonia mystery -- but rather than any immediate solution, if good images are obtained we expect there will be a period of intensive study of the images by SPSR scientists (and now perhaps others in the mainstream scientific community) to analyze and evaluate the results.

SPSR imaging specialists Ananda Sirisena, Mark J. Carlotto, and Vincent DiPietro all agree that since the algorithms used to evaluate the Viking images are known to be reliable, the first images of the key Cydonia objects should look very much as we have seen them in research studies such as are presented in Unusual Mars Surface Features by DiPietro, Molenaar and Brandenburg, Carlotto's The Martian Enigmas, and SPSR's The Case for the Face. If this turns out to be correct, the hypothesis of possible artificiality will be strengthened and the validity of the image processing techniques used will be obvious, but new images may not yet establish certain proof of artificiality.

However, a paper, included in The Case for the Face, by Dr. James F.

Strange, archaeologist at the University of South Florida, makes certain predictions as to what to expect if the Cydonia anomalies are in fact cultural artifacts. Should some of those predictions be borne out by new images, the likelihood of artificiality would again be strengthened.

Scientists with the SPSR will be examining the released images, evaluating features that may tend to confirm or disconfirm the artificiality hypothesis. Some of the items we will be looking for are the following (as suggested by Dr. Strange).

1. In the detail of the features we may see geometry, organization of similar features (like trucks parked in a desert, which is not exactly geometric unless there is someone directing the parking), confirmation of detail on the face such as we have seen adumbrated in enhanced images, structural detail in features such as the fort, surface treatment of the faceted landforms which imply construction (like features analogous to shingles on roofs), and perhaps other culturally meaningful forms. (The face is a culturally meaningful form.) We look for repetition of detail at some standard size so far unrecognized.

2. Repetitions of the patterns we have seen, but on a smaller scale, for example small faces here and there or the features of the Tholus repeated on the mounds.

3. Other, small features also organized by the square root of two grid.

4. New features that show fractal anomaly.

New Images Must Be Approached With Caution

Unfortunately, we can also expect, with new images of Cydonia, two kinds of unscientific responses. The first, of course, will come from the hidebound skeptics, who will interpret whatever they see as natural regardless of possible revealing detail. The second will likely be a welter of highly speculative "discoveries" such as those claimed at the Pathfinder site by numerous individuals who, by drawing fanciful interpretations on rock scratches, have found all kinds of machinery, gyroscopes, tanks, tractors, and even entire cities -- whose "buildings" actually are artifacts of bad processing of the JPEG images provided by JPL.

As with the Viking images, the study and interpretation of new Cydonia images should be undertaken with great care and a conservative scientific approach. It is only through persisting in doing good science on the Face and other anomalies that NASA (and Dr. Carl Sagan) finally acknowledged that the area may have some scientific priority. It is extremely important that this kind of careful scientific evaluation be continued with any new images.

It must be remembered that as a scientific question, final proof of artificiality may have to await "ground truth" -- that is, a mission carrying astronauts to Mars. But what we see in the next weeks from MGS may, with careful analysis, well be the spur that leads to that all-important mission.

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Cydonia & Congressional Hearings

From: Ufojoel <Ufojoel@aol.com> [Joel Murgia]
Date: Sat, 28 Mar 1998 19:23:59 EST
Fwd Date: Sat, 28 Mar 1998 22:53:03 -0500
Subject: Cydonia & Congressional Hearings

Hi All,

Check out the latest online news bulletin at Sky & Telescope magazine, it's the first time I've seen them mention the face on mars. the web address is:

<http://www.skypub.com/news/news.shtml>

Hopefully, if the new photos point to an artificial origin, then 60 minutes or shows like that will get involved. I believe this would open up so many doors for us. Could open congressional hearings on UFO/ET matters be far away?

I realize that in people's minds, they are two separate things. But I believe The Face and surrounding oddities may just open up enough minds that we can start making some real progress towards the truth.

Joe in Tampa

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Well, I barely got this done in March, but I made it.

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FEATURED TITLE:

LOST WAS THE KEY (
<A HREF="<http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/ISBN=1883729033/bufosweirdworldA/>">
Lost Was the Key (paperback))
Subtitle: A True Story of Alien Abduction
by Leah A. Haley
This Edition Published: October, 1995
Trade (large-size) paperback, 161 pages
One page of notes, NO illustrations, NO photos, NO index, NO bibliography
List Price: \$16.95, Amazon Price*: \$13.36
When I saw Leah Haley appear on a television talk show, she greatly impressed me. There was a particular moment when, with apparent righteous indignation, she scolded the audience with, "It's not funny." It was said with dignity, not pettishness, and the crowd actually quieted. Needless to say, that takes some doing, when you are claiming that you have not only been abducted by aliens, but abducted by the military as well. The book is also presented in a straightforward fashion. I didn't get the sense that she was trying to convince me, but that she felt compelled to write it (which the book indicates that she was). It is, in fact, almost dry, despite the amazing combination of extraterrestrial and underground disruption in her life it details.

It begins with a simple statement: "I will never forget when the world I knew started to crumble." It takes us with her through the process whereby she is transformed into a conscious abductee. Some people will find that process (which includes regressive hypnosis with John Carpenter, a MUFON abduction specialist) convincing, some won't. Unfortunately, that's the nature of this type of book: very few provide any collaborative evidence. Collaboration comes from comparing the different books, but then it is usually difficult to rule out contamination.

I found the book well-written and evocative, at the least, a moving story. People who believe her may find themselves moved more towards a conspiracy orientation with regards to the military and aliens. People who don't will still find it an interesting read, and an important insight into the evolution

of a contactee.

For full disclosure, I should mention that the 800 number for Greenleaf that I list (it appears at the top of this newsletter) belongs to Leah Haley and her husband Marc Davenport. They do reward me when people buy books and mention me. However, our correspondence has been slight and at best cordial. I hope that my summation of the book has not been unduly influenced by my contact with the author's spouse.

RECENT ADDITIONS

Above Black

Subtitle: Project Preserve Destiny Insider Account of Alien Contact & Government Cover-Up

(
<A HREF="<http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/ISBN=0966097807/bufosweirdworldA/>."
>Above Black)

by Dan Sherman

Paperback, pagination unknown

October, 1997

List Price: \$18.00, Amazon Price*: \$18.00

This one has gotten a lot of coverage in the UFO community. I asked Amazon to carry it, and they did get it in fairly recently.

The Case for the Face

Subtitle: Scientists Examine the Evidence for Alien Artifacts on Mars

(
<A HREF="<http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/ISBN=0932813593/bufosweirdworldA/>">
The Case for the Face)

by Stanley V. McDaniel, Monica Rix Paxson (Editor)

Paperback, 220 pages

February, 1998

List Price: \$17.95, Amazon Price: \$14.36

McDaniel is known for his McDaniel Report (

<A HREF="<http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/ISBN=1556430884/bufosweirdworldA/>">
McDaniel Report) which also dealt with possible artifacts on Mars.

Directory of New Age and Alternative Publications

Subtitle: An International Directory of New Age & Alternative Publications

(
<A HREF="<http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/ISBN=1887472185/bufosweirdworldA/>">
Directory of New Age and Alternative Publications)

Compiled by Darla Sims

Paperback, 260 pages

February, 1998

List Price: \$23.95, Amazon Price*: \$19.16

Ghost Encounters: Finding Phantoms and Understanding Them

(
<A HREF="<http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/ISBN=0713726601/bufosweirdworldA/>">
Ghost Encounters: Finding Phantoms and Understanding Them)

by Cassandra Eason

Paperback, 200 pages

May, 1998

List Price: \$12.95, Amazon Price*: \$10.36

More Ghosts of Georgetown

(
<A HREF="<http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/ISBN=1567183204/bufosweirdworldA/>">
More Ghosts of Georgetown)

by Elizabeth Robertson Huntsinger

Paperback, pagination unknown

March, 1998

List Price: \$9.95, Amazon Price*: \$7.96

New Age Hypnosis

(
<A HREF="<http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/ISBN=1567183204/bufosweirdworldA/>">
New Age Hypnosis)

By Dr. Bruce Goldberg

Paperback, 240 pages

March, 1998

List Price: \$12.95, Amazon Price*: \$10.36

Dr. Goldberg is a columnist for FATE magazine. He may be best known for his "future life progressions", in which a hypnotized subject supposedly "pre-lives" a future life to help things out with this one.

The Paranormal: A Guide to the Unexplained

(
<A HREF="<http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/ISBN=0713727152/bufosweirdworldA/>">

The Paranormal: A Guide to the Unexplained)

by Anthony North

Paperback, 272 pages

March, 1998

List Price: \$16.95, Amazon Price*: \$13.56

Peace at Last: The After-Death Experiences of John Lennon

(

<A HREF="<http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/ISBN=0935699007/bufosweirdworldA/>">

Peace at Last: The After-Death Experience of John Lennon)

by John Lennon and Jason Leen

Paperback, pagination unknown

February, 1998

List Price: \$11.95, Amazon Price*: \$9.56

I guess I must have completely misunderstood the point of "Let It Be"... ;)

Stephen Turoff - Psychic Surgeon: The Story of an Extraordinary Healer

(

<A HREF="<http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/ISBN=0722534612/bufosweirdworldA/>">

Stephen Turoff - Psychic Surgeon: The Story of an Extraordinary Healer)

by Grant Solomon

Paperback, 208 pages

April, 1998

Tracks in the Psychic Wilderness

(

<A HREF="<http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/ISBN=1573922013/bufosweirdworldA/>">

Tracks in the Psychic Wilderness)

Subtitle: An Exploration of Remote Viewing, ESP, Precognitive Dreaming, and Synchronicity

by Dale E. Graff

Hardback, 192 Pages

March, 1998

List Price: \$19.95, Amazon Price*: \$13.97

UFO Crash Landing: Friend or Foe?

(

<A HREF="<http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/ISBN=1573922013/bufosweirdworldA/>">

UFO Crash Landing: Friend or Foe?)

by Jenny Randles

Paperback, 232 Pages

March, 1998

List Price: \$12.95, Amazon Price* \$10.36

As far as the title goes, I suppose that would depend on whether or not you were the alien involved...yet another book from the incredibly prolific British ufologist.

The Wreck of the Titanic Foretold?

(

<A HREF="<http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/ISBN=1573922013/bufosweirdworldA/>">

The Wreck of the Titanic Foretold?)

by Martin Gardner

Paperback, 172 Pages

Revised Edition, March 1998

List Price: \$17.95, Amazon Price*: \$14.36

Despite the question mark in the title, and the fact that this is a Skeptical author and a Skeptical publishing house, it seems clear that it was in some way. Unless the story is a modern hoax, a novel published in 1898 (14 years before the Titanic sunk) got a lot of the details close to right. In the novel, the ship was named the Titan, was described as unsinkable, hits an iceberg, and there is a huge loss of life due to an insufficient number of lifeboats.

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Subtitle: How Near-Death Experiences Illuminate Our Earthly Lives

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The Eternal Journey)

by Craig Lundahl and Harold Widdison

Hidden Files

Subtitle: Law Enforcement's True Case Stories of the Unexplained and Paranormal

(

<A HREF="<http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/ISBN=0809231212/bufosweirdworldA/>">

Hidden Files : Law Enforcement's True Case Stories of the Unexplained an)

by Sue Kovach

The Enigma of Loch Ness: Making Sense of a Mystery

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<A HREF="<http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/ISBN=0252060318/bufosweirdworldA/>">
The Enigma of Loch Ness: Making Sense of a Mystery)
by Henry H. Bauer

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Breaking news: Indiana UFO Sightings widespread

From: "Kenny Young" <task@fuse.net>
Date: Sat, 28 Mar 1998 21:44:31 -0800
Fwd Date: Sat, 28 Mar 1998 23:12:56 -0500
Subject: Breaking news: Indiana UFO Sightings widespread

UFO REPORTS: Indiana, March 1998

A massive series of UFO sightings are supposedly underway as of this writing, according to information this writer has acquired within the last two hours.

WTVW, Fox 7 News from Evansville, Indiana was contacted, and I spoke with reporter Kerry Dean, who said that the station had been getting strange reports "as fast as we can take them."

Dean said that reports have been coming in within the past week, but they experienced a dramatic upsurge of reported sightings Friday night, March 27. There were more reports tonight, the most recent being within the past hour.

"They're coming in about as fast as we can take them," Dean reiterated. "They tend to fall into three categories, single lights in sky twice as bright as Venus which are colored yellow, white and silver, five lights in a triangle shape with a brilliant white light on the leading edge, and two parallel lines of white dots in the sky, ranging from 3 to 5 objects."

When asked for details on the triangular object, Dean said that reports indicated it was very large. "People said that there were two lights down each side in formation, attached to large, structured triangular object which was as large as a silver dollar held at arms length."

Dean said that the Evansville, Indiana station has received somewhere around three hundred UFO reports since monday.

"We contacted NORAD and Evansville (Indiana) FAA Flight Service. Terre Haute and Indianapolis FAA was also contacted and reported nothing," Dean added, "and Colorado is reporting no re-entry of any kind."

Dean said that the duration of the reports lasts between three seconds to four minutes.

There is a video crew out tonight attempting to acquire footage of the UFOs. "We have dispatched some cameramen to record this activity," he said.

The Indiana State Police and Vincennes City Police Departments have also reported UFOs, and have had reports called into them from the public.

The latest UFO sighting occurred tonight near Hosville, Kentucky, involving a bright light in the eastern sky moving south.

"Most of the objects are moving east-west or south, despite the fact that there are very strong southerly winds. The objects would have to be traveling against the wind, which is about 80 knots or 90 miles per hour," said Dean.

When informed of my investigations regarding the Ohio sightings last March 26, Dean said: "The flare theory has

been a factor, but the wind is a complicating issue and nobody is taking credit for them."

One of the lights was alleged to have been intercepted by an F-16 over Knox County, Indiana near Vincennes, as per the comments made by a caller to the station. This person suggested that they were flares from an F-16.

The only air corridor used for MOA activities is in Terre Haute, around 100 miles north of there, and they are reporting no operations.

Jerry Washington of Kentucky MUFON reports that Mr. Jerry Sievers (IN/MUFON SD) advised him of a "big hullabaloo" on Friday night, March 27, 1998.

"A big, large ring of UFOs" was reportedly seen near the Toyota manufacturing plant in Princeton, Indiana, and a "large, grey triangle with five lights on one side" was seen around Petersburg, Indiana, and areas north of there. A "nocturnal light" was reportedly spotted in Kentucky, according to the sketchy report.

UFO researcher Francis Ridge saw a news report on the 9:00 PM Fox news that same evening.

"I've seen this happen before and nothing ever seems to come of it," Ridge states. "The N-S path is unusual because there are no flight corridors running like that. I guess it's too early to tell."

Ridge added that the Fox report described sightings from Olney, Illinois to Vincennes, Petersburg, Princeton and Evansville, Indiana and south into Owensboro, KY.

"The last time this happened the military said they were doing helicopter maneuvers and dropping flares," Ridge added. However, he cautions that the wind was strong at the time, and there were severe storm alerts in progress. "You don't drop flares under those circumstances," said Ridge.

To acquire an e-mail or fax copy of this news article, I contacted The Indianapolis, Indiana offices of The Associated Press. Mr. Jerry Ross checked a computer and said that there were no recent stories about UFOs reported by The Associated Press. Furthermore, he said, there was nothing that he had heard of regarding UFOs either.

To find out more about this 'Big Hullabaloo,' I contacted the Princeton, Indiana police department. The gentleman who answered the phone wasn't aware of any such UFO sightings. He added that the Toyota plant is outside of their jurisdiction. He said 'the county' may provide more help, and my call was transferred to the Gibson County Sheriff's office.

The female dispatcher there didn't know about UFO reports and didn't have anything off-hand, such as reports or news releases before her. In addition, she reviewed the logs from as far back as 3:00 p.m. on Friday, March 27, and there was no incoming phone calls to their office regarding UFOs. She was a very courteous and helpful person.

The Princeton, Indiana Toyota Plant was contacted at and the security guard I spoke with was present on the previous evening (March 27), and said there were no UFO sightings made to his knowledge. He said he was on-duty until midnight, and that it was a stormy evening with a cloudy sky. He is a dispatcher for the security, and also transferred my call to his supervisor. The supervisor also had no knowledge of such activity. If there was something that happened, he said that he would have known about it.

In an effort to gather more information about an alleged UFO sighted near Petersburg, Indiana on March 27, 1998, The Pike County Sheriff's Office was contacted and the dispatcher who responded to the call seemed suprised at my request for information, stating not to have heard any such news beforehand. She transferred me to another person, Officer Hill.

Hill said there were no reports logged through the department, and there was a 'citizen' who is possibly a crank,

that sometimes calls in UFO sightings. However, no calls were received recently. He said that he had talked with the officers from the previous evening, and that it was quiet all night.

On the side, he also added that an Otwell, Indiana resident had seen an unusual object recently, and residents from a nearby Mini-mart store also came out and also saw it. He had heard of this account through a family member.

Around 5:30 p.m., I spoke with someone from a COUNTY Sheriff's office (the precise department will not be specified) who doesn't wish to be quoted. He was very kind and helpful, and I will respect his wishes for privacy. He conveys the following:

Information was transmitted 'over the computer' from The State Police (originating from Evansville, Indiana) regarding some UFO sightings, and a fax copy was received about 1-week ago. The informant does not think the fax copy from the state police was presently at the department, as it may have since been discarded. At the time, the fax from the State Police was perceived to be 'some sort of joke.' This fax was regarding a Crop Circle which appeared in Dubois County, and an officer was dispatched to the scene, and since instructed to 'be on the lookout.' In response to questions, this informant added that the state police received the news from an associated press newspaper article regarding Crop Circles near Huntingburg, Indiana which were found near a field recently. This person felt that the photo in this newspaper article was fishy, indicating it was of a recent nature, and yet the trees in the photo had 'leaves on them.'

Central dispatch for the area was contacted, and the dispatcher who answered the phone said that he was not authorized to release any information. He then transferred my call to the Dubois County Sheriff's Office. The dispatcher, without missing a beat, immediately told me to contact The Huntingburg Press who had reported the story about UFO sightings and a crop circle.

I called and received no answer (being Saturday evening). This writer will again try to contact this number Monday morning and will provide updates as early as possible.

It was during this same time of year in 1997 that a massive wave of UFO reports flooded police stations and news agencies from the Southern Ohio region. The Springfield Air National Guard assumed responsibility for the sightings, declaring that military flare maneuvers were visible to the populace due to exceptional atmospheric clarity.

The reports from Indiana on March 27 and 28, however, are further complicated by the lack of atmospheric clarity (heavy cloud conditions) and strong winds.

This writer will continue to follow this story, and will advise of any further updates.

Note: Phone numbers for above agencies on file for future reference

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This crude interaction with the program allows you to move about, in a way, within the program. Using hand movements you can navigate around in say, a virtual house, or do battle with various monsters and aliens. Add a headset with some white noise and sound from the computer, and you feel even more a part of the program. In fact, the more of the outside world that can be blocked out, the more you feel "connected" to this program. The important part of this is that you are aware at all times that it is only a simulation, and you can exit the program at any time by simply removing the visor.

Now, let's take virtual reality technology a step farther. The computers of tomorrow will probably interface with humans via neural connections that communicate directly with the brain. You simply put on a small headband with special electronic sensors that are able to link directly to all of the sensory input centers of your brain. All outside input is interrupted, and you are in essence electronically coupled to the computer.

The special sensor glove is no longer needed, since the brain itself is now directly controlling your movements within the program. It may be awkward at first, but over time you begin to slowly learn how to move around in this virtual world as easily as you do in the real one. The program will be able to stimulate any of your brain's senses so that you have the illusion of touching, seeing, hearing, smelling and even tasting events that are a part of the program. The longer you remain in the virtual program the more your brain actually believes that this is the real world, even though your mind knows the difference. This virtual computer world will no doubt become extremely addictive, due to the fact that the virtual world would almost always be more perfect than the real one.

Returning to the real world would have to be accomplished differently than before. Since all input signals to the brain have been bypassed, you cannot move your arms to "disconnect" yourself. Instead, you would have to "think" your way out. Maybe mentally reciting a certain phrase, opening the proper door, or as is done on a Star Trek holodeck, calling out to the ship's computer and having a control panel appear so that your virtual fingers can press the correct virtual button.

But what does this have to do with our Souls?

Imagine, if you will, that this vast universe we live in is actually nothing more than a cosmic program, created by the master programmer, God, and that he is watching us from his remote connection, following our progress within the program. (Wow, that's a lot to swallow)

The first point that this brings up is that we must have been somewhere else before we entered this program. At this time let's start using new terminology to differentiate between this created physical world and the spiritual one we originally came from. Let's call this world that we've come to accept as real, Reality. The actual spiritual world that created Reality we will call Actuality.

REALITY - that which we experience with the senses of our physical brains, and we accept as real.

ACTUALITY - the mystical spiritual realm that we return to after physical death, and is the actual world.

PHYSICAL - the term for VIRTUAL in the real world.

CREATION - the world of Reality that was created from within Actuality.

CREATOR (alias GOD) - the master programmer responsible for creating the Reality program.

Follow me so far? Well, hold on. Here's where Souls enter into all of this.

Back in the advanced virtual reality program, our brain was tricked into accepting the virtual program as real, even though our mind knew that we were actually reclining back in a comfortable chair. The same is almost true for this cosmic program. Our spiritual selves remain in Actuality while the

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As many of you will know Philip Corso was interviewed by the press in Roswell last year during the 50th anniversary of the alleged UFO crash.

What he actually said is fairly unknown though, and as he gave some interesting pieces of information not supplied in "The Day After Roswell", his famous book about his leadership in the back-engineering of alien technology, I consider it relevant to bring a transcript.

It was made by Dwight Frizzell and is taken from a website called "The Dreamland Diaries" - "a web artwork that takes as its point of origin the 50th anniversary of an event of contested historicity: the Crash of the Alien Vessel at Roswell, New Mexico." Further details can be found at the homepage

<http://www.dreamlanddiaries.org/>

Here's a very short excerpt:

"On June 21, 1997, The Dreamland Diaries began. Our expedition tracked that ubiquitous pre-millennial sign and portent--the UFO--from the book of Ezekiel to the grocery store tabloid, from the pre-telescopic heavens to the televisual ether, and served it up daily on the World Wide Web. Wife-and-husband multimedia artists Rhondda Francis and Dwight Frizzell set out from Independence, Missouri on the summer solstice, following the Santa Fe Trail across country to Roswell, New Mexico for the Encounter '97 festival--July 4 weekend--celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of "the crash of an alien vessel."

The Corso piece can be found at

<http://www.dreamlanddiaries.org/03dd2.html>

and I bring it verbatim.

Stig Agermose

Corso Meets The Press In Roswell.

[Part 2 of Dwight's Diary July 03, 1997]

Corso's sleek and slender publicist, in a smart black dress, had organized the event complete with statements from the two authors, a Q and A period, a book signing and lots of fresh veges and a cheese, crackers and wine spread. I got a good seat in the presentation area to the back of the museum (right next to the Alien Espresso Bar which had already closed down, this being an after hours special presentation).

The entire audience, including myself, was entirely charmed by Col.

Corso, who is a loveable octogenarian, entertaining wit, and compelling personality. He is the seminal grandfather figure whom you have to believe because of his charm alone. The thrill of

meeting someone who may have been so connected with the entire Roswell crash and retro-engineering program, someone whose story rewrites and recontextualizes so much of American history, was apparent in the crowd's attentiveness and inquisitiveness. I have transcribed most of the presentation that appears below. The key personalities are Col.

Phil Corso (PC), co-author William Birnes (WB), yours truly (DF) and the many persons who asked questions (Q).

PC: I've been asked a lot lately, and particularly today, why did I do this? Well, one of the main reasons I want to let you know before we start...Many young people including my own grandson and my nephew, a research director of a big corporation, they have been calling me and they have been saying, "What do they think, that we're going to panic? We're going to beat our breasts and pull our hair out. We're not. We just want to know. I almost can prove that the young boys won't panic.

I commanded a battalion of 1500 men. Average age 19 and a half. These boys didn't panic. They met the greatest armies in the world and destroyed them. And these kids didn't panic. This is the same thing. I keep telling people I know in the Department of Defense, don't put these stories out. Tell these kids the truth, that's what they want to hear. And that's one of the reasons that I'm very happy about this book, and why I wrote it and why you're here tonight. Because this is the way I felt about it. We got to let those young people know. (applause).

WB: One of the most fascinating things about working with the Colonel, reviewing his notes and hearing his stories, is that when you talk about disclosure and the government hiding the truth, one, it takes an enormous amount of courage for somebody who is in the system, is part of the system, who, in Col. Corso's case, helped create the system, to come out after these years from the inside and say it's time to tell the truth. And that's exactly what's going on with THE DAY AFTER ROSWELL. The intriguing thing for me personally, is THE DAY AFTER ROSWELL is a part of a larger story. While I was running around in the 1950s with a footlock, cap pistol and a coonskin cap and listening to Davy Crockett, what Col. Corso told me is that a real war was being fought. A war with real bullets in which real people were dying, dying in the airspace over the Soviet Union, dying in Korean POW camps after the war was over because we didn't bring all of the boys home, dying because part of our government was penetrated by the KGB. And there was a real war going on. So this is the first installment of what will be a secret history of the United States.

PC: I'm so glad to have so many people here to listen. (applause).

Right over there sits my red-headed grandson. One day he asks me, "Did you ever see the ETs, grandfather?" I told him, "Well, maybe I did." Since he's standing there I'd like to tell you about it. It's what little boys are thinking about. And now we can discuss the book. Don't worry about it, you can ask questions at any time. I'd rather you ask to we can guide it that direction. Yes, sir.

Q: I'd like to ask you about the time machine that you mentioned on TV a couple of days ago. I happened to see the show. I was very impressed, but you didn't say very much about it.

PC: This starts with the Philadelphia experiment. And if notice in the book, I discussed time machines with Herrmann Oberth. Oberth was von Braun's boss...and he discussed that the Germans had thought about time machines and so had the British. Now the story is not complete by far on that. There is a lot more information to gather. I talked to some scientists about this and they said that even Einstein said it was possible. It might be possible. I don't know yet. I can't answer that yet. Possibly in the future...When I can get cooperation and more information, then possibly I can talk and tell people...if it exists or doesn't exist or if it can be done. I myself think it can be done, but that will take time to prove that. (To Birnes) Do you have anything you would like to say about that.

WB: Just specifically, as it turned up on DATELINE, which I'm sure you also wanted to know, we were here in the museum, and part of what was going on was John Hockenberry had read the book, and in the book is a section in which Herrmann Oberth had

mentioned to the other scientist who were working with Army R&D, Col. Corso and Gen. Trudeau, that in order for spacecraft to traverse the kinds of distances they had to travel, coming from light years and light years away, they were just spaceships--that was a misnomer. He suggested that the Germans thought that they were actually time machines that were able to eclipse vast distances of time as well as space. That's what John Hockenberry was asking about. When the Col. and John were pointing at the craft at the far end of the exhibit, that was the genesis of that conversation.

That's why the time machine was mentioned...It was so long, so involved that they couldn't fit it (all) into that segment.

PC: I discussed this with Professor Oberth...In fact, on my team, the General made me head of the team, where I investigated aligning atoms and metals, and I had two German scientists on my team, von Braun's people and Army engineers, every once and awhile subjects like this would come up. We discussed many topics. Oberth was the foremost expert in the world on rockets. In fact, he rated with Goddard, who was right in this area. We discussed not only this but many other items also. We discussed Einstein's theories of zero travel in space...But the items that we actually fed out to industry so that the people could have it were called applied engineering. And Dr. Teller, who is still living, was in on Applied Engineering. We (contacted) the industries and scientists who started these projects and then we gave them an infusion. An infusion, actual R&D projects which we funded with our funds. So many subjects at the time were discussed, but certain items were taken out to put in industry to give to the people. The laser, for example, is one of them, and fiber optics. These were the items that were constantly discussed. And the alignment of atoms, maybe you people want to know about that. I had a piece of metal, and later on Wilbur Smith, the Canadian genius, brought me another piece of metal that he got from a flying saucer. The atoms were aligned in it. This piece of metal the size of a postcard was so hard and so strong you couldn't bend it. It was paper thin. You couldn't put a bullet through it. You couldn't scratch it. And the General told me when he made me the head of the team to look into this, he said, "Phil, this is bigger than Los Alamos," that's what he thought about it. Well, unfortunately, we didn't succeed. We tried. We funded universities, but we never succeeded because spaceships were made to travel as light as a feather. In fact we discussed this--it would make our weapons obsolete. I was head of this team, and I hate to say this, but we did not succeed.

Q: What, if any, was the response of the government to the book you just had published?

PC: I don't know. Really, I'm not interested. This is the truth. It was put out. They can take it or leave it if they want. I can understand some of the things...The government is a vast organization. I was even on the top at the White House, and many times even I myself wondered how it operates...Leave it alone, and the government will cover up itself (laughter). For example, in the prisoners of war issue, when I testified in front of congress, two high government officials, Wallace Scholcroft and Henry Kissinger, got up there and said, "We don't have any information like this..." I sent information personally from Korea.

I was in charge with a teleconference every night. It fell through the cracks in the Pentagon. If you leave the government alone, it will cover itself.

Q: Could you give us a very brief synopsis of your book at this time?

PC: Well, the main gist of my book is that we took artifacts or hardware from the crash site. Now, I wasn't at the crash site in 1947. I got there later. The artifacts that I inherited, and the permission that the General gave me at the time were 14 years later. But if you read history, and I've had some scientists check it, the great explosion in technology started in 1960 when we started to infusion this into industry. Now we infused it for certain reasons. One was that it would be paid back to us for the competitive age of the army. The other was, that it would be given to the American people. We encouraged industry to take the patents, and I have evidence of that. Take the patents, providing that they give it to the people, and they did. Look at fiber optics and what happened. The first time I saw fiber optics, I

had a jumble of wires in my hands and I didn't even know what they were. Whether they were wires or tubes, I had no idea what they were, yet colors were emitting. Then we found different industries and sciences working on this. So help them infuse these items. We didn't actually give them the items, but they were described and then we let them. Look what fiber optics turned into--most of our communications now. The integrated circuit--at the beginning they were the size of a quarter, that's what I had. Small items. We didn't know what they were. In fact, I told the General one day, "What happens in the future if one day a brain integrates with this thing?" He said, "There's a great danger, I know. But let's hope that people one day commensurate us for working on it and doing something about it." From that, the supercomputer developed. The Army made the first heart pump. We had fluid dynamics. I showed Senator Glenn a little cart that we made--we made an integrated circuit and put water into it rather than electromagnetism and it worked. Nothing ever came from it, like Project Horizon. The Department of Defense decided to make NASA and take space away from us and it was killed. I have an appendix in here. In the appendix there are 50 pages. That report though is 310 pages long. When I discussed this with Senator Glenn, he was amazed. He wanted a copy of the report. I had to give him mine. That report was dead, buried, and until two years I wrote to the Army engineers and told them where it was and what it was and they sent me a copy...The lunar lander, it's in here, was developed and designed back in those days. And we had some of the best minds working on it. It took almost a year to create that. Now Bill, do you want to add to that.

WB: The story in the book is how the items got from the Roswell crash in 1947 to the Pentagon files where they were stored for 14 years.

General Twining and General Twining's memos to his bosses suggested that the Foreign Technologies division of the military be the branch of the services, be the command that handled the analysis and development of whatever technology was taken out of the desert in 1947. And that's, in fact, what happened...And it's which industries received what pieces of technology...But more important than which industries, it's why these industries received these items of technology. One of the questions that has been asked over and over again is, "Wait a minute, Colonel, you're talking about lasers, and you're talking about the integrated circuit, and you're talking about night vision goggles, well, the Germans had night vision, and the British had night vision at the end of WWII. You can't tell me it came from the alien crash. Wrong, that's not what the story is in the book. The story in the book is that the military, Army R&D, was very careful about this. Obviously, the plan was not to go to a company that did not already have a strategy full developing similar technologies. It was to go specifically to those companies that were already working on a developing stream for this piece of technologies. So since Bell Labs had developed the transistor in 1947 and then there was a repatent of it in 1948--that was the place to go for the integrated circuit. Since Fort Belvoir already had a development plan for the German version of night vision.

PC: That was our laboratory by the way.

WB: Fort Belvoir was the R&D laboratory. If you saw these cumbersome items that were in the German tanks at the end of the war, it took huge amount of power to generate these things. From this crash at Roswell, what was it, it was like a membrane or a lens.

PC: It was part of the third lid in the eye. It was a collector of light. These extraterrestrials could see in the dark. And that's where we got the idea, and I have a pamphlet that shows that item and where it was first built by the Army. You my be interested also when talking about the artifacts that came from the Roswell crash. You know, General Trudeau walked into my office one day and I had a piece of metal and some fiber optics...and he said, "What are you doing, going into the junk pile." From then on he always called it Corso's junk pile when he'd walk in. It looked like junk, but he said it might change the world. And later when we got moving, it started to work. We financed all of this with R&D money. And we an organization which was a good one, and it was organized by General Trudeau. In the '50s, Research and Development was under Logistics, it was a secondary mission. It didn't go anyplace. But in '59 when he

reorganized the whole apparatus, then it started to move. We had some good scientists, good laboratories, and people who knew what they were doing...Also, in another instance, General Trudeau was talking to me and he says, "Phil, what we have here with transistors and the integrated circuit we built and finished in 5 years. It should have taken 250 years.

Q: I think it's most obvious to most people who are into UFOs, that Area 51 is a real place and the U.S. develops its planes there. I was wondering if you have any evidence to support or refute claims that aliens technologies are reengineered at Area 51.

PC: In my day, starting in '59 and '60, you have to understand the climate of opinion, the people we had above us, what was circulating all over the United States and the world was--anyone who gets involved in this was kooky. All of this was going on, and the CIA weren't exactly our friends. They took the Army Air Force away that was here at Roswell. Atomic energy was taken from us. And all the probes that went to Saturn and Mars and so forth were our engines that we developed at Fort Belvoir--they were atomic engines, ion engines, and they are still using them. Most of those probes used our engines. In my day, they said (Area 51) was a no fly-over area because of atomics, and leave it alone. We didn't cross fertilize, because the way the situation was we figured let our sister services do their job, and let's do ours the way we wanted it, and we always called it for the competitive edge of the Army--that's what we were working on...My son says, "Why did you keep it quiet for 35 years." I said, "Why should I tell anybody? I had a note from the General." Industry was supposed to feed it back if we funded it for the competitive edge of the Army. That was our first priority.

Q: So you're maintaining that there was a competitive nature between the different branches of the government?

PC: No, it wasn't competitive. We worked on our own. We didn't bother with them. They did their own and we did our own. We felt that we had to keep it where it was or they would have taken our funds away from us and destroyed our organization. The government is pretty deadly when you operate that way. I covered this very thoroughly. In fact, I discussed this with Robert Kennedy when he was Attorney General. And he agreed with me. And by the way, I wish that he would have become President. He was an intelligent man.

Q: Colonel Corso, I happened to produce a documentary on this years and years ago. I want to congratulate and commend you for your courage in coming forward. There is a lot of media fear, at least there was at one time, and people involved who stood up got a lot of flack at one time or the other. I want to ask you...how bad is the flack so far?

PC: I don't pay much attention to it. It hasn't been that bad. In fact, I look at the good side. I've had scientists call me, one of my great friends who won the Nobel prize endorsed me openly. And I've got calls from other people who say we're with you...A Lieutenant General I know, we were Colonels together, he told me that he knew all about the items and the team which you put together. These people are starting to come forward. The skeptics--all I got to say about them is thank God for the skeptics, they covered our tracks for us (laughter). We didn't have to put out any disinformation, it was done for us. We the government came out and said that UFOs don't exist, we were happy about that. Who could investigate us? How could we develop something if it didn't exist? It was perfect for us. We liked it. And I thank the skeptics and the debunkers. They did a beautiful job. We didn't have to do it. Nobody had to blame us for trying to cover something when it was done for us.

Q: Do you think that every President (since 1947) has had knowledge of this information, or has it been kept away from some Presidents?

PC: Well I can only speak about the Presidents I knew. I was on Eisenhower's staff. Now, I didn't brief him. He was briefed by other people like my immediate supervisor, S. Jackson, former president of Time/Life and cabinet member. He and I discussed it and he talked to the President a lot. So the President knew about it. Reagan knew about it. Possibly there were others who knew about it, but I didn't have contact with them because I was

overseas...Truman knew about it. I joined the National Security Council..during Truman's last days, and I had the understanding that Truman knew about it also.

Q: Do you think, from your experience, that there could have been a President who was not briefed on this?

PC: That's not realistic when people say that the President's not cleared. The President is cleared for everything, as far as I know.

After all, he is the Commander and Chief. I had clearance that was above top secret. I had all the clearances also. If I had them, why couldn't the President have them? If the President wants to hear something, he gets it. I didn't know of any secrets being kept from Eisenhower, that he wasn't briefed or he wasn't cleared. I never heard that in the four years I was at the White House.

Q: Let me pick your brain for a minute, being a Colonel in the Army.

Back in December of 1980 there was an incident in Texas involving three individuals, it's known as the Cash-Landrum incident. These three individuals came in contact with a diamond shaped craft that was spitting out flames from the bottom of it. The reason I'm asking you specifically is that associated with this craft were about 20 Chinook helicopters. At the time, the only service capable of having 20 Chinook helicopters was the Army. Are you familiar with this incident? Was this back engineered technology.

PC: I haven't heard about the incident. But I know this, right down here at White Sands in the museum area there is a craft just like the one you described with three funnels in under it that I understood where rockets...

Q: In your experience, did you ever find out where these ETs were from?

PC: No, we never were able to deduce where they came from or who they were. Our theory was that they were clones. We called them extraterrestrial biological entities. I think that one of the biggest mistakes we made was that we didn't look into that body, that humanoid, more thoroughly. We should have analyzed that thing right down to everything that it had. It's one of those things. Look at our skin.

It's one of the most marvelous creations that has ever been made. They had a type of skin. When we were given that body, we should have looked into that thing thoroughly. The brain functioned different from ours, and the muscles. Man can't travel in space, the brain and the muscles go. These things can, whatever they are.

Q: Were they maintained?

PC: They faded very fast. They deteriorated rapidly.

Q: Was one still alive.

PC: No, I never saw a live one. The one I saw was dead. It was in a fluid. No, I never contacted a live one.

Q: In respect to the issue of contamination, it's always been something of an anomaly for me. During the moon launch there was a lot of talk about the risk of contamination and the quarantining of the astronauts.

So when we had EBES, was there any quarantining going on during the autopsies. Was there any thought about microbials, or low end organisms?

PC: Well, let's go back a little bit. At Belvoir, which was our laboratory, the one the Atomic Energy Commission took away from us, we still kept a portion for developing weapons. For contamination and pollution, we made what is called a cobalt system that could right now clean up pollution. We created an atomic installation that was portable, yet this one was killed on us. In the first year it made 10 million gallons of fresh water...We did look into pollution and microbes and so forth. We were very cautious about that, but not thoroughly. Really, it was not our area. There were certain things, like the young woman who asked me today about abductions. We figured we'd watch it, we'd keep track of it, but this was not our area. This was left to

other people, doctors and medical people. We weren't consummate to deal with things like that, and we didn't do it. Our main thrust was hardware for the defense of the nation...We called it the competitive edge of the Army.

Q: Early you talked about the CIA. What was the CIA's involvement.

PC: Well, the CIA was always looking for information. I was in intelligence most of my life. I was trained by the British from the age of nineteen when I was a Lieutenant. I was very fortunate in London, and the British took me under their wing. And they used to say about us, "How green is our ally?" And we were green. They were world-renowned. They knew this. They were the best in the world. But I was fortunate I got trained by them. And I am very proud. They sent me six weeks to Cambridge. And I worked with them and they taught me. When the CIA was created in 1947, I questioned very much why General Trudeau suffered because of this. They went after him. They weren't based on intelligence. They were based on ideology. And I challenged them and General Trudeau challenged them and they went after him. I wasn't big enough to go after. Also I had contact with many defectors who told me some strange stories...So as far as the military is concerned we were at odds with them all the time. They tried to destroy military intelligence, so we didn't pay much attention to them. They never destroyed military intelligence because military intelligence was composed of some pretty tough boys, and I was proud to be part of them. They never destroyed us. In fact, we felt they were on a self-destructive path. So that's the answer to the CIA. We didn't trust them...Yes, the young lady there.

Q: Parla Lei italiano?

PC: I didn't get that.

Q: Do you speak Italian?

PC: I didn't get that. Yes, I speak Italian. I was Chief of Security and Intelligence at Rome Air Command during WWI, I mean WWII--I'm not that old (laughter). I'm only 82.

Q: I'm from Italy, and we are aware of the famous Santilli case. The autopsy report, have you seen that? Is it what people say is some kind of deformed human being?

PC: No, I haven't seen it. I'd like to see it though. Now my days in Rome, of course I was given the job of security of Rome. I'm very proud to say myself and my boys...destroyed all of the Gestapo and the SS and put Rome back on its feet, and I'm very proud of that. And I spoke Italian. I have a lot of friends there...

Q: About the Majestic-12. Can you comment on them.

PC: Yes, I'll comment on them. They're are people who have written stories that I was a member of the Majestic-12. I was not a member. But you got to understand that the White House has all types of channels and boards coming in and out. We were aware of it, but I was not a member of it though. A few time I saw reports, but they were not marked Majestic or anything. And the information that was in that document I had heard of, but not as a member of the board. I had my hands full with another board...They came a dime a dozen. There were constant boards and panels.

WB: What people are calling MJ-12, like who's Stan a friend of mine, that whole organization, if you look at the people who are said to be on the board, they all came out of the weapons research and intelligence of WWII. So it is natural that if an organization like that existed, those people would have been on the board. It's just as natural that a working group could have existed doing exactly what MJ-12 is purported to have done, and then years later someone said by way of disinformation said let's call it MJ-12. It's the same group, but you give it a name and people are jumping up and down saying, "MJ-12, MJ-12." The question is, and you don't know....

Q: Are the aliens still a threat and are there more than one race?

PC: We thought that these aliens, the ones you can see out there (on display in the museum), were clones built specifically for space travel. Many of our flying saucer experiments have failed because of the guidance system. We felt that they were the guidance system. They were part of the instrument. We also felt, they were created by a superior race. I think if scientists take a hand at it, they can look at what we know about the extraterrestrials, and we know quite a bit, but we don't know enough, and they can look at that and they can possibly reverse engineer and come up with what the superior race had cloned...I'll see, if I ever get time, I might do it (laughter). But I'm getting a little bit old for that now. And so, I think that it can be done.

DF: I have something to give to you if you're interested. Harry Truman was my neighbor and I made this half-hour video piece about growing up in Independence and my experience with Harry. If you're interested at all, I'll give it to you.

PC: Why sure. I went to the White House while he was still President. There's a picture in the book of myself with General Trudeau and Edwin O'Connor. Now Edwin O'Connor, and its in the book, was one of Truman's poker-playing buddies.

DF: I'll see it there and check that out.

PC: Thank you very much.

DF: Thank you very much. Very nice to meet you.

PC: I joined the Psychological Strategy Board when Truman was still President.

DF: Thank you very much, enjoy the video.

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UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame - Final Tally

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THE UFO PUBLIC NUISANCE HALL OF FAME is a JOKE! The idea is to keep it running long enough until EVERYBODY in the whole field of UFOs is listed. Then we all can have a laugh at the nominees, and ourselves!

THE UFO PUBLIC NUISANCE HALL OF FAME is also an Internet Poll, where people can voice their complaints about others, without fear of retribution. This tends to allow everyone to speak their mind openly.
All nominations and votes are posted anonymously so nobody knows who voted. (With one exception-Ed)

THE UFO PUBLIC NUISANCE HALL OF FAME is a reference list where people can find documents and articles about those nominated/voted for. This final March 29, 1998 tally includes hyper links to the URLs describing those nominated.

A NOTE TO THOSE NOMINATED:
The microphone is always on, tape is always running and the cameras are always recording what's being observed. RUST NEVER SLEEPS!

THE FINAL TALLY: Culled from 264 reporting precincts...

THE WINNER!

Steven (CSETI) Greer 13 nominations
<http://www.brotherblue.org/brethren/rockyboy.htm>
<http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/2466/index.html>
<http://n6rpf.com-us.net/PAM/>
<http://n6rpf.com-us.net>

For: "Today, CSETI's Doc Stevie Greer (when he's not double-crossing and pissing off every fellow UFOlogist under the sun, or alienating his one-time rich sugar daddy, Laurance Rockefeller) "vectors in the friendly Space Brothers" with powerful flashlights, group meditations/visualizations and other Highly Scientific Procedures such as "Koch-Kyborg" pyramidal visualizations or "Coherent Thought Sequencing." - Prof. Blue.

(This guy's antics have ruined the idea of UFO research in the minds of America's most influential and wealthy families. He's left an indelible bad taste in the mouths of many who could've been a great asset to UFOlogy. -Ed)

Richard (Revoked license) Boylan 12 nominations
<http://www.brotherblue.org/brethren/boylan.htm>
<http://www.cninews.com/Search/CNI.0160.html>
<http://www.ufonetwork.com/boylan/harassment/pressrelease.html>
<http://www.metaterra-link.com/starfamily.html>
<http://www.marsweb.com/~watcher/uforocke.html>

For: "Countless un-verified claims, and accusations against those who disagree with him"

(I have to say this guy must reap what he's sown. Several years ago Boylan came to one of my lectures and soon afterward began posting Internet messages claiming I was a government agent. Last year when I put out requests for videos/film of UFOs, Boylan posted more Internet

messages warning that anybody who cooperated with me would be visited by the Men In Black or agents of the alphabet companies. I went to one of Boylan's lectures a few months ago and he again proved himself to be deserving of his nomination to The UFO Public Nuisance Hall Of Fame.
-Ed)

Sean David Morton 12 nominations
<http://www.psispy.com/people/role/dispute/>
<http://www.manx2.demon.co.uk/prec/arc/sdm.htm>
<http://www.artbell.com/ufos2.html>
<http://www.metaterra-link.com/starfamily.html>
http://www.uforeport.com/sean_david_morton.html
<http://www.charlotte.infi.net/~knapik/spirit6.html>
<http://www.ufobbs.com/txt4/3085.ufo>

For: "Charging the un-witting, \$99.00 to take them out to the desert to see UFOs."

(Beware of False Prophets. -Ed)

Michael Hesseman 9 nominations
<http://www.uforeport.com/beyondroswell.html>

For: "Taking other people's interviews with UFO witnesses, then dubbing his own voice onto them making it appear that he did the interviews."

(Another Shameless Charlatan. -Ed)

Ted (Muck-raker) Oliphant III 7 nominations
<http://www.realityb.com/>
<http://www.ufochronicles.com/UFO/ted2.htm>
<http://www.vegasindex.com/ufo/people/o/oliphant/>
<http://www.vegasindex.com/catalog/k/knapp/>
<http://www.sightings.com/ufo/mufonsciscandal.htm>

For: "Being "One of the most pompous and annoying people I've yet to read about on the internet and I wish people would stop forwarding his self-important proclamations to the lists I'm on. I have no idea who he is nor what qualifies him to be so judgmental--and I have no desire to know him, either. May he live his life happily--*somewhere else*!" -Debby Stark.

(Tell it like it is. -Ed)

Ed (Virgin Alien) Dames 6 nominations
<http://www.rysher.com/strangeuniverse/wwwboard/messages/1808.html>
<http://www.brotherblue.org/brethren/dames.htm>
<http://anw.com/halebopp/bulletin.htm>

For: "Adding to the Heaven's Gate/Hale-Bopp Psychosis that resulted in 41 cultists committing suicide." & "Making outrageous predictions for the future, that by their nature are totally un-verifiable."

(Apparently he didn't learn much from Ingo. -Ed)

Phil (Skeptic) Klass 6 nominations
<http://www.primenet.com/~bdzeiler/index.html>
http://www.ufomagazine.com/HTML/UFO_Main_Expose.html

(I spoke to Mr. Klass a few years ago, when I asked him about E.T. contact, he surprised me by saying "Oh, I suppose another civilization probably sends a probe or way every hundred years or so". Phil Klass is a UFO believer. -Ed)

Lee (Dolphin Love) Shargel 6 nominations
<http://www.psispy.com/people/role/dispute/>
<http://www.ufomind.com/misc/1997/jan/d27-002.shtml>
<http://www.vegasindex.com/ufo/updates/1997/feb/m05-009.shtml>
<http://ufomind.com/ufo/updates/1997/feb/m13-044.shtml>
<http://www.ufomind.com/misc/1997/jan/d27-002.shtml>

Walt (MUFON) Andrus 6 nominations
<http://www.sightings.com/ufo/mufonsciscandal.htm>

For: "With-holding all the UFO reports he's collected". & "For firing Rex Salisbury (Col. USAF Ret.) and his wife Carol for doing an investigation that showed Ed Walters had hoaxed his Gulf Breeze Sightings UFO photos."

(The Preacher has turned his own congregation against himself. -Ed)

Edith (Revoked license) Fiore 5 nominations
<http://www.metroactive.com/papers/saratoga.news/08.20.97/Psychologist.html>

For: "Telling young children that they've been abducted by Aliens."

(Who's next? -Ed)

Budd (Missing Mind) Hopkins 5 nominations
<http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/aliens/>
<http://www.brotherblue.org/brethren/budd.htm>
<http://area51.upsu.plym.ac.uk/~moosie/ufo/txt/abduct/045.htm>

For: "Unnecessarily scaring the hell out of the innocent with his claims that people are being abducted by aliens."

(Maybe we can get the Aliens to abduct Budd, and keep him. -Ed)

Jim (Spectral) Dilettoso 5 nominations
<http://www.psispy.com/people/role/dispute/>
<http://www.psispy.com/catalog/k/korffmeier/>
<http://www.brotherblue.org/brethren/jimmyd.htm>
<http://www.garlic.com/ufo/txt2/1011.ufo>
<http://www.ufobbs.com/txt2/1010.ufo>

For: "Finally admitting that he'd lied about his educational background and that he'd used NASA letterhead when he wasn't employed there."

<http://www.artbell.com/images/jimlet3.gif>

(Stan Friedman warned me about Jim, Lee & Britt Elders and the 'Meier Crew' back in 1990. Stan said to me "Stay away from them, quite frankly they're a bunch of con artists". -Ed)

Jack Shulman/Ed Wang 5 nominations

For: "Making outrageous claims that E.T. technology is being used in their as yet, unseen computers."

(P.T. Barnum sayeth: "There's a sucker born every minute."
-Ed)

Linda Moulton Howe 4 nominations
<http://web2.airmail.net/yogi/howe.html>
<http://www.artbell.com/howe.html>
<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates/1996/dec/m12-009.shtml>
<http://www.search.hotbot.com/hResult.html?v=2&MT=Linda+Moulton+Howe+&act.search=Search&chk=on>

For: " Promoting The Chupacabra, Bill Cooper and Phil Corso"

Whitley (Fruitcake) Strieber 4 nominations
<http://www.brotherblue.org/brethren/whitley.htm>
<ftp://ftp.rutgers.edu/pub/ufo/strieber>

For: "Convincing hundreds of thousands of people that he, and they have been abducted by aliens. This man has made a career out of frightening people with his books and horror movies."

(Let's ignore him now and beat the Christmas Rush! -Ed)

Don (The Lyin' King) Schmitt 4 nominations
<http://www.psispy.com/people/role/dispute/>
<http://www.ufomind.com/area51/list/1997/nov/a04-003.shtml>
<http://www.mcs.com/~kvg/smear/v42/ss950605.htm#schmitt>

For: "Lying about his job, his background and totally ruining the credibility of Kevin Randle's research."

(If this guy turned around fast, he'd screw into the ground. -Ed)

Courtney (Hale-Bopp) Brown 4 nominations
<http://www.brotherblue.org/brethren/branton.htm>
<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates/1996/dec/m12-009.shtml>
http://www.cninews.com/CNI_HBCont.html
<http://anw.com/halebopp/bulletin.htm>

For: "His participation with Ed Dames on the Art Bell Show which no doubt contributed to the suicides of 41 "Heaven's Gate" cultists in 1997 and 1998."

(Marshall Applewhite made Jim Jones look like an amateur. Brown, Dames & Bell gave him the tools he needed. -Ed)

Billy Meier 4 nominations
<http://www.rutgers.edu/~mcgrew/mufon/journal/Feb-96-Books.html>
<http://www.complex.is/asylum/billscam.html>
<http://www.ufobbs.com/txt2/1012.ufo>
<http://web.eunet.ch:80/figu/us/main.htm>

For: "Claiming to be the Second Coming Of Christ" while perpetrating the greatest UFO hoax of all time."

(Next to Ed Walters! -Ed)

Stanton (MJ-12) Friedman 4 nominations
<http://www.brotherblue.org/brethren/stanton.htm>

For: "Endorsing the Ed Walters case, and that damned 'Lake County' abduction video on UPN. Lastly for 'UFO Cover-Up Live!'"

(Stan is "The Rabbi of UFOlogy", but something's not Kosher!. -Ed)

Bob (Alien Autopsy) Kiviat 4 nominations
<http://www.wic.net/colonel/andrews.txt>

For: "The Alien Autopsy hoax broadcast on Fox TV.

(This guy will do anything for big bucks. -Ed)

Bruce (Guardian) MacAbbee 4 nominations
<ftp://ftp.rutgers.edu/pub/ufo/gulf-breeze-photo-analysis>

For: "Poorly justified analysis of Ed Walters' hoaxed UFO polaroids, in return for thousands of dollars paid by Morrow Publishing."

(When Bruce first saw Ed Walters' polaroids, he didn't think they were real. Makes you wonder if the money had anything to do with his change of mind? -Ed)

Art (Hale-Bopp) Bell 4 nominations
<http://www.artbell.com/>
<http://www.lasvegassun.com/sunbin/stories/archives/1997/mar/28/505740487.html>
<http://www.concentric.net/~slaroche/PAHRUMP.HTM>
<http://www.skepticult.org/artpar/>

For: "Adding to the myth that a spacecraft was following comet Hale-Bopp, which resulted in the suicide of 41 'Heaven's Gate' cultists."

(Giving dangerous and delusional people a soap-box has repercussions and consequences. -Ed)

Sheldon Nidle 3 nominations
<http://www.paoweb.com/gfmember.htm>
<http://www.paoweb.com/sn031898.htm>

Richard (Cloudrider) Farley 3 nominations
<http://www.marsweb.com/~watcher/uforocke.html>
<http://ufomind.com/people/f/farley/>

(Actually I think this guy must be doing something right, even if he does annoy people. -Ed)

Richard Hoagland 3 nominations
<http://www.brotherblue.org/brethren/hoagland.htm>

For: "Making endless predictions that don't come true, on The Art Bell Show." & "Endorsing Robert Ghost Wolf's imaginative photographs."

(How can somebody this brilliant, act so stupid? -Ed)

John Lear 3 nominations
<http://area51.simplenet.com/ufo/John-Lear/>
<http://www.brotherblue.org/brethren/lear.htm>

For: "His press release claiming aliens were living underground, and that they had mutilated an Army Sergeant".

(In 1990 I asked Lear for an interview for my documentary. He asked for \$200 an hour. I didn't interview him. -Ed)

Bob (Area 51) Lazar 3 nominations
<http://www.psispy.com/people/role/dispute/>
<http://www.brotherblue.org/brethren/lazar.htm>

<http://www.ufomind.com/misc/1998/feb/d14-001.shtml>

For: "Lying about his education, college degrees including the claim that his past had been erased."

"If this guy is lying, he's the biggest UFO fraud ever."

(Lazar told my ex-partner that he had "Been face to face with a grey alien", and that they "Communicated telepathically". -Ed)

Ray (Alien Autopsy) Santilli 3 nominations

<http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/pulsar/autopsy.htm>

<http://www.wic.net/colonel/andrews.txt>

For: "Perpetrating a hoaxed 'Alien Autopsy Film' and selling it to Fox TV."

(Santilli claims that he had no interest in UFOs prior to this. But in 1992 he approached my partner trying to purchase the European rights to our 1991 documentary 'UFOs: A Need To Know'. This pre-dates "Alien Autopsy" by several years. Ray Santilli is a liar. -Ed)

Ed (Mr. Ed) Walters 3 nominations

<ftp://ftp.rutgers.edu/pub/ufo/gulf-breeze-photo-analysis>

<http://www.psispy.com/people/w/walters/>

<http://www.skiesare.demon.co.uk/gb-docs-text.html>

For: "Faking UFO polaroids and videos to sell his books, and trying to get a deal with Hollywood for them."

(Walters used to fake UFO sightings in Costa-Rica by launching balloons. Gulf Breeze locals tell me Ed used to throw parties for teenagers in an abandoned Army Bunker making the girls sit in a circle while they recited the 23rd Psalm backwards. I'm also told he has a criminal record for car theft and forgery.-Ed)

Randolph (Hoax Thief) Winters 3 nominations

http://www.uforeport.com/ritzmann_1.html

<http://web.eunet.ch:80/figu/us/critics/contra/Winters/winters.htm>

For: "Stealing Billy Meier's photographs and color copying them claiming they're from a new Pleiadean Contact in Florida."

(Yeah, and for showing night-time videos of Richard Branson's Virgin Lightships "Blimps" and calling them UFOs. -Ed)

Derrel "Instant Karate" Sims 3 nominations

<http://parascope.com/articles/0797/derrel.htm>

<http://ufomind.com/people/s/sims/>

<http://www.brotherblue.org/brethren/darrel.htm>

Bill (Big nose alien) Cooper 3 nominations

<http://area51.simplenet.com/ufo/cooper/>

<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/people/c/cooper/whither.txt>

<http://www.garlic.com/ufo/txt2/1884.ufo>

<http://www.garlic.com/ufo/txt2/1899.ufo>

For: "Lying about his military background, and making threats to those who oppose him."

(This includes calling the children of his detractors, threatening that he was going "To get" their parents and "Take them out to the desert" and kill them. -Ed)

David Jacobs 3 nominations

<http://www.psispy.com/ufo/people/j/jacobs/>

<http://www.brotherblue.org/brethren/jacobs.htm>

Robert (not his real name) Ghost Wolf 3 nominations

<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates/1997/aug/m25-006.shtml>

<http://wolflodge.org/>

<http://www.newage.com.au/library/quickenig.html>

<http://www.artbell.com/ghostwolf.html>

For: "Countless ridiculous claims especially about his recent photos in an interview on Art Bell's radio show."

(A.K.A. Robert Frances Franzone is an Italian, NOT a Native American. I've looked at his newest photos, you've got to be kidding Robert. -Ed)

John (Aviary) Alexander 2 nominations

<http://www.fringeware.com/anathema/AR/web/alexander.html>
<http://www.brotherblue.org/brethren/penguin.htm>

For: "Mis-leading clients of "Psi-Tech" promising RV services, only to find out what their business interests were so he could use the information for his own purposes and advantage." & "Telling naive UFO researchers that he's in-charge of releasing UFO information."

(Yep, and he's still at it! -Ed)

Michael (Mind Control) Persinger 2 nominations
<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/people/p/persinger/>

For: "Participating in mind control experiments, while explaining that 'Abductees' have temporal-lobe epilepsy, or are delusional."

(Mind Control also means not allowing others to play with yours. -Ed)

Lee & Britt Elders 2 nominations
<http://web.eunet.ch:80/figu/us/critics/contra/Elders/elders.htm>
<http://www.vegasindex.com/ufo/updates/1997/mar/m20-007.shtml>
<http://www.ufobbs.com/txt2/1013.ufo>

For: "Their participation in the Meier hoax, and their amateur documentaries and claims about the Mexico UFO sightings."

(What's the 'shelf-life' of these two? -Ed)

David Adair 2 nominations
<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/people/a/adair/>
<http://www.flyingsaucers.com/adair1.htm>
<http://www.vegasindex.com/ufo/updates/1997/jun/m05-005.shtml>

Joseph (Short-lived) Randazzo 2 nominations

Jenny Randles 2 nominations
<http://www.vegasindex.com/people/r/randles/>
<http://www.search.hotbot.com/hResult.html?v=2&MT=Jenny+Randles+&act.search=Search&chk=on>

Kal Korff 2 nominations
<http://www.search.hotbot.com/hResult.html?v=2&MT=Kal+Korff&chk=on>

Frank Stranges 2 nominations
<http://www.brotherblue.org/brethren/valthor.htm>
<http://www.psispy.com/people/role/dispute/>

For: "Valiant Thor."

(Hey, wait a minute! I thought this went away a long time ago. -Ed)

C.B. Scott Jones 2 nominations
<http://www.fringeware.com/anathema/AR/web/jones.html>
<http://www.marsweb.com/~watcher/uforocke.html>
<http://www.brotherblue.org/brethren/jones.htm>
ftp://ftp.rutgers.edu/pub/ufo/scott.jones

Wendelle Stevens 2 nominations
<http://www.ufobbs.com/txt2/1010.ufo>
<http://www.vegasindex.com/ufo/updates/1997/apr/m05-021.shtml>
ftp://ftp.rutgers.edu/pub/ufo/billy.meier
<http://garlic.com/ufo/txt1/909.ufo>

For: "The Billy Meier Case" and hundreds of questionable UFO cases. Also for convincing Bob Brown to co-sponsor "The International UFO Congress." & "This guy is a convicted felon, why does anyone have anything to do with him?"

(Unfortunately Lt. Col. (USAF Retired) Stevens was convicted on charges of Child Molestation and served exactly 5 years in jail. -Ed)

Jim (JFK) Marrs 2 nominations
<http://ufomind.com/people/m//>

For: "Inviting himself into the UFO debate making really wild claims"

(This undermines my previous respect for his work on the J.F.K. assassination books. -Ed)

Carl (R.I.P.) Sagan 2 nominations

<ftp://ftp.rutgers.edu/pub/ufo/sagan.1962>

(I think nominating the dead is sick. -Ed)

Timothy (Greed) Beckley 2 nominations

For: "Printing any UFO book that'll make him money, regardless of it's contents."

(Tim, you money-grubbing @3*&?! -Ed)

Antonio Hunneus 2 nominations

<http://www.search.hotbot.com/hResult.html?v=2&MT=Antonio+Hunneus+&act.search=Search&chk=on>

Bob Shell 2 nominations

<http://www.vegasindex.com/cgi-bin/websearch.cgi?search=Bob+Shell+%2BAutopsy>

<http://www.beyondroswell.com>

For: "Absolutely false statements about the Santilli film"

(Bob emailed me and nominated himself! Is that vain or what? When he isn't taking photos of nude women, Bob pontificates on the Santilli film and UFOs. What a career!-Ed)

Len Lamphrey 2 nominations

<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates/1998/jan/m02-011.shtml>

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Honorable Mention...

Jose (Shutter Bug) Escamilla 1 nomination

<http://www.roswellrods.com/pre.html>

For: "Making videotapes of out of focus flying insects, insisting they are a new form of UFOs called 'Rods'!"

(If this wasn't so pathetic, it would be funny. -Ed)

John Velez 1 nomination

<http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/aliens/>

(I think Budd Hopkins was the first person to perfect cloning. -Ed)

Bill (not Richard) Farley 1 nomination

Frances Ecker 1 nomination

For: "Pontificating her own ideas in areas where she has no experience."

(Let's not forget recognition of the non-participants. -Ed)

Glen (Clay Feet) Dennis 1 nomination

<http://www.iufomrc.com/dennis.htm>

For: "Changing his story several times, and being caught lying again & again by independent, broadcast and science investigators looking into Roswell."

(In 1990 I showed up un-expectedly in Lincoln, New Mexico to interview Glen. He said to me "I never knew any nurse named Naomi Self and there isn't any truth to that story at all." -Ed)

James Oberg 1 nomination

<http://www.brotherblue.org/brethren/oberg.htm>

For: "His tailor."

(Don't anybody light a match! -Ed)

Norio Hayakawa 1 nomination

<http://area51.simplenet.com/ufo/Norio-Hayakawa/>
<http://www.vegasindex.com/ufo/people/h/hayakawa/>
<http://eagle-net.org/groomwatch/>

For: "Making ridiculous Right-Wing Christian Fundamentalist claims about what's going on in Area 51."

Jaime Maussan 1 nomination

<http://www.sfc.keio.ac.jp/~penrose/eth/mexicocity.html>

<http://www.ufomind.com/people/m/maussan/>

For: "Using any videotape that catches his eye as ultimate proof that we're being visited by UFOs."

(Jaime means well, but 'Critical Thinking' isn't in his vocabulary. -Ed)

Mark L. Prophet 1 nomination

For: "Claiming that all UFOs come from Satan!"

(If Jesus is in a UFO, he might not appreciate that. -Ed)

Hal (Demon alien) Lindsey 1 nomination

For: "Claiming that all UFOs come from Satan!"

Jack Van Impe 1 nomination

For: "Claiming that all UFOs come from Satan!"

Pat (Adolph) Robertson 1 nomination

For: "Saying that all UFO researchers should be executed!"

Arthur C. Clark 1 nomination

Susan J. Blackmore 1 nomination

Setao Nhoj Divad 1 nomination

<http://www.mcs.com/~kvg/smear/v44/ss971115.htm>

"Australian researcher David John Oates has come up with a new form of ufological insanity: He runs tapes of Art Bell radio shows backwards, to find hidden meanings."

(Hsibbur. -De)

John "Val Valerian" Grace 1 nomination

<http://www.vegasindex.com/ufo/people/g/grace/>

For "The Matrix Books which are full of nonsense and UFO fantasy."

(The MATRIX books define Lunatic Fringe Disinformation. -Ed)

Bill (underground) Hamilton 1 nomination

<http://www.brotherblue.org/libers/pamsrep.htm>

For "Promoting disinformation, particularly that aliens are underground and that they're eating humans."

(What happens when young people read this rubbish? -Ed)

Bill (B-52) English 1 nomination

<http://www.vegasindex.com/ufo/people/e/english/>

For: "Making the claim that aliens had mutilated a B-52 crew in Viet Nam."

(More words of wisdom from John (Val Valerian) Grace's MATRIX garbage. -Ed)

Robert (Big Bucks) Bigelow 1 nomination

<http://www.psispy.com/ufo/people/b/bigelow/>

For: "The Roper Poll". Founded and funded by Robert Bigelow, The National Institute for Discovery Science (NIDS) includes John Alexander, his wife Victoria Alexander, Edgar Mitchell, Gordon Novel, Hal Puthoff, Bruce Maccabee, and airplane designer Burt Rutan. While the specific purpose and activities of this group are vague, from the staff it seems that they may be involved in attempts to build aircraft such as man-made UFOs.

(He's wasted a lot of money on this one, but it wouldn't be the first time. He's also funded Robert Lazar, George Knapp, Linda Howe etc. -Ed)

Laurance Rockefeller 1 nomination

<http://www.brotherblue.org/brethren/rockyboy.htm>
<http://www.marsweb.com/~watcher/uforocke.html>

For: "Giving Steven Greer \$20,000 and introducing him to America's

'Old Money' families."

(Rockefeller funded Keith Thompson's book "Angels & Aliens", but even Larry's brothers think he's lost it. -Ed)

The BSW 1 nomination
<http://www.marsweb.com/~watcher/uforocke.html>

For: "Further supporting Dr. Greer. If only temporarily" & "For putting former Ambassador to France, Pamela (The Life of The Party) Harriman up to interrogating the French President about what he knew about UFOs.

(This made the French government think Pam (R.I.P.) was losing it. It didn't go over well at all. -Ed)

Richard (Next Step) Hart 1 nomination

For: "Poo-pooing people's interests in UFOs."

Charles (S.F. Chronicle) Pettit 1 nomination

For: "Emulating Richard Hart".

(As usual, another Science Editor who only reports on the UFO lunatic fringe while ignoring tangible evidence. -Ed)

Dr. Michael Wolf 1 nomination

<http://www.dnai.com/~zap/wolf.htm>
<http://www.ufomind.com/misc/1997/jul/d30-004.shtml>
<http://www.ufomind.com/misc/1997/feb/d23-001.shtml>
<http://www.ufomind.com/misc/1998/feb/d14-001.shtml>
<http://www.ufomind.com/area51/list/arc/1996/961024.html#m7>
<http://www.isur.com/book/arcturus.htm#9610059>
<http://www.ufomind.com/area51/list/arc/1996/961024.html#m1>

(It seems there's an endless parade of BS artists, Wolf is but one. -Ed)

Leah (a.k.a. Ann Aday) Haley 1 nomination

<http://www.brotherblue.org/brethren/ceto.htm>
<http://www.iufog.org/spotlight/cetofriends.html>
<http://www.psispy.com/catalog/c/ceto/>
<http://www.ufomind.com/people/h/haley/>

For: "Teaching children that it's o.k. to be abducted by strangers." & "Claiming that after she was abducted by the 'Aliens' she was abducted by the government."

(I think somebody has abducted Miss Aday's (Mrs. Davenport's) Mind. She left her husband and children to pursue this business -Ed)

Philip J. Corso 1 nomination

<http://www.brotherblue.org/brethren/corso.htm>
<http://www.ufomind.com/area51/list/1997/jun/a24-002.shtml>
<http://www.ufomind.com/area51/list/1997/jun/a24-002.shtml>
<http://www.vegasindex.com/ufo/people/c/corso/>

For: "Every UFO theorey you've ever heard has been compiled and printed in his ridiculous book "The Day After Roswell".

(Buyer Beware! -Ed)

William Birnes 1 nomination

<http://www.vegasindex.com/ufo/people/b/birnes/>
<http://www.johnholleman.com/amaroswell.html>
<http://192.204.3.11/MARION/AFR-1509>

The co-writer and deal maker of "The Day After Roswell"

(Thanks a lot Mr. Birnes. -Ed)

Miles Johnston 1 nomination

<http://www.ufomind.com/people/j/johnston/>
<http://www.ufomind.com/misc/1997/jul/d16-001.shtml>
<http://www.ufobbs.com/txt3/2068.ufo>

Nick Pope 1 nomination

<http://www.dprogram.com/NickP1.html>
<http://www.keele.ac.uk/socs/ks26/conv/gues-np.htm>

John (Pschedelic Drugs) Mack 1 nomination

<http://www.marsweb.com/~watcher/uforocke.html>

<http://www.csicop.org/si/9605/mack.html>
<http://www.fringeware.com/anathema/AR/web/mack.html>
<http://www.brotherblue.org/brethren/rockyboy.htm>

For: "His continued use of psychedelic drugs in research, and buttressing the beliefs of people who think they've been abducted by aliens so he could sell another book. All while accepting their medical insurance payments to cover his "research."

(Which is it John? "Research" or Treatment"? -Ed)

Standing Elk 1 nomination
<http://www.metaterra-link.com/starfamily.html>

Don Ware 1 nomination
<http://www.marsweb.com/~watcher/uforocke.html>
<http://www.ufobbs.com/txt2/1189.ufo>

For: "Endorsing the Ed Walters case"

Lt. Col. Don Ware (USAF Ret.) is a real American war hero, over 100 missions in Viet Nam without a scratch on him nor his jet. But his endorsement of "Mr. Ed" Walters UFO fraud, tarnishes his Silver Oak-Leaf Clusters. It's sad because Don Ware is a very nice man. -Ed)

Bob (New Age) Dean 1 nomination
<http://www.ufonetwork.com/public/robertdean/wwwboard/index.html>
<http://www.metaterra-link.com/starfamily.html>

Melinda Leslie 1 nomination
<http://www.anw.com/aliens/52questions.htm>
http://users1.ee.net/pmason/Melinda_Leslie.html
<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/people/l/leslie/>
<http://www.brainbyte.com/OffworldMetaplex/abduct.html>

For: "Devising a questionnaire on how to find out if you've been abducted by Aliens."

(When is somebody going to devise a method to determine who "hasn't" been abducted by aliens? -Ed)

Eamon Ansbro 1 nomination
<http://www.nua.ie/blather/at-blathersearch.cgi>

Kent (Moron) Jeffrey 1 nomination
<http://www.vegasindex.com/ufo/people/j/jeffrey/>

For creating the "Roswell Declaration", only to change his mind months claiming "There's nothing to it".

(Another inconsequential brain fart. -Ed)

Blue Water Publishing 1 nomination

For: "Publishing a plethora of New Age books on UFOs written by the "Worst of The Lunatic Fringe."

Virgil (Posty) Armstrong 1 nomination
<http://www.vegasindex.com/ufo/people/a/armstrong/>
<http://www.metaterra-link.com/starfamily.html>

Maurice (R.I.P.) Chatelain 1 nomination
<http://www.qtm.net/~geibdan/astro-si.html#Chatelain>
<http://www.vegasindex.com/ufo/people/c/chatelain/>

(I think nominating the dead is sick. -Ed)

Rebecca Shatte 1 nomination
<http://www.search.hotbot.com/hResult.html? v=2&MT=Rebecca+Shatte++&act.search=Search&chk=on>

Jorge (Self promoting) Martin 1 nomination
<http://www.cninews.com/Search/CNI.0240.html>
<http://ufomind.com/people/m/martin/>

For: "Promoting himself & the existence of the mythological Chupacabra."

(There is no such animal as a Chupacabra. -Ed)

Michael Lindemann 1 nomination
<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/people/l/lindemann/>
<http://www.cninews.com/>

[http://www.search.hotbot.com/hResult.html?
MT=Michael+Lindemann&RG=NA&v=2&NUMMOD=0&act.next.x=3&act.next.y=9](http://www.search.hotbot.com/hResult.html?MT=Michael+Lindemann&RG=NA&v=2&NUMMOD=0&act.next.x=3&act.next.y=9)

Brian Zeiler 1 nomination

<http://www.primenet.com/~bdzeiler/index2.htm>
[http://www.search.hotbot.com/hResult.html? v=2&MT=Brian+Zeiler&act.search=Search&chk=on](http://www.search.hotbot.com/hResult.html?v=2&MT=Brian+Zeiler&act.search=Search&chk=on)

Steve Wingate 1 nomination

<http://www.execpc.com/vjentpr/undgmap.html>

Glen Campbell 1 nomination

<http://www.marsweb.com/~watcher/uforocke.html>

Lyssa Royal 1 nomination

<http://www.brotherblue.org/brethren/lyssa.htm>

For: "Channeling Aliens"

(Q: "You know the difference between Intelligence & Stupidity?

A: Intelligence has a limit." -Ed)

Timothy Good 1 nomination

<http://www.ufomind.com/catalog/subject/ufo/good/>

For "Putting a LOAD of rubbish in his second book."

(His first book was good, but the second suffered greatly. -Ed)

Laura Lee 1 nomination

<http://www.lauralee.com/index.cfm>

Armen Victorian 1 nomination

<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/people/a/azadehdel/>

Francis Ridge 1 nomination

<http://www.psispy.com/ufo/people/r/ridge/>
<http://www.evansville.net/~slk/lshomepage.html>
<http://www.evansville.net/~slk/nicap.html>

Robert Westbrook 1 nomination

(I couldn't find one URL that connected this name to UFOs. -Ed)

A.J. Gavaerd 16 nominations

For: "Insisting that a human mutilation in Campo Grande, Brazil was proof that the aliens pose a threat to humanity."

"Hey, can I nominate A.J. for giving the Brazilian Walking Death to everyone who heard his talk in Loughlin in 1997?"

"I'd never heard of this person before this week, but in the last few days he really has become a public nuisance."

(13 nominations came in from Brazil with no comments. This is what we Americans call stuffing the Ballot box, hence it's placement here, at the bottom of the barrell. -Ed)

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The Outer Limits

A Lone Voice in the Desert Lures 10 Million Listeners

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PAHRUMP, Nev. - If you maintain a force in the world that comes into people's sleep, you are exercising a meaningful power.

-- Don DeLillo in "Underworld"

There's a call on the Area 51 Caller Line. Art Bell answers on the air, unscreened as always.

A panicked, nearly hysterical man says he was let go from the top-secret government compound deep in the Nevada desert. The man cannot divulge his location. He is in a hurry. "They'll triangulate on this position really soon."

"Give us something, quick," Bell urges.

Through the miracle of satellite technology, the talk show host transmits the disturbing call to more than 400 radio stations across the nation -- more than any other radio show but for Paul Harvey, Rush Limbaugh and Laura Schlessinger. Bell broadcasts from a beige easy chair, sitting alone in a tiny bedroom of his double-wide trailer deep in the desert, one mountain range away from the mysteries of the black-budget Air Force base known as Area 51.

"What we're thinking of as aliens, Art, they're extra-dimensional beings that an earlier precursor of the space program made contact with," the caller blurts out. "They have infiltrated a lot of aspects of the military establishment, particularly Area 51. The disasters that are coming, they -- the government -- knows about them. . . . They want those major population centers wiped out so the few who are left will be more easily controllable. I say we g -- "

The man is weeping now, and suddenly there is only silence. One, two, three, four, five seconds of dead air -- a radio eternity. "Coast to Coast AM," Bell's program, has vanished into the ether. And then Bell's theme music swells, and the host's calm, resonant voice returns: "Weird, weird, weird stuff. In all my life My uplink transmitter was dead as a doornail." For the first time in all his years of broadcasting, Bell had lost his connection to the transmitter. Smack in the middle of that call.

Later that night, Bell offers listeners his take on the event: "That's

beyond coincidence. It was done to you."

The desert, it is said, does strange things to the eye. It is true: That man with a straw hat, quivering in the remote distance, turns out to be a clump of cactus. That cloud, on closer inspection, is a mountain. That fog is faraway ice.

Eighty miles west of the nattering neon assault that is Las Vegas, a narrow road leads to Pahrump, an ancient Indian settlement poised for development as the next gambling paradise. Not far from the town's main drawing cards -- legal brothels called Sheri's Ranch and the Chicken Ranch -- Bell's trailer commands a plot of sand and rock, surrounded by satellite dishes and a chain-link fence.

By day, it's nothing special, the hideout of just one more American who found his piece of paradise and straightaway nailed up a "No Trespassing" sign. But at night, when the crystal-black sky explodes with stars and the mountains offer a scarf of darkness, this trailer is transformed into a transmitter of freakish fear and the sweetest of hopes. Kept company by a fistful of phone lines, a trio of computers, an atomically synchronized clock and a framed, bare-breasted photo of the actress Shannen Doherty, a 52-year-old man who hasn't had a good night's sleep in nine years offers an insomniac nation a host of extravagant, extraordinary, even extraterrestrial possibilities.

While the other big names of radio traffic in standard-issue news, politics and family concerns, Bell's all-night talkfest concentrates on conspiracies and coverups of the gravest order: alien abductions and crop circles, cloning and bird flu, El Ni=Flo and pfiesteria, cattle mutilations and anthrax scares. In Bell's world, visitors from other dimensions win equal time with Clinton and Lewinsky. Callers who use remote viewing to look ahead in time are taken as seriously as Washington pundits who claim to peer into the presidential future.

Bell, heard in Washington on WRC (570 AM), asks that we embrace all possibilities. He is a preacher of sorts, a purveyor of gloom and doom on Earth, and of hope and possibility in the great beyond. He is a loner who lives modestly even now that Jacor Communications, which owns the Limbaugh and Schlessinger shows, has bought his weekday and weekend programs for \$9 million. He is a grown-up geek who conducts his own search for meaning before a rapidly growing audience of more than 10 million listeners. He is an intelligent man who wears his gullibility proudly.

Last year, when a scientist told Bell that a UFO was hiding behind the Hale-Bopp comet, he and many of his listeners took the claim at face value. So did a purple-clad cult called Heaven's Gate, whose members shortly before their mass suicide provided a link to Bell's World Wide Web site on their own site.

Shaken by news accounts linking him to the suicide, Bell would eventually spurn the notion of the secret spacecraft. Actually, he insists, he "disproved" the claim on the air well before the Heaven's Gate members took their lives. But his initial reaction was typical Bell: If you say so, sure.

Travelers

In bed late at night, a seven-transistor radio tucked under his pillow, the adolescent Bell listened to the talkers who first gave voice to the great American obsessions -- the eternal debate over the John F. Kennedy assassination, the rumblings about CIA mind-control experiments, the well-worn tales of ordinary people who said they'd been abducted by creatures from outer space.

It would be many years before some of those issues would become acceptable in daylight, but the great web of conspiracy was already being spun in the privacy of the night, and Bell felt himself a part of that invisible community. While his parents fought and meandered around the nation -- Bell, a Marine brat, says he attended 35 high schools -- radio was a constant. Days, he raised hell, making bombs and rockets. Nights, he pretended to be on the air, a rock deejay with a gaggle of groupies.

He got his FCC ham license at age 13. For most of his 38 years in radio, Bell, a square-faced man with a thick salt-and-pepper mustache, big ears and rectangular wire-rim glasses, had little opportunity to share his interest in the bizarre. In college -- including a brief stop at the University of Maryland -- he studied engineering before dropping out to do radio. He was a rockin' boss jock spinning the hits on little

stations in New England, California, even in Okinawa, where he spent six years working at a U.S. military station. He set a world record for seesawing while broadcasting -- 57 hours. But mostly, it was time, temp, a couple of quips, and bam into the music, mastering the deejay's tricks of the period -- step right over the intro, but don't ever walk on that vocal!

Bell eventually tired of radio and became a cable guy, a job that brought him to Las Vegas in the mid-'80s. An AM station asked him back to a part-time, overnight job as a talk show host. For several years, he was a West Coast phenomenon, popular enough, but among radio industry executives, considered a regional oddity.

There was something about the West, with its great expanses of empty land and sky. "Out here, everything is bigger," Bell says. "You see strange things and that changes you."

Dreamland

Welcome to Dreamland, a program dedicated to an examination of areas of the human experience not easily or neatly put in a box, things seen at the edge of vision, awakening a part of the mind as yet not mapped. . .

-- Opening of Bell's Sunday night show

Dreamland is also the name used by military pilots for the expanse of desert north of Bell's house, Area 51, where pilots get to fly experimental craft they previously could only dream about.

It was on the way home to Pahrump from Vegas one summer night that Bell had his own close encounter. Just before midnight, Art and his wife were about a mile from home when Ramona blurted, "What the hell is that?"

Art cut the engine, and the two of them looked behind the car and up. Hovering over the road was an enormous triangular craft, each side about 150 feet long, with two bright lights at each point of the triangle. After a while, the craft floated directly over the Bells. The thing was barely moving. And, Bell says, "It was silent. Dead silent. It did not appear to have an engine."

After a few moments, the craft floated across the valley and out of sight. Bell calls this his "UFO experience," and says flatly: "It really doesn't matter that much to me if anyone believes me. Thousands of people seeing the same thing cannot all be wrong."

Voice of Night

The show ends at 3 a.m. Pacific time, and Bell steps out into the cool desert air. He stares up at the mountains, walks around, then slips inside the gray concrete building he has just erected behind the house. It looks like a truncated barn; inside, it is a racquetball court and steam room. It is where he goes to return to earthly reality.

"There is a difference in what people are willing to consider, daytime versus nighttime," Bell says. "It's dark and you don't know what's out there. And the way things are now, there may be something."

Bell's voice is not a sleepy sound; he is not the soothing FM deejay or the romantic companion of a listener's dreams. No, there is a certain formality to Bell's diction, a classic announcer's voice with an almost Canadian enunciation, as if he were the Official Voice of Night.

He offers a defense against the sapping mystery of night. The listener lies alone in bed, perhaps with only a 40-watt bulb and a clock radio as protection from solitude. Bell's voice arrives as a beacon -- stiff yet warm, distant yet close enough to comfort.

Overnight is the only time radio is not governed by focus groups and audience surveys. It is one of radio's oldest traditions: Free from the tyranny of time and temp, news and ads, an individual intelligence can expose itself to listeners in cars and bars and empty offices and wrinkled sheets.

For more than half a century, the great clear-channel stations have carried 50,000-watt signals from the Northeast to the Midwest, from the Mississippi to the Potomac, filling the night with voices such as Jean Shepherd, who spun fabulously improvised tales of an Indiana childhood on New York's WOR; or Herb Jepko, who presided over a gathering of

truckers, little old ladies and night clerks with his gentle Nightcappers club out of Salt Lake City; or Larry King, who first from Miami and then from Washington paved the way for an explosion in talk media.

But the king of the night was Long John Nebel, the onetime carnival huckster who transfixed several generations of listeners with all-night tales of UFOs and government conspiracies, multiple personalities and parapsychology. Nebel, who once sold lucky numbers on the streets of downtown Washington, used his New York talk show to sell sand dollars, vitamins and life insurance. He might spend four or five hours on the air probing the passions of a young radical such as Malcolm X, but politics was secondary: Nebel was the first to make the connection between the night and the eerie topics that could keep listeners saying to themselves, "Well, just another 20 minutes."

It was Nebel's show that Bell listened to as a sleepless adolescent; it was Nebel who first opened Bell's ears to the possibilities of a world beyond. But while Nebel was first and foremost a pitchman, a "magnificent charlatan," as his biographer, Donald Bain, put it, Bell actually believes what he's saying. He is wedded to the night not because it is where he finally hit it big, but because it is where he is philosophically comfortable.

Everyone else in radio these days is a clone, Bell says. Limbaugh, Ollie North, Gordon Liddy -- "famous criminals, morning shows that compete to find the worst language you can manage to get on the air, the most controversial topics. Guns! Abortion!"

Outside, the sagebrush flops around in the wind. Bell seems out of sorts in the midday sun -- one reason he says he will never do TV or daytime radio. "I talk about weird stuff," he says quietly. "What I do only works at night, only on the radio."

Claire Reese, general manager of KDWN in Las Vegas, where Bell worked for six years before his show went national three years ago, put Bell on days for a brief period. The show bombed. "He didn't really tick until he was on at night," she says. "Night people are just different."

"Art is a loner," Reese says. "He's headstrong, wants to do things his way. He's so engrossed in what he does that he doesn't need anything but what he has out there in the desert."

Hearing Is Believing

You will never hear Bell tell off a guest, no matter how harebrained the tale, no matter how preposterous the claims. It's not that he believes every word, but that he believes his job is "to help them get their story out, no matter how wild. Unless someone is dangerously misinforming my audience, that's not the role of this host. Let the audience decide."

A guest predicts an explosion on the sun that will wipe out all plant life in Africa. Bell acts as if he's just heard that tomorrow will be partly cloudy with a chance of showers.

"That comes from a remote viewer, someone reporting from a discipline that the U.S. military spent \$20 million developing," he says. "Just let them unwind their story."

Is there no limit to what Bell would put on the air? "Well," he says, "I had Tom Metzger, the white supremacist, on the other night, so pretty much no."

At the end of that broadcast, Bell told Metzger, "I am married to a brown-skinned Asian woman. What does that make me?"

A traitor to your race, Metzger said.

"Thanks very much, Tom," Bell replied. "Good night."

"He sunk his own ship," the host says a few days later. "And I was only polite."

'Childish Inanities'

If Art Bell believes half of what is claimed on his program, he is either the world's most gullible man or a raving lunatic. Or he is right, and the people who call themselves rational are wrong.

The Committee for the Scientific Investigation of Claims of the Paranormal, an organization of scientists and science buffs devoted to puncturing the claims of believers in alternate realities, has dissected and dismissed Bell's writings and radio rhetoric.

"The plague of pompous pieties, platitudes and propaganda never ceases!" says Robert Baker, psychology professor emeritus at the University of Kentucky, reviewing Bell's book, "The Quickening." "It is very difficult for us to believe Bell . . . would have the unmitigated gall to ask the public to pay \$24.95 for 336 pages of childish inanities or to have them read such drivel as, 'Ghosts and apparitions exist and houses can be haunted. Of that there is no doubt.' "

Baker and other scientists reject Bell's notions as irresponsible, "inexhaustible ignorance," but the broadcaster is undaunted. "Belief in the paranormal is like religious faith. It's something you can't lay your hands on," he says. "I have something beyond faith. I've gone beyond faith because I have seen these things."

Last March, Bell asked his listeners to "try to send mental connective thoughts to ask these beings to show themselves." And on March 13, he says, "a craft described as two miles long was seen and photographed over Phoenix. There is something on the outer edge of what I do."

Some devoted listeners hang on Bell's every word: In about 40 cities around the country, and in London and Tokyo, Art Bell Chat Clubs meet regularly to hear talks by UFOlogists and folks who claim to have had near-death and past-life experiences. "The majority of the members are people who are interested in finding the truth, no matter what it is," says Tim Cannon, a former limo driver in Denver who launched the chat clubs. "We're searching, trying to make a change in the world, like Art."

Bell is grateful for such devotion, but cautious. He admits having fallen for his own listeners' hoaxes, including a 1995 scenario called Project Blackhole that predicted a Los Angeles earthquake. And he readily concedes that some of his listeners have lost contact with the rails.

"The proportion of nuts is probably slightly in excess of what the American people are, and according to the American Psychiatric Association, one in every four Americans has a mental disorder of some type," Bell says. "But I'll say this: What is weird and crackpot crazy tonight is on the front page of The Washington Post three months later. I was talking about El Niño and the weather changes we're going to face a year ago, and I was a crackpot then. I'm a prophet now." He laughs.

Black Ops

Internet chat lines these days are abuzz with claims that Bell is "on a secret government black ops payroll." Michael Hemmingson, a listener who first proposed the notion, wonders whether the U.S. government uses Bell to disseminate disinformation and keep tabs on what Americans believe.

The conspiracy widens with the inevitable list of Bell's guests who have mysteriously disappeared after appearing on his program. Why then, the theorist asks, has no harm come to Bell himself?

Bell has played along, posting the entire exchange about his possible government ties on his Web site (www.artbell.com) and remarking on the air that "I'm not afraid. If they're gonna come after me, they're gonna come after me."

When a Las Vegas newsman leaves a message asking about the rumor, Bell puts this shouted reply on the reporter's voice mail: "I can't talk to you! You're one of them!"

He manages to hold back his laughter until he's off the phone.

The Quickening

Life is accelerating. Natural disasters and unnatural acts, invasions from afar and disappointments from next door, a weakening social fabric and frightening forces of destruction, emerging viruses and disturbing weather patterns -- it all adds up to what Bell calls the Quickening.

"The world is not the same, not a place to feel safe in," he writes in

"The Quickening." The book catalogues the daily advance of the forces of decline. Nearly everywhere Bell looks, he sees doom: El Ni=Flo, U.N. peacekeepers, economic globalization, militias, cults, stressed parents, unchecked consumerism.

"Most of us want to pretend we are the masters of our environment," Bell writes. "But we are completely vulnerable. . . ."

America in particular has gone soft, he believes, spoiled by wealth and an exaggerated sense of security. Bell's interest in politics has waned. He once supported Barry Goldwater, voted for Ross Perot last time around, and has come to consider Clinton a good president, even if he is "the monster from our id." Now, Bell considers himself a libertarian. But more than that, he is a typical American -- increasingly tuned out from things political, searching for something more.

"My hopes for America are virtually nonexistent," he writes in his autobiography, "The Art of Bell."

Bell is dressed entirely in black. As he talks about his vision of the future, his voice darkens, he scrunches his face so his skin bulges in tight horizontal folds.

In his living room, the Weather Channel monitors the physical world. Suddenly the screen goes dark. Every light in the house flickers. The skies outside are clear.

"See that?" he shouts, then nervously picks up his pack of Carltons. "That's what we deal with out here."

Home on the Range

Ever since he was a kid, packing up over and over to follow his military parents to a new assignment, Bell has craved a place like this. His. With no one to tell him what to do, no one to tell him to pick up and move.

Trust, patriotism, respect -- these can all be stripped away. Bell, for one, blames Richard Nixon for creating a nation of cynics, a people who gave up on one reality and went off in search of another. "I've created my stability right here," he says in his trailer, remote control in hand. "This is my little Ozzie and Harriet world in a world that's changing."

He and Ramona, who helps produce "Dreamland" and assists with the torrent of calls, buy nothing on credit, practice their shooting to fend off any intruders (none so far), and care for their cats. "Everything you see around you isn't lavish," Bell says, "but it's paid for."

"I move in and out of these two worlds every day. I need to have one to balance the other. I can do my five hours of the present, pathetic state of the world, and then I need the other hours to have my own world."

In the middle of the night, in a trailer deep in the desert, with Ramona asleep in the other room, Bell sits alone like the rest of us, vulnerable. The desert remembers everything we want to forget, the bombs and experiments, secrets and lies. The listener lies in bed, also wanting to forget. Art Bell helps him to remember things he never knew.

"Coast to Coast AM" is heard from 1 to 6 a.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays on WRC (570 AM). "Dreamland" airs from 11 p.m. Sunday to 6 a.m. Monday.

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UFO AND ALIEN SIGHTED
IN NORTHERN ITALY

Early Sunday morning, March 8, 1998, an Italian farmer spotted a UFO hovering above his field. The incident took place in Lombardia, just outside the small city of Rho, 30 kilometers (18 miles) northwest of Milano (Milan).

The farmer described the UFO as "a white object in the form of an upside-down pear" that "hovered over a field of grain."

Since he was within shouting distance of his farmhouse, he called for his wife. She joined him at once, and the couple observed the UFO "for nearly a half hour."

Midway through the sighting, the couple reported, a hatch slid open, and an occupant emerged. The witnesses described "the alien" as "a being about 60 to 80 centimeters (30 to 40 inches) high, with two huge black eyes."

The occupant "floated" in the air close to the object for about ten minutes. The occupant then reentered the UFO, and the object "suddenly rose vertically as it illuminated itself."

The case is being investigated by Italian ufologist Giancarlo D'Alessandro of Centro Italiano di Studi Ufologici (CISU). (See the Italian newspaper La Padania for March 15, 1998.)

The previous night, Saturday, March 7, 1998, Carabinieri (Italian police--J.T.), port authorities and local police watched a UFO "plunge headlong" through the sky in Termoli, a port on the Adriatic Sea.

The alert sounded at 6:30 p.m. Police described the UFO as "a luminous object that plunged headlong into the sea with a smoky luminous trail."

Termoli is in Campobasso province approximately 232 kilometers (145 miles) east of Rome. (See the newspaper Il Resto del Carlino for March 9, 1998.

Grazie a Eduardo Russo, Renzo Cabassi, Gian Paulo Grassino, Goffredo Pierpaoli, Marcelo Pupilli e Giancarlo D'Alessandro di CISU per questo rapporto.)

(Editor's Note: Sibenik, Croatia, just across the Adriatic Sea from Termoli, was the site of a UFO landing earlier this year.)

FLORIDA UFO FLAP ENTERS
ITS THIRD WEEK

Florida's UFO flap entered its third week with more sightings reports flooding in from the Orlando and Pensacola areas.

James J. of Cocoa Beach, Fla. (population 12,123), a city 7 miles (11 kilometers) south of Cape Canaveral, says he witnessed the flyover of two UFOs on

Saturday, March 7, 1998, followed by the launch of two D-25 Trident missiles from a U.S. Navy submarine.

"I saw those UFOs as well around 6:45 that evening," James reported. "I thought they were UFOs because I've had three sightings in the past six months."

"It was dusk. I saw two white glowing lights as if they were (enveloped) in a cloud. As I traveled south on (Highway) A1A in Cocoa Beach, the objects hovered and fled. Then I noticed something. Contrails coming up from the ocean. I have a friend at the Kennedy Space Center, and she said there were no launches scheduled for that day."

"We saw the contrails (again) a couple of days later," he reported, adding that "no scheduled launches" were set for that day, either. "Florida Today claimed that the Navy was conducting missile tests over the area."

Bermuda's Royal Gazette of March 10, 1998 stated that the missiles had been launched from the Trident submarine USS West Virginia.

On Wednesday, March 18, 1998, between 10 and 10:30 p.m., Josh Harris was standing on his front lawn in Sebring, Fla. (population 8,900), a town on Highway 17 90 miles (144 kilometers) southeast of Tampa, when he spotted a UFO.

"At first I saw six bright orange lights in the northeast sky that disappeared," he reported. "Four lights in a line appeared in the eastern sky, then also disappeared. Back at the original location, eight new lights appeared. There were four lights, with another four lights in a row beneath them."

On Friday evening, March 20, 1998, Don and Cindy Rash saw a UFO in their hometown of Gulf Breeze, Fla. (population 5,530), located in the Florida panhandle 7 miles (11 kilometers) south of Pensacola. They described the object as "a disc with lights all around it" hovering "over the big bridge" connecting Gulf Breeze and Pensacola Beach. This was Don Rash's second UFO sighting of the month.

That morning, Friday, March 20, 1998, John S., his wife and his son were "driving west on (Interstate Highway) I-4 approximately 20 miles (32 kilometers) outside of Orlando at 7:45 a.m. when I witnessed something in the sky overhead."

Orlando (population 164,693) is located 229 miles (366 kilometers) north of Miami.

"It was a grayish vapor trail that moved to the right, left, right, then left again, all in what appeared like quarter-mile (0.6 kilometer) increments," he reported. "This was right over the interstate. It looked like some drivers noticed it because I saw some looking up as we passed them. I couldn't see a shape or anything flying at the end of the trail (contrail). Also, it didn't seem like it was turning but more like changing directions back on itself."

The following day, Saturday, March 21, 1998, Jeff Ritzmann, a Maryland man vacationing in Florida, spotted a UFO while standing outside Chan's Cafe, located in the Best Western Hotel near Gulf Breeze, Fla.

According to columnist Carole Baker of the Pensacola Beach Islander, Ritzmann grabbed his camcorder and "shot an approximate 13-second video of a UFO flying from west to east between Pensacola Beach and Gulf Breeze...The video shows a bright white/silver object traveling quite fast across the sky. Toward the end of the video, the object seems to tilt, or turn, showing a bright flash as it catches the sun's rays. After that, it appears to fade, probably turning away, it pursues and erratic course until it is out of sight. This object does not appear to be an airplane approaching Pensacola airport, since its speed and altitude are too high and fast" for a conventional aircraft.

On Monday, March 23, 1998, Florida authorities closed Highway 192 in Holipaw, about five miles (8 kilometers) north of Narcoossee, the site of the March 17 flyover of a V-shaped UFO.

The highway was closed following a head-on collision between a pickup truck and a semi-tractor trailer hauling a load of chemicals. The crash took place near the intersection of Highways 192 and 441. The semi spilled an unspecified quantity of the chemical Dithan. As a result, the authorities began

hazardous material (HAZMAT) clean-up procedures.

Highway 192 in Holipaw was supposed to remain closed "for a day." However, on Wednesday, March 25, authorities said the road would remain closed "until sometime tomorrow."

Ufologist Daniel Cox pointed out that Holipaw, Fla. is in a "rural, wooded and swampy" area, adding, "Closing of Highway 192 in this vicinity, near the intersection of Highways 192 and 441, effectively eliminates all civilian traffic in the region, at least as far as primary roads are concerned."

This has led some UFO buffs to wonder if a saucer landed early last week in Holipaw.

On Wednesday evening, March 25, a newspaper reporter from Sebring, Fla. spotted mysterious lights in the sky over Highway 60 as he was driving to Lake Wales (population 9,670), a city 53 miles (85 kilometers) east of Tampa.

Each night from Monday, March 23, to Friday, March 27, "a crew of five to ten people harvesting palms at night have been seeing lights in the sky an estimated 20 to 30 miles (32 to 48 kilometers)" north of Lake Okeechobee, according to Jean Brown of Tampa Bay MUFON.

On Friday, March 27, 1998, the operations manager at the U.S. Air Force's Avon Park Bombing Range informed Ms. Brown that "for the past two weeks, the Air Force has been dropping flares attached to parachutes, two at a time, for A-10s at high altitude testing night vision goggles. He said testing was supposed to end last night (Thursday, March 26), and that they have received many calls as these flares have been seen from Lake Wales south."

(Many thanks to Jean Brown, Carole Baker, Danny Cox, Josh Harris, Courtland Lewis, Steve Wilson Sr. and others for these Florida reports.)

FOUR LUMINOUS UFOs SEEN NEAR FRENCH AIR BASE

On Sunday evening, February 15, 1998, three people--Ferdinand D., Simone B. and Beatrice S.--were driving on Autoroute RN13 between Evreux and Saint Andre de l'Eure when they spied "four luminous objects in the sky."

A UFO was first seen near the perimeter of the Armee de l'Air (French Air Force--J.T.) Base 105 Evreux/Fauville.

"It had a spherical form and remained stationary in front of us," Ferdinand reported. "As we drove into 'old Evreux,' the object was on our right."

They dropped off Beatrice at her home in the Val David section of Evreux and then drove down Chaussee (local road) D67, heading back to Saint Andre de l'Eure.

"We then saw three other spheres in a stationary group," Simone reported. "The first one came and made a jerky motion. Then the UFOs dispersed in all directions."

Stopping the car, Ferdinand and Simone stepped outside to get a better look. They watched the first UFO return. "The intensity of the light varied, seeming to give an impression of shrinkage and expansion. It disappeared after ten minutes."

Evreux is a city in the department of Eure about 140 kilometers (84 miles) west of Paris.

(Merci beaucoup a Thierry Garnier pour ces nouvelles.)

ANOTHER UFO SIGHTED IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA

On Monday, March 23, 1998, at 9:45 p.m., witnesses in Bindoon, Western Australia (W.A.), 84 kilometers (51 miles) north of Perth, saw "a large, multicoloured light moving around high up in the eastern sky."

For fifteen minutes, the witnesses watched what they described as "a light yellow/gold object" with "red/green lights move around in a weird fashion never seen before...The illumination appeared too large

for a star or planet."

Earlier in the week, two UFO sightings were reported in New South Wales, Australia.

On Thursday, March 19, 1998, at 9:15 p.m., people living 20 kilometers (12 miles) west of Mussellbrook, N.S.W. reported seeing "a large, low-flying aerial craft with lots of odd surging noises, no lights." The UFO "passed overhead on a bearing of southeast to northwest." No Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF) activity was reported in that vicinity at the time of the sighting.

On Sunday, March 22, 1998, sometime after midnight, people in Taylor Lakes, N.S.W. reported seeing a UFO with "multicoloured flashing lights and some windows" fly overhead. (Many thanks to Ross Dowe and the Australia/New Zealand National UFO Hotline for these reports.)

UFOs APPEAR IN PANAMA

Following a two-month hiatus, UFOs returned to Central America on February 25, 1998, turning up in the nation of Panama.

On Wednesday, February 25, at 2:39 a.m., police in the small city of Santiago de Veraguas received calls from residents claiming to have seen an OVNI (Spanish acronym for UFO) in the night sky.

By morning, city authorities were checking out rumors of "a possible UFO landing."

Santiago is on the Pan-American Highway 240 kilometers (150 miles) west of Balboa.

That evening, at 9:15 p.m., a mysterious explosion rocked the Barriada Florestal section of Santiago. Investigating police and firefighters found a perfectly circular hole in the roof of one of the houses. The cause of the hole remains unexplained.

The following day, Thursday, February 26, 1998, at 11:23 p.m., a triangular UFO was seen hovering above Cerro Gordo hill on the outskirts of Santiago. Fifteen people witnessed the object and described it as "another UFO...with three lights of different colors, shaped like a boomerang or a triangle. There was no U.S. Air Force or Panamanian air traffic in the area" at the time.

MUFON investigator John Thompson contacted NORAD and spoke to "Scott Johnson, a public relations officer for NORAD, about" Panama, and Johnson "said a careful check was made of the area around Santiago" that night "but NORAD found no 'space junk' reentering" Earth's atmosphere at that location. (See Filer's Files #12 for 1998. Many thanks to George A. Filer and John Thompson for this report.)

(Editor's Note: Santiago is 200 miles (320 kilometers) east of Golfito and Puerto Jimenez, Costa Rica, where disc-shaped UFOs appeared during the last week of December 1997.)

SILVER SPHERE UFOs SEEN IN CANNONVILLE, GEORGIA

After a few quiet months, the tiny town of Cannonville, Georgia (population 400) is again the focus of UFO activity.

Cannonville is on Highway 29 just east of West Point Lake, about 75 miles (120 kilometers) southwest of Atlanta.

On Saturday, February 21, at 10 p.m., a few Cannonville residents spotted "a UFO with three lights on it...flashing and blinking in the Hogg Mountain area. Witnesses were close enough to have heard any sound, but there was none."

On Sunday, March 22, 1998, at 4 p.m., a 57-year-old Cannonville woman "was driving east on Long Cane Road and saw two bright 'silver balls' hanging in the air, just west of Hogg Mountain. The silver balls were about one mile (1.6 kilometers) away from her on the horizon at approximately 60 degrees height. The silver balls each had an apparent size several times bigger than Venus and a real size larger than a four-room house. The southern-most UFO 'disappeared' straight-up

in a streaking fashion. The second UFO did the same a few seconds later."

When she arrived in Cannonville, the woman rushed into her house and told her family what she had just seen. "Her sister went outside to look up and saw a yellow prop (propellor-engine) plane." She then spotted a hovering "silver ball" and "yelled for everyone to come outside. As the family ran out, the UFO disappeared." (See Filer's Files #12 for 1998. Many thanks To George A. Filer and John Thompson of MUFON for this report.)

ANOMALOUS PAINTING FOUND BENEATH ROMAN RUINS

An unusual wall painting discovered in Rome by Italian archeologists has raised eyebrows in the Fortean community. The fresco shows an ancient Italian city...from the air!

According to the Reuters report, "An Italian archeologist has stumbled on a richly colored wall fresco, thought to be about 2,000 years old, showing a detailed cityscape that experts say could be a bird's-eye view of ancient Rome."

"The depiction of a walled city measuring about 12 feet wide by eight feet wide, was discovered during an excavation of a dank passageway at the Trajan Baths near Rome's Colosseum."

"A pale bridge resembling Florence's Ponte Vecchio arches over an azure river in one corner of the fresco. Elsewhere is a bright red theater with a white roof and a cluster of houses."

"On the painting's right flank is a large city square of tomato-red buildings, built around a set of ochre daubs that archeologists said represented bronze statues."

"The city wall is broken at one point by a gateway topped with cream bell-like towers."

"'It's impressionistic,' said Rita Volpe, Rome City Council archeologist. 'The period is certainly the second half of the first century after Christ.'"

"Nero, emperor from A.D. 54 to 68, committed suicide shortly after his sumptuous palace was finished. A later emperor, Vespasian, tore it down and built the Colosseum on one of its lakes."

"Trajan, who ruled Rome from 98 to 117, later built the baths on top of the rest of the (Nero's) complex. Archeologists said the fresco almost certainly predated Trajan, because when his baths were constructed, the walls were bricked up, covering the painting."

"Volpe said it was unclear whether the artist had depicted Rome or whether the cityscape was imaginary."

"'It's certainly a city, but I can't say which city it is. It could be an ideal city,' she said." (See the New York Daily News for March 8, 1998, page 52.) (Editor's Comment: I think the fresco is 1,200 years older than Nero's palace. Here's why:

(1) Roman civilization lasted only 800 years. Not long enough to produce "impressionist" art. Roman painting and sculpture, like the Etruscans before them, was painstakingly realistic.

(2) Ponte Vecchio-type bridges and "cream bell-like towers" are not features of Roman architecture.

(3) "Bright red" multi-story buildings are not mentioned in either Roman or Etruscan literature.

(4) Rome was built on the ruins of an earlier city, Saturnia, just as today's Mexico City was built on the Aztec city of Tenochtitlan.

(5) Saturnia was overrun by northern barbarians, the Rasenna, who later became the Etruscans, about the time of the Trojan War in 1,200 B.C. Just as the Vandals overran and sacked Rome itself in 410 A.D.

My theory: The fresco is a remnant of that lost Italian civilization of Saturnia. Remember the strange "Cicero's Daughter" case, that weird catacomb found under Rome's Capitoline Hill back in the Middle Ages?)

ROUNDUP CORRIGENDA:

In a recent story on the UFO sightings in Toms River, New Jersey, your editor cited Ellis Smith's

sighting as taking place at 4:30 p.m. on February 19, 1998. In actuality, the Smith family's sighting took place five days earlier, on Saturday, February 14, 1998.

Ellis Smith writes, "I can also readily ascertain the day it took place, and I believe the event actually began when my family and I were in the theater watching the first showing" of the movie Sphere "which began at 12:30 p.m., Saturday, February 14."

"At 4:30 p.m. (that day), my son age 9, my daughter age 5 and myself were driving home from the theater in Toms River when I noticed about 20 miles to the southwest, 40 to 45 degrees up from the horizon, what appeared to be an 'instant' contrail descending from a very bright white object."

"I informed Starfriends and IUFO almost immediately upon arriving home from where the sighting took place," he added, "and so have the original submissions complete with time stamp."

Mr. Smith has made the original emails and time stamps available to your editor for review. I am satisfied that his family's sighting took place on Saturday, February 14, 1998. UFO ROUNDUP regrets the error. Thank you, Mr. Smith, for helping to set the record straight.

In a story on the 1965 Everglades UFO case, your editor mistakenly identified an airboat as a "swamp buggy." Florida reader Courtland Lewis wrote, "A swamp buggy is an automobile or truck chassis (no body panels) mounted on four oversized, deep-tread mud tires." I stand corrected, Court. Thanks for writing.)

from the UFO Files:

1867: PHENOMENAL HAIL
FALLS IN INDIA

On March 28, 1867, gigantic hailstones pounded the villages north of Adoni, a city in Andhra Pradesh state 424 kilometers (265 miles) northwest of Madras. Here's the original report:

"In Adoni to the north of the talook, at Nakkulmittah and other villages, the hail is described as being the size of cocoa nuts (coconuts) to woodapples, and lying to one foot (25 centimeters) in depth; in some places destroying the wet and dry (season) crops."

"In Gooti, at eight p.m. on the (March) 28th, the hail was described as ranging from the size of bullets to limes..."

"In Anantapur talook the size of the hailstones is apparently incredible. I give, however, the local report, that in a field in the village of Bondalavada, some of the (hail)stones were two-thirds of a cubic yard (576 square inches or 1,152 square centimeters--J.T.) in size."

"In the village of Chadula a cubic span, and in other villages of six seers, or three pounds in weight; this last was verified by the Tahsildar (local official--J.T.). Two men 2,470 sheep and eight cattle were killed, and some thatched houses were destroyed." (See Symon's Monthly Meteorological Magazine, volume 2, number 53 for 1867, "Severe Hailstorm in India." Reprinted in TORNADOS, DARK DAYS, ANOMALOUS PRECIPITATION, AND WEATHER-RELATED PHENOMENA, compiled by William A. Corliss, Sourcebook Project, April 1983, page 100.)

FUN UFO WEBSITES:

The website for NICAP, also known as the National Investigating Committee for Aerial Phenomena, is up and online. UFO news is available at the NICAP site at this URL: <http://www.evansville.net/~slk/ufoi.html>.

Columnist Carole Baker of the Pensacola Beach Islander just opened her website, which lists the latest UFO news from Gulf Breeze, Fla. Carole's "Skywatch Diary" can be found at this URL: <http://www.deleree.com/skywatch-diary/index.html>.

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Today is the birthday of another great-grandad of the Internet. On March 29, 1853, American inventor Elihu Thomson, discoverer of alternating current (AC), was born. Thomson died on March 13, 1937 at age 83, having lived long enough to witness the advent of radio and black-and-white television.

Join us next weekend for more saucer news from "the paper that goes home--UFO ROUNDUP." Have a great week!

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from the table, yelled that he'd been poisoned, and rushed out into the parking lot, where he collapsed and died.

He had just secured funding for a \$50 million research center near Grove City, and there was a police cordon set up around the land where the center was to be built and around his home.

Eyewitnesses reported a number of local police and "men talking to their sleeves" at the house. His widow, family, and lawyer had no comment for the local press.

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Kecksburg Crash Video Released

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Stan Gordon has been researching the alleged UFO crash at Kecksburg, Pennsylvania, for many years and has produced an in-depth 92-minute video documentary that just has been released. His introduction can be found at

<http://www.mtpleasantpa.com/ufo.html>

Subsequently you'll find some material that Don Nellesen has collected.

Is the Government telling the truth about its involvement in the Kecksburg, PA UFO crash?

Was the object that fell man-made, a visitor from another world, or was the story only a hoax?

What was it that caused the military to respond so quickly to this rural community?

Many eyewitness accounts disagree with the Government explanation of what happened at Kecksburg. Information is presented which suggests the possibility that the Government hasn't told the truth about what really happened.

Now for the first time, many new eyewitnesses reveal startling information related to the Kecksburg incident. Stan Gordon has been researching the case for many years and has produced an in-depth 92-minute video documentary on the incident.

Follow the events of December 9, 1965, as twenty-one witnesses describe what they saw in regards to:

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Kecksburg Pennsylvania UFO

The following information was sent to me by Don Nellesen. If you would like to add your account of this mystery, click here and fill out the form! Your information will be posted ASAP!

From: Richard Frager
30th Anniversary of UFO crash at Kecksburg, Dec,9th!!
Date: 6 Dec 1995 01:24:27 GMT

30 years ago on Thursday, December 9, 1995, at about 4:45 p.m. EST, a bright fiery object hurtled across the sky above the Great Lakes, leaving a smoky trail in its wake, until it finally came to ground at Kecksburg, Westmoreland County, in southwestern Pennsylvania, about forty miles southeast of Pittsburgh. The passage of the fiery aerial object was witnessed by many ground observers in several states, as well as by pilots in flight over Lake Erie. As the object veered southeastward over Pittsburgh, calls reporting sightings of it jammed the phone lines of police, the news media, and the Allegheny County Observatory.

Most witnesses thought they were observing a plane going down in flames. But in Kecksburg, where the objects arrived suddenly and made its spectacular landing, the earliest reported eyewitness, a seven year old boy playing outside with his sister, declared that it looked like "a star on fire." The children's mother later described, "a column of blue smoke rising through the trees, "from the woods about a mile away where the object landed, and another "brilliant object," hanging above the tree line and to the left of the smoke column. She described this second objects at resembling a "four-pointed star."

There were other witnesses in different parts of the village who independently saw the object go down into the woods, and at that time, they heard no sound, but momentarily after it happened, they saw the dust rise and a blue column of smoke go up, and in a matter of minutes it dissipated. When they saw this thing coming in, by the descriptions, they were not just seeing a fireball or bright meteor. Some of them had seen this thing pass very close over their heads, it was slow moving, it was gliding in. . it appears to have been a controlled reentry vehicle of some type. . it appears that it was purposely trying not to hit the edge of the ridges, to guide itself around those ridges, and was trying to gain altitude.

Apparently, it did not gain enough over the last ride when it crashed. Not long after the crash, members from the local volunteer fire companies were combing the woods, searching for what was still assumed to be a downed airplane. The state police also arrived, to coordinate the search as well as keep order, as radio and TV news reports of the mysterious, no longer assumed to be a mere airplane, had drawn crowds of curious onlookers to the site for a glimpse of whatever it was. A state police fire marshal, accompanied by an unidentified man carrying a Geiger counter descended into the woods.

Upon their return a few minutes later, the state police fire marshal ordered the woods sealed off. John Murphy, news director of the Greensburg radio station WHJB, was one of the first people on the scene. Murphy knew the fire marshal well, but when he attempted to get information from him as to what he had seen in the woods, received the reply, "I'm not sure. You better get your information from the army." Murphy phone the state police barracks at Greensburg, and was informed by the commanding officer there that personnel from the 662nd Radar Squadron, out of the Oakdale Army Support Facility were expected to arrive and conduct a briefing. Surprisingly, he invited Murphy to attend.

At the barracks Murphy found both Army and Air Force personnel present, and was issued an official denial: "The Pennsylvania

State Police have made a thorough investigation of the woods. We are convinced there is nothing whatsoever in the woods." Despite this, the military-state police contingent departed for those woods where "nothing whatsoever" occurred, taking Murphy with them. When they got there, a whole bunch of military personnel. . in uniform, carrying equipment had arrived. The woods were declared off-limits and was under quarantine. By the time they got back down to the fire hall, there was wall to wall military everywhere: cars, jeeps, trucks, there was military personnel carrying things in. The guys at the door had riffles and they were loaded.

Later that night witnesses saw a military flatbed truck emerge from the woods, lashed on top of it was a large, tarp-shrouded objects, its shaped described variously as resembling an upside down acorn, a mushroom, or a bullet. The military vehicles then left, carrying it's booty/ Then came the explanation: a fallen meteorite, the "nothing whatsoever" that didn't crash into the woods, and that apparently wasn't hauled away under wraps at high speed, either.

Thanks to G.J. Krupey, Stan Gordon and Steamshovel Press.

From: titan@sys6626.bison.mb.ca (Titanium Knight)
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KECKSBURG CRASH CONTROVERSIAL
By Kim Opatka
Bulletin Staff Writer

This final article in a six-part series on unidentified flying objects (UFOs) examines one of the most talked about and controversial incidents in the area, what has been termed a meteorite by some and an alien craft by others, which crashed in Kecksburg December 9, 1965.

The object was first seen streaking across the sky, with thousands from Michigan to New York witnessing a brilliant ball of fire which left a smoke trail, visible for about 20 minutes after it passed.

Many, including pilots who observed it, thought it was an aircraft which was on fire. Reports of debris from the object were made in many states, and an Ohio fire department was called to extinguish 10 small fires in an area where witnesses said they saw flaming fragments falling from the sky.

Shock waves were reported by pilots, and a seismograph near Detroit recorded a shock, wrote investigator Stan Gordon, of Pennsylvania Association for the Study of the Unexplained (PASU) in a recent journal article. The crash has been a pet project of the Greensburg man "since the night it happened," he said, noting he is still trying to obtain information on the incident.

Although the military eventually labeled the object a meteor, as did the Associated Press account published in The Bulletin the day after the crash, Gordon says recent evidence, including the discovery of a man who saw the object, supports the idea that the object was a true UFO.

"I was a teen-ager then," said John (not his real name). "It was in the early part of December and there was a little snow and a little rain, and mud."

He was called to the scene after the 4:44 p.m. crash as a fireman from the Latrobe area, to search for the crashed object.

"I had seen a fiery object in the sky. I can't say exactly which direction but it was coming from the north. It was not too much longer and the fire whistle went off," he said. "I answered the call and was told they needed a search team because at the time

they believed it was a downed aircraft. And I thought, 'My God, this is what I have just seen'."

When firemen arrived at the Kecksburg Fire Hall, maps were reviewed and groups were given sections to search.

"It was getting semi-dusk and we had flashlights. We were taken in the back of a truck and dropped off and told to go 'this way' which we did. I was not on the initial contact team. Another team found the object.

"It was definitely, unequivocally, positively, absolutely no aircraft, plane, helicopter or rocket, at least not to my knowledge. It was in an area that was part field and part woods and we went down to investigate," he said.

"We found the object had crashed at a 30 to 40 degree angle, and had broken off numerous tree branches in its impact path. My initial reaction was 'This is no airplane.' I observed no shrapnel, no breaking up of the fuselage. It was one solid piece, no doors, no windows.

"Preliminary searches found no bodies or casualties. It was shaped like an acorn, laying on its side, like the acorn nut is in its shell when it's on a tree," he explained. "I've been a machinist for 24 years and I've worked with a tremendous amount of different metals, and I have never seen any type of metal that looked even close to that."

John said the object was not broken, "not even cracked, just dented a bit. It did not give off smoke, steam or vapors, at least none that we could see."

Reports from neighbors in the area said it had given off a faint trail of blue smoke, which disappeared after the crash.

He described the portion visible as between eight and 10 feet long, six and seven feet across, and said a man of average height would probably have had little trouble standing up inside it. The crater it plowed into the ground was "rectangular in shape."

John said the state police were there and the area was soon quarantined.

"They drove us out. It was late at night when we finally got back to the fire hall and it had been completely taken over by the military.

They were carrying in large pieces of equipment, radios and such, and they had armed guards posted outside so nobody could get in or out. The firemen were thrown out. We weren't even allowed in to use the bathroom.

"The military had control of the whole operation," John recalled.

"After a while we saw a flat bed truck come by with some other military equipment, a crane or something.

"It was not too much longer, an hour, an hour and a half, when the trucks came back and there was a large object on the back of the flat bed, covered by a tarp, with military escorts front and back. I got the feeling that if you had stepped on the road you were dead meat. They weren't stopping for anything."

Although the object was later said to be a meteorite, John doesn't buy that explanation.

"It had writing on it, not like your average writing, but more like ancient Egyptian hieroglyphics. It had sort of a bumper on it, like a ribbon about six to 10 inches wide, and it stood out. It was elliptical the whole way around and the writing was on this bumper. It's nothing like I've ever seen, and I'm an avid reader. I read a lot of books on Egypt, the Incas, Peruvians, Russians and I've never to this day come across anything that looked like that."

John notes that later it was denied that the object was even a meteorite, and the military "denied they were even in the area. But I know there were Air Force and Army personnel involved. It was like they just came out of the woodwork."

Gordon's research has revealed that one of the military groups involved was most likely to be the 662nd Radar Squadron, based at the Oakdale Armory, located near Greater Pittsburgh International Airport.

The squadron was found to be under the control of the Aerospace Defense Command, and attempts to get information on the Kecksburg crash, through the Freedom of Information Act, have not provided much to go on.

One response said there had been no record of the squadron being activated on that date, Gordon said, wondering how so much equipment and personnel could be activated while the monthly report showed no entry on Dec. 9.

Through his research, Gordon says he knows the Air Force was still investigating UFO cases at the public level then, and that it was apparently the Project Blue Book staff which contacted the 662nd squadron. Subsequent reports have led him to theorize that even the Project Blue Book staff was not made aware of objects which could "affect national security," and that some intelligence teams investigated crashes of "foreign space vehicles."

Another strange occurrence that night, Gordon said, was reports by some civilians that radiation was released. He explained that some children playing in the area had reportedly been told by military personnel that that was a possibility, and men in decontamination suits were allegedly seen at the site later the next day.

Although he has considered the possibility that the object could have been space debris or a test device, Gordon says documents and evidence obtained in the last few years lead more in the direction of it being a "true UFO."

John concurs.

"It was definitely not of this planet. At the time I was a skeptical teen, but when you see something like that you don't forget it. When you get called out like that from the fire department you think you're going out looking for an aircraft of some sort, not a UFO.

"I'll never forget it. I still want to know what the hell it was."

Titanium Knight (titan@sys6626.bison.mb.ca)

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From: Ed Stewart <egs@netcom.com>
Date: Sun, 29 Mar 1998 17:05:38 -0800
Fwd Date: Sun, 29 Mar 1998 23:24:47 -0500
Subject: Fortean Times #108 - April 98

Hello list members,

An essay by Rebecca Keith "Bright Lights and Dim Bulbs" discusses present day ufology. Of interest to this list is the model used for serious researchers, Jan aldrich of Project 1947 - a bright light.

Notable dim bulbs also share copy space.

Check it out.

Ed Stewart

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Re: UFOs in Brazil and South America

From: **glennys mackay** <glenmack@thehub.com.au>
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Fwd Date: Sun, 29 Mar 1998 23:38:48 -0500
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>From: "A.J. Gevaerd (Revista UFO)" <gevaerd@ufo.com.br>
>To: "Lista UFO UpDates" <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: UFOs in Brazil and South America
>Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 20:11:30 -0300

>>>Date: Mon, 23 Mar 1998 16:23:58 -0500
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>>>From: John Velez <jvif@spacelab.net>
>>>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

Hello John
Greetings Errol,

Dear AJ of Brazil,

Let me congratulate you and your team and those of LGW for the excellent job undertaken in putting on the UFO World Congress in Brasilia last December. I hope this will not be the last!!

I have been following all the e-mails received regarding UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame, AJ and the work carried out in Brazil etc. Also Chile Govt. open to UFO's

Firstly I would like to share an experience I had while staying with one of the Top Investigators in Santiago, Chile on the 11th January 1997. This was the night before returning to Australia via Easter islands. As my husband and I were guest of Dr. Mario Geraldo who is a doctor of psychiatry.

He has a private practice in Santiago, as well as the Psychiatrist for the Chile Airforce. It would appear that they have the full co-operation of the Defence Dept in releasing information on the relevant sightings etc....

We were very privileged on the evening of 11th January at approximately 11.56 to witness a large silver disk shaped object fly slowly past his apartment (he is on the 13th floor overlooking the Andes Mountains. This disk shaped object was close enough to count the windows and to see the yellowish light from within. By the time I raced to the bedroom to get my camera, on my return to the balcony the object was out of my visual sight, only to appear as a orange glow in the sky.

Dr. Mario was very excited that as he actually witnessed an object at such close range.....In Chile the UFO groups are receiving calls from all over Chile constantly in regards to sightings and other phenomena relating to UFOs.

It is good to see where its country's Government is prepared to co-operate and take the matter seriously enough to share information with ufologists..

Re: "Public nuisance hall of fame" - Well to me as I read all the nonsense this little man writes - whether it be as a joke or just to discredit these people on his hit list who are endeavouring to bring to the notice of the general public the UFO

sightings etc. regardless who he works for or what he does for a living is of no interest. But, what I think is, the feelings of the people that read this garbage, is sadness, - to think that a person has to sink that low. to discredit anothers work and effort.

We do not have to continue with all this character assassination - please lets get on with sharing positive information without getting down to six year old play ground antics. ` If this guys brains were dynamite he would not have enough to blow the hat off his head' - give him a miss.

Good Luck "AJ" we enjoyed your lectures and how you presented yourself and your fellow colleagues and your country at the Australian International UFO Symposium in 1996 and 1997 in Brisbane, Australia.

regards,
G. Mackay,
MUFON Director for Queensland Australia.

Keep up the good work Errol :)

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Ed,

Good to see you're out and about again. Welcome back.

Errol

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From: Ed Stewart <egs@netcom.com>
Date: Sun, 29 Mar 1998 22:05:40 -0800
Fwd Date: Mon, 30 Mar 1998 12:01:28 -0500
Subject: Re: Fortean Times #108 - April 98

Hello Errol,

> Good to see you're out and about again. Welcome back.

Thanks, Errol. Actually, all this time I was just a stroke away. (GRIN)
It feels like I never left.

Much appreciated,

Ed

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PROJECT-1947: Canadian UFO Survey

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Fwd Date: Mon, 30 Mar 1998 11:56:49 -0500
Subject: PROJECT-1947: Canadian UFO Survey

I am in the process of putting all the Canadian UFO Surveys on the web.

Most of the surveys from the past nine years are now on, and much of the data as well. Out of approximately 2100 cases, the data for about 1500 sightings is now available. Both the surveys and data can be reached at <http://home.cc.umanitoba.ca/~umdittm0> (that's a zero at the end)

I would appreciate any suggestions anyone might have on the format or presentation of the information.

Thanks,
Geoff Dittman
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From: pete.koziar@baltsun.com
Date: Mon, 30 Mar 98 11:47:00 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 30 Mar 1998 14:09:48 -0500
Subject: Re: Lunascan: Moon Base Photo Said Seen By Top

>From: "Steve Wingate" <swingate@crl.com>
>To: The Lunascan Project <lunascan@world.std.com>,
>Date: Mon, 30 Mar 1998 07:54:50 -0800
>Subject: (Fwd) Moon Base Photo Said Seen By Top Security AF Vet!

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>Date: Mon, 30 Mar 1998 05:57:30, -0500
>Subject: IUFO: "THE STRANGE" 3/30/98 Part 2
>Reply-to: iufo@world.std.com

I've read this account before, and here are my observations:

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>Note: The following story was submitted by an Air Force veteran
>with an above top secret security clearance. Although we cannot
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>He states he has not revealed this event to anyone before.

<snip>

>As the only Electronics Repairman on the
>Base with a Cryptologic Security clearance, a step above Top
>Secret,

<snip>

I have heard rumors of such a thing. I live in an area where a
fair number of people work for NSA, and I have heard that NSA
analysts are required to possess this level of clearance.

<snip>

>I was introduced to a man dressed in civilian clothes and
>a lab coat, the head of the project, a Dr. Collie, I
>believe.

Anyone else ever heard of this guy?

<snip>

>An Airman escorted me into a darkroom. Inside, another
>young Airman assembled strips of high resolution 35mm film,
>into what is called a mosaic.

35mm film? Has anyone ever heard of receiving lunar images on
35mm film? I would have thought it would have been in a
much larger format.

<snip>

>The mosaic negative created from that process was then placed
>into a Resolution Enhancing Contact Printer. Photographic paper
>was placed on top of the negative and an exposure begun. The
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>was utilized by a photographic interpreter or scientist who view
>the images under a microscopic type viewer, analyzing the
>features and terrain of the Lunar landscape.

This might have had an effect on contrast, but not on resolution.
You could have gotten the same effects in contrast and brightness
by printing with a different exposure on different grade (or
hardness) paper. Photographic paper is available in greatly
varying contrast grades, and you pick the one that is
appropriate.

What's more telling is that the signal was being received
electronically from the orbiter. Why print it, then scan it
electronically to enhance it when you could have enhanced it
before imaging it originally! Even with 60's era equipment,
brightness and contrast are EASY to adjust electronically (just
adjust the gain (contrast) and offset (brightness)).

<snip>

>Having no spare parts on hand,

How likely is this? Such an important, top-secret project relying
on an old piece of equipment with no spare parts around? That
might be the state of NASA today :), but not in the late 60's!

<snip>

>I said, "what do you mean" and again he said, "they have
>discovered a base on the Moon" and, surreptitiously, at the same
>time dropped a photograph in front of me. There it was, a mosaic
>print of the surface of the Moon, with some sort of geometric
>structures clearly visible. Scrutinizing the image naively, I
>could see spheres and towers. My first thought was, "Whose base
>is it? " Then I realized the full implication: it was not anyone
>of this earth.

Where did the airman get the photo? How did they print the photo
if the machine that made photos was down?

I'm very sceptical of this account. In addition, a room full of
international scientists could keep a secret about as well as a
room full of kindergardeners.
Surely, some scientist or grad student on his deathbed would have
slipped SOMETHING, or had a shoebox full of copies of these
images.

- Pete Koziar

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ATTN: At the time of this mailing, I have gotten notice that THE STRANGE WEB SITE will be up and running in a few days...I will keep you all notified when the site is done!

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Nearly thirty years ago, my Supervising Sergeant called me aside and informed me that there was a technical problem in a highly-classified area elsewhere on the Air Base. At that time, all systems were expanding to support increased military efforts for the Viet Nam War. As a part of that, it was my job to support and maintain highly-classified Intelligence and Reconnaissance related Electronic Photographic Systems, recently installed in a new Top Secret facility on the Base. Our unit was under the auspices of the Director of Intelligence at Headquarters SAC, Tactical Air Command, Langley Field, Virginia.

My Supervisor shared that the Lunar Orbiter program had encountered a problem with an Electronic Photographic Contact Printer, identical to equipment that was utilized in the Dark Rooms of our own Unit. This was the first Lunar Orbiter program, the purpose of which was to bring back the first pictures of the surface of the Moon. Photos that would later be utilized to select an appropriate landing site for the first maned landing on the Moon in 1969. As the only Electronics Repairman on the Base with a Cryptologic Security clearance, a step above Top Secret, I was being loaned to the project to see if I could resolve the system problem. More than excited at the prospect of helping out and possibly having a chance to view the first close up photos of the surface of the Moon, I was briefed on security, and gathered the appropriate equipment and tools for the task.

Driving across the Base on the perimeter access road that skirted the flat dusty fields and long runways in the distance, I noticed an experimental Helicopter hovering fly like, in the air just above and to the south of the massive arching metal-grey hanger

one of the largest on the Base that housed the Lunar Orbiter project.

Upon entering the hanger, I was asked to present my Top Secret Identity Badge in exchange for their internal higher level Identity Badge. This was to be worn around the neck on a chain. Another guard escorted me through a series of security doors to an expansive open area within the hanger. Large black fabric curtains hung from a metal grid suspended from the ceiling. This in effect cordoned off various working areas within a larger space. Passing through one of the draped areas, I entered a large open space where people in small groups stood, talking quietly with a sense of seriousness and concern. I was immediately struck by the number of people who were present, what appeared to be civilians, scientists from other countries. With a bit of instant shock and judgement I thought to my self, why are they here? I had a very strange feeling, a feeling that something is off here, something is not quite right.

I was introduced to a man dressed in civilian clothes and a lab coat, the head of the project, a Dr. Collie, I believe. In a very gracious and reserved manner, bringing to mind an image of Sherlock Holmes, he softly conveyed to me that the equipment in question was holding up the processing of the first photographs of the surface of the Moon and also that photos could not be provided for study and release to the world and how grateful they would be if there was anything that I could do.

An Airman escorted me into a darkroom. Inside, another young Airman assembled strips of high resolution 35mm film, into what is called a mosaic. He was placing, side-by-side, successively numbered photographic scans of the lunar surface, transmitted back to earth from the Lunar Orbiter. Each surface scan covered a narrow band of terrain and successive orbits around the Moon were required to assemble a complete photographic image of the Lunar terrain.

The mosaic negative created from that process was then placed into a Resolution Enhancing Contact Printer. Photographic paper was placed on top of the negative and an exposure begun. The negative was scanned by an electron light beam generated by a large Cathode Ray Tube, similar to the tube in a black and white Television set. The light beam picked up by a photo multiplier tube and through a feedback loop, modulated by the various changes in density of the photographic negative, enhancing the contrast, brightness and resolution of the image in the process. The resulting 9.5 inch by 18 inch high resolution contact print was utilized by a photographic interpreter or scientist who view the images under a microscopic type viewer, analyzing the features and terrain of the Lunar landscape.

Left alone in the faint red light of the darkroom with the Airman and equipment, much of which I had never seen before, I began to question the technician, attempting to discern what the problem might be with the ailing contact printer. After a few minutes of investigation, it was clear that there was a problem with the electronic control circuitry comprised of several small plug-in circuit modules. Having no spare parts on hand, it was clear that I would have to trouble shoot each module on a component by component basis, a very tedious and time consuming process at best. This was something that could not be done in the faint red light of a dark room. The unit would have to be removed from the dark room and taken into a more appropriate space to allow for the accomplishment of the task.

Turning to talk with the Airman on the other side of the room, questions floated into my head. I was curious and fascinated with the whole process. How were the signals from the Lunar Orbiter transmitted to the lab? How were they converted into images on photographic film? How were the images correlated and aligned into the final mosaic negative. I knew these were all questions that I should not ask and at the same time I was alone with an Airman who was as obviously as enthusiastic as I was about his job.

Under normal operating conditions, many other people would have filled the lab, part of the assembly line of production. But, here we were and I began to ask all those questions. After about thirty minutes of technical discussion and a complete rundown on all the steps in the process, the Airman turned to me and said candidly, "you know they've discovered a base on the back side of

the Moon". I said, "what do you mean" and again he said, "they have discovered a base on the Moon" and, surreptitiously, at the same time dropped a photograph in front of me. There it was, a mosaic print of the surface of the Moon, with some sort of geometric structures clearly visible. Scrutinizing the image naively, I could see spheres and towers. My first thought was, "Whose base is it?" Then I realized the full implication: it was not anyone of this earth.

I did not dwell on the photograph, I quickly took it in visually and moved away in case someone should enter the lab. I knew that I had been given a gift, information that I should not have seen. With my reference being that of a dutiful Airman, I asked no further questions and went about my business, quietly thinking to myself that I couldn't wait to hear about this on the News in the next few days! Do what ever you can to get this thing fixed...so the world can see this and here about it.

Two days of labors paid off, a tiny diode on one of the circuit cards had shorted. Replacing the defective component, I was as surprised as anyone that I had found the problem. Dr. Collie was more than pleased and offered several of the first photographs of the Lunar surface to me in appreciation of my efforts. As he autographed some of the prints for me, I longed to ask more questions about the Moon Base but knew that, that was forbidden, and that I would have to wait for the evening News for the answers along with the rest of the world.

Here it is more than thirty years later, and I am still waiting to hear the report on the Evening News of what was found on the back side of the Moon.

I feel that it is my moral obligation to take the risk to come forward with this information at this time. Especially after a recent request by Astronaut Dr. Edgar Mitchell, who has asked that those who have information which could help shed light on the ongoing cover-up of an Extraterrestrial Presence by the Military and Government.

If you have information and want to help, please contact CSETI, The Center for the Study of Extraterrestrial Intelligence, the only worldwide organization dedicated to establishing peaceful and sustainable relations with extraterrestrial life forms. CSETI was founded in 1991 by Dr. Steven M. Greer, who is the International Director. Please contact Dr. Greer on the Web at <http://www.cseti.com/> or by phone at 704-274-5671. Email eotl@west.net

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BWW Media Alert 980330

From: BufoCalvin <BufoCalvin@aol.com>
Date: Mon, 30 Mar 1998 08:26:37 EST
Fwd Date: Mon, 30 Mar 1998 17:06:57 -0500
Subject: BWW Media Alert 980330

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March 30, 1998

Once again, short on time, but here goes. Times listed are generally Pacific.

TELEVISION

A&E

Wednesday, April 8, 4:00 AM, ALIEN ABDUCTIONS
Thursday, April 9, 4:00 AM, EXTRATERRESTRIALS (UFO believers, Skeptics, etc.)

THE DISCOVERY CHANNEL

Monday, March 30, 10:00 PM, MYSTERIES OF THE UNEXPLAINED: STRANGE BEINGS AND UFOS (alien abductions, Nessie, yetis)
Tuesday, March 30, 2:00 AM, MYSTERIES OF THE UNEXPLAINED: STRANGE BEINGS AND UFOS (alien abductions, Nessie, yetis)
Wednesday, April 1, 10:00 PM, MYSTERIES OF THE UNEXPLAINED: POWER OF THE PARANORMAL (telepathy, psychics, etc.)
Thursday, April 2, 2:00 AM, MYSTERIES OF THE UNEXPLAINED: POWER OF THE PARANORMAL (telepathy, psychics, etc.)
Sunday, April 5, 3:00 PM, MYSTERIES OF THE UNEXPLAINED: STRANGE BEINGS AND UFOS (alien abductions, Nessie, yetis)
Sunday, April 5, 5:00 PM, MYSTERIES OF THE UNEXPLAINED: POWER OF THE PARANORMAL (telepathy, psychics, etc.)
Monday, April 6, 10:00 PM, INSIDE AREA 51
Tuesday, April 7, 2:00 AM, INSIDE AREA 51

PBS

NOVA this week may be repeating "KIDNAPPED BY UFOS?" in your area. Highly controversial, mostly skeptical program. On the other hand, some stations seem to be running arch-skeptic James "The Amazing" Randi's "SECRETS OF THE PSYCHICS" episode.

THE SCI-FI CHANNEL

Generally still running SIGHTINGS at 5:00 PM and 9:00 PM: repeats of the one-hour episodes.
Tuesday, March 31, 5:00 PM (repeated at 9:00 PM), SIGHTINGS IN DEPTH AND BEYOND: SECRETS OF ALIEN ABDUCTION (This is the two hour "special")

SYNDICATED

LEEZA

Tuesday, Psychics

STRANGE UNIVERSE

Monday, March 30, 1998 (repeat of #2001)
Heavy D's Message From Heaven
Tuesday, March 31, 1998 (repeat of #2002)
New Area 51
Thursday, April 2, 1998 (repeat of #2004)
Arizona UFO Update
Friday, April 3, 1998 (repeat of #2005)

Encore presentation of Strange Universe episode #2005
Rock Legend George Clinton and the Mothership

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Re: Lunascan: Moon Base Photo Said Seen By Top

From: VestAJes <VestAJes@aol.com>
Date: Mon, 30 Mar 1998 15:06:58 EST
Fwd Date: Mon, 30 Mar 1998 19:12:57 -0500
Subject: Re: Lunascan: Moon Base Photo Said Seen By Top

In a message dated 98-03-30 11:49:40 EST, pete.koziar@baltsun.com writes:

>35mm film? Has anyone ever heard of receiving lunar images on
>35mm film? I would have thought it would have been in
>a much larger format.

No. They sent the images down in an analog video format and reconstructed segments of the images on the ground. Below is the description of the photographic experiment on LO-1 - from:

<http://nssdc.gsfc.nasa.gov/planetary/lunar/lunarorbldata.html>

>How likely is this? Such an important, top-secret project
>relying on an old piece of equipment with no spare parts
>around? That might be the state of NASA today :), but not
>in the late 60's!

Highly likely or inevitable for a couple of reasons.

1. NASA is an orphan agency and as such had no supply priority back in the early days of the Lunar exploration program. Later, they found a way to work the AF supply system and compete with the combat wings getting all the spares.
2. The equipment being used was ground support equipment and as such was historically poorly spared. That meant that the technician had to troubleshoot down to the bulk supplied piece or part. In this case a diode.
3. This was special purpose equipment and as such did not have the logistics tail that high volume military equipment had. There may have been one or two of these machines and some sort of on call contract with the various vendors. Because they called a crypto repair tech and not a vendor indicates that there was compelling reasons for keeping uncleared civilians out of the loop.

>Where did the airman get the photo?

He ran a test print (routine procedure) while the machine was still operating.

>How did they print the photo if the machine that made photos was
>down?

The machine operated for a while then malfunctioned.

>I'm very sceptical of this account.>>

This account agrees exactly with my experience during the Pre-Vietnam era. In terms of photo interpretation, the reason the crypto technician was there was the photo interp person could not fix the machine. The Tech fixing the equipment was not qualified to interpret the images.

>In addition, a room full of international scientists could keep
>a secret about as well as a room full of kindergardeners.

I find this argument to be the most speculative of all. How can

we say, at this point in time, what intimidation method and or compulsions drove the scientists to keep or maintain a secret for this long.

>Surely, some scientist or grad student on his deathbed would
>have slipped SOMETHING, or had a shoebox full of copies of these
>images.

Each of the compound images was numbered and put under inventory control in a climate controlled vault. These became the first generation archive for all subsequent reproductions. If any alterations were made it was not to the originals, but to the second and third generation photos. No one can get to the first generation images even today. I am told they are still stored somewhere at Johnson space center.

LO 1 Experiment Description

This experiment consisted of a dual-lens camera system designed to satisfy the primary mission objective of providing photographic information for the evaluation of Apollo and Surveyor landing sites. An 80-mm lens system was used to obtain Medium-Resolution (MR) photos, and a 610-mm lens system was used for High-Resolution (HR) photos. The two separate lens, shutter, and platen systems utilized the same film supply and recorded imagery simultaneously in adjacent areas of 70-mm film. Automatic sequences of 1, 4, 8, or 16 photos were obtained. At an altitude of 46 km, which was approximately the perilune height, the HR system photographed a 4.15- by 16.6-km area of the lunar surface which was centered on a 31.6- by 37.4-km area photographed by the MR system. At apolune, which occurred on the farside at about 1850-km altitude, the areas photographed were correspondingly larger. The film was bimat processed on board and optically scanned, and the resulting video signal was telemetered to ground stations. Film density readout was accomplished by a high-intensity light beam focused to a 6.4-micron-diameter spot on the spacecraft film. The spot scanner swept 2.67 mm in the long dimension of the spacecraft film. This process was repeated 286 times for each millimeter of film scanned. The raster was composed of 2.67- by 65-mm scan lines along the film. The video signal received at the ground station was recorded on magnetic tape and also fed to Ground Reconstruction Equipment (GRE), which reproduced the portion of the image contained in one raster on a 35-mm film positive framelet. Over 26 framelets were required for a complete MR photograph and 86 for a complete HR image. Of the 211 simultaneous exposures obtained, 206 MR photos and 13 HR photos were considered usable. A shutter malfunction prevented normal exposure of most of the HR imagery. Eight each of the usable MR and HR photos are of the lunar farside, and two of these include the earth's image. Except of the shutter malfunction, experiment performance was nominal until the final readout on September 14, 1966. A detailed description of the experiment, a bibliography, and indexes of all the available Lunar Orbiter 1 through 5 photos are contained in the report 'Lunar Orbiter Photographic Data,' NSSDC 69-05, June 1969.

Jon Floyd
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1998 MUFON Mid-Atlantic UFO Symposium

From: **Steven Kaeser** <steve@konsulting.com>
Date: Mon, 30 Mar 1998 16:09:37 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 30 Mar 1998 20:27:37 -0500
Subject: 1998 MUFON Mid-Atlantic UFO Symposium

If you live in the Mid-Atlantic region, you might want to put this event on your calendar.

The 1998 MUFON Mid-Atlantic UFO Symposium is taking place on May 9th, from 9:00am to 9:00pm in Bethesda, Maryland.

The Program is scheduled to include:

Dr. David Jacobs - of Temple University, who has been involved in the Alien Abduction phenomenon for a number of years, recently released "The Threat".

Linda Moulton Howe (tentative) - noted UFO and cattle mutilation researcher, who has just released her new book "Glimpses of Other Realities: High Strangeness Vol 2".

Bruce Maccabee - Co-author of "UFOs are Real, Here's the Proof", and will speak about the August, 1997 Mexico City Video.

Dr. Charles Emmons - of Gettysburg College, and author of "At the Threshold, UFO Science in the New Age".

Robert Hall - Sociologist and commentator on the UFO Abduction phenomena

Charles Halt (tentative) - Speaking about his first hand experiences at Bentwaters.

The event will be held at the Bethesda Ramanda Inn, 8400 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, Maryland [1.5 miles south of Interstate 495 (exit 34 - Wisconsin Avenue) - 2 blocks from the Medical Center metro]. Parking at the Inn is \$5.00 for the day, and there is free Saturday parking about a block away.

The cost for the entire day is \$40.00, which includes a buffet luncheon, with a reduced fee of \$35.00 for the afternoon and evening, and \$30.00 for the evening only. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

Those who want to stay at the Inn may call (301) 654-1000 for reservations. A block of 20 rooms is being held until April 9th for both Friday and Saturday nights.

This is the third year in a row for this Spring event, and it looks like this will be an interesting day of information for all who attend.

Email questions may be directed to Bruce Maccabee or myself.

Steven Kaeser
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Re: Information needed on VanTassel

From: "Jerome Clark" <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
Date: Mon, 30 Mar 98 18:34:21 PST
Fwd Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 05:41:21 -0500
Subject: Re: Information needed on VanTassel

> Date: Fri, 20 Mar 1998 19:37:32 -0500
> From: Tom Benson <sparkle@earthlink.net>
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Information needed on VanTassel

> > From: "Ben Field" <ben@abcfield.force9.co.uk>
> > To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <updates@globalserve.net>
> > Subject: Information needed on VanTassel
> > Date: Fri, 20 Mar 1998 07:52:23 -0000

> > I am doing some research for someone who emailed me asking for
> > help to find information on VanTassel, I have been unsuccessful
> > and was hoping someone here could help.

> Jerome Clark's The UFO Encyclopedia, vol. 2, Pgs. 390-391 discusses Van
> Tassel at length. Van Tassel died in 1978. Sources are also given. This
> book is in print or available through inter-library loan.

> Tom Benson

Tom,

Thanks for the plug. The same information appears in the
paperback abridgement, 'The UFO Book', available in your local
bookstore.

Though almost forgotten today, George Van Tassel was arguably the
most influential contactee of the 1950s, maybe of all time, even
more so than George Adamski. The modern contactee movement
begins with the public channelings Van Tassel began in southern
California in January 1952. His 'I Rode a Flying Saucer!' appeared
the same year, predating the Leslie/Adamski 'Flying Saucers Have
Landed' by nearly a year.

Jerry Clark

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Re: Lunascan: Moon Base Photo Said Seen By Top

From: Bob Shell <bob@bobshell.com>
Date: Mon, 30 Mar 1998 18:58:11 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 05:39:09 -0500
Subject: Re: Lunascan: Moon Base Photo Said Seen By Top

>From: pete.koziar@baltsun.com
>Date: Mon, 30 Mar 98 11:47:00 -0500
>To: <lunascan@world.std.com>
>Subject: Re: (Fwd) Moon Base Photo Said Seen By Top Security AF Vet!

>>From: "Steve Wingate" <swingate@crl.com>
>>To: The Lunascan Project <lunascan@world.std.com>,
>>Date: Mon, 30 Mar 1998 07:54:50 -0800
>>Subject: (Fwd) Moon Base Photo Said Seen By Top Security AF Vet!

>>----- Forwarded Message Follows -----
>>From: [SHORT AND SASSY@prodigy.com](mailto:SHORT_AND_SASSY@prodigy.com) (MRS LOUISE A LOWRY)
>>Date: Mon, 30 Mar 1998 05:57:30, -0500
>>Subject: IUFO: "THE STRANGE" 3/30/98 Part 2
>>Reply-to: iufo@world.std.com

>I've read this account before, and here are my observations:

>>An Airman escorted me into a darkroom. Inside, another
>>young Airman assembled strips of high resolution 35mm film,
>>into what is called a mosaic.

>>35mm film? Has anyone ever heard of receiving lunar images on
>>35mm film? I would have thought it would have been in a
>>much larger format.

This is totally ridiculous! No, 35 mm film would NOT be used
for something like this. If the images were transmitted by the
orbiting platform, then there would be no need for film at all.
At least this part of the story is bullshit.

><snip>

>>The mosaic negative created from that process was then placed
>>into a Resolution Enhancing Contact Printer. Photographic paper
>>was placed on top of the negative and an exposure begun. The
>>negative was scanned by an electron light beam generated by a
>>large Cathode Ray Tube, similar to the tube in a black and white
>>Television set. The light beam picked up by a photo multiplier
>>tube and through a feedback loop, modulated by the various
>>changes in density of the photographic negative, enhancing the
>>contrast, brightness and resolution of the image in the process.
>>The resulting 9.5 inch by 18 inch high resolution contact print
>>was utilized by a photographic interpreter or scientist who view
>>the images under a microscopic type viewer, analyzing the
>>features and terrain of the Lunar landscape.

>This might have had an effect on contrast, but not on resolution.
>You could have gotten the same effects in contrast and brightness
>by printing with a different exposure on different grade (or
>hardness) paper. Photographic paper is available in greatly
>varying contrast grades, and you pick the one that is
>appropriate.

Right on. More photographic nonsense. I think this makes the
whole account highly unlikely to be anything more than a
"tall tale".

>What's more telling is that the signal was being received

>electronically from the orbiter. Why print it, then scan it
>electronically to enhance it when you could have enhanced it
>before imaging it originally! Even with 60's era equipment,
>brightness and contrast are EASY to adjust electronically (just
>adjust the gain (contrast) and offset (brightness)).

Yes, right again. It's nonsense, pure and simple.

Bob

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Albert, It Just Goes On And On

From: [Stig Agermose@online.pol.dk](mailto:Stig.Agermose@online.pol.dk) (Stig Agermose)
Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 01:24:56 +0100
Fwd Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 05:36:38 -0500
Subject: Albert, It Just Goes On And On

>From the San Francisco Examiner. URL:

<http://www.sfgate.com/cgi-bin/article.cgi?file=3D/examiner/hotnews/stories/30/einstein.dtl&type=3Dprintable>

Giant bullseye found in space
By Keya Davidson
EXAMINER SCIENCE WRITER
Monday, March 30, 1998
=A91998 San Francisco Examiner

Image predicted by Einstein's theory

TV magicians pretend to make the Statue of Liberty disappear and to vaporize airplanes behind curtains -- but they can't top Mother Nature's newly discovered magic trick.

What may be the most spectacular optical illusion in the universe -- a monstrous bullseye or cosmic mirage in the night sky -- has been spotted by British astronomers. The bullseye, which resembles a series of fuzzy rings-within-rings like those on a dart board, isn't a physical object.

Rather, it formed when a phenomenon called a gravitational lens twisted light from a nearby galaxy into the shape of a bullseye, fulfilling a prediction that famed physicist Albert Einstein made in the 1930s.

"At first sight it looks artificial, and we thought it was some kind of defect in the image," said Ian Browne of the University of Manchester, one of the discoverers. "But then we realized we were actually looking at a perfect Einstein ring!"

The bullseye -- which, if real, would be hundreds or thousands of light-years across -- has been detected both by the Hubble Space Telescope and the 135-mile-wide Merlin array of six radiotelescopes in England. A light-year is 6 trillion miles, the distance that a beam of light travels in a year. The nearest star to Earth is 4 light-years away.

"The Hubble picture (of the 'ring') is a beautiful demonstration of Einstein's ideas since, for the first time, it shows a complete ring surrounding the galaxy that created it," said a statement issued by astronomer Jacqueline Milton of the Royal Astronomical Society.

For almost two decades, astronomers have cataloged numerous gravitational lenses across the universe, but none as grandiose as the bullseye. Previous gravitational lenses showed blob- or banana-shaped glows, formed when the gravitational lens -- actually the combined gravity of millions of stars -- twists light from a galaxy into a strange shape.

In the 1910s, astronomers first detected evidence that the gravitational pull of the sun can affect light from a star, causing it

to appear to be in a slightly different position in the sky.

Einstein predicted this effect as part of his general theory of relativity. Later, in the 1930s, he forecast that under the right conditions, light from a galaxy could be twisted into a perfect ring shape.

Einstein's theory offered a new concept of gravity, according to which gravity is not an invisible force that grabs distant objects, as his famed predecessor Sir Isaac Newton had believed. Rather, gravity results from the warping of space and time themselves.

Bizarre as it still sounds, the general theory of relativity has become the bedrock of modern cosmology -- the study of the origin, evolution and fate of the cosmos. The discovery of the giant ring is a reminder that humans inhabit an Einsteinian universe.

The image is reproduced on the Web at

www.jb.man.ac.uk/merlin/press/PR9801/picture1.html

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UFOs An "End-Times Deception"

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Subject: UFOs An "End-Times Deception"

>From Michigan Live. URL:

<http://www.mlive.com/kooks/stories/19970527rapture.html>

UFOs Demonic Harbingers of The End

Some think mass landings of UFOs around the year 2000 will soon bring friendly Space Brothers who will save humanity and usher in a New Age of spiritual enlightenment. But millennial doomsayers at Watcher Ministries in Missoula, Montana say that this story just isn't true: instead, it's what the aliens would like us to believe. It's no less than an "Angelic Conspiracy and End-Times Deception."

UFOs, they say, are really the fallen angels from scripture and Satan is the intelligence behind them. "The Satanic confederation" they write, "has its seat in the atmospheric heaven in the spaces above and around our world." Hell isn't below our world-it's above it. Moreover, the Antichrist, whose appearance is a sure sign of the End Times, will honor Satan, Lord of UFOs.

The aliens will continue to deceive mankind up until the very end, while they busy themselves manipulating our genes. Those who channel messages from the aliens or believe their story will be in for a rude surprise when their identities are revealed at The End=E4 coming very soon.

View the web of deception in full color at the Watcher Ministries web site:

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Art Bell Brings News About The Kecksburg Crash

From: macgreg@aol.com, Stig_Agermose@online.pol.dk (Stig Agermose)
Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 03:06:43 +0100
Fwd Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 06:06:54 -0500
Subject: Art Bell Brings News About The Kecksburg Crash

Received via "alt.alien.visitors" March 30 at 10.57 local time
(GMT + 1 hour):

Date: 30 Mar 1998 08:52:53 GMT
From: macgreg@aol.com (MacGreg)
Subject: Pennsylvania Roswell
Message-ID: <1998033008525301.DAA28424@ladder01.news.aol.com>

(snipped)

FYI, Stan Gordon and two witnesses to aspects of the crash of an object at Kecksburg on December 9, 1965 were interviewed on Art Bell's Dreamland program Sunday night, March 29, 1998.

One individual, a fireman, was present at the site and was able to study the object for some time before the military arrived (he saw unusual raised pictograms around its circumference which, after subsequent investigation, seemed to have no origin in human linguistic expression).

The other witness was a truck driver who saw the object after it was transported to Wright Patterson Air Force Base. The truck driver watched while military personnel in protective suits used several methods (blow torches, a liquid which he assumed was a type of acid) to attempt to open the object.

After they did successfully did this, they removed something and placed it on a table under a white sheet. The truck driver saw only what appeared to be an arm hanging off the table covered with what he described as something reminiscent of reptilian skin of a dark red-green color. The arm ended in a hand composed of three fingers.

The truck driver was threatened; they told him he had seen nothing, and that they could easily "lose him" in the spaces around that area. He wanted to relate his experiences before he passed on.

To make a better-informed decision by hearing the full context and details surrounding the experiences of the two men, listen to this program as archived on Art Bell's website.

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UK.UFO.NW -IRC- guest Nick Redfern

From: **United Kingdom UFO Network** <ufo@holodeck.demon.co.uk>
Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 00:55:56 +0000
Fwd Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 05:54:10 -0500
Subject: UK.UFO.NW -IRC- guest Nick Redfern

UNITED KINGDOM UFO NETWORK

- Please note that uk.ufo.nw have now changed IRC servers. We now meet on Chatnet. A full list of Chatnet servers can be found at the foot of this mail -

Saturday 4th April 1998

United Kingdom UFO Network special guest:

Nick Redfern

Nick will be answering your questions live in a moderated meeting taking place at 11pm UK time on Saturday 4th April 1998.

Nicholas Redfern has gained unprecedented access to thousands of previously classified Ministry of Defence and Royal Air Force files on UFOs. He has interviewed qualified RAF pilots who have pursued UFOs in Britain's airspace; radar operators who have tracked vast UFOs flying over the British Isles; military personnel who have seen UFOs at close quarters; and Ministry of Defence civil servants officially appointed to investigate LVFO encounters on behalf of the British Government. All these reports are by sources well-qualified to evaluate the data, such as airline and military pilots, speaking on the record.

Nicholas Redfern is a dedicated, full-time UFO researcher, writing on a regular basis for numerous UFO publications, including the bestselling UFO Magazine. He is one of the most respected UFO researchers in the country and his reports have prompted questions in Parliament.

He has contributed crucial material to Timothy Good's books Alien Liaison and Beyond Top Secret and lectures throughout the country at Universities and conferences, and has appeared on a variety of radio and television programmes including BBC TV's Out of this World. His interest in UFOs was prompted by his father's RAF involvement in the tracking of a UFO over the north sea in 1952, after which he was sworn to secrecy by his superiors.

Having examined the available evidence, Nicholas Redfern is convinced that there is an active alien presence on the Earth, and that official confirmation of such presence will soon be forthcoming.

He is currently at work on a follow up book, THE FBI FILES. He lives in Walsall in the West Midlands.

Nicks latest book details:

"For almost half a century, you have been denied access to the facts which lie behind discoveries of monumental proportion."
Nicholas Redfern The shocking truth of the British Government's UFO conspiracy is revealed for the first time in...

A COVERT AGENDA
WITH AN INTRODUCTION BY NICK POPE

A conspiracy of silence has existed at the highest levels of the British Government to prevent the general public from learning the shocking facts which lie behind one of the most emotive

issues of our time - unidentified flying objects. Now, the truth can be told.

If you are using one of the dedicated IRC programs such as the excellent MIRC available free from: <http://www.mirc.co.uk/> enter one of the below irc server addresses into your program. The nearer the server to your location the faster the connection. If one fails then try another.

MIRC is probably the best IRC program there is and it's free. To download MIRC for Win95 or Win 3.1/3.11 fully configured for connection goto:

<http://www.holodeck.demon.co.uk>

Select 'Other Files' button.

To connect to the IRC channel using your java compatible web browser goto:

<http://www.holodeck.demon.co.uk>

<http://www.crowman.demon.co.uk>

-Chatnet Servers-

LosAngeles.CA.US.ChatNet.Org
Pocatello.ID.US.ChatNet.Org
Chelmsford.MA.US.ChatNet.Org
Louisville.KY.US.ChatNet.Org
Portland.OR.US.Chatnet.Org
SLC.UT.US.ChatNet.Org
k9.chatnet.org
Tupelo.MS.US.Chatnet.Org
RockHill.SC.US.ChatNet.Org
StLouis.MO.US.Chatnet.Org
Pensacola.FL.US.ChatNet.org
Chicago.IL.US.ChatNet.Org
Skien.NO.EU.ChatNet.Org
London.UK.EU.ChatNet.Org
Dayton.OH.US.ChatNet.Org
Scranton.PA.US.ChatNet.Org
SF.CA.US.ChatNet.Org
ChatWorld.ChatNet.Org
WalnutCreek.CA.US.ChatNet.Org

Times of the meeting will vary depending on your part of the world. We advise you to check for equivalent UK times.

We look forward to seeing you there.

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CAUS Files Suit Over Roswell

From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
Date: Mon, 30 Mar 1998 23:19:26 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 06:22:33 -0500
Subject: CAUS Files Suit Over Roswell

>From: Ylseohb <Ylseohb@aol.com> [Bill Hoesly]
>Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 09:11:18 EST
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: AP: CAUS Files Suit Over Roswell

>In his book Lt. Col. Corso claims also that they brought down a
>UFO over Ramstein, Germany in 1974 using 'Star Wars' technology.

>Has anyone heard whether or not any 'ebe's ' survived this
>experience...and if so, where they might be held...etc? thanks
>for any input...bill h.

I suspect that is a crock of excrement. There was no "star wars" in 1974. Any technology which, ten years later, was part of "star wars" was not sufficiently developed to bring down anything in 1974 (there were rockets, but no lasers, particle beam weapons or railguns).

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Re: New Video From Gulf Breeze

From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
Date: Mon, 30 Mar 1998 23:19:35 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 06:33:43 -0500
Subject: Re: New Video From Gulf Breeze

>From: "Leanne Martin" <leanne_martin@hotmail.com>
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: New Video From Gulf Breeze
>Date: Fri, 27 Mar 1998 05:54:49 PST

>Hello all at UFO UpDates,

>Tonight at 10:30p.m. (local time - Sydney, Oz) a half hour docu
>on the Gulf Breeze sightings was broadcast on a local t.v.
>station.

>Included was some footage and stills of ufo activity. What I
>found of particular interest was a story of five military people
>who went a.w.o.l. a few years ago taking with them 'evidence' of
>government/alien technology activity. They were apparently given
>honourable discharges after some negotiations about the public
>release of the said 'evidence'.

The army deserter story of 1991 was, indeed bizarre....because
they were never charged with desertion. They left their top
secret listening post (where they listened to communist bloc
secret radio messages) in Germany because they had been playing
with a ouja board and had received "messages" about coming
catastrophes in th earth.

They also had collected a lot of saucer-related information from
the internet. They were afraid the end was coming soon and they
didn't want to be in Germany when it happened.... so they simply
departed. They did not steal government classified documents.
However, the US government did not know this until the
investigation which began when they were apprehended in Gulf
Breeze. They had gone to GB, not to see UFOs, but to visit a
friend who lived there and who could provide them temporary
housing. They were discovered when a local policeman stopped them
for driving a van with a broken taillight.

Although they deserted their posts, they were not court
martialed. Instead they were given honorable discharges. Why was
that?

SPECULATION ON MY PART: the intelligence agency was
embarrassed: how did these people pass the security tests? IF
there had been a court martial there would have been a lot of
questions about the quality of screening procedures for selection
of people to operate in classified environments (such as the
"listening post" where these people were stationed).

The actual connection with ufology is minimal.

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A.J. - Off-Line "for a couple of weeks"

From: "A. J. Gevaerd" <gevaerd@ufo.com.br>
Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 07:05:36 -0300
Fwd Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 07:06:24 -0500
Subject: A.J. - Off-Line "for a couple of weeks"

Hi Folks!

I will be temporarily out of town for a couple of weeks and apologize for delaying any answer. I will be lecturing at the 7th International San Marino UFO Symposium and attending a series of conferences in Europe from Tuesday, March 31 to Monday, April 13.

I am bringing brand new footage of UFOs taken in Brazil in the last week, including a film of a "device" over S=E3o Paulo last January, observed by 30 minutes. In San Marino I will also deliver a presentation about the Operation Saucer, the official Brazilian initiative to investigate ET's presence in the Amazon.

A. J. Gevaerd
Brazilian UFO Magazine
gevaerd@ufo.com.br

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PROJECT-1947: Peer Review

From: Jan Aldrich <jan@CYBERZONE.NET>
Date: Mon, 30 Mar 1998 20:18:42 -0800
Fwd Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 07:51:33 -0500
Subject: PROJECT-1947: Peer Review

I guess we don't really want peer-review. When we get it, we cry, "foul" or "naysayers." If someone demands a good hard look at something, they become negative.

Stokes: What is the real import of this case? Is it the sunburn, em effects? There are certainly better cases with *verified* multiple witnesses! Correct me if I am wrong, but no other witnesses were located.

The importance of the Stokes case is the apparent official obfuscation encountered here. (The Stokes case might also have problems as indicated from Coral Lorenzen's letter to Major Keyhoe, I can't lay my hands on this at the moment.) I advised caution and attempt to locate Stokes or his relatives. Even so, again, what is the import of the case?

Socorro: One of the investigators was Ray Stanford. Hynek, McDonald and a number of other investigated this case, also. Stanford may have noticed a lot of things others did not. However, given his track record before and after Socorro, I would view anything that can't be collaborated with caution.

Roswell: Apparently anyone who criticizes this case is a naysayer. The CUFOS article is not conservative. It is highly speculative. It develops a rather unusal and elaborate theory about the handling of the Roswell UFO at Dayton. T-3 the engineering people are given the task of analyzing the UFO, while the people who are the experts and have all the experience in this kind of thing are left in the dark. Maybe so. Where is the proof? There is none.

What do we have, then? Answer: Speculation.

What is 'The UFO Evidence' full of? Answer: cases, cases, and cases. Where there were theories presented there were also evidence presented in support of the theories.

When 'The UFO Evidence' was written were there wilder more controversial cases? There sure were. However, the cases used there were from above average observers with good sources of high reliability.

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Jan Aldrich
Project 1947
<http://www.iufog.org/project1947/>

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Hyzer'S 'The Gulf Breeze Photographs: Bona Fide Or

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 08:16:52 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 08:16:52 -0500
Subject: Hyzer'S 'The Gulf Breeze Photographs: Bona Fide Or

Whilst going through the archives here I came across the following - so for the newcomers.....:

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From: Michael.Corbin@p0.f428.n104.z1.FIDONET.ORG (Michael Corbin)
Newsgroups: alt.paranet.ufo
Subject: Hyzer
Date: 7 Jul 93 20:01:15 GMT
Organization: FidoNet node 1:104/428.0 - <ParaNet(sm) , Arvada CO

- * Forwarded from "Fidonet UFO Conference"
- * Originally by John Hicks
- * Originally to All
- * Originally dated 30 Jun 1993, 23:55

Synopsis Of William G. Hyzer'S 'The Gulf Breeze Photographs: Bona Fide Or Bogus?'(Second edition, March 15, 1992)

by Rex and Carol Salisbury

Late in 1990, Mr. Walter Andrus, International Director of MUFON, requested Mr. William G. Hyzer to undertake a photo analysis of the Walters photos. Mr Andrus made the request at the suggestion of Mr. Jerry Black, who had made the initial contact with Mr. Hyzer.

Mr. Hyzer is a nationally-recognized photogrammetrist, who was honored by an award from the American Academy of Forensic Sciences at their annual meeting in February 1992. Mr. Hyzer was assisted in his analysis of the Walters photos by his son, Dr. James B. Hyzer. Mr. Andrus provided copies of photos 1,2,5,9,13,14,16,17,18,19,21,22,36L&R,37L&R and 38L&R for their work. It is unfortunate that Mr. Andrus could not provide Walters' original photos or at least first-generation copies to Mr. Hyzer for his analysis.

Mr. Hyzer has now completed his work and a copy of his final report, The Gulf Breeze Photographs: Bona Fide or Bogus? (second editon, March 15, 1992) was sent to Mr. Andrus on April 1, 1992. We have been priviledged to read the report and we find it most definitive.

Mr. Hyzer's report indicated that the dark rectangular areas (portholes) in all of the photos analyzed are either slightly lighter or no darker than the scenic backgrounds. This would indicate that the objects are either self-luminous, internally-illuminated, externally-illuminated from the general direction of the camera, or the result of photographic fakery.

The report also indicated that the UFOs possessed chameleon-like characteristics. The images of the UFOs are of the

same colorations as their scenic backgrounds. This would indicate that the objects are either semi-transparent, color-variable, or the result of photographic fakery.

Late in 1991, Mr. Ray Stanford noted that the reflection of the tree line in photo 19 is visible on the hood of Walters' truck (see photo section preceding page 129 in Walters' book). Mr. Stanford requested that Mr. Hyzer analyze this aspect of photo 19. Mr. Stanford had mentioned the lack of reflection from the UFO to Dr. Bruce Maccabee back in 1988. Dr. Maccabee claims to have conducted tests using a flashlight and Walters' truck to determine why there were no reflections from the UFO as expected (see MUFON Journal, #252, April 1989). Dr. Maccabee found that because the hood of Walters' truck was supposedly bent, illuminations below seven feet above the ground at 200 feet away would not cause reflections. He later changed the seven feet to six feet.

A series of experiments was performed, in which we assisted Mr. Hyzer, to establish the envelope within which light sources would reflect from the hood of a Ford 150 XLT truck. The light sources were moved laterally from 30 feet left and right of the centerline of the road and vertically from ground level up to 10 feet above the surface. Distances varied from 500 feet to 20 feet from the camera. The light-source reflections within the described envelope were visible and photographed on the hood of the truck. All of the data, which we helped to collect, was provided to Mr. Hyzer in raw form (including negatives). This was necessary so as to preclude any possibility of biasing the information.

Since Dr. Maccabee has now moved the UFO to a position 370 feet from the camera and two feet above the ground, about 13 feet of the top part of the UFO would have been above the six-foot restriction claimed by Dr. Maccabee above. Therefore, the crescent-shaped illuminated dome and the dome light should have made a visible reflection on the hood of the truck since both were as bright or brighter than the background sky, though they do not reflect.

Mr. Hyzer also notes that since the UFO is now supposedly 370 feet from the camera and two feet above the surface, there should be a pattern of increased luminance directly beneath the power ring. His photometric analysis did not reveal the increase in luminance as expected. Mr. Hyzer's results therefore indicate that there was no UFO present and that the photo is the product of multiple-exposure camera techniques. These results of Mr. Hyzer's analysis lead him to conclude the in his professional opinion, photograph 19 is a fake produced by multiple-exposure photography.

Since photo 14 is very similar to photo 19, it also is probably a fake. The other of Walters' photos depicting the same objects as photos 14 and 19 then become highly suspect. Couple this with the brightness and chameleon-like factors reported by Mr. Hyzer and there appears to be a high probability that all of Walters' photos are fakes.

We hope that Mr. Hyzer will publish his report in the near future.

Rex and Carol Salisbury

ed note: William Hyzer has no particular interest in ufology and should be considered an impartial analyst.

-- Michael Corbin - via ParaNet node 1:104/422 UUCP:
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Michael.Corbin@p0.f428.n104.z1.FIDONET.ORG

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Ray Stanford and The Socorro 'Saucer'

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 08:39:36 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 08:39:36 -0500
Subject: Ray Stanford and The Socorro 'Saucer'

>Date: Sat, 28 Mar 1998 09:22:59 -0800
>From: Jan Aldrich <jan@CYBERZONE.NET>
>Subject: Re: Socorro Saucer
>To: PROJECT-1947@LISTSERV.AOL.COM

Jan wrote:

>I can't say that I find Stanford a creditable source about this
>or other cases.

<snip>

>I am inclined to treat most of Stanford's claims with a large
>dose of salt. He was an early contactee who later confessed his
>foolish way and wanted to be taken seriously. His PSI organization
>seemed to be a flashy showman type production which garnered some
>support for expensive equipment and light shows to attract UFOs.

>Once again one of these showmen who burst upon the scene make
>all kinds of claims, get the faithful to come across with the
>cash, and slow fade out of sight.

Perhaps the following might serve as some background on
Raymond D. Stanford.

Errol Bruce-Knapp

Excerpt from the booklet 'Explorations in Understanding',
published by:

The Association for the Understanding of Man, Inc.
P.O Box 5310
Austin, Texas 78763

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From page 6:

The Association for the Understanding of Man was incorporated
in the state of Texas as a nonprofit corporation on March 22,
1971. Because A.U.M. is a nonprofit, federally tax-exempt
organization, contributions are deductible for federal income
tax purposes.

Among the many forces coming to bear in the formation of A.U.M.
were the dedicated and enthusiastic efforts of a group of young
adults in Austin, Texas, who felt that the benefits of the Ray
Stanford psychic readings should be shared with the world. It was
decided that an association should be formed whereby this could
be done effectively, as well as establishing the means by which a
diversity of approaches toward the greater understanding of man
could be brought together in a cooperative and comprehensive
venture. Such was the spirit in which A.U.M. was founded and in
which it continues to serve.

Since its inception in 1971, A.U.M. has worked very closely and extensively with Ray Stanford, a psychic of uncommon ability. Born in Texas in 1938, Mr. Stanford has possessed, for many years, the ability to place himself in a meditation-induced unconscious state from which psychic readings of rare diversity and quality are given. Once the "state of the readings" has been achieved, a voice which identifies itself as "the source of the readings" speaks through Ray Stanford. The Source, by its own testimony, is neither a discarnate entity nor a personality as such, but "the unconscious and super conscious mind and spiritual being of Stanford in contact with same of any person or persons or with any areas of knowledge toward which it is directed by suggestion."

The Source appears to be unlimited in its capacity to meaningfully converse on virtually any subject, as long as the need and purpose of the individual(s) requesting the reading is sufficient. Since 1960, over two thousand psychic readings have been given through Ray Stanford, recorded copies of which are on file at the A.U.M. office.

From pages 10,11,13:

The focus of the A.U.M. Membership Conference is: How you can more effectively apply the materials being gleaned from our studies, and how you can grow, spiritually, as a result. We try to work together, getting your ideas for the future of the A.U.M. work, and sharing the meaningful things all of us have to share with one another. In A.U.M., you are involved to the degree that you choose.

In the final analysis, however, the spiritual research of each individual is paramount in the work of A.U.M. Conferences, like all of our projects, merely are another opportunity to assist you, in an associative way, in your spiritual growth. And no matter how expansive the work of A.U.M. may become, that aim will remain the same.

As the Association continues to grow, many new research projects are anticipated. While the scope of this booklet prevents us from telling about everything we are doing or plan to do through A.U.M., space does permit mention of a few of the many projects either underway or planned for the future.

In the past the Stanford psychic readings have proven accurate in giving archaeological data and even in describing specific sites and artifacts which subsequently were found. With membership participation and support, exploration will be possible, based on several detailed descriptions from the Stanford readings, regarding specific and highly important archaeological finds that may shed important light on the history of man's spiritual search, including the life of Jesus. Several scientists recently have noted that archaeology may have hitherto overlooked its potentially most significant source of important discoveries: psychic information. We do not intend to overlook it. If this is the type of thing in which you would like to be involved, then make your interest known to us.

Contemporary scientific research into close-range encounters with unidentified flying objects suggests, as do the Stanford readings, that intelligence and technology of a high order are involved and are capable of responding to appropriate signals from humans. Already A.U.M. is actively researching the possibility of eliciting response from "UFOs" through specific signals of diverse types. This endeavor is called Project Starlight International.

P.S.I. has installed a circle of ninety-one spotlights, with one central light, in the hill country Northwest of Austin, Texas. The lights are sequenced in patterns which are designed to appear deliberate, intentional, and, hopefully, unique enough to attract UFO intelligences which might be in the vicinity.

Furthermore, A.U.M./P.S.I. is constructing what we believe will be the world's only instrumented and automated UFO data detection, monitoring, and signaling laboratory. Inside the laboratory, all monitored UFO data will be recorded on magnetic tape, accompanied by a digital time signal for reference purposes. Automatically activated film and video cameras are

planned to record the visible passage of any unusual objects that reveal their presence by creating magnetic, electromagnetic, or other anomalistic conditions often associated with UFO approaches.

In addition to the lights system, automatic signaling equipment of various frequency ranges will be utilized at the P.S.I. laboratory site. Also it is anticipated that a laser-signal system capable of manual and, later, automatic aiming will be available for use when UFOs are detected. A.U.M. members are kept informed of results and any attendant evidence obtained from Project Starlight International research.

The records of the Association contain an abundance of psychically obtained information about the human mind and body and its potential response to energy fields and to the absence of, or insulation from, others. Indications are that research in these areas could lead to extraordinary breakthroughs in understanding some of the many dimensions and faculties of man.

Plans for the Project Starlight laboratory building include the installation of a high-energy field-effect research device capable of isolating research subjects from most outside electromagnetic frequencies and also of surrounding the subject in an electrostatic field of perhaps as much as three million volts, while generating still other fields inside the controlled-environment device. The research facility will become part of a continuing program researching the relationships of matter, energy, space, time, and consciousness.

The research projects just described give a sampling of the potential and diversity of A.U.M. To some, these projects may seem too 'far out' or exotic; but part of the excitement of A.U.M. is the adventure of discovery, which expands the view of ourselves and the universe in which we live.

A.U.M. members have the opportunity to directly participate in its research, as previously described in this booklet. Additionally, they participate through sharing in the benefits of an impressive publications program.

From an A.U.M. flyer 'The Spoken Word'
(audio-cassette sales):

A PERSONAL WORD FROM RAY STANFORD: Since 1960 I have been able to enter a meditation-induced unconscious state from which extensive information is delivered on many different subjects. Most of this information is given by a voice identifying itself as "the source of the readings," which, by its own testimony, is not a discarnate entity, but rather "the unconscious and superconscious mind and spiritual being of Stanford, in contact with the same of any person or persons (or with areas of knowledge) towards which it is directed by suggestion." Upon occasion, however, information is given by other voices speaking through me from the unconscious state. These voices refer to themselves collectively as "Brothers," as well as by various individual names. The Association for the Understanding of Man and I make no claim that these "Brother" discourses are in fact given by members of the so-called "White Brotherhood," or even that they with certainty come from real entities distinct from my own unconscious mind. We believe that the important thing is the inspirational and practical value of the information given, not the professed source. In other words, truth must transcend mere names and personal identity. Thus, we encourage those hearing these discourses not to believe them simply because they may have been given by high beings, but rather to know them "by their fruits," as Jesus advised us to do concerning all things. We publish such discourses because they have had a positive, catalytic impact on the lives of many individuals. We believe there is a great need for the depth of meaning, purpose, and instruction contained in each tape of The Spoken Word series.

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Stanford & Gulf Breeze

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 08:51:52 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 08:51:52 -0500
Subject: Stanford & Gulf Breeze

From: <http://www.ufobbs.com/txt1/782.ufo>

=====Inside Ufology May 1988=====

GULF BREEZE FEUD HEATS UPParaNet Alpha 05/06 -- As predicted, the Gulf Breeze case has incited the strongest of emotions on both sides, and even the same side, of the ufological fence. The Hynek Center for UFO Studies recently released a Special Bulletin condemning the case as a "probable hoax" and taking rival MUFON to task for "shoddy investigative techniques." But MUFON's Walt Andrus was quick to call ParaNet and warn us, "Don't you believe it!"

In a brief interview with Dr. Bruce Maccabee, who spent a week in the Florida Panhandle looking over the photos and chatting with "Mr. Ed," it was learned that the CUFOS article was based at least partly on the work of Ray Stanford of Project Starlight International, who objected to the apparent motion of the clouds in one sequence of photos. Stanford's data told him the clouds should be moving in a different direction if the photos were taken sequentially. Stanford has since retracted that claim, however, since finding that his weather data was faulty.

But the divisiveness continues.

Robert Boyd, of both CUFOS and MUFON, wrote a lengthy letter outlining some of his other objections to the case. They include:

- o The "chumminess" factor -- the major corroborating witnesses are the mother and father-in-law of Duane Cook, the editor of the local paper.
- o The "Hokiness" factor -- The object just looks too much like a cartoon representation of a flying saucer - and a bad one at that.
- o The "Practical Jokiness" factor -- Mr. Ed, who involves himself with the local youth, was said by one teenager to be plotting "The Ultimate Prank." Dr. Maccabee counters that the prank was to be played on the high school bandleader, and not the world at large.
- o The "Flaw" factor -- there seems to be a prominent chink in the bottom rim of the object.

The CUFOS article suggests several ways in which the photos might have been faked, including the rather interesting possibility that a household object was suspended in front of a window, in order to reflect and be superimposed onto an outdoor scene. But this fails to explain the videotaped image, says Maccabee, as well as the enigmatic "road" picture, where the object is seen hovering a few inches over the highway, its bright bottom light reflecting off the blacktop.

Most speculation centers around whether or not the photos are double-exposures. When the possibility of Mr. Ed having fashioned an actual backyard "flying saucer" was broached, Maccabee

dismissed it out of hand. "Nothing we've seen would indicate that he had that level of skill."

A major factor in Mr. Ed's defense is his character, according to his supporters. Both Maccabee and Budd Hopkins, who also spent a week in the Panhandle, say that, if he's lying, he deserves an Oscar -- and so do many of his friends and family members. "The 'Hoax Hypothesis' is unfalsifiable," says Maccabee. "Any evidence we bring out in his favor is countered with, 'Well, that just shows that he's all the more clever a practical joker.' Conceivably we could go around and around with it, and hence it could never be shown that its NOT a hoax."

One interesting tid-bit brought out in our conversation with Maccabee was the fact that Mr. Ed does have a history of photographic playfulness. At a Halloween party a few years back, he handily double-exposed some Polaroids to convince the partiers that ghosts were sitting next to them, a la Disneyland's Haunted House. But Maccabee eschews the anecdote, insisting that the UFO photos would require greater skill by far.

Don Schmitt, a CUFOS investigator in Wisconsin, agreed the Special Bulletin may have been premature. He admitted that the Center was "concerned about the amount of positive hype the case is getting in advance of definitive analysis," citing as an example Walt Andrus' statement that Gulf Breeze "may turn out to be the most significant case" in UFO history. When pressed, Schmitt also agreed that the Center was afraid of CSICOP jumping out of the bushes to yell "Gotcha!" Indeed, the air has been rife with rumors of The Amazing Randi pulling off another "sting" similar to his exposures of faith-healers and ESP laboratories. But Schmitt's, and the Center's, main concern was the apparent all-out endorsement of the case by abduction researcher Budd Hopkins, whose very involvement Schmitt questioned. "What's he doing there? Why is he endorsing photographs? This isn't even his territory," said Schmitt. CUFOS wanted to cool the fires a bit by getting Hopkins and other investigators to back off and wait for the analysis.

There's no doubt CUFOS is right about the seeming lack of scientific objectivity displayed by the Gulf Breeze protagonists. But its a bit ironic to hear such outright, premature criticism from a group that is still calling for a full hearing on the MJ-12 evidence, in light of the work already done by Barry Greenwood and Phil Klass, which shows it to be an almost certain hoax.

And in one respect, Walt Andrus' prediction that Gulf Breeze may prove to be "the most significant case in UFO history" is well on its way to coming true.

--Jim Speiser

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Update on Indiana Sightings: witness descriptions

From: "K. Young" <task@fuse.net>
Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 10:01:53 -0800
Fwd Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 19:14:33 -0500
Subject: Update on Indiana Sightings: witness descriptions

Update on Indiana Sightings:
Eyewitness details and descriptions of objects/event

After making the details of the March 27/28 Indiana UFO sightings available on the internet, I began receiving phone calls and E-mail from persons wishing to report eyewitness details and descriptions of their encounters.

In response to an e-mail I received, a telephone chat with Lynn Taylor of Bloomington, Indiana took place. Taylor is an independent UFO researcher and frequently keeps alert for sightings around the Bloomington area. He states to have videotaped several UFOs in the past, some footage of which has been used on a documentary television program.

This past Friday (March 27), his 14-year old daughter, while traveling with two friends on Highway 37, was at the south edge of Dolan, Indiana (Monroe County), observed a triangular-shaped aircraft comprised of a solid, black mass. Lynn Taylor retold the account as was conveyed to him by his daughter.

Lynn said she described it as having a large bright bluish-white light at each of the three corners. "You know what it would look like, if you had a blue lens, then put a white light bulb behind it that's too bright; how the white light would overpower the blue of the lens, but you could still see some blue?"

The daughter added that the leading corner of the object was flashing blue, while four non-blinking red lights could be seen toward the center of the triangular mass.

There was light pollution, and the object was outstanding against the light pollution. Weather conditions at the time were partly cloudy.

Lynn Taylor said that his daughter perceived the object to be about 1/8th mile distant from her vantage point, and about 15 feet above the treetops. Said the object was big, and of undetermined size.

The object turned south-west toward Bloomington, and disappeared behind the hill crest.

"The winds were blowing like crazy, and you'd have a forest fire out here pretty quick with all these supposed flares they're alleged to be dropping, with all the dry wood. That would be criminal," Taylor said.

Taylor, formerly with MUFON and an Indiana-state research group, gave me permission to summarize his daughter's sighting in this report. He is also investigating these recent rash of sightings.

Another report which came my way was from a promotions manager at a Southern-Indiana television station. His confidentiality I will consider in the production of this summation.

The 'promotions manager' said, in both e-mail and telephone discussion, that he advised a television news department about an object he observed 3 different times on three separate evenings

within a six day span. The reportee adds that his wife also saw the object a fourth night.

"After my wife saw it, I knew I wasn't seeing things..." he said.

The witness first saw the phenomenon on Monday, March 23. He was afforded a repeat-performance on the following Wednesday and Thursdays.

He had a videocamera with him when he first saw the object(s) this past Monday, but he didn't think to use it. He was amazed by the amount of air traffic in the area. The location of the first sighting was 25 miles northeast of Evansville near the small town of Spurgeon, INDIANA (Pike County).

As he crested a hill, he could see through a tree, round lights that were 'enormous,' and he counted somewhere around 4 to 6 red colored lights that were in a 'perfect row.' They went 'off' and beside them there were 4 or 5 lights that appeared and also went off and on intermittantly.

First he thought it was an ultra-light hoax, but quickly ruled that out. "They were in such perfect formation, it was as if they were attached to something. It did not seem as if they were individual lights," he said. "It was as if it were a solid object that moved together as if on a rod."

However, he adds, he could see no structure at all.

Once, it did move a little bit, as if all the objects banked together Like it was turning away.

The red lights were estimated to be 2000 feet up in the air and were visible for over a minute. On the Thursday sighting, the witness said the objects started to bank and turn away as if leaving, still seemingly attached to one permanent object. He said that the objects seemed to 'go upward' in unison. "I don't know how else to say it, they went up," he commented.

"There was SO much air traffic, I just couldn't believe that there were no pilots who didn't see anything. It was about rush hour for air traffic into Evansville, and these things were flying right into the flight path and corridor of the air traffic."

The witness said that what he saw was not likely to be flares, because there was no trail or movement. He said nothing fell to the ground or moved downward. "If these were flares, wouldn't they be falling?"

When asked for his opinion about the flare explanation and the ballistic actions performed by flares after being ejected from the moving jet fighters, the witness added: "What you said made sense, but that's not what happened here."

An FOIA request dated March 30 was forwarded to the FAA Great Lakes Region HQ, requesting radar data and voice tapes from pilot and tower relevant to this event. Also requested were NOTAM advisories and controlling agencies responsible for MOA's in the area, as well as their boundaries, time of activity and restrictions.

Filed:
March 30, 1998
KENNY YOUNG

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Re: UFOs An "End-Times Deception"

From: "Keith M. King" <alien2@sound.net>
Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 06:44:32 +0000
Fwd Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 19:07:28 -0500
Subject: Re: UFOs An "End-Times Deception"

> From: [Stig Agermose](mailto:Stig.Agermose@online.pol.dk) (Stig Agermose)
> To: updates@globalserve.net
> Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 02:43:26 +0100
> Subject: UFOs An "End-Times Deception"

> >From Michigan Live. URL:

> <http://www.mlive.com/kooks/stories/19970527rapture.html>

> UFOs Demonic Harbingers of The End

> Some think mass landings of UFOs around the year 2000 will soon bring
> friendly Space Brothers who will save humanity and usher in a New Age
> of spiritual enlightenment. But millennial doomsayers at Watcher
> Ministries in Missoula, Montana say that this story just isn't true:
> instead, it's what the aliens would like us to believe. It's no less
> than an "Angelic Conspiracy and End-Times Deception."

Most of this is pure hogwash. There are no scriptural precedents for these allegations. Year 2000 mass landings?? What is that? We shouldnt use scripture to support any and all ideas or theories we care to spout.....thats called "pretext" Keep all Scripture in the context in which it was written...

Keith M. King
M. King Studies

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Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

From: "Serge Salvaille" <sergesa@connectmmic.net>
Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 07:48:09 +0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 19:12:34 -0500
Subject: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

>Date: Thu, 26 Mar 1998 18:43:47 -0500 (EST)
>To: UFO UpDates - updates@globalserve.net
>From: alien2@sound.net (Keith M. King)
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame

Keith,

Sorry for the delay in my reply.

Ufology is a non-structured non-unified field, with no recognized methodology. You can't make experts in punctual non-repetitive phenomena. Of course, we have experts in documents research, experts in governmental bureaucratic matters, in photography, computers, investigation techniques, verbal abuse, conning, etc. We even have experts at identifying the knowns and the unknowns.

But nobody is an expert in aliens. As I have already stated, some government people might be, provided they know more than we do and have had several contacts with those beings. Considering the facts and the knowledge available to the general public (us), no one can be an expert in aliens.

Which brings us to my statement: "victims are not experts in criminals, cops are".

Let me explain that with some examples: the opposite principle would have doctors out of business. Being sick does not give you any expertise in medicine. Having a car accident may give you an expertise at having a car accident, but the true experts are the people from the insurance company and/or the policeman and/or the ambulance people who have seen literally hundreds of cases. In any domain, experts are allowed to manipulate and/or contemplate their subject of interest from the outside.

This is why we have a whole judiciary system to deal with criminals. If the victims were deemed competent to deal with the criminals, there would be no policemen, no detectives, no coronary, no DA, no lawyer, no judge, no criminal psychologists and no psychiatrists. Not even witnesses. We would have roaming neurotic Rambos all over the place.

As you see, we are contemplating a world of experts dealing with something as mundane as a crime; and the crime is a piece of concrete reality (tautology intended).

Now, let's go back to alien abduction and being an expert in aliens.

What can we say?

Serge Salvaille

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DISPATCH # 89 -- the weekly newsletter of ParaScope

From: ParaScope <ParaScope@AOL.COM>
Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 12:39:26 EST
Fwd Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 20:30:26 -0500
Subject: DISPATCH # 89 -- the weekly newsletter of ParaScope

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Quote of the Week

"Sacred cows make the best hamburger."

--Mark Twain

Rant of the Week: "The Perverbial Pembrook of Lone Star"

Every week we pick the wackiest, scariest, nastiest or funniest rant from the hundreds of letters received by us here at ParaScope headquarters, and present it to you as our Rant of the Week. This week, "Carey" risks his (or her?) very life to contact us with information regarding the highest levels of national security. Please, keep this information top secret, OK? Thanks! Enjoy.

"I would appreciate it if you would not breathe a word of what I am about to ask/tell you to anybody..... You may ask them if they have heard of these "two" names..... But, nothing about the "content" of them..... My name is Carey and I had written 248 pages of a book on "UFOs..." THEN, all of a sudden, right from out of left field, I get "this" information, literally, dropped in my lap!!! I cannot go into detail of all that this source divulged to me, however this person is "definitely" in the loop..... All I can tell you is just enough so "you" know that I am not bullshitting... ..

"The "two" terms to concentrate on are "PEMBROOK" and "LONE STAR"!!! If the President is President... Then, "Pembrook" is KING!!! You can read into that "whatever" you wish..... He, Pembrook, is responsible for ALL national security... They, his organization, does not answer to "anybody".... They make up their own rules as the "game" plays out..... Lone Star was set up in the mid 60's, through the CIA, to handle what Pembrook considered a "problem"... .. You can read into "that" whatever you wish... .. Just a hint, though, on this one.... Lone Star refers to a "place".

"Both Lone Star and Pembrook are still, very much, in "business"!!! If you are familiar with "X-Files", Cancer Man is "Pembrook". "They", FOX, just don't know how "INCREDIBLY" close they pinned that tail!!! I am trusting you to be ABSOLUTELY "silent" on this information..... Please forward me any and all "information" that you can on "these" matters!!! ANYTHING at all will be greatly appreciated!!! Also, if there is info you think might help me in writing this book, I would also greatly appreciate that too..... One last request... Do you know anything about some area called "A4"??? It is "supposedly" where "many" ufos are parked while here on earth..... It is also supposedly "underneath" some lake, totally separate from S4 and Area 51!!!

"I want info on anything that you might be interested in telling me about.... I keep my sources totally confidential... My life is

already in danger... There's no use in dragging others into "the line of fire".... One last Note.... Pembroke controls ALL areas like S4, A4, and Area 51.... As well as MIB's.... Pembroke, like I said, handles ALL "national security".... That is why he sent his younger perverbial brother, Lone Star over to control the CIA.... He didn't trust us mere humans.... From how my life has been totally uprooted and turned over, I can now understand how we (humans) are so amazingly STUPID as a race of entities!!! I really do appreciate any and all information, no matter how big or how small you may think it is, that you can provide to/for me!!! Keep up the "faith"!!!"

All rants are printed "as is," with spelling and grammar goofs left uncorrected. Some rants may be edited for brevity or clarity, to the extent such a thing is possible. If you've got a rant you'd like to share, send it to pscplady@aol.com with "possible rant" in the subject line of your letter.

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Coming Up Next Week!

Catch a number of great stories next week on a daily basis on America Online or all at once next Friday on the web site, including daily updates to our Conspiracy Newsline and Daily Dose features. Among the articles you'll want to check out:

The Martin Luther King Assassination: Thirty Years Later, The Case Remains Unresolved

April 4, 1968, civil rights leader Martin Luther King, Jr., was killed by an assassin's bullet. For three decades, the prosecution has insisted that James Earl Ray acted alone in murdering King. And for three decades, James Earl Ray has sought judgement before a jury of twelve peers, seeking to reverse a guilty plea which he gave under the threat of death. Recent news programs in the mass media, co-inciding with efforts by the prosecution, have sought to annihilate the credibility of Ray's case by exploiting the soft spots in the conspiracy theory of the MLK assassination. Yet in so doing, programs such as CBS' "48 Hours" have exposed their own utter lack of regard for the facts, while pursuing their own blatant agenda. To mark the anniversary of King's murder, ParaScope presents a roundup of recent developments in the James Earl Ray case, including a critical review of recent media coverage of the purported assassin's last grasp for justice.

ETH: Extremely Tenuous Hypothesis?

Magonia's John Rimmer presents a critique of Jerome Clark's new book, "Spacemen, Demons and Conspiracies." Jerome Clark, an ardent backer of the Extraterrestrial Hypothesis of UFO activity, posits that Earth is being visited by sentient alien beings. In his book, he took a few sideswipes at Magonia and the Psycho-social Hypothesis, which posits that UFO-related experiences come to us not from outer space, but from inner space. Is the Psycho-social hypothesis really that wacky, or are Clark's views affected by the insularity of American ufology?

The Real X-Files

In The X-Files, FBI Special Agents Fox Mulder and Dana Scully pursue all sorts of UFO abductions, government conspiracies and every sort of paranormal freakiness that the show's writers can imagine. While the X-Files is fiction, real-life FBI agents spent a lot of time chasing UFOs across the country, especially in the early stages of the modern UFO era, from 1947 to the mid-1950s. And like Mulder and Scully, the FBI normally does not investigate UFOs and paranormal events unless there is a perception of crime. And not just ANY crime! J. Antonio Huneus has the documents, and brings us a fascinating study of the FBI's paranormal excursions during the early years of the "flying saucer" era.

Conspiracy Newsline

Daily updates for cognitive dissidents and other dangerous thought criminals. Hillary Clinton's billing records turn up in briefcase found in Vince Foster's attic; former Ron Brown partner testifies about White House scheme to swap trade missions for campaign contributions; high school student suspended for wearing Pepsi Shirt on "Coke in Education Day"; lots more news.

...All this, and much, much more!

Jane, Stop This Crazy Thing!

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Re: Hyzer'S 'The Gulf Breeze Photographs: Bona

From: Bob Shell <bob@bobshell.com>
Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 10:26:24 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 19:47:08 -0500
Subject: Re: Hyzer'S 'The Gulf Breeze Photographs: Bona

>Whilst going through the archives here I came across the
>following - so for the newcomers.....:

>ebk

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>From: Michael.Corbin@p0.f428.n104.z1.FIDONET.ORG (Michael Corbin)
>Newsgroups: alt.paranet.ufo
>Subject: Hyzer
>Date: 7 Jul 93 20:01:15 GMT
>Organization: FidoNet node 1:104/428.0 - <ParaNet(sm) , Arvada CO

> * Forwarded from "Fidonet UFO Conference"
> * Originally by John Hicks
> * Originally to All
> * Originally dated 30 Jun 1993, 23:55

>Synopsis Of William G. Hyzer'S 'The Gulf Breeze Photographs: Bona
>Fide Or Bogus?'(Second edition, March 15, 1992)

>by Rex and Carol Salisbury

[<snip>]

> Rex and Carol Salisbury

>ed note: William Hyzer has no particular interest in ufology and
>should be considered an impartial analyst.

>-- Michael Corbin - via ParaNet node 1:104/422 UUCP:
>!scicom!paranet!User_Name INTERNET:
>Michael.Corbin@p0.f428.n104.z1.FIDONET.ORG

As for the ed note, I know Bill Hyzer and he is a total skeptic.
No total skeptic could be described as an "impartial analyst".

Bob

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Re: Lunascan: Moon Base Photo Said Seen

From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 10:52:23 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 19:56:22 -0500
Subject: Re: Lunascan: Moon Base Photo Said Seen

>From: VestAJes <VestAJes@aol.com>
>Date: Mon, 30 Mar 1998 15:06:58 EST
>To: lunascan@world.std.com
>Subject: Re: (Fwd) Moon Base Photo Said Seen By Top Security AF Vet!

>In a message dated 98-03-30 11:49:40 EST, pete.koziar@baltsun.com
>writes:

>>35mm film? Has anyone ever heard of receiving lunar images on
>>35mm film? I would have thought it would have been in
>>a much larger format.>

>No. They sent the images down in an analog video format and
>reconstructed segments of the images on the ground. Below is the
>description of the photographic experiment on LO-1 - from:>

><http://nssdc.gsfc.nasa.gov/planetary/lunar/lunarorbldata.html>

>>In addition, a room full of international scientists could keep
>>a secret about as well as a room full of kindergardeners.

>I find this argument to be the most speculative of all. How can
>we say, at this point in time, what intimidation method and or
>compulsions drove the scientists to keep or maintain a secret for
>this long.

>>Surely, some scientist or grad student on his deathbed would
>>have slipped SOMETHING, or had a shoebox full of copies of these
>>images.

>Each of the compound images was numbered and put under inventory
>control in a climate controlled vault. These became the first
>generation archive for all subsequent reproductions. If any
>alterations were made it was not to the originals, but to the
>second and third generation photos. No one can get to the first
>generation images even today. I am told they are still stored
>somewhere at Johnson space center.

The suggestion (reasonable) that a bunch of scientists couldn't
keep quiet about the discovery of a base on the moon may be
moot if they had not been told about the base (apparently this
was considered TS/Crypto level information

>LO 1 Experiment Description

>This experiment consisted of a dual-lens camera system designed
>to satisfy the primary mission objective of providing
>photographic information for the evaluation of Apollo and
>Surveyor landing sites. An 80-mm lens system was used to obtain
>Medium-Resolution (MR) photos, and a 610-mm lens system was used
>for High-Resolution (HR) photos. The two separate lens, shutter,
>and platen systems utilized the same film supply and recorded
>imagery simultaneously in adjacent areas of 70-mm film. Automatic
>sequences of 1, 4, 8, or 16 photos were obtained. At an altitude
>of 46 km, which was approximately the perilune height, the HR
>system photographed a 4.15- by 16.6-km area of the lunar surface
>which was centered on a 31.6- by 37.4-km area photographed by the
>MR system. At apolune, which occurred on the farside at about

>1850-km altitude, the areas photographed were correspondingly
>larger. The film was bimat processed on board and optically
>scanned, and the resulting video signal was telemetered to ground
>stations. Film density readout was accomplished by a
>high-intensity light beam focused to a 6.4-micron-diameter spot
>on the spacecraft film. The spot scanner swept 2.67 mm in the
>long dimension of the spacecraft film. This process was repeated
>286 times for each millimeter of film scanned. The raster was
>composed of 2.67- by 65-mm scan lines along the film. The video
>signal received at the ground station was recorded on magnetic
>tape and also fed to Ground Reconstruction Equipment (GRE), which
>reproduced the portion of the image contained in one raster on a
>35-mm film positive framelet. Over 26 framelets were required for
>a complete MR photograph and 86 for a complete HR image. Of the
>211 simultaneous exposures obtained, 206 MR photos and 13 HR
>photos were considered usable. A shutter malfunction prevented
>normal exposure of most of the HR imagery. Eight each of the
>usable MR and HR photos are of the lunar farside, and two of
>these include the earth's image. Except of the shutter
>malfunction, experiment performance was nominal until the final
>readout on September 14, 1966. A detailed description of the
>experiment, a bibliography, and indexes of all the available
>Lunar Orbiter 1 through 5 photos are contained in the report
>'Lunar Orbiter Photographic Data,' NSSDC 69-05, June 1969.

Based on the optical information and altitude (610 mm focal length lens and 46 km or 1850 km altitude) and the 6.4 micron scanning spot I estimate the resolution as follows:

assuming sufficient contrast between the background and an object to be detected, the resolution of the scanning procedure would be about 12 microns = 0.012 mm. Objects with images smaller than \ this would blur together. The angular size of such an image would be about 0.012 mm/ 610 mm (high resolution) = 0.0000197 or approximately 2.0 E-5 radians. Projecting this down to the lunar surface 46 km away gives 0.9 m... or about 3 foot resolution. Hence objects of about 1 m size could be detected, although the exact shape might be difficult to discern. The shapes of objects twice as large would be more correctly determined.

At the backside of the moon the resolution would be poorer because of the distance: 2E-5 radians x 1850 km = 37 m. Hence objects about 40 m or 60 ft in size could be detected. At other locations in the orbit around th moon the resolution would be between roughly 1 m and 40 m.

NOTE:
this calculation assumes resolution is not degraded by the processing on the ground, which required reconstruction of the image by electronic and photographic means. This processing could only degrade the resolution, perhaps by as much as a factor of 2.

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Re: UFOs An "End-Times Deception

From: John Velez <jvif@spacelab.net>
Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 13:49:57 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 21:02:29 -0500
Subject: Re: UFOs An "End-Times Deception

>From: [Stig Agermose@online.pol.dk](mailto:Stig.Agermose@online.pol.dk) (Stig Agermose)
>Sender: [Stig Agermose@online.pol.dk](mailto:Stig.Agermose@online.pol.dk)
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 02:43:26 +0100
>Subject: UFOs An "End-Times Deception"

Hiya Stig,

Stig submitted,

>>From Michigan Live. URL:

><http://www.mlive.com/kooks/stories/19970527rapture.html>

>*****

>UFOs Demonic Harbingers of The End

<snip>

>View the web of deception in full color at the Watcher Ministries
>web site:

><http://www.MT.net/~watcher/>

I am sometimes amused at how some ISP's (server addresses) seem to match the individual or group that is using it. Much in the same way that some dogs resemble their owners.

Example: Our (myself and the Intruders Foundation) server address is "SpaceLab." UFO UpDates goes out on "Globalserve" etc. Cute right?

The Watcher Ministry is (appropriately) going out on "MT!" <VBG>

Peace,

John Velez, Alien Spawn-Devils' advocate

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Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame - Final Tally

From: Sean Jones <tedric@tedric.demon.co.uk>
Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 19:20:30 +0100
Fwd Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 20:44:49 -0500
Subject: Re: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame - Final Tally

>Date: Sun, 29 Mar 1998 04:27:11 -0800
>From: "Charles T. Oliphant III" <alkahest@slip.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: UFO Public Nuisance Hall of Fame (FINAL TALLY)

>THE UFO PUBLIC NUISANCE HALL OF FAME is a JOKE!

Can I start a list of those not nominated?

I'm feeling a little left out here as must many on this list,
for example I didn't see Kevin Randle or Paul Devereaux or even the
passionate pastor of the patter he honourable Duke Mendoza. <G>
Not that I would even dare suggest that I am in the same league as
these "big" names. (How dare I even add my name in the same sentance)
but there must be many disreputable <g> investigators/researchers/
ufologists who might feel a litle bit peeved cause they was left out.

Life is but a dream, death is the only reality.
Sean Jones

reply to--sean@tedric.demon.co.uk

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Research page --<http://www.tedric.demon.co.uk/>

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Re: Information needed on VanTassel

From: **Virgilio Sanchez-Ocejo** <pharaoh@web2000.net>

Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 18:25:30 -0800

Fwd Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 21:20:37 -0500

Subject: Re: Information needed on VanTassel

> To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <updates@globalserve.net>
> From: "Jerome Clark" <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Information needed on VanTassel
> Date: Mon, 30 Mar 98 18:34:21 PST

> > Date: Fri, 20 Mar 1998 19:37:32 -0500
> > From: Tom Benson <sparkle@earthlink.net>
> > To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> > Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Information needed on VanTassel

> > > From: "Ben Field" <ben@abcfield.force9.co.uk>
> > > To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <updates@globalserve.net>
> > > Subject: Information needed on VanTassel
> > > Date: Fri, 20 Mar 1998 07:52:23 -0000

> > > I am doing some research for someone who emailed me asking for
> > > help to find information on VanTassel, I have been unsuccessful
> > > and was hoping someone here could help.

I have a little booklet: "UFOs UNCENSORED" issue in December 1966 on pages 64-67 there are 3 photos of George W. Van Tassel with his Integratron. "The Integratron", says Van Tassel, "a Time machine for basic research on rejuvenation, anti-gravity, time travel".

Begun in 1953, the Integratron was 70% completed in 1966. 1969 was the tentative date for the ribbon-cutting ceremonies. But it was never finished.

Virgilio Sanchez-Ocejo

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Re: Gender Differences Between Experiencers And

From: Marie Ivey <jmi@aretha.jax.org>
Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 14:27:44 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 21:16:50 -0500
Subject: Re: Gender Differences Between Experiencers And

>From: jpolanik@mindspring.com [Joseph Polanik]
>To: updates@globalserve.net Date:
>Tue, 31 Mar 1998 06:54:52 -0500
>Subject: [No Subject]

>Researcher John Rimmer wrote in 'The Evidence for Alien Abductions',
>p. 73-4. :

>If we look at those cases where women have been abducted alone,
>or in the company of other women ... we find a distinct tendency
>towards the phenomenon selecting women who are divorced,
>separated or undergoing some sort of marital or sexual crisis.

>Besides the 'The Adreasson Affair', three popular American books
>on abductions ('Missing Time' by Budd Hopkins; 'Abducted!' by
>Coral and Jim Lorenzen; and 'Direct Encounters' by Judith and
>Alan Gansberg) give details of eleven women who have described
>abduction experiences.

>... of the eleven women described in these cases, it can be seen
>that four are divorcees, one a widow, and two living in a lesbian
>relationship. Only two out of the eleven appear to have been
>married and living with their husbands at the time of the
>incidents

What percentage of the female population is divorced, separated
or undergoing some sort of marital or sexual crisis? A better
question might be, what women don't fall into these categories?
Most of the women in these categories would likely be sleeping
alone and more vulnerable.

In scientific research conducted on mice, genetic material is
manipulated using the females of the species such as in ovarian
transplants, and collection of frozen embryos.

Females are used as surrogate mothers to the progeny of
transplanted genetic material so is it any wonder that females
would be abducted more than males--that is, of course, if there
is such a thing as alien abduction.

Best regard, JMI

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Re: Hyzer's 'The Gulf Breeze Photographs: Bona

From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 18:57:19 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 21:58:29 -0500
Subject: Re: Hyzer's 'The Gulf Breeze Photographs: Bona

>To: updates@globalserve.net
>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Hyzer's 'The Gulf Breeze Photographs: Bona Fide Or
> Bogus?'

>Whilst going through the archives here I came across the
>following - so for the newcomers.....:
>ebk

>From: Michael.Corbin@p0.f428.n104.z1.FIDONET.ORG (Michael Corbin)
>Newsgroups: alt.paranet.ufo
>Subject: Hyzer
>Date: 7 Jul 93 20:01:15 GMT
>Organization: FidoNet node 1:104/428.0 - <ParaNet(sm) , Arvada CO

>* Forwarded from "Fidonet UFO Conference"
>* Originally by John Hicks
>* Originally to All
>* Originally dated 30 Jun 1993, 23:55

>Synopsis Of William G. Hyzer's 'The Gulf Breeze Photographs: Bona
>Fide Or Bogus?'(Second edition, March 15, 1992)

>by Rex and Carol Salisberry

>Late in 1990, Mr. Walter Andrus, International Director of
>MUFON, requested Mr. William G. Hyzer to undertake a photo
>analysis of the Walters photos. Mr Andrus made the request at the
>suggestion of Mr. Jerry Black, who had made the initial contact
>with Mr. Hyzer.

>>Mr. Hyzer is a nationally-recognized photogrammetrist, who was
>honored by an award from the American Academy of Forensic
>Sciences at their annual meeting in February 1992. Mr. Hyzer was
>assisted in his analysis of the Walters photos by his son, Dr.
>James B. Hyzer. Mr. Andrus provided copies of photos
>1,2,5,9,13,14,16,17,18,19,21,22,36L&R,37L&R and 38L&R for their
>work. It is unfortunate that Mr. Andrus could not provide
>Walters' original photos or at least first-generation copies to
>Mr. Hyzer for his analysis.

>Mr. Hyzer has now completed his work and a copy of his final
>report, The Gulf Breeze Photographs: Bona Fide or Bogus?
(second editon, March 15, 1992) was sent to Mr. Andrus on April
>.1, 1992. We have been priviledged to read the report and we find
>it most definitive.

<snip>

>Late in 1991, Mr. Ray Stanford noted that the reflection of the
>tree line in photo 19 is visible on the hood of Walters' truck
>(see photo section preceding page 129 in Walters' book). Mr.
>Stanford requested that Mr. Hyzer analyze this aspect of photo
>19. Mr. Stanford had mentioned the lack of reflection from the
>UFO to Dr. Bruce Maccabee back in 1988. Dr. Maccabee claims to

>have conducted tests using a flashlight and Walters' truck to
>determine why there were no reflections from the UFO as expected
>(see MUFON Journal, #252, April 1989). Dr. Maccabee found that
>because the hood of Walters' truck was supposedly bent,
>illuminations below seven feet above the ground at 200 feet away
>would not cause reflections. He later changed the seven feet to
>six feet.

>Since Dr. Maccabee has now moved the UFO to a position 370 feet
>from the camera and two feet above the ground, about 13 feet of
>the top part of the UFO would have been above the six-foot
>restriction claimed by Dr. Maccabee above. Therefore, the
>crescent-shaped illuminated dome and the dome light should have
>made a visible reflection on the hood of the truck since both
>were as bright or brighter than the background sky, though they
>do not reflect.

The angle of elevation of the light as measured starting at the height of the truck hood is what determines whether or not the top light would be reflected. The angle of elevation estimated for the top light is the same whether the UFO was 185 or 370 ft or some other distance. The angle of elevation was not high enough, regardless of distance, for the light to reflect in the bent truck hood (because the truck was tilted by cement blocks in the back.... see below)

> These results of Mr.
>Hyzer's analysis lead him to conclude the in his professional
>opinion, photograph 19 is a fake produced by multiple-exposure
>photography.

>Since photo 14 is very similar to photo 19, it also is probably
>a fake. The other of Walters' photos depicting the same objects
>as photos 14 ad 19 then become highly suspect. Couple this with
>the brightness and chameleon-like factors reported by Mr. Hyzer
>and there appears to be a high probablility that all of Walters'
>photos are fakes.

>We hope that Mr. Hyzer will publish his report in the near
>future.

Note:Mr. Hyzer's article was published in the MUFON Journal.

While "going through archives" I happened to find the following discussion of Hyzer's analysis (abstracted from GULF BREEZE: THE UNTOLD STORY, manuscript by Bruce Maccabee). You can also find a technical discussion of Hyzer's analysis in UFOS ARE REAL, HERE'S THE PROOF by Ed Walters and Bruce Maccabee (Avon. 1997)

Mr. Hyzer was given good quality 8 x 10 inch copies of many of the photos and he and his son studied them for half a year or so before issuing a preliminary report for review in the summer of 1991. Although they questioned the validity of the photos on general grounds they had to admit that no one knows what a UFO should look like, so the photos couldn't be rejected simply because they show the "wrong type" of UFO. On the other hand, Mr. Hyzer claimed that he had discovered how to fake a photograph such as Ed's first photo in which a bright object (the UFO) was seemingly blocked by a dark object (tree branches and foliage).

I had already stated in my 1988 MUFON Symposium presentation that this photo, and a similar one (Ed's seventh photo), would be very difficult to create by double exposure techniques since it would be necessary to block the light from the model where the model image would overlap the tree. One could make a mask to cover part of the model but then one would have to align the image of the masked model correctly to make it "fit" the outline of the tree. Such a thing would be virtually impossible with Ed's simple camera. However, Hyzer now claimed that the photo could be created in another and rather "simple" way with Ed's camera.

Once he had discovered this new technique, which did not require a carefully aligned mask, he decided that all of Ed's photos could be double exposure fakes. In a revised analysis, which was published by MUFON in the summer of 1992, Mr. Hyzer also claimed that he could prove that photo 19 was a fake because there was no reflection of the UFO light in the hood of the truck.

At about the same time that the Mr. Hyzer began his study,

another analyst, Mr. Jeffrey Sainio of the Quad/Tech Division of Quad Graphics contacted me and offered to study Ed's photos, among others.

Jeff's initial approach to me was as an "amateur photoanalyst." However, he turned out to be quite skilled and, most importantly, willing to experiment to prove or disprove his theories about the photos. Jeff was the first person to try to understand the cause of the excessively bright blue color on the cuff of Frances' sweater in photo 24. When I first saw this photo I assumed that the excess blue was a result of the cloth itself being illuminated by the camera flash. However, Jeff had a different point of view. He thought it might have been caused by the nearness of the blue beam. He analyzed the original photo 24 very carefully. At my request Ed used his camera to make a comparison photo of Frances in the same sweater taken under similar nighttime conditions. This comparison photo showed no excess blue color: the sweater is all the same color. Jeff's analysis confirmed that the excess blue is an anomaly. It seems to be consistent with the "blueness" of the beam which, in the photo, appears to be about 9 inches or so from her sleeve and does not actually contact her sleeve. Some skeptics, including Mr. Hyzer, had suggested that the blue beam was merely the beam from a powerful lamp with a blue filter. However, a beam of ordinary blue light that did not actually illuminate the sweater would not increase the blueness of the sweater. (There is not enough scattered light from such a beam to illuminate the sweater.) I have concluded from Jeff's analysis that the beam in the picture was not just a beam of light. How the UFO beam made the sweater glow without actually hitting the sweater, I do not know. Perhaps some unknown radiation (ultraviolet?) caused the blue dye in the sweater to fluoresce.

Whereas Mr. Hyzer was rather secretive about his analysis and had explicitly told Mr. Andrus that he didn't want contact with MUFON investigators (although he did receive some apparently unwanted letters), Jeff was completely open about his analysis. Initially I provided him with excellent copies of Ed's photos made by Robert Oechsler in the summer of 1988. Jeff, in turn, provided me with computer-enhance and analyzed versions of the pictures and stimulating discussion. Eventually it became clear to me that he needed information that only the originals could provide. I therefore arranged with Ed to send Jeff many of the originals. This made Jeff the third analyst to have access to the originals (the other two are myself in the late spring of 1988 and Mr. Oechsler in the summer of 1988).

By the time Mr Hyzer published his analysis in July, 1992, Jeff and I had already proven that Mr. Hyzer's method for hoaxing the first photo would not work. I determined that the ambient sky brightness light level that Mr. Hyzer specified for the background did not occur at the time of Ed's picture; instead, the sky was too bright. Furthermore, Jeff confirmed that the image of the tree, although darker than the image of the UFO or the image of the sky, was still too bright for Hyzer's method to work.

Robert Oechsler and I, in a series of experiments with a camera similar to Ed's and with the same type of film, attempted to follow Hyzer's "prescription" for a photo hoax but were never able to make it work. No matter what we did, no matter how dark we made the first "model" exposure we could always see the model against the darker "tree" portion of the background as well as against the brighter "sky" portion of the background (as is expected for a simple double exposure). The darker "tree" background never did appear to cover up a portion of the model. Jeff also failed to make Hyzer's method work with the color film. These experiments and Jeff's measurements on the original of photo 1 ruled out the Hyzer method as a viable explanation for photo 1. (Note: it is likely that Mr. Hyzer would have discovered that the relative brightness or reflectivity of the dark tree image was too great for his method to work if he had had access to the original of photo 1.)

The claim that photo 19 must be a hoax because there is no image of a reflection of either the bottom or top UFO light was first investigated in the summer of 1988, long before Mr. Hyzer's report. In 1988, at my request, Ed did a series of experiments which showed why there was no reflection. The reason for a lack of reflection turned out to be that the front of the hood had been bent in an accident and this changed the reflection pattern.

The effect of the bent hood was permanently recorded into photo 19 as a double reflection of the sky: in the photo the lower (normal) sky reflection was from the closest part of the hood and the upper (abnormal) sky reflection was from the front of the hood. (The tree-sky horizon line is reflected twice in the hood.

The reflection closer to the camera is the normal one.) The effect of the bent hood was to require a light source to be at a considerable distance above the road in order to reflect from the hood into the camera. This effect was further enhanced by a heavy load of cement blocks Ed was carrying in the back at the time of the sighting. The cement blocks in the back caused the truck to tilt and make the hood slope upward several degrees. The result was that the top light was not high enough to reflect in the hood. (Had it been perhaps 5 feet or more higher it would have reflected.) Of course, no lower light, e.g., the bottom ring of the UFO, was reflected from the hood, either, because of the bent hood and the weight of the cement blocks.

Jeff, in a different type of analysis using the original photo, demonstrated that he could detect a slight brightening of the road around the UFO, suggesting that the UFO weakly illuminated the road at some distance as well as directly under itself (where the very bright reflection appears to be). This extra brightening could not be a result of a model and a double exposure.

As for the bright image/reflection under the UFO, it was suggested that this could be a cloud of vapor below the UFO that was illuminated by the light coming down from UFO, or it could be a highly elliptical spot on the road caused by a beam of some sort of light from the UFO.

These analyses demonstrated that photo 19 is not proof of a hoax, as claimed by Mr. Hyzer.

Jeff's analysis demonstrated something about the beam in photo 11 that had not been known before. In that photo the blue beam crosses the horizon line. The sky above the horizon line has a faint blue glow and the trees below the horizon line have essentially zero brightness.

(Note: the term brightness as used here could be replaced by "image reflectivity," since that is what was actually measured.) Jeff and I carefully measured the brightness (reflectivity) of the beam image along its length and also the brightnesses of the background images on either side of the beam above and below the horizon line. We found that when scanning downward along the center of the beam image its brightness does not drop at the level of the horizon although the brightness of the sky image above the horizon is noticeably greater than the brightness of the trees below the horizon. On the other hand, if the photo were a simple double exposure, as discussed previously, the brightness should drop at the horizon line. Since the brightness does not drop, the photo is not a simple double exposure. Any technique for creating such a photo such as this (such as, for example, a "masked double exposure") can be ruled out as being beyond Ed's capabilities with his demonstrated lack of knowledge and his simple camera.

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Re: Stanford & Gulf Breeze

From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 18:57:32 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 31 Mar 1998 22:03:39 -0500
Subject: Re: Stanford & Gulf Breeze

>To: updates@globalserve.net
>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Stanford & Gulf Breeze

>From: <http://www.ufobbs.com/txt1/782.ufo>>

>=====Inside Ufology May 1988=====>>

>GULF BREEZE FEUD HEATS UPParaNet Alpha 05/06 -- As predicted, the
>Gulf Breeze case has incited the strongest of emotions on both
>sides, and even the same side, of the ufological fence. The Hynek
>Center for UFO Studies recently released a Special Bulletin
>condemning the case as a "probable hoax" and taking rival MUFON
>to task for "shoddy investigative techniques." But MUFON's Walt
>Andrus was quick to call ParaNet and warn us, "Don't you believe
>it!"

In looking through my old records I happened to find the following information regarding Ray Stanford and the skeptics of Gulf Breeze:

(ABSTRACTED FROM "GULF BREEZE, THE UNTOLD STORY"
by Bruce Maccabee

(This abstract consists of two chapters that describe some of the events in the springtime of 1988 after most of the sightings had already occurred and the skeptical reaction began to be publicized.)

APRIL SHOWERS BRING THE SKEPTICS

During the period from November through the middle of April skeptical voices were muted. In the news media there had been some joking and insinuations that the photos were faked and several UFO investigators had voiced doubts, both privately and publically, about the photos and the other sightings. But there was no straightforward charge that Ed's photos were hoaxes until April 20. That night a WEAR TV report, followed up the next day by a story in the News Journal, said that a UFO investigator could prove Ed faked the photos. According to the news stories, Ray Stanford, a UFO investigator who lived in Maryland, had proven that the first photos could not have been taken on November 11, as Ed claimed. His proof was based on the images of the sky in the first three photos: according to Stanford the motion of the clouds was not consistent with the known weather on November 11. Stanford went on to discuss possible reasons why the hoaxer would want to take the photos on one day and say they were taken on another. Stanford's statement was publicly endorsed by the then-mayor of Gulf Breeze, Ed Gray, in a TV interview. By the of time Ray's announcement the number of sighting reports being published in the press was dropping rapidly. Because the publications of sightings ended about the same time as these public accusations against Ed, the skeptics argued that the whole series of sightings was merely a media-generated flap caused by the publication of Ed's pictures. However, they were wrong, as demonstrated below.

A concentrated series of sightings in a short time (days, weeks, months) is often referred to as a UFO flap. If the sightings are publicized "in real time," i.e., within a few days of their occurrence, then there is a coincident a "media flap." UFO investigators have learned during the nearly 50 years of UFO sightings (since June, 1947) that media flaps are not necessarily what they appear to be: a long series of True UFO (TRUFO) sightings which are duly reported in newspapers and other news media. Instead, very often the media flap will be started by a small number (one or more) of sightings of something unusual (not necessarily a TRUFO) that are (is) publicized. The publication of a sighting or a few sightings can cause a "positive feedback" effect that is self-perpetuating: people read of previous sightings, go out to look themselves, see something they don't recognize (because they don't often look at the sky at night and therefore don't recognize what is ordinary), and then report their "sightings." A few people may simply make up sightings as a joke or in order to capitalize on the publicity. When publications of sighting reports continue because of this feedback effect the flap is media-generated. (Some skeptics claim that all publicized UFO flaps are media-generated because there are no TRUFOS. However, they don't know how to explain the flaps which occur in the absence of media interest. Such a flap occurred in Gulf Breeze in 1989 and will be described later.) Media-generated flaps of this type generally last only a few weeks as the press wearies of continual reports (repetitions are not news) or until someone (often an out-of-town "expert") provides a convenient (not necessarily convincing or correct!) explanation for some or all of the sightings. During a media-generated flap there may actually be a small number of valid TRUFO sightings - the "signal"- but they are buried in the "noise" of the other false sightings, which are mostly misidentifications but may also include hallucinations and hoax reports by publicity seekers. It may take weeks, months or even years for UFO investigators to "dig out" the few True UFO reports, if any, from a media generated flap.

So, how did the Gulf Breeze flap compare with a media generated flap? It is true that there was interest on the part of the major local newsmidia in late February and during the first few days of March, with the Pensacola News Journal story and the WEAR documentary.

However, this major media interest basically "died" after the documentary. Only the Sentinel continued publishing reports once a week. Thus one could logically argue that the subsequent flap was "caused" by media interest.

However, as I have pointed out in the last chapter, the flap reached a cescendo and then ended without major media interest and, of particular importance, is the fact that it ended before an "expert" had "explained" the sightings which "started it all" (Ed's sightings).

Unfortunately no one realized that the sightings ended before the "explanation" until years later, so the "media flap" explanation was accepted at the time as a logical explanation for the other sightings. Now, however, we know that the abrupt end of the sightings indicates that the Gulf Breeze March-April sighting flap was caused by real, unexplainable objects (TRUFOS).

The reader, at this point, probably wonders whatever happened to Ray Stanford's "proof" that the first five photos were fakes. Was he correct, or wasn't he? Upon investigation of his claims it was learned that he had, unintentionally, used the sighting wrong direction for the photos and somewhat erroneous meteorological data.

When the appropriate corrections were made it became clear that the photos were consistent with the meteorological conditions. When these errors were pointed out to Ray he publicly retracted his analysis.

However, he did not retract his opinion that Ed's sightings were a hoax. Nor did the Mayor change his opinion.

The skeptical reaction continued through the latter half of April as the Center For UFO Studies, in a widely circulated "special bulletin," accused Ed of creating a hoax and criticized the MUFON investigators for ignoring "evidence" that proved the

photos were hoaxed. And how did they explain the multitude of other sightings that had been published in the newspapers? As the reader may already have guessed, the skeptics explained the other sightings as resulting from misidentifications by gullible people and partially by other hoaxers as part of a media-generated flap that was caused by the original publication of Ed's photos.

SKEPTICS BE DAMNED
I KNOW WHAT I SAW

After the concentrated series of sightings ended on April 8, there were a few more in April. A witness reported a sighting at about 9:00 PM on April 14 of some "strange blinking red and white lights in the air" that "made a wierd" U turn in the sky. Ed and Frances reported (but only to the MUFON investigators; not publicly) that they saw, during the evening of April 21, the same type of object that Ed photographed with the Nimslo camera. This was their second sighting of this strange, small UFO.

A sighting near the end of April by a credible witness is a direct challenge to the skeptics. Keep in mind that by this time the major local newsmedia had published an "explanation" of Ed's sightings (even though it had been recanted) and a major UFO group, CUFOS, had publicly endorsed the skeptic's claim that Ed's photos were fakes. Hence, when Truman Holcomb reported his sighting he must have been aware that he was reporting something that did not exist according to the conventional wisdom as propounded by the major newsmedia.

Mr. Holcomb reported that at about 10 PM on April 28 he was driving east on Highway 98 near Route 191B (not far from the site of Ed's "road shot" photo three months earlier) when he noticed a "circular object with a bright orange light" hovering over some trees at his right. He drove for about 45 seconds at 45 mph as the object hovered about 100 feet away and then he slowed down to keep up with it. Quoting from the MUFON report, "As he turned south toward his house on Ocean Breeze Lane, the object seemed to follow him at about treetop level. (He) said the light passed his street, then stopped. So, he turned onto his street and stopped to watch the light. He could see a blue beam coming from the lower side of the object shining north, across Hwy. 98 toward the power lines. He watched it for about 10-15 seconds, 150 ft from the object which was about 100 feet above the ground. He said it was so bright that he had to blink his eyes a lot to look at it. (His car) windows were open and he could hear no noise. He also noticed a short, blue streak shining perpendicular to the object. At this time he became excited. As he accelerated to get home to his wife about 1/2 mile away to show her the object, the lights blinked out. (He) estimated the object was the size of a city water tank. His wife, Linda, reported he was unusually excited when he got home. She went outside to look for the object, but did not see it." An hour after the sighting he got a glimpse of what he thought was the same object, this time over the Bay north of Hwy. 98.

Mr. Holcomb also reported something possibly related to Ed's "road shot" sighting of January 12, which occurred about 1/2 mile from Holcomb's house. Holcomb said that on that night he noticed their television displayed considerable interference. As for his own sighting, Holcomb pointed out that, as a retired Air Force mechanic familiar with many types of aircraft, he was sure it was "absolutely not an aircraft." Mr. Holcomb's report was published in the Sentinel.

Ed's last sighting of 1988 occurred on May 1, when he took stereo photos with the rebuilt SRS camera and subsequently had a period of "missing time." This sighting and the analysis of the stereo photos is described in "The Gulf Breeze Sightings." Information

obtained two months later during a series of hypnotic regressions with Dr. Dan Overlade indicates that Ed was actually abducted by aliens that night. The complete story on this event is in "Abductions in Gulf Breeze" (Avon, 1994).

(Note: unfortunately Dr. Overlade died before he was able to publish the complete results of his investigation of Ed. He did publish, in the MUFON journal, the results of his personality profile tests of Ed. He also wrote some material which Ed included in "Abductions in Gulf Breeze." He found Ed to be a normally person. Overlade told me privately that, as a clinical psychologist of many years experience, he could find no evidence that Ed was lying either intentionally, as a "criminal" or unintentionally, as a sociopath. This opinion from a professional who spent many hours with Ed, contradicts the glibly stated opinions of skeptical UFO investigators who claimed that Ed is a sociopath and "con man." Dr. Overlade's opinion was consistent with that of Harvey McLaughlin, the polygraphist who tested Ed twice in February, 1988.)

Ed's sighting occurred at about 1:10 AM while he was at Shoreline Park on the north side of the Santa Rosa Sound. The MUFON investigators subsequently learned of a sighting and abduction event that commenced in the late evening on the south side of Santa Rosa sound. This event, which involved a lady witness who wishes to remain anonymous, ended only minutes before Ed's sighting began. The investigation showed that when Ed first saw the UFO and pointed the SRS camera at it, he was looking roughly in the direction of the house of the lady witness. It was as if the UFO had departed from one abduction event in order to fly over to the next (Ed's) abduction.

There were only two more sightings in May. The first of these occurred on May 11 when two witnesses living in an apartment at Pensacola Beach saw numerous lights appear and then disappear over the Gulf of Mexico. The man recorded the lights on videotape. He first noticed one light appear, then two. He got his video camera and by the time it was operating there were three. They increased in number one-by-one and eventually there were 10 arranged in a shallow V formation with the apex upward. Then, over a period of a minute or so, they faded out one by one. The lights seemingly did not move from their positions during the sighting as long as they were visible. The lights, at their maximum brilliance, were quite bright but fluctuated in intensity as if they were at quite a distance. There is no explanation for this sighting. (NOTE ADDED IN 1997: there is a similarity to the, Phoenix, AZ, March 13, 1997 sightings!)

The last May sighting occurred on the 27th at about 9:45 PM. This was another sighting that contradicts the skeptical opinion that all the non-Ed sightings were part of a media-generated flap. A Monsanto service engineer and image analyst, Ray Pollock along with his daughter and son-in-law were standing on the pier at Shoreline Park scanning the skies and looking at the city lights. They had seen a number of aircraft landing or taking off from the Pensacola airport about 5 miles to the north, but then the skies seemed to clear of these aircraft. At this time his daughter was looking northward toward the lights of Gulf Breeze and she spotted it first...an "Ed-type craft." It suddenly appeared...it didn't fly to that location...it just appeared, apparently over the parking lot at Shoreline Park and not too high up. She called the attention of the others and they watched the round, orange glowing object with dark rectangular areas (often called "portholes," although no one really knows what these are) for 45 seconds to a minute. He thought that he could see the reflection of parking lot lights in the body of the object. Then airplanes began to approach the area and the object simply "winked out."

One of the most interesting and credible of the sightings, and another direct affront to the skeptics, occurred during the early morning of July 8, 1988. Dr.

Fenner McConnell, the Escambia County Medical Examiner, was sitting up in bed at about 4:54 AM, getting ready for his daily exercise routine. Perhaps he had a few thoughts about the upcoming annual party, set for two days later (July 10), to which he and his wife had invited about 500 people. The party theme for the year, based on the recent UFO flap, was called "UFO Watch." The invitation they sent out featured a Gary Larson UFO cartoon to set the tone for the party. He and his wife had planned to have guests pose with Martians painted on a backdrop, then eat Mars candy bars and Moon Pies for dessert. But as he sat there in bed looking out the window he suddenly saw something that brought a new reality to the UFO phenomenon. I expect that he began to think the UFO sightings he wanted to spoof at the party were not all as trivial as he had thought.

Looking out westward over the Pensacola Bay he saw a lighted craft hovering over the water at a distance he subsequently estimated at about 300 ft. He quickly awakened his wife and they both watched the object. It was round with lighted "windows" and a large white glow at the bottom. He estimated it to be about 8 ft in diameter. The UFO was clearly discernible because of internal lights reflecting through "windows" and the reflection of the white glow off the water. The light got brighter and he thought the craft was coming closer. The lights on the under-surface lit up the water below and then the pier. At first he thought it was a plane that was going to land on the house. His wife, who has better distant eyesight than her husband, realized immediately that she was seeing the "exact object that we had seen pictures of in the newspaper here in Gulf Breeze." They observed the soundless craft for 2 - 3 minutes before running out of their house in an attempt to view the craft from their back yard. From their back yard they could clearly see the craft from another angle. At this time the craft started to move away over the water. The white light from below the craft continued to illuminate the water as it receded from them, moving toward the Pensacola Naval Air Station across the Bay about 3 miles away. They observed no conventional aircraft during or after the sighting. Mrs. McConnell provided a sketch for MUFON. The McConnells did not mention their sighting to the 200 guests who came to their party two days later. However, subsequently they "went public" with their sighting and even appeared in the Unsolved Mysteries show that was broadcast in September, 1988 and in a second show in 1990. They have also been featured in newspaper stories in which they have reiterated their claim that they saw the object in Ed's photos.

The last sighting of what I call "Phase I" of the Gulf Breeze Sightings occurred on July 15. A tenth grade student reported that while she and another girl were on a pier in Santa Rosa Sound trying to identify constellations, an object appeared from behind a cloud and descended in a zig-zag pattern. It moved eastward toward them. They got scared and ran toward their house. Looking back they saw a blue beam projecting downward from the object which was described as a thick disc with a single row of unlighted "windows".

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