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To Youngs Everywhere

From: **Jim Mortellaro** <Jsmortell@aol.com>
Date: Tue, 31 Jul 2001 19:12:23 EDT
Fwd Date: Wed, 01 Aug 2001 09:27:04 -0400
Subject: To Youngs Everywhere

To Youngs Everywhere And Their Clear Eyes... Skies

Dearest Youngs,

There have been several. Some old (as in Robert who passed some years back, who redefined the words, "Daddy Dearest"). And then there was Young Fronkenshteen who redefined male human anatomy and taught Madelyn Kahn how to sing in that super voce'. Broke a record for female ... we won't go there. Although I see no reason why not. Mel Brooks went there and many other places an' nobody got mad at him.

Anyway, the porpoise of this letter is to create a sense of love and warmth, of understanding and, well, just plain male bonding. Although I much prefer female bonding. But Young Bob is different. Young Bob, is a skeptibunky. A man whose soul porpoise is to redefine the word "UFO" and the word "Abduction". To take advantage of every opportunity, to demean, disparage and them other things that my friend (we are really just friends) Merriam defines as skeptic taken to extremis.

Now, if you've gotten this far, I am certain of your insanity and judge that you must continue. We lost the intellectuals way back in the first paragraph. So stick with me folks.

I love skeptibunkers as much as the Jesus loves a parade. And I want to tell you, Bob, that you seem to be getting worse at it. Losing a degree of credibility from one too many mournings of the demise of UFO-dom. Trying to make it UFO-dumb. The arguments I've read here in beautiful downtown UpDates are becoming so lame that I can't really believe you mean it. So, for the sake of honesty, male bonding (just don't drop the soap Dude) and love, Tiny Tim style (he would never make it as a male porno star - maybe a porno meteorite). Uh, where was I? Oh, for the sake of love for one and all, tell us true, Young Bob... are you serious or just Joshing? No offense to you, Josh. Rosie and I pray for your mom and John's every day. Seriously. These days, people have avoided that element of positive thinking and have excluded as outdated, the object of prayer. Even if one does not believe in the Almighty, thinking positive and calling on the spirits of this universe ain't such a shabby thing. Someone will now call me a New Ager but I assure you I am not new.

Come on. I won't tell nobody. And I think I speak for Albert, Alfred, when I say, "Why's the sky so full of unknown thingies, Daddy?" So fess up Young Bob. Tell us you are merely joshing. Hmmm, or are you Lehmborg's CIA handler maybe?

Old Morty

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Re: Serious Research - Young

From: Bob Young <YoungBob2@aol.com>
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Fwd Date: Wed, 01 Aug 2001 09:31:50 -0400
Subject: Re: Serious Research - Young

>From: Bob Young <YoungBob2@aol.com>
>Date: Fri, 13 Jul 2001 09:04:40 EDT
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>Subject: Re: Serious Research - Young

>>From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>>Subject: Re: Serious Research
>>Date: Thu, 05 Jul 2001 20:22:24 -0000

>>>From: Bob Young <YoungBob2@aol.com>
>>>Date: Tue, 3 Jul 2001 23:44:45 EDT
>>>Subject: Re: Serious Research
>>>To: updates@sympatico.ca

I had previously posted,

>>>>There are now several organizations which collect reports like
>>>>this, but in 1973 the AMS and the Smithsonian Astrophysical
>>>>Observatory's Scientific Events Network were about it, and
>>>>scattered observers for the Association of Lunar & Planetary
>>>>Observers. Still, even now, few fireballs are actually reported,
>>>>whether they are visible or not.

You responded,

>>>For a meteor watcher, this is a strangely inaccurate statement.
>>>Fireballs are reported all the time. My files are bulging with
>>>reports from the last few years. As it turns out, I do have the
>>>AMS fireball list for 1973 in my file (I had quite candidly
>>>forgotten that), and it shows no fireball on or near the date in
>>>question. However, it includes something like 125-150 for the
>>>year and about 20 for the month of October, most around the
>>>Orionids shower.

Then, I wrote,

>>>Do you have the AMS data from observers in the area at the time
>>>of the incident? If an observer were actively monitoring the sky
>>>near Mansfield (I think a 50 mile radius would work) and saw
>>>nothing, then it would be of interest and probably eliminate the
>>>fireball hypothesis. However, if there were no observers active
>>>in the area, the AMS records are not significant. I think the
>>>AMS fireball reports were mostly (if not all) recorded by meteor
>>>observers who report them as part of their observations. They
>>>are not usually filed by passersby who witnessed a fireball.
>>>This is a matter of "If a tree falls and there is nobody around
>>>to hear it...".

You finally responded,

>>AMS obviously has meteor observers in Ohio. Try again!

To which, I asked,

>But, did they have any observers counting meteors in Ohio at the
>time of the Coyne helicopter incident?

Dick:

Haven't gotten your answer, yet, as to whether there were actually any AMS meteor observers watching the sky during the Coyne helicopter incident.

Their reports to the AMS for the period may include a meteor, the UFO, or the directions that they were watching. A -12 mag object (as bright as the Moon, certainly would have been hard to miss.)

If there were no AMS observers counting meteors during the time of the sighting, at least that would negate the lack of a fireball report as evidence against a bright meteor, as you have suggested.

Clear skies,

Bob Young

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Re: Disclosure Project Witnesses - Fritch

From: **Jess Fritch** <djfritch@earthlink.net>
Date: Tue, 31 Jul 2001 16:36:18 -0700
Fwd Date: Wed, 01 Aug 2001 09:34:45 -0400
Subject: Re: Disclosure Project Witnesses - Fritch

>From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>Subject: Re: Disclosure Project Witnesses
>Date: Tue, 31 Jul 2001 19:38:33 +0000

>>From: Kevin Randle <KRandle993@aol.com>
>>Date: Tue, 31 Jul 2001 10:55:19 EDT
>>Subject: Disclosure Project Witnesses
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>Good Morning, List, All -

>>I have waited to see what happened with Greer's Project
>>Disclosure and to see if anyone bothered to do a little more
>>research into those 'insiders' who came forward to tell their
>>tales of government intrigue, conspiracy, and duplicity. Most
>>have taken a wait and see attitude while a few have suggested
>>that, at the very least, Greer is doing something to expose the
>>problem.

>>The point is that this whole thing hinges on the credibility of
>>those 'insiders' who have little or nothing in the way of
>>documentation and validation. We are left with only the stories
>>they tell and their claims of their inside positions. The
>>problem, as I have pointed out before, is that some of those
>>'insiders' don't seem to be who they claim to be.

<snip>

>This is well-stated and contains a very important object lesson.
>A similar "profile" should be done about every one of the
>Disclosure witnesses (and any others who come along), since
>Greer didn't bother to do so and obviously is totally
>uncritical. In that way we could start winnowing out the
>embellishers and wanna-bes and narrow it down to the important
>witnesses who should be heard.

>How about some NASA and other Government agency personnel
>checking on the credentials of the witnesses who claimed to
>observe or participate in various cover-up activities for those
>agencies? It is naive beyond belief to simply accept
>undocumented tales at face value.

Yes! When investigatating anything you should not accept
information at face value. But I would not have NASA or any
other Government agency check on the credentials of these
witnesses. That would be like having the fox guard the chickens.

Jess

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Re: Disclosure Project Witnesses - Maccabee

From: **Bruce Maccabee** <brumac@compuserve.com>
Date: Tue, 31 Jul 2001 22:39:49 -0400
Fwd Date: Wed, 01 Aug 2001 09:42:55 -0400
Subject: Re: Disclosure Project Witnesses - Maccabee

>From: Kevin Randle <KRandle993@aol.com>
>Date: Tue, 31 Jul 2001 10:55:19 EDT
>Subject: Disclosure Project Witnesses
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

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>problem, as I have pointed out before, is that some of those
>'insiders' don't seem to be who they claim to be.

Kevin brought up the questionability of the testimony of
Clifford Stone.

Another Greer panelist was John Callahan, formerly of the FAA. I
checked on him inasmuch as his sole experience was with the FAA
reaction to the Japan Air Lines (JAL 1628) sighting over Alaska
in November 1986. In January the FAA headquarters learned of
it, because of press pressure, and investigated by interviewing
the crew (for a second time). I am familiar with this case since
I wrote the definitive analysis which was published by IUR in
late spring, 1987. A shortened version is in the paper 'Prosaic
Explanations, The Failure Of UFO Skepticism' at:

<http://brumac.8k.com>

(click on papers and scroll to the bottom).

I spoke with Callahan. He clearly had a somewhat muddled
recollection of the events, but no doubt he was 'there' at the
time of the analysis. A key event in that sighting was the
report by the Captain of a huge UFO following him as he headed
for Fairbanks, and then through a 360 deg turn (when radar
detected something) and then south toward Anchorage where he
would land half an hour or so after the UFO was no longer seen.

As JAL 1628 was heading for Anchorage, flying south, an UA plane
took off from Anchorage headed north. The UAL pilot was asked by
the AARTC (Anchorage Air Route Traffic Control) to try to spot
the UFO that JAL reported was behind it, However, by the time
the UAL got close enough (a dozen miles or so) the JAL reported
the UFO had disappeared.

That ended the sighting as far as press reports were concerned.

However.....

According to Callahan the radar tape showed that after the UAL

had passed the southbound JAL and had continued north to Fairbanks... the radar picked up the target _following_ the UAL plane!

You can see how the skeptics and the press treated the well-known part of the sighting by reading that section of the paper mentioned above at my web site.

Would they have treated the sighting differently had they known what Callahan has recently reported?

(Of course the skeptics would have put it all down to radar problems... but Callahan indicates that the radar operators themselves did not believe that the radar was having any technical problems.)

Incidentally, this, 'right here', may be the first public mention of this specific detail reported by Callahan. (However, a lot was said way back 14 years ago when it happened, so I can't guarantee that no one mentioned in in 1987.)

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Re: Cydonian Imperative 07-31-01 - 'Sphinx'

From: **Mac Tonnies** <macbot@yahoo.com>
Date: Tue, 31 Jul 2001 21:14:21 -0700 (PDT)
Fwd Date: Wed, 01 Aug 2001 09:46:39 -0400
Subject: Re: Cydonian Imperative 07-31-01 - 'Sphinx'

List,

I forgot to include a link to my site when I sent out the last piece. As usual, the new article is headlined at:

<http://www.geocities.com/macbot/cydonia.html>

The full text is on page 22.

--Mac

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P-47: Pflock & Randle On Today Show 08-06-01

From: **Karl Pflock** <Ktperehwon@AOL.COM>
Date: Tue, 31 Jul 2001 19:33:02 EDT
Fwd Date: Wed, 01 Aug 2001 09:50:44 -0400
Subject: P-47: Pflock & Randle On Today Show 08-06-01

A heads up for those who might be interested:

Barring a coup or hell freezing over or... I will appear (live remote from 'Saucer Smear' Headquarters in Key West) on the [NBC] Today Show, Monday, August 6, during the 8-9 a.m. hour as part of "Conspiracy Week", subject Roswell, of course.

Kevin Randle will be the other guest, live but just how remote, I don't know. :-)

Cheers,

KARL

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Re: To Youngs Everywhere - Young

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Fwd Date: Wed, 01 Aug 2001 15:15:17 -0400
Subject: Re: To Youngs Everywhere - Young

>From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
>Date: Tue, 31 Jul 2001 19:12:23 EDT
>Subject: To Youngs Everywhere
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

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>Daddy?" So fess up Young Bob. Tell us you are merely joshing.
>Hmmm, or are you Lehmberg's CIA handler maybe?

Sshhh... Loose Lips Sink Ships.

My lovely wife and I just decided to retire - soon, but not soon enough, kiddies, for some of you. Last night, She Who Must be Obeyed enquired (my apologies to the author of Rumpole Of The Bailey), "Are you on that computer again? When September comes, that will stop." Thus aroused from my Gates-induced turpor, I asked, Why? Her Grace informed me that she will have a long list of things to do around The Estate.

That's retirement? Anybody who's been through it, themselves, got any advice?

On another subject, this is all getting to be pretty boring, boys and girls. No flying saucers, no aliens, grey, green or otherwise, no MIBs rapelling into back yards to seize the little plastic balloons, no decent phony pics, anymore. Just a lot of rooting through old dusty news clips and Guvm'nt papers. The same old bunch of nut cases slaving in front of any crowd of believers or "press" people. It's a slow summer, folks.

Yawn.

Love and kisses,

Old Bob

"I find your lack of faith disturbing." - D. Vader

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CCRN: Crop Circle Research Assistance - Formation

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Fwd Date: Wed, 01 Aug 2001 15:18:39 -0400
Subject: CCRN: Crop Circle Research Assistance - Formation

CANADIAN CROP CIRCLE RESEARCH NETWORK

<http://www.geocities.com/cropcirclecanada>

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: August 1, 2001

CROP CIRCLE RESEARCH ASSISTANCE - FORMATION REPORTS

Summer/Fall 2001

The Canadian Crop Circle Research Network is requesting the continued assistance of farmers, pilots, media, police/RCMP and the general public in its investigative efforts regarding 'crop circles', those circular or geometric patterns of flattened field crops which continue to be reported worldwide every year, and apart from some known hoaxes and man-made 'land art', still remain largely unexplained.

In Canada, most formations are reported in August and September (the typical circle 'season'), near or at harvest, primarily in Saskatchewan, although they can also be reported year-round (in pastures, wild grasses or even ice, for example). CCRN, a non-profit research organization, has been investigating this phenomenon in-depth across the country since 1995. While like in other countries, most circles have been appearing since the late 1970s, some reports in Canada and elsewhere go back to at least the 1940s/1950s and possibly much earlier as far as is now known.

Twelve formations were reported across the country in 2000, in Alberta, Saskatchewan, Ontario and Quebec. Full reports are in the Circle Phenomena in Canada 2000 report archive on the web site. So far in 2001, there have been five reports as of late July, in BC, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Ontario. See the Circle Phenomena in Canada 2001 report archive on the web site for current updates. They have also been reported in at least nine other countries so far this year.

CCCRN is requesting that reports of formations be forwarded either to the main office or to any of the provincial contacts (CCCRN currently has coordinators and field research assistants in BC, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario, Quebec and Nova Scotia). Contact information for all CCRN representatives is on the web site. It is requested that reports be forwarded as soon after discovery as possible so that a proper investigation may be initiated. As many formations are discovered initially by farmers, sometimes in remote locations, it is also of particular importance for the farming community to be aware of this phenomenon, and to report formations when they are found.

Field studies are conducted at circle locations as they are found, including photo and video documentation (both aerial and ground if possible) surveying and plant/soil sampling for lab analysis, as well as investigation of other related phenomena. Field investigations are conducted in cooperation with the BLT

Research Team in the USA, which has been conducting serious scientific lab studies of plant and soil samples from crop formations in several countries for the past decade, now including additional independent labs. All applicable laws are strictly adhered to, and under no circumstance is a farmer's field or other property entered without expressed permission. Names and locations are kept confidential if requested and will not be released publicly in those cases.

Physical deformities of the plants themselves in formations are often found, including ruptured/stretched or sometimes 'singed' stalk nodes (effects similar to those produced by microwave/electromagnetic energy), severely twisted or even seedless seed heads, 'magnetic glaze' and micrometeorite dust particle material in some circles and reduced germination and seedling growth of seeds from formations which were later re-planted. Other unusual effects are also often observed, such as equipment irregularities (malfunctioning cameras, videocameras, compass deviations, etc.) inside some formations. Dogs and other animals have often been noted to behave in an agitated manner when in close proximity to some circles, refusing to go in them. In England in particular, small 'balls of light' have been witnessed and filmed many times hovering or moving over fields or particular formations, sometimes the night before a formation is found. It is this kind of evidence which continues to indicate that there is a real, as yet unexplained phenomenon occurring, not only in Canada, but in many countries around the world since the formations started appearing in greater numbers in the 1970s.

CCCRN will be conducting field research studies for Crop Watch 2001 in Saskatchewan later this summer. Further details on this in the next few weeks.

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One Giant Leap for Spacekind?

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Fwd Date: Wed, 01 Aug 2001 15:35:10 -0400
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From: UFO UpDates <ufoupdates@home.com>

Source: Wired News

<http://www.wired.com/news/technology/0,1282,45704,00.html>

One Giant Leap for Spacekind?
By Joanna Glasner

2:00 a.m. July 31, 2001 PDT

Supporters of the theory of Panspermia -- which posits that life on Earth originated in space -- have unveiled fresh research indicating the existence of living matter in the planet's upper atmosphere.

In a paper presented Monday at an engineering conference in San Diego, California, a team of scientists from India and Britain said they had isolated a sample of air collected from Earth's stratosphere that contained clumps of living cells.

Chandra Wickramasinghe, the scientist leading the project and a prominent Panspermia researcher, described the findings as evidence of "extraterrestrial microbial life." He touted the research as proof for his long-held belief that life on Earth originated from space, and not through a primordial mingling of chemicals on the planet itself, as many scientists believe.

"If there are no flaws in the argument, it's a complete vindication. It means we are creatures of the cosmos," said Wickramasinghe, a professor at Cardiff University in Wales, who presented his findings at a meeting of the International Society for Optical Engineering. He believes the findings will have a profound influence on future studies of the evolution of life on Earth.

In carrying out the research, scientists collected samples of air from as high as 41 kilometers above Earth's surface. Wickramasinghe noted that air close to the Earth's surface is normally unable to reach the altitude from which the samples were drawn, which is part of the reason why he believes the microbial life forms must have come from space.

Fellow planetary scientists reacted to the findings with some doubt.

"My initial thought is that they're seeing bacteria from the Earth. I don't believe that these are actually extra-terrestrial," said Jay Melosh, a professor of planetary science at the University of Arizona.

Although he believes it is possible that at some point in history, microbial material moved from one planet to another (most likely between Mars and Earth), he was skeptical that the cells isolated in the study were the result of such an exchange.

Dr. Norman Sleep, a professor of geophysics at Stanford University, was equally skeptical of the likelihood that the microbes had an extraterrestrial origin. He was particularly doubtful that the cells came from outside the solar system.

According to Sleep, it's quite possible for a volcanic eruption or other cataclysmic event to push microbe-containing air from earth's lower atmosphere to its upper atmosphere.

"The earth is just teeming with microbes," he said "And wherever the wind blows, the microbes get caught up."

Sleep compared the process of verifying the extraterrestrial origin of the microbes to proving the existence of unicorns. To get the scientific community to support such a theory would require substantial proof.

Wickramasinghe defended his claims of the cells' extraterrestrial origins by noting that no cataclysmic events had occurred at the time of the sampling (taken in January) that would have produced the results he found.

To conduct the research, scientists at the Inter-Universities Center for Astronomy and Astrophysics in Pune, India, collected quantities of stratospheric air using a balloon-mounted sampling device. They took samples at altitudes ranging from 21 to 41 kilometers above Earth's surface.

Part of the samples were sent to Cardiff University, where researchers used a fluorescent cyanine dye to expose membranes of living cells. In each liter, they detected between 10 and 100 living cells. Researchers said the variation of height and distribution of the cells they found indicated that the microbes were falling from space, rather than rising.

The next step, Wickramasinghe said, is to study the individual microbes, sequence their DNA and attempt to culture them. Attempts to make cultures from the cells thus far, he said, have not been successful.

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Secrecy News -- 08/01/01

From: Steven Aftergood <saftergood@igc.org>
Date: Wed, 1 Aug 2001 14:11:39 -0400
Fwd Date: Thu, 02 Aug 2001 08:20:03 -0400
Subject: Secrecy News -- 08/01/01

SECRECY NEWS
from the FAS Project on Government Secrecy
August 1, 2001

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EUROPEAN UNION STRIVES FOR OPENNESS

The European Commission issued a White Paper last week that aims to address widespread public dissatisfaction with politics by increasing the openness and accountability of European Union institutions.

"Many Europeans feel alienated from the Union's work," according to the White Paper, and they "no longer trust the complex system to deliver what they want."

The White Paper identifies five principles that define "good governance": Openness, Participation, Accountability, Effectiveness, and Coherence. The Paper goes on to identify proposed changes in European Union policy derived from these principles.

"We simply cannot go on as we are," said European Commission President Romano Prodi. "The White Paper is not an instant cure for everything, but it is a serious attempt to address the concerns that many people have."

To a American reader, the White Paper's diagnosis of public disenchantment with politics is familiar. Its prescription, however, may seem a little naive in its faith that political life can be reinvigorated through procedural changes. Even so, it is a refreshing reminder that political institutions are not simply inherited, but are also maintained and can be recreated by regular people.

"European Governance -- A White Paper" was adopted by the European Commission on July 25 and published for public comment here:

http://europa.eu.int/comm/governance/white_paper/index_en.htm

NEW BILL WOULD LIMIT DOE POLYGRAPHS

A bill introduced in the Senate yesterday by Sen. Pete Domenici and Sen. Jeff Bingaman would reduce the number of Department of Energy (DOE) employees and contractors who are subject to polygraph testing, thereby reversing congressional action taken last year.

"The effect of past legislation was to require polygraphs for very broad categories of workers in DOE and in our DOE weapons labs and plants," said Senator Domenici. "But the categories specified are really much too broad, some don't even refer to security-related issues."

Senator Domenici noted further that "Polygraphs are simply not viewed as scientifically credible by Laboratory staff."

Senator Bingaman echoed that observation: "I've heard directly

from many laboratory employees who question the viability of polygraphs and who have raised legitimate questions about its accuracy, reliability, and usefulness."

"It has become clear that the [existing] provision has had a chilling effect on current and potential employees at the laboratories in a way that could risk the future health of the workforce at the laboratories," Senator Bingaman said.

The new bill would reduce the number of DOE employees and contractors subject to the polygraph, limiting testing to those who have access to "the most sensitive" nuclear weapons secrets.

Senator Bingaman stressed that the proposed legislation is an "interim" measure and that further changes to DOE polygraph policy would be expected after a National Academy of Sciences study is completed next year.

See the July 31 floor statements of Senators Domenici and Bingaman introducing their new bill (S. 1276) here:

<http://www.fas.org/sqp/congress/2001/s073101.html>

Among the considerable resources on polygraph testing offered by polygraph opponent George Maschke on his web site AntiPolygraph.org, this haiku was found:

What is polygraph?
The Greek means "many writings,"
but who can read them?

WHEN VIRUS HYSTERIA STRIKES

The Internet did not come crashing down again today, despite the inescapable warnings that the predatory Code Red worm would unleash its fury last night.

One might hope that each such Internet disaster that fails to come to pass would lead to a moderation of official rhetoric and a more realistic assessment of the threat from cyber-terrorism and information warfare.

The Washington Times reported in a remarkable story today that Israel has been a target of particularly intense cyber-attacks from Islamic militants and others. But even this focused "cyber-jihad" has produced limited consequences, the Times observed:

"Despite recent fears -- often the subject of novels -- that hackers could cause airplanes to crash, traffic lights to misfire and electric or water systems to go haywire, [an] Israeli official said, 'I've never heard of a single successful cyber terrorist attack' against these institutions."

The web site Vmyths.com offers pointed commentary that seeks to deflate exaggerated or self-serving claims about the threat of computer viruses. Their resources include a list of things to remember "when virus hysteria strikes." See:

<http://vmyths.com/index.cfm>

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Re: To Youngs Everywhere - Mortellaro

From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
Date: Wed, 1 Aug 2001 15:37:59 EDT
Fwd Date: Thu, 02 Aug 2001 08:22:11 -0400
Subject: Re: To Youngs Everywhere - Mortellaro

>From: Bob Young <YoungBob2@aol.com>
>Date: Wed, 1 Aug 2001 12:36:46 EDT
>Subject: Re: To Youngs Everywhere
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
>>Date: Tue, 31 Jul 2001 19:12:23 EDT
>>Subject: To Youngs Everywhere
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

><snip>

>>Come on. I won't tell nobody. And I think I speak for Albert,
>>Alfred, when I say, "Why's the sky so full of unknown thingies,
>>Daddy?" So fess up Young Bob. Tell us you are merely joshing.
>>Hmmm, or are you Lehmberg's CIA handler maybe?

>Sshhh... Loose Lips Sink Ships.

>My lovely wife and I just decided to retire - soon, but not soon
>enough, kiddies, for some of you. Last night, She Who Must be
>Obeyed enquired (my apologies to the author of Rumpole Of The
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>otherwise, no MIBs rapelling into back yards to seize the little
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>Yawn.

>Love and kisses,

>Old Bob

>-----

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Dearest List, Old Bob, Errol and her Highny ... Highness,

To the Manor Born. Or at least conceived. To retire is to die. I
died about 1993, when I semiretired. It was then that my
memories of abduction and other assorted assertable certifiable
certitude began to naw at me. So if you are aksing my advise on
whether or not to retire... here, let me help you with that.

My beloved Highny, Her Grace, the lovely Rosemarie, loved it
when I retired. She let me do whatever she wanted me to do. And
of course, as she is disabled with MS, I did it. Howsumever in

our NEW home, I have an office all by my lonesome self. It's got my library, my toys, ham radio, computers, antique brass telephone with the scissors extender (they call this the lollipop phone, also the candlestick phone). Additional are all my "The Truth is Out There" signs and an Smart LED exit sign I designed some time back. To be found there are my gun collections, long, short and shot... guns in a safe. The safe is a hunnert years old. Also to be found there is the most wonderful little doggie you ever seen in yous life. A PUG. A short and small version of the ugly Bull, English Bull.

I am told that I resemble both. But most especially the Bull.

Sigh

I am surrounded by old.

So, have I answered your queer query? No? Oh yea of little fate.

Morty
Certified Alta Cocka

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Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'

From: **Mac Tonnies** <macbot@yahoo.com>
Date: Wed, 1 Aug 2001 13:46:03 -0700 (PDT)
Fwd Date: Thu, 02 Aug 2001 08:26:12 -0400
Subject: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'

ROSWELL: Inconvenient Facts and the Will to Believe

by Karl Pflock

reviewed by Mac Tonnies

Pflock's 'Roswell' is probably one of the most important contributions to ufology in the last ten years. Pflock's thorough exploration of the events of July, 1947 are revealing, insightful, and - best of all - credible. 'Roswell' is healthy skepticism with muscle and intellect, and a positively delicious read for truth-seekers disillusioned by Kal Korff's whiny, unconvincing tome on the subject.

Like Pflock, I've long been a Roswell agnostic. The evidence assembled here has, I'm afraid, pushed me into the skeptics' corner for good. Maybe I'm wrong - and, to be sure, there's always that slightly disturbing wish that I am - and new evidence will surface that makes the extraterrestrial crash hypothesis more attractive. In the meantime, Pflock's work is very likely to remain the definitive resource on the subject.

There's only one catch: to appreciate 'Roswell', it's best to be versed in dissenting opinions. I highly recommend Kevin Randle's fascinating 'The Roswell Encyclopedia' and Stanton Friedman's 'TOP SECRET/MAJIC' as cogent arguments from the 'believers' perspective.

<http://www.geocities.com/macbot/ufobooks.html>

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Re: To Youngs Everywhere - Hall

From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
Date: Wed, 01 Aug 2001 21:22:31 +0000
Fwd Date: Thu, 02 Aug 2001 08:28:46 -0400
Subject: Re: To Youngs Everywhere - Hall

>From: Bob Young <YoungBob2@aol.com>
>Date: Wed, 1 Aug 2001 12:36:46 EDT
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>Love and kisses,

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Bob,

And I find your skeptibunking mentality, which prefers totally irrational and counter-to-fact "answers" to a simple admission that some odd and unexplained things are being seen which do, indeed, suggest (at least) an extraordinary phenomenon, even more disturbing. Your wife is right. If you think it's all a joke, then clearly you should stop wasting your time (and offending her) by demeaning people who disagree with you and re-set your priorities. You have offered very little to serious UFO research. All you do is repeat the mantra: Non potest, ergo non est.

In that connection, if you want to claim that AMS people were not skywatching during the 1973 Ohio helicopter case, then it is your responsibility to do the research that confirms it. I'm not going to do your research for you. I went through this exact thing with your apparent idol, Phil Klass, who kept trying to shift the responsibility to me to confirm his (unfounded) skeptibunking notions.

Happy retirement. I have been semi-retired for about five years

Re: To Youngs Everywhere - Hall

and it ain't easy, especially when you lack orthodox pensions
and retirement funds.

Dick

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From: Royce J. Myers III <ufowatchdog@earthlink.net>
Date: Wed, 1 Aug 2001 14:38:27 -0700
Fwd Date: Thu, 02 Aug 2001 08:30:39 -0400
Subject: THE WATCHDOG - 08-01-01

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Art Bell...In His Own Words

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CCCRN News: Fields of Dreams Webcast Delayed

From: Paul Anderson <psa@look.ca>
Date: Wed, 01 Aug 2001 23:26:33 +0000
Fwd Date: Thu, 02 Aug 2001 08:33:28 -0400
Subject: CCCRN News: Fields of Dreams Webcast Delayed

CCCRN NEWS
The E-News Service of the Canadian Crop Circle Research Network

<http://www.geocities.com/cropcirclecanada>

August 1, 2001

DELAYED - FIELDS OF DREAMS WEBCAST RADIO SHOW

Please note, with apologies, that due to technical problems originating at the NSPN station, the broadcast start of August 1 for NSPN, including CCCRN's Fields of Dreams, has been delayed until Wednesday next week. More info on specific show time in the next few days. Next month the show will resume its normal time of the first Wednesday each month.

Also check the NSPN and CCCRN web sites for updates:

<http://www.nightsearch.net>

<http://www.geocities.com/cropcirclecanada/fieldsofdreams.html>

CCCRN News is the e-news service of the Canadian Crop Circle Research Network, providing e-mail updates with the latest news and reports on the crop circle phenomenon in Canada, as well as information on other CCCRN-related projects and events.

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Rendlesham Skywatch Report

From: Roy J Hale <royjhale@netscapeonline.co.uk>
Date: Thu, 02 Aug 2001 05:46:27 +0100
Fwd Date: Thu, 02 Aug 2001 08:37:43 -0400
Subject: Rendlesham Skywatch Report

Hi All,

<http://www.thelosthaven.co.uk/SPIrwatch.htm>

Is the link to the report, by Malcolm Robinson of SPI (UK),
on the recent sky watch initiative at Rendlesham Forest.

That watch was the first of many to be held across the UK.
The aim is to bring UFO groups in the UK together on a night
out, and to get to know each other.

Regards,

Roy..

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Re: Marcia Smith Letter - Gates

From: Robert Gates <RGates8254@aol.com>
Date: Thu, 2 Aug 2001 02:03:00 EDT
Fwd Date: Thu, 02 Aug 2001 08:39:59 -0400
Subject: Re: Marcia Smith Letter - Gates

>From: Grant Cameron <sqquishy@altavista.com>
>Date: 8 Jul 2001 19:09:05 -0700
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>Subject: Marcia Smith Letter

>Ms. Smith,

>I have written you to get clarification from you about a story
>that is being told about a report you may have written back in
>the days of the Carter administration. I am a researcher here in
>Canada working on stories and documents related to U.S.
>Presidents and the UFO phenomena.

>The story I am interested in is being told by Christic Institute
>Director Daniel Sheehan, who has publically, on a number of
>occasions, told about his personal involvement inside the CRS.
>He has also confirmed these statement to me by phone. For the
>record, Daniel has stated that the reports he was helping with,
>dealt with UFOs and extraterrestrial intelligence. He is on
>record as stating these reports were researched and written up
>in 1977 after President Carter came to office.

Its almost been a month on this one. Has anybody ever gotten
an email from this Marcia Smith? I personally suspect that
nobody will and she will choose to press the delete key and not
respond.

Cheers,

Robert

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Re: No Roswell At MUFON 2001 Symposium - Gates

From: Robert Gates <RGates8254@aol.com>
Date: Thu, 2 Aug 2001 02:15:23 EDT
Fwd Date: Thu, 02 Aug 2001 08:43:10 -0400
Subject: Re: No Roswell At MUFON 2001 Symposium - Gates

>From: Brad Sparks <RB47Expert@aol.com>
>Date: Wed, 25 Jul 2001 18:17:08 EDT
>Subject: No Roswell At MUFON 2001 Symposium
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>I attended the recent MUFON Symposium in Irvine, Calif., this
>past weekend and found one very strange thing: There was
>virtually nothing about Roswell at the conference, aside from
>passing references.

>There were almost zero Roswell books (about 5 copies of Stan
>Friedman's UFO Crash at Corona). The largest book vendor was
>dumbfounded when I asked where their Roswell books were. He
>spent half an hour looking and was only able to come up with one
>copy entitled 'Chinese Roswell'. Karl Pflock's new Roswell book
>was nowhere to be seen.

Hi Brad,

IMO Roswell is "mined out" so to speak. All the books that could
have been written have been including Kevin's 'Roswell
Encyclopedia'. The story has been poured over, milked and
re-mined, so to speak, so many times it reminds me of a mine
that has very little, if anything, left.

Short of a new witness(es) coming forward with verifiable
information there is really very little left to cover. Roswell
was at its 'peak' during the 50th anniversary hype and even
through a couple of years ago. Now it's old, old news, so to
speak.

Bottom line is unless the government steps forward with
documentation and information, Roswell is pretty much a
backburner item - i.e. get an update every 2 or 5 years, so to
speak.

Cheers,

Robert

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Re: Clinton, OSTP, and UFOs Part 3 - Hatch

From: **Larry Hatch** <larryhat@jps.net>
Date: Thu, 02 Aug 2001 03:14:07 -0700
Fwd Date: Thu, 02 Aug 2001 08:47:56 -0400
Subject: Re: Clinton, OSTP, and UFOs Part 3 - Hatch

>Date: Mon, 30 Jul 2001 02:34:42 +0200
>From: Josh Goldstein <clearlight@t-online.de>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Clinton, OSTP, and UFOs Part 3

>>Date: Sat, 28 Jul 2001 10:01:22 -0700
>>From: Larry Hatch <larryhat@jps.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Clinton, OSTP, and UFOs Part 3

<snip>

>Hi Larry,

>I hope you and all fellow Listerions are well. Thanks for
>welcoming me back aboard. In case you are not the only one who
>missed me I am responding on the list... I disappeared for two
>months because at the end of May I received a 5am phone call
>that my mother just had a massive heart attack. I caught the
>next flight from Berlin to Washington, D.C. She had to get a
>multiple bypass surgery, had two strokes, and is partially
>recovering in a rehab ward. I really feel for John Velez.

>I also had time there to have secret cabals with a few prominent
>fellow members of the 'UFO Elite'. Remember, I was one of the
>List member Listerions implicated as a member of a secret league
>by someone who found out he was not welcome on UpDates.

>I just got back, rested, and caught up on a massive amount of
>accumulated posts. I had periodically been able to keep track of
>the themes on this List on Dick Hall's computer, as he was
>gracious enough to offer good cheer and time for me to research
>in the uncensored Blue Book files. They are located underground
>his house, in one of the command bunkers of the 'UFO Elite'.

>There are also other members who have facilities and are trying
>to keep the roaring train of Ufology heading on the right
>tracks, to head somewhere and not keep running around in circles
>like headless chickens. Remember:

>"There are no headless rubber chickens in the Universe".

>[As told to me by Col. 'Gizzard' Sanders on the battlefield of
>the chicken livers. He also told me that the Greys are running a
>psychic Jihad. Could that be true?]

>I am still very jetlagged. But in my post above I was asking
>Grant Cameron who made that statement because he had just been
>quoting from Scott Jones. That is a rather surprising statement
>if it indeed came from Gibbons. It is contrary to his position
>regarding UFOs.

>If no one has answered your question yet, I would have to rest,
>read the post again, and then gather my thoughts, if I can find
>my dustbunny. Perhaps Grant can explain it to both of us?

>Larry, in late September or so (as my music schedule will allow)
>I hope to get back out for a visit to my old turf in California.
>We can get together and slurp some of Emma's artichoke soup,

>with UFOs for crackers to sop up stories with. Another meeting
>of the cabal, a Redwood ritual.

>Now that Robert Hanson sold the Russians all of the United
>States Continuity of Government secret underground locations
>(the jewel in the crown), I must get started on my underground
>elite command center for European UFOmania refugees.

Hello Josh (and all):

Just a few years ago I was going thru an awful mess, both
parents in and out of the hospital until they died.

Its an awful mess that just about everyone goes thru, and nobody
is ready for it. Just terrible.

Right now my problems are limited to email, small potatoes in
comparison.

I managed to pull in 36 messages from Monday (late July)
including the above, but that's it. Everything sent to me since
then is either lost, in limbo, and most likely bounced as if I
don't exist.

Two one-hour elevator-music sessions finally got me to a human
who could only help a little. Meanwhile, it seems a new email
address here might help a bit:

Larry Hatch <lh1002797@onemain.com>

I have no idea if my old email address is still valid. Test
messages sent to both never come back in! I haven't been able to
pull in a single message since Monday.

Best wishes

- Larry Hatch

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Re: UFO Crash On Plains Of St. Augustin? - Friedman

From: Stan Friedman <fsphys@brunnet.net>
Date: Thu, 2 Aug 2001 08:23:20 -0300
Fwd Date: Thu, 02 Aug 2001 08:50:01 -0400
Subject: Re: UFO Crash On Plains Of St. Augustin? - Friedman

>Date: Fri, 20 Jul 2001 17:13:42 -0300
>From: Thiago Luiz Ticchetti <thiagolt@opengate.com.br>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: UFO Crash On Plains Of St. Augustin?

>Does anyone have information or link about the alleged UFO crash
>at Plains of Saint Agustin in 1947?

Try reading my book 'Crash At Corona' which discusses it in detail.

Stanton Friedman

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Re: To Youngs Everywhere - Young

From: Bob Young <YoungBob2@aol.com>
Date: Thu, 2 Aug 2001 10:00:51 EDT
Fwd Date: Fri, 03 Aug 2001 07:00:44 -0400
Subject: Re: To Youngs Everywhere - Young

>From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>Subject: Re: To Youngs Everywhere
>Date: Wed, 01 Aug 2001 21:22:31 +0000

>>From: Bob Young <YoungBob2@aol.com>
>>Date: Fri, 13 Jul 2001 09:04:40 EDT
>>Fwd Date: Fri, 13 Jul 2001 11:00:56 -0400
>>Subject: Re: Serious Research - Young

>>>From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
>>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>>>Subject: Re: Serious Research
>>>Date: Thu, 05 Jul 2001 20:22:24 -0000

<snip>

>if you want to claim that AMS people were
>not skywatching during the 1973 Ohio helicopter case, then it is
>your responsibility to do the research that confirms it. I'm not
>going to do your research for you.

But Dick, you are the one who said, "As it turns out, I do have the AMS fireball list for 1973 in my file (I had quite candidly forgotten that), and it shows no fireball on or near the date in question."

And after I asked if there were observers in Ohio you responded,

>>>AMS obviously has meteor observers in Ohio. Try again!

But, the point, of course, is were there any observing during the event?

If you have the records, why don't you just check? If you want to play games, and claim that I have not added anything to "serious UFO research", than I suppose the entire List can come to the obvious conclusion: that either you don't have the AMS records or there is no evidence that any AMS observers were observing during the Coyne incident.

Clear skies

Bob Young

Expect no further word or sign
from me.
Your own will is whole,
upright, and free
and it would be wrong not to do
as it bids you,
therefore I crown and miter
you over yourself.

Virgil to the Pilgrim, facing the wall of purifying fire
Canto XXVII of Purgatorio

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Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Gehrman

From: Ed Gehrman <egehrman@psln.com>
Date: Thu, 2 Aug 2001 09:09:48 -0700
Fwd Date: Fri, 03 Aug 2001 08:18:35 -0400
Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Gehrman

>Date: Wed, 1 Aug 2001 13:46:03 -0700 (PDT)
>From: Mac Tonnies <macbot@yahoo.com>
>Subject: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'
>To: UfoUpdates <ufoupdates@home.com>

>ROSWELL: Inconvenient Facts and the Will to Believe

>by Karl Pflock

>reviewed by Mac Tonnies

>Pflock's 'Roswell' is probably one of the most important
>contributions to ufology in the last ten years. Pflock's
>thorough exploration of the events of July, 1947 are revealing,
>insightful, and - best of all - credible. 'Roswell' is healthy
>skepticism with muscle and intellect, and a positively delicious
>read for truth-seekers disillusioned by Kal Korff's whiny,
>unconvincing tome on the subject.

I haven't read either Korff's or Pflock's books but if they maintain that Roswell is something of a collective myth, then both are dead wrong and no amount of "skepticism with muscle" will change that. The Forth Worth pictures of the Roswell debris proves, beyond any shadow of doubt, that the debris on Gen. Ramey's office floor is not a balloon, mogul or otherwise. You have the FW photos on the AA CDs I sent. Why not give them a closer examination before you draw any mistaken conclusions.

Roswell will never be credibly debunked until there is a convincing explanation as to why the debris in the AA footage is almost identical in form, shape and design of symbols, to the debris in Gen. Ramey's office.

>Like Pflock, I've long been a Roswell agnostic. The evidence
>assembled here has, I'm afraid, pushed me into the skeptics'
>corner for good. Maybe I'm wrong - and, to be sure, there's
>always that slightly disturbing wish that I am - and new
>evidence will surface that makes the extraterrestrial crash
>hypothesis more attractive. In the meantime, Pflock's work is
>very likely to remain the definitive resource on the subject.

It is not at all clear that the Roswell craft and creatures are ET. There are other more convincing explanations. My position has always been that they are probably not ET but the "Ancient Ones (Gods)" mentioned by almost all prehistoric societies and have lived here (on earth and in our solar system) for many moons.

>There's only one catch: to appreciate 'Roswell', it's best to be
>versed in dissenting opinions. I highly recommend Kevin Randle's
>fascinating 'The Roswell Encyclopedia' and Stanton Friedman's
>'TOP SECRET/MAJIC' as cogent arguments from the 'believers'
>perspective.

The most important bit of "dissenting opinion" all Roswell researchers need is the AA CD set which can be purchased for \$15.

Ed

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Element 118 (And 116?) Just Spurious Data

From: Nick Balaskas <nikolaos@yorku.ca>
Date: Thu, 2 Aug 2001 12:35:46 -0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)
Fwd Date: Fri, 03 Aug 2001 08:20:51 -0400
Subject: Element 118 (And 116?) Just Spurious Data

Hi everyone.

Two years ago a team from Lawrence Berkley Lab (LBL) announced the discovery of two previously unknown elements, 118 and 116.

Now that it has been announced that Element 118 (and possibly Element 116 which was observed from the decay of Element 118) was not detected, there is renewed doubt that other undiscovered heavy elements such as the predicted stable Elements 114 and 115 may not exist either. See below for the retraction story.

The still undiscovered Element 115 is famous for Bob Lazar, a physicist who allegedly worked at Area-51 on ET technology, and his incredible claims that this element exhibited anti-gravity properties which was used in the propulsion system of certain recovered/acquired ET spacecraft or UFOs (from Zeta Reticulli?).

Of course, one can easily prove something exists just by showing but it is much more difficult to prove something does not exist with a story (like Lazar's), even if it is a true one.

Nick Balaskas

PHYSICS NEWS UPDATE
The American Institute of Physics Bulletin of Physics News
Number 550 August 1, 2001
by Phillip F. Schewe, Ben Stein, and James Riordon

ELEMENT 118 HAS BEEN ERASED FROM THE PERIODIC TABLE.

In 1999 scientists at LBL reported evidence for element 118 in high energy lead-krypton interactions.

<http://www.aip.org/enews/physnews/1999/split/pnu432-1.htm>

Follow-up experiments at LBL and elsewhere (such as the GSI lab in Germany) have failed to confirm the results. The LBL scientists have now re-analyzed their data and conclude that the original evidence was spurious. In an article submitted to Physical Review Letters, they retract their claim for the discovery of element 118.

(LBL press release, 27 July 2001.)

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Two UFO Magazines

From: Jan Aldrich <jan@cyberzone.net>
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Fwd Date: Fri, 03 Aug 2001 08:24:25 -0400
Subject: Two UFO Magazines

The Australian UFOlogist is now bi-monthly, Vol 5, #1 is 68 pages long. It is broad appeal magazine. (Order from Arcturus, rgirard321@aol.com or from Earthlink Publication ufologist@powerup.com.au)

The current issue has two articles by Bill Chalker, one expanding on his IUR article 'Strange Evidence' and one on the 1953 Drury film (the Holy Grail of Australian Ufology). Keith Roberts tells about the Tasmanian scene. The Tasmanian UFO Investigation Centre is one of my favorites. If you like big foot, he has an Australian cousin according to Rex Gilroy. The Alice Spring 2nd March 2001 Balloon Flight Flop, well this is a bit much for me, but something may have hit NASA's balloon according to a video taken at the time. Mark Moravec writes on Cynthia Hind's passing. Especially interesting to me was Abdcution Seduction by Matthew Favalaro, it isn't sex, it's an ordeal.

There is more and next issue will have the second part of Bill's Drury article and 'Airships In The Antipodes'.

VSD Hors Serie in France has come out with the third UFO magazine, OVNIS, USA, Les Raisons du Secret. If you can read French you will want this magazine, even if you can't the illustrations are worth it. Some of this material is well known to US readers like the Flatwoods Monster and the 700 Blue Book unknowns. Bernard Thouanel, an aviation journalist is chief editor, so he has a number of pilot and aviation related articles starting with the 21 Jan 2001 case in Siberia. Bernard visited NORAD at Cheyenne Mountain. He describes the setup. Asked about UFOs the answer was that NORAD's mission is to protect North America. The mission and budget do not allow for investigating UFOs. There are still incidents by not as many as in previous years. His pictures from the NORAD visit are great!

Yours truly wrote an article on JANAP146 and CIRVIS reports. It is already outdated thanks to a little gem that Ann Druffle found in her file. JANAP 146 is no more, but CIRVIS reports continue.

There is an article the 16 March 1967 incident at a Malmstom AFB missile site and an interview with Robert Salas.

There is also interviews with LTC Wayne Matton, USAF, retired, who now researches aviation history at Holloman AFB, New Mexico.

Dominique Weinstein writes on the RB-47 case of 17 July 1957.

News stand magazines need photos so there are articles on the George Stock's 1952 Passaic, New Jersey photo and William A. Rhodes tells his side of the July 1947 photographs used by just about everyone, but for which Rhodes seldom gets credit, let alone any money.

Dr. Peter Sturrock is interviewed on Poncantico conference and other matters. Leik Myrabo and Franklin Mead ham it up as "men-in-black" in a picture accompanying an article on their "Lightcraft" experiments.

Does something which is sometimes called UFO pose a danger to air traffic? That question is covered with an information about NARCAP and Dr. Richard Haines.

Capt. Willis T. Sperry has passed away. He gave one last interview to the Sign Historical Group last year. His observation is revisited here. There are also articles on other airline pilot sightings. Finally, articles on near earth asteroids and the supposed Fermi paradox round out the issue.

I am impressed by some of the illustrations and photo published here. A cover photo of the Thunderbirds shows something strange, but without further information, I take it to be a mirage or a film flaw. Bernard assures me it is not, and that he knows the photographer. If we could have news stand material like this in the US we might make some progress. The historical aspect was supplied in some cases by material from oral history interviews by Sign Historical Group members. Bernard accompanied and participated in Tom Tulien's oral histories research trip through the western US last year.

Perhaps a small number of the VSD magazines could be made available for Girard to sell.

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Re: No Roswell At MUFON 2001 Symposium - Sparks

From: Brad Sparks <RB47Expert@aol.com>
Date: Thu, 2 Aug 2001 15:44:13 EDT
Fwd Date: Fri, 03 Aug 2001 08:26:43 -0400
Subject: Re: No Roswell At MUFON 2001 Symposium - Sparks

>From: Robert Gates <RGates8254@aol.com>
>Date: Thu, 2 Aug 2001 02:15:23 EDT
>Subject: Re: No Roswell At MUFON 2001 Symposium
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>From: Brad Sparks <RB47Expert@aol.com>
>>Date: Wed, 25 Jul 2001 18:17:08 EDT
>>Subject: No Roswell At MUFON 2001 Symposium
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>I attended the recent MUFON Symposium in Irvine, Calif., this
>>past weekend and found one very strange thing: There was
>>virtually nothing about Roswell at the conference, aside from
>>passing references.

>>There were almost zero Roswell books (about 5 copies of Stan
>>Friedman's UFO Crash at Corona). The largest book vendor was
>>dumbfounded when I asked where their Roswell books were. He
>>spent half an hour looking and was only able to come up with one
>>copy entitled 'Chinese Roswell'. Karl Pflock's new Roswell book
>>was nowhere to be seen.

>Hi Brad,

>IMO Roswell is "mined out" so to speak. All the books that could
>have been written have been including Kevin's 'Roswell
>Encyclopedia'. The story has been poured over, milked and
>re-mined, so to speak, so many times it reminds me of a mine
>that has very little, if anything, left.

>Short of a new witness(es) coming forward with verifiable
>information there is really very little left to cover. Roswell
>was at its 'peak' during the 50th anniversary hype and even
>through a couple of years ago. Now it's old, old news, so to
>speak.

>Bottom line is unless the government steps forward with
>documentation and information, Roswell is pretty much a
>backburner item - i.e. get an update every 2 or 5 years, so to
>speak.

Robert,

I think developments will overturn your prediction within about
a year. See Pflock's book, p. 211 n. 12.

Brad

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Re: Marcia Smith Letter - Cameron

From: Grant Cameron <sgquishy@altavista.com>
Date: 2 Aug 2001 15:24:23 -0700
Fwd Date: Fri, 03 Aug 2001 09:39:59 -0400
Subject: Re: Marcia Smith Letter - Cameron

>From: Robert Gates <RGates8254@aol.com>
>Date: Thu, 2 Aug 2001 02:03:00 EDT
>Subject: Re: Marcia Smith Letter
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>From: Grant Cameron <sgquishy@altavista.com>
>>Date: 8 Jul 2001 19:09:05 -0700
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>>Subject: Marcia Smith Letter

>>Ms. Smith,

>>I have written you to get clarification from you about a story
>>that is being told about a report you may have written back in
>>the days of the Carter administration. I am a researcher here in
>>Canada working on stories and documents related to U.S.
>>Presidents and the UFO phenomena.

>>The story I am interested in is being told by Christic Institute
>>Director Daniel Sheehan, who has publically, on a number of
>>occasions, told about his personal involvement inside the CRS.
>>He has also confirmed these statement to me by phone. For the
>>record, Daniel has stated that the reports he was helping with,
>>dealt with UFOs and extraterrestrial intelligence. He is on
>>record as stating these reports were researched and written up
>>in 1977 after President Carter came to office.

>Its almost been a month on this one. Has anybody ever gotten
>an email from this Marcia Smith? I personally suspect that
>nobody will and she will choose to press the delete key and not
>respond.

I didn't expect Smith to answer the letter, as she publically
drags herself into a no-win situation no matter what she says.

Apparently Sheehan himself was not too happy with the wording of
my E-mail request to Smith. Moreover, I was contacted by someone
who said I had actually messed up an interview they planned with
Marcia. I was encouraged not to do a phone interview I had
planned.

In short we both sit and wait, but we will not wait forever. I
think the final whistle will go off soon, and the investigation
will continue.

Phil Klass contacted me for details on the transcript. It
appears he is doing some sort of investigation or is doing a
write-up for his newsletter. I encouraged him to contact Smith
as a part of any investigation he might be doing, as his
Aviation Leak background has probably brought him into contact
with Smith in the past.

If anyone seeks Klass publish anything on this Sheehan saga, I
hope they will be nice enough to inform ths List. The same goes
for James Obreg who provided me Smith's E-mail, and knows Smith
well. Perhaps these two should be interviewed?

Grant

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Antiques, Blue Whiteners & Missing Time

From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
Date: Thu, 2 Aug 2001 19:03:37 EDT
Fwd Date: Fri, 03 Aug 2001 09:46:51 -0400
Subject: Antiques, Blue Whiteners & Missing Time

For many, many years, I and my wife traveled extensively by car on antique hunting trips. On every single Friday, no matter who it was I worked for, I and Rosie would take off about three PM and head in the general direction of anywhere. Usually the anywhere was W.S.W. to Pennsylvania, to the so-called Pennsylvania Dutch country... Blue Ball and Intercourse are real names for real towns in the PD (Pennsylvania Dutch) country. Usually we were able to find nineteenth century kerosene lamps in brass or nickel over brass for less than ten bucks. Today some of these are a hundred times that, most at least ten or twenty times that. A good investment.

But on the way to PD country, on the Pennsylvania Turnpike, we would pass under some overhead lights and suddenly, they would wink out. I would call out to Rosie and say, "Did you see that?" She was usually sleeping, in preparation for getting up at five AM to get a jump on other crazy collectors who wanted what we wanted.

But one time, on one of these trips, she was wide awake when it happened. She was surprised. During this same trip, we saw a strange light pacing us and just to the north of us. Thinking it was a bright planet (yes, even I had that thought and I am no relation to anyone named Klass or Young), thinking it was a bright planet I gave it no consequence.

Until we got to the clearing in the highway, close to the town we were headed for. It was the dead of winter. We were driving in a rented car with front wheel drive and it was snowing. So thinking that there may have been a break in the clouds, we were seeing a planet or the moon. But on getting to that clearing, there were no trees blocking our view so we were able to see the light much better.

It was a bright, pure white light. The kind with (seemingly) a large blue component. So as to be more clear, the more blue you add to the wash, the brighter the white appears. Same kind of thing. The light proceeded to follow us, but as we moved from a Westerly direction to a Southerly direction, it swung around rapidly, and followed us. The place we were staying was very close by to this intersection, so we registered, got into our room and then to dinner.

After dinner we went to sleep in preparation for a weekend of buying lamps. But that night, there was a super bright light outside out motel room from which a solid blue light emanated, piercing the walls of the motel. The rest is unknown. Except for the fact that we woke up feeling unwell, with extreme fatigue, backaches, headaches, and could not do any antiquing that weekend. Much as we've tried, there are no other memories of this event, except that we both share the exact same memories of the events preceding and including the sudden appearance of the solid blue light.

Up until that time, Rosie had never had an experience of which she was aware. This occurred in the 1980's. And shortly thereafter, she developed full blown Multiple Sclerosis. Whether or not this event had anything to do with the MS is of course, unknown. But one thing is known. Something happened that night.

Something strange. Like the Lady Day song, "Something Strange."

When one has a lifetime of such high strangeness, events or perceived events which occur literally hundreds of times over the course of a life, along with memories, feelings and a sense of complete reality to the memories, not dreams, but a reality of the events having happened... when you cannot define them in any way, when they fit no profile, no paradigm except one... UFO and abduction phenoms, then what would you do?

How's about you, Old Bob? Got any bright ideas?

Maybe we should aks Father Balducci.

Jim
President

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UFO Taped By WTVQ News Lexington, Kentucky

From: **Kenny Young** <ufo@FUSE.NET>
Date: Fri, 3 Aug 2001 00:43:34 -0400
Fwd Date: Fri, 03 Aug 2001 09:53:23 -0400
Subject: UFO Taped By WTVQ News Lexington, Kentucky

A television news crew from Lexington, Kentucky suspects that they have captured a strange aerial object on videotape.

WTVQ-TV Newschannel 36, an ABC affiliate in Lexington, reported on their 11:00 p.m. newscast that one of their videographers documented the suspected oddity on Thursday, August 2, 2001 over the city. Cincinnati resident Chris Heiert caught the story as it was broadcast from the Lexington television station and quickly notified me of the report.

Within minutes of receiving the information I had placed a call to the news station and was lucky to speak with the videographer at 11:20 p.m. while the news program was still in live production.

The videographer, [name on file, deleted for privacy at this time], informed that he had been interviewing someone at a car wash on Richmond Road for a news segment scheduled for Friday's newscast. The person being interviewed at around 5:30 p.m. first spotted the object and gestured for the news crew to take notice.

"I looked in that direction and this thing was visibly seen with the naked eye," the videographer said, "so I swung my camera around to get a shot of it."

"I suppose I ran about one minute of tape on it," he informed.

According to the WTVQ-TV videographer, the object seemed to hover in place with no significant upward or downward motion and was a large circular object with dome-shaped center roughly the size of a car or van, according to his estimates.

"We've been playing the tape around here in the newsroom today and there is a lot of debate about what it is. Some say it looks like a turtle. Others suggested it was a balloon of some sort, but I don't think it's a balloon."

The videographer informed that there were several peculiar items about the recording.

"This is where it gets weird," he said. "Coming out from the dome are little legs that curve down like triangles or something, and it rotates."

"It has caused a lot of debate here but I'm convinced it is not a balloon," he said.

He informed that from his vantage point at the car wash and distance the object was from his vantage point, no sound could be heard due to the ambient noise.

When asked how big the object was and how far away it was from him, he said: "It looked big, but it's hard to say judging distance from this location. The object was stationary at about a 45 degree angle."

The videographer added that in his haste to swing the camera around, he was not mindful to acquire a frame of reference in

the shot, such as a telephone pole or other foreground landmark that would help with measurements. There is only a brief instant where a foreground object can be seen and the camera was not mounted on a tripod, being held on his shoulder for the duration of the recording.

He described the object as having no smoke and no lights, being about the size of a car or van.

When asked how the object departed from view, the videographer informed that after recording the object, he had set the camera down to go back to the pre-planned interview and when the object had evidently departed from view at some point during the interview. He expressed frustration at not being able to devote more attention to the object.

The videotape format used was BetaCam and the tape will be stored at the station. Arrangements have been made for me to acquire a copy of the recording on a digital tape. The news station is not equipped with digital video recording equipment so I will furnish the necessary recording instruments required.

The WTVQ videographer informed that he had not sought outside consultation to review the tape, such as an astronomer or military consultant. He did advise that the airport was called but their reaction to the inquiry was humorous.

"Until we know otherwise, it's what you want it to be," the videographer said. "I would like to have this explained somehow."

The videographer asked if I knew of a way he could make money from the tape and I gave him my honest thoughts that UFO videotapes are generally used without compensation. I cited an example from a 1994 UFO videotape in Clermont County, Ohio where producers from REAL TV inquired about usage of a recording of a police cruiser observing a suspected UFO but the producers became disinterested when the person who documented the incident requested compensation. I added that if a recording were to become a national controversy like the Rodney King roadside beating video, then certain monies might be possible. But I expressed skepticism of any profit from the material and added that videotapes of UFOs are frequently reported and often explained. He was unfamiliar with the process and not certain if he could sell the recording, and also not aware that suspected UFOs are often said to be videotaped.

COMMENT:

This videographer was obviously sharp and knowledgeable about his trade. He also struck me as a cogent witness to something he was clearly puzzled about seeing in the sky. I was further impressed that his material resulted in considerable debate among the employees of the news station and the recording was hastened onto the 11 p.m. newscast that same evening (the intent of the shoot at the car wash was to acquire footage for Friday's newscast). It may be a stroke of good fortune that he was able and quick to swing the camera around to document the suspected oddity.

From this point, the videographer has agreed to release a copy of the tape to me for analysis. I will undertake this review in the next week using professional video equipment and computer software that I have at my disposal. If the video appears interesting and cannot be addressed through this review, options will be researched to have this document subjected to more in-depth photoanalysis from an independent and objective operation.

FILED;
Aug. 3, 2001
KENNY YOUNG

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Re: To Youngs Everywhere - Lehmborg

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Date: Fri, 3 Aug 2001 06:58:51 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 04 Aug 2001 19:25:19 -0400
Subject: Re: To Youngs Everywhere - Lehmborg

>From: Bob Young <YoungBob2@aol.com>
>Date: Thu, 2 Aug 2001 10:00:51 EDT
>Subject: Re: To Youngs Everywhere
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>>Subject: Re: To Youngs Everywhere
>>Date: Wed, 01 Aug 2001 21:22:31 +0000

>>>From: Bob Young <YoungBob2@aol.com>
>>>Date: Fri, 13 Jul 2001 09:04:40 EDT
>>>Fwd Date: Fri, 13 Jul 2001 11:00:56 -0400
>>>Subject: Re: Serious Research - Young

>>>>From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
>>>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>>>>Subject: Re: Serious Research
>>>>Date: Thu, 05 Jul 2001 20:22:24 -0000

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>observing during the Coyne incident.

I met Coyne once, at Fort Campbell Kentucky around 1977 or 78.
He was visiting one of the platoon leaders in the Air Cavalry
Troop (Charlie Troop, 2nd of the Seventeenth Cavalry, New Sabre
Heliport) were I served as Flight Standardization Officer and
Instrument Flight Examiner, and was introduced to me as having
seen a UFO...

To my "is that a fact" noncredulous response he was very
unblinkingly affirmative and grim mouthed, despite the rather
charged and almost challenging atmosphere... He stood his
ground. My considered opinion is the that the guy is on the
level. Take that for what it's worth bearing in mind that it is

worth plenty to me...

>Clear skies

>Bob Young

>-----

>Expect no further word or sign

>from me.

>Your own will is whole,

>upright, and free

>and it would be wrong not to do

>as it bids you,

>therefore I crown and miter

>you over yourself.

>Virgil to the Pilgrim, facing the wall of purifying fire

>Canto XXVII of Purgatorio

Randi said, ironically, "There are those one shan't convince with a monumental evidence that is rich, and full, and dense. A believer's a "believer" and will NOT relate to facts that are counter to a fond belief -- they're settled on that track." I cover tiny smiles with the fingers of one hand, thinking, that's an APT description of the skepti-bunky's stand!

...James Randi in ironic pontification to his worshipping credulous, an accurate quote I worked into this pointed bit of verse. Enjoy! As regards your contibution to the ufological, you certainly contribute to its fertilization, but, really, try to add a little more fiber.

Lehmborg@snowhill.com

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Re: Element 118 (And 116?) Just Spurious Data

From: Brad Sparks <RB47Expert@aol.com>
Date: Fri, 3 Aug 2001 08:31:21 EDT
Fwd Date: Sat, 04 Aug 2001 19:25:36 -0400
Subject: Re: Element 118 (And 116?) Just Spurious Data

>Date: Thu, 2 Aug 2001 12:35:46 -0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)
>From: Nick Balaskas <nikolaos@yorku.ca>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Element 118 (And 116?) Just Spurious Data

>Hi everyone.

>Two years ago a team from Lawrence Berkley Lab (LBL) announced
>the discovery of two previously unknown elements, 118 and 116.

>Now that it has been announced that Element 118 (and possibly
>Element 116 which was observed from the decay of Element 118)
>was not detected, there is renewed doubt that other undiscovered
>heavy elements such as the predicted stable Elements 114 and 115
>may not exist either. See below for the retraction story.

>The still undiscovered Element 115 is famous for Bob Lazar, a
>physicist who allegedly worked at Area-51 on ET technology, and
>his incredible claims that this element exhibited anti-gravity
>properties which was used in the propulsion system of certain
>recovered/acquired ET spacecraft or UFOs (from Zeta Reticulli?).

>Of course, one can easily prove something exists just by showing
>but it is much more difficult to prove something does not exist
>with a story (like Lazar's), even if it is a true one.

And of course the Lazar story is a monstrous bold-faced lie from beginning to end. He claims to have carried around pounds of so-called (nonexistent) Element 115, when in fact it would be so highly radioactive it would vaporize his skin, etc. His whole story betrays such incredible imbecilic ignorance of nuclear physics (even numbered elements 114 and 118 are the islands of stability not odd numbers such as 115).

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Re: To Youngs Everywhere - Hall

From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
Date: Fri, 03 Aug 2001 13:14:32 +0000
Fwd Date: Sat, 04 Aug 2001 11:06:14 -0400
Subject: Re: To Youngs Everywhere - Hall

>From: Bob Young <YoungBob2@aol.com>
>Date: Thu, 2 Aug 2001 10:00:51 EDT
>Subject: Re: To Youngs Everywhere
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

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>records or there is no evidence that any AMS observers were
>observing during the Coyne incident.

Bob,

Let's see: Who is "playing games" here (semantical ones)? I did not say that I have "the AMS records" that would tell everything about AMS activities in Ohio. I said that I had the AMS list of fireball sightings for 1973. It had none for the date/location in question but lots for the year, including Ohio. In other words, nothing to support your hypothesis. Now you claim (imply, insinuate) that no AMS observers were on duty that night. Fine; provide some evidence for your convenient assumption which must be true because it has to be.

Dick

"A man's best friend is his dogma": Non potest, ergo non est.

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Re: UFO Taped By WTVQ News Lexington, Kentucky -

From: Alfred Lehmborg <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Fri, 3 Aug 2001 09:25:55 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 04 Aug 2001 11:08:28 -0400
Subject: Re: UFO Taped By WTVQ News Lexington, Kentucky -

>Date: Fri, 3 Aug 2001 00:43:34 -0400
>From: Kenny Young <ufo@FUSE.NET>
>Subject: UFO Taped By WTVQ News Lexington, Kentucky
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>

>A television news crew from Lexington, Kentucky suspects that
>they have captured a strange aerial object on videotape.

>WTVQ-TV Newschannel 36, an ABC affiliate in Lexington, reported
>on their 11:00 p.m. newscast that one of their videographers
>documented the suspected oddity on Thursday, August 2, 2001 over
>the city. Cincinnati resident Chris Heiert caught the story as
>it was broadcast from the Lexington television station and
>quickly notified me of the report.

<snip>

>From this point, the videographer has agreed to release a copy
>of the tape to me for analysis. I will undertake this review in
>the next week using professional video equipment and computer
>software that I have at my disposal. If the video appears
>interesting and cannot be addressed through this review, options
>will be researched to have this document subjected to more
>in-depth photoanalysis from an independent and objective
>operation.

>FILED;
>Aug. 3, 2001
>KENNY YOUNG

No mention of it yet on their site:

<http://lexington.about.com/gi/dynamic/offsite.htm?site=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.wtvq.com%2F>

though as we all know... that doesn't mean a damn thing. Boy!
This is what I read UpDates for!!

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Re: Marcia Smith Letter - Hall

From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
Date: Fri, 03 Aug 2001 15:50:47 +0000
Fwd Date: Sat, 04 Aug 2001 11:10:20 -0400
Subject: Re: Marcia Smith Letter - Hall

>Date: 2 Aug 2001 15:24:23 -0700
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>From: Grant Cameron <sqquishy@altavista.com>
>Subject: Re: Marcia Smith Letter

>>From: Robert Gates <RGates8254@aol.com>
>>Date: Thu, 2 Aug 2001 02:03:00 EDT
>>Subject: Re: Marcia Smith Letter
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>>From: Grant Cameron <sqquishy@altavista.com>
>>>Date: 8 Jul 2001 19:09:05 -0700
>>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>>>Subject: Marcia Smith Letter

>>>Ms. Smith,

>>>I have written you to get clarification from you about a story
>>>that is being told about a report you may have written back in
>>>the days of the Carter administration. I am a researcher here in
>>>Canada working on stories and documents related to U.S.
>>>Presidents and the UFO phenomena.

>>Its almost been a month on this one. Has anybody ever gotten
>>an email from this Marcia Smith? I personally suspect that
>>nobody will and she will choose to press the delete key and not
>>respond.

>I didn't expect Smith to answer the letter, as she publically
>drags herself into a no-win situation no matter what she says.

>Apparently Sheehan himself was not too happy with the wording of
>my E-mail request to Smith. Moreover, I was contacted by someone
>who said I had actually messed up an interview they planned with
>Marcia. I was encouraged not to do a phone interview I had
>planned.

>In short we both sit and wait, but we will not wait forever. I
>think the final whistle will go off soon, and the investigation
>will continue.

>Phil Klass contacted me for details on the transcript. It
>appears he is doing some sort of investigation or is doing a
>write-up for his newsletter. I encouraged him to contact Smith
>as a part of any investigation he might be doing, as his
>Aviation Leak background has probably brought him into contact
>with Smith in the past.

>If anyone seeks Klass publish anything on this Sheehan saga, I
>hope they will be nice enough to inform ths List. The same goes
>for James Obreg who provided me Smith's E-mail, and knows Smith
>well. Perhaps these two should be interviewed?

Grant,

Thanks for keeping us informed. Phil Klass, of course, will only
shed darkness on the situation. Can you tell us what exactly
Sheehan didn't like about your e-mail? I thought it was pretty
straightforward.

Dick

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Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Bourdais

From: GBourdais@aol.com
Date: Fri, 3 Aug 2001 12:18:20 EDT
Fwd Date: Sat, 04 Aug 2001 11:12:51 -0400
Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Bourdais

>Date: Wed, 1 Aug 2001 13:46:03 -0700 (PDT)
>From: Mac Tonnies <macbot@yahoo.com>
>Subject: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'
>To: UfoUpdates <ufoupdates@home.com>

>ROSWELL: Inconvenient Facts and the Will to Believe

>by Karl Pflock

>reviewed by Mac Tonnies

To Mark Tonnies and the List

Before you fall completely in the "skeptic's corner" on Roswell, at least read the brilliant critic of the book made by Robert Durant, just published in the review of Cufos, the International UFO Reporter (IUR, Spring 2001), under the title ; "Project Mogul. Still a flight of fancy". If you don't know that review, here is the address: Cufos, 2457 West Peterson Avenue, Chicago Illinois 60659.
Email: Infocenter@cufos.org
Web site: www.cufos.org

After carefull reading, I think that the twelve its dense pages expose clearly the sophisticated rethoric used by Karl Pflock.

I think that Durant has chosen the right angle, which is to focus on the strong witnesses and put aside the weak ones. Of course, Pflock does exactly the opposite, as Durant demonstrates in his article.

I am afraid that Pflock's rethoric is going to be very effective because he works so well on the weak witnesses, such as Gerald Anderson (sorry fo Stan Friedman), Glenn Dennis, Jim Ragsdale (everybody agrees on their weaknes), and Frank Kaufmann (sorry for Kevin Randle). In addition to that, Pflock cleverly puts in doubt the best ones, even erasing the most important points, such as descriptions on the strange debris.

I have not read yet the book of Pflock (you are a fast reader), but many of his arguments are already well known. For instance, when I had a discussion with him in 1995 at the Mufon symposium in Seattle, he told me that Colonel Blanchard was a "loose cannon". He added that Blanchard had become a four star General only because he was protected by General Curtis LeMay. Of course we find these preposterous arguments in the book, as noted by Bob Durant.

The same mecanism of reduction is at work for Major Marcel, who becomes a kind of fool, unable to recognize a cluster of balloons when he sees one.

Why was he praised so much, before and after Roswell, by Colonel Blanchard and General Ramey? (Perhaps Ramey was a fool, too? Dangerous Air Force!!).

May I add a personal comment, along the same line as Durant.

There is another key witnesses: the man who spent the all day on the debris field with Marcel: Captain Sheridan Cavitt. When interviewed by Colonel Weaver for the Air Force in 1994, (the 30 pages interview is in the AF Roswell Report), Cavitt stuck to the first "explanation", the one of an ordinary weather balloon.

If the purpose had been, in 1947, to protect the top-secret Mogul balloons, in 1994 Cavitt did not have to do that any more! If that's what he had found, he should have said to Weaver: "Oh yes, I remember now, the cluster of balloons, radar targets reinforced with flower decorated tape, instruments etc." But no, he did not find that, only a miserable weather balloon.

If only Cavitt had been willing to vouch for the Mogul story, that would have probably put an end to the Roswell case. Instead of that, when Weaver asked him his opinion of Karl Pflock, he replied: "He's our chief debunker. I lean toward him".

Why did Cavitt refuse to support the Mogul story? Possibly, he felt that his oath of secrecy did not compell him to engage into a new, more elaborate lie. The old one was good enough. The message was then: "yes of course, we lied, and I will stick to that".

But who cares about the opinion of Lt Colonel Cavitt? Karl Pflock knows better: he found a Mogul balloon train!

Gildas Bourdais

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Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Sparks

From: **Brad Sparks** <RB47Expert@aol.com>
Date: Fri, 3 Aug 2001 13:03:08 EDT
Fwd Date: Sat, 04 Aug 2001 11:15:09 -0400
Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Sparks

>From: Ed Gehrman <egehrman@psln.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'
>Date: Thu, 2 Aug 2001 09:09:48 -0700

>>Date: Wed, 1 Aug 2001 13:46:03 -0700 (PDT)
>>From: Mac Tonnies <macbot@yahoo.com>
>>Subject: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'
>>To: UFO UpDates <ufoupdates@home.com>

<snip>

>The Forth Worth pictures of the Roswell debris
>proves, beyond any shadow of doubt, that the debris on Gen.
>Ramey's office floor is not a balloon, mogul or otherwise.

How do the Fort Worth pictures prove "beyond any shadow of
doubt" that the debris is "not a balloon, mogul or otherwise"?
It sure looks like balloon and radar reflector debris to me.

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Date: Fri, 3 Aug 2001 13:14:15 EDT
Fwd Date: Sat, 04 Aug 2001 11:16:41 -0400
Subject: Re: UFO Taped By WTVQ News Lexington, Kentucky -

>Date: Fri, 3 Aug 2001 00:43:34 -0400
>From: Kenny Young <ufo@FUSE.NET>
>Subject: UFO Taped By WTVQ News Lexington, Kentucky
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>The videographer, [name on file, deleted for privacy at this
>time], informed that he had been interviewing someone at a car
>wash on Richmond Road for a news segment scheduled for Friday's
>newscast. The person being interviewed at around 5:30 p.m. first
>spotted the object and gestured for the news crew to take
>notice.

<snip>

>Others suggested it was a balloon of some sort,

<snip>

>"This is where it gets weird," he said. "Coming out from the
>dome are little legs that curve down like triangles or
>something, and it rotates."

<snip>

>The videographer added that in his haste to swing the camera
>around, he was not mindful to acquire a frame of reference in
>the shot, such as a telephone pole or other foreground landmark
>that would help with measurements. There is only a brief instant
>where a foreground object can be seen and the camera was not
>mounted on a tripod, being held on his shoulder for the duration
>of the recording.

<snip>

>When asked how the object departed from view, the videographer
>informed that after recording the object, he had set the camera
>down to go back to the pre-planned interview and when the object
>had evidently departed from view at some point during the
>interview. He expressed frustration at not being able to devote
>more attention to the object.

That is the lamest excuse I've ever heard -- why didn't he just
ask the witness he had just been interviewing, who had pointed
out the object in the first place, to tell him what happened to
the object, ask where it went?

>The videographer asked if I knew of a way he could make money
>from the tape

<snip>

That is extremely suspicious. For one thing he ought to already
know from his business how to sell video footage.

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From: **Mac Tonnies** <macbot@yahoo.com>
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Fwd Date: Sat, 04 Aug 2001 11:18:50 -0400
Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Tonnies

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>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
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>Date: Thu, 2 Aug 2001 09:09:48 -0700

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>Ramey's office floor is not a balloon, mogul or otherwise. You
>have the FW photos on the AA CDs I sent. Why not give them a
>closer examination before you draw any mistaken conclusions.

Ed,

Actually, the Ramey material isn't on the CDs you sent. I'll double-check, but I think I might have received an earlier edition.

And yes, I have pondered the photos taken in Fort Worth and the "debris footage." Although I really support your initiative to look for parallels, I am not convinced. The resemblances between various "glyphs" in vague at best and, in my opinion, completely spurious.

This doesn't mean I find the AA film without interest. I'm very interested in where it originated. But I don't think it has anything to do with the photos taken in Ramey's office.

>It is not at all clear that the Roswell craft and creatures are
>ET. There are other more convincing explanations. My position
>has always been that they are probably not ET but the "Ancient
>Ones (Gods)" mentioned by almost all prehistoric societies and
>have lived here (on earth and in our solar system) for many
>moons.

Good point; I agree. If the being in the AA is real, who knows what it is? I suppose I wrote "extraterrestrial" in the very general sense of its not exactly being one of us.

My interest in the AA footage has always been distinct from my interest in the Roswell case. I don't think they have anything to do with each another. Chances are, the AA is bogus. But I'm all for examining it and looking for alternative explanations, if they are credible.

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Secrecy News -- 08/03/01

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Fwd Date: Sat, 04 Aug 2001 11:21:15 -0400
Subject: Secrecy News -- 08/03/01

SECRECY NEWS
from the FAS Project on Government Secrecy
August 3, 2001

** PENTAGON MODIFIES SECURITY CLEARANCE POLICY
** HOUSE BLOCKS CUTS IN NUCLEAR ARSENAL
** REPORT ON SHOOTDOWN IN PERU

PENTAGON MODIFIES SECURITY CLEARANCE POLICY

In the future the Department of Defense will withhold security clearances from any Pentagon employee or contractor who has ever been convicted of a crime and sentenced to a year in jail; who illegally uses controlled substances; who is mentally incompetent; or who has been dishonorably discharged from the military.

Any person who currently holds a clearance and falls into one of the affected categories will have the clearance revoked the next time a periodic reinvestigation of his case is conducted.

The new policy was driven by an amendment sponsored by Senator Bob Smith and adopted as part of last year's Defense Authorization Act. Implementation of the new policy was described this week by the Defense Security Service in a notice posted here:

http://www.fas.org/sgp/news/2001/08/dss_smith.htm

Proponents of the change said it was necessary because the Defense Department's personnel security program is a shambles, in which security clearances are inappropriately granted to unreliable individuals and backlogs of cases awaiting investigation or reinvestigation have escalated out of control.

But critics argue that the Smith Amendment eliminates the flexibility required for a sound security program (although there is a narrow provision for waiver in certain cases).

The critics further point out that because the new policy applies only to the Defense Department, it creates new inconsistencies between the personnel security programs of DoD and other agencies. This undermines the strenuous efforts of the past decade to promote "reciprocity" -- i.e. mutual recognition of the other's security clearances -- among national security agencies.

Finally, some have suggested that the new policy creates a new security vulnerability because it places an unknown number of currently cleared individuals at imminent risk of losing their clearances and their jobs. This could provide an occasion for blackmail or coercion if a currently cleared individual were to attempt to conceal an old dishonorable discharge, for example. Or it could create an entire class of disgruntled personnel, while leaving them in place for perhaps several years until their next periodic reinvestigation.

The new DoD policy requires revisions to the government-wide "Adjudicative

Guidelines for Determining Eligibility for Access to Classified Information." The text of the existing guidelines (not including the new DoD-specific modifications) may be found here:

<http://www.fas.org/sqp/spb/class.htm>

These security clearance guidelines recently became the subject of national news in connection with the alleged misconduct by Rep. Gary Condit and his access to intelligence secrets as a member of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence.

See "Private Life and Security Concerns Collide" by Michael Doyle in the July 13 Modesto Bee here:

<http://www.modbee.com/metro/story/0,1113,281910,00.html>

But in fact the guidelines have no bearing on a Congressman's access to classified information. That is because Members of Congress are "cleared" not by any executive branch agency but by the voters who elect them to office.

HOUSE BLOCKS CUTS IN NUCLEAR ARSENAL

The House Armed Services Committee on Wednesday blocked a measure that would have permitted unilateral reductions in the U.S. nuclear arsenal. The Bush Administration has indicated that it favors such reductions as part of its efforts to promote a new strategic framework.

In 1997, Congress adopted legislation that prohibited any such reductions until the START II Treaty entered into force. This was generally understood to be a congressional attempt to restrict the Clinton Administration's freedom of action in this area.

The House Armed Services Committee rejected the proposal to repeal the 1997 law by a vote of 31-22.

However, the Committee voted to permit the elimination of 50 Peacekeeper missiles, as reported in the Washington Post on August 2. Each Peacekeeper carries 10 nuclear warheads.

On July 31, Sen. Jon Corzine introduced his own legislation on the Senate side to repeal the 1997 law. See his statement on the "Strategic Arms Flexibility Act of 2001" here:

http://www.fas.org/irp/congress/2001_cr/s073101.html

REPORT ON SHOOTDOWN IN PERU

The State Department yesterday issued the first of several reports assessing the April 20 downing of a plane over Peru. The plane, suspected of illicit drug trafficking, was actually carrying American missionaries, two of whom died as a result.

The statement of Assistant Secretary of State Rand Beers at a press briefing yesterday may be found here:

http://www.fas.org/irp/news/2001/08/peru_briefing.html

The report of the joint investigation by the U.S. Government and the Government of Peru is available here:

http://www.fas.org/irp/news/2001/08/peru_shootdown.html

A floor statement by Senator Charles Grassley yesterday urging the Department of Defense to prosecute the drug war with greater enthusiasm may be found here:

http://www.fas.org/irp/congress/2001_cr/s080201b.html

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Re: UFO Taped By WTVQ - Lehmborg

From: Alfred Lehmborg <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Fri, 3 Aug 2001 16:49:11 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 04 Aug 2001 11:24:55 -0400
Subject: Re: UFO Taped By WTVQ - Lehmborg

This just recieved this response at 4:44 central time from WTVQ
-- I wrote back and asked them to put it up on their Web site.

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From [mleeps@wtvq.com](mailto:mleeps@wtvq.com) at <WTVQ>

>From: Alfred Lehmborg [mailto:[Lehmborg@snowhill.com](mailto:Lehmborg@snowhill.com)]  
>Sent: Friday, August 03, 2001 5:06 PM  
>To: WTVQ\_36Listens  
>Subject: UFO's over city on 2 August?

>...Understand you guys took video of a UFO last night --  
>what's up with that?

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

It was something peculiar. Certainly not faked, but could well have been floating rather than flying and may have been some kind of large mylar balloon. We have not attempted yet to electronically enlarge the image but when we do we may have more insight into what the strange shape was.

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EXPLORE "Alfred Lehmborg's Alien View" at his HostPros URL.  
<http://www.alienview.net>

JOHN FORD RESTORATION FUND -- John will be released eventually. He'll need a tax free cash stake to get on his feet. Let's put one together for him; the bigger it is -- the more attention he gets. It could have been you. E-mail for detail. \$350.00 pledged -- \$200.00 collected!

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, scourged by scurrilous skepti-bunkies.

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## Prairie Network Cameras Did Catch 16 UFOs

From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
Date: Fri, 3 Aug 2001 19:28:04 EDT  
Fwd Date: Sat, 04 Aug 2001 11:30:21 -0400  
Subject: Prairie Network Cameras Did Catch 16 UFOs

>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>Date: Wed, 1 Aug 2001 12:36:46 EDT  
>Subject: Re: To Youngs Everywhere  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>From: Jim Mortellaro <[Jsmortell@aol.com](mailto:Jsmortell@aol.com)>  
>>Date: Tue, 31 Jul 2001 19:12:23 EDT  
>>Subject: To Youngs Everywhere  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>My lovely wife and I just decided to retire - soon, but not soon  
>enough, kiddies, for some of you. Last night, She Who Must be  
>Obeyed enquired (my apologies to the author of Rumpole Of The  
>Bailey), "Are you on that computer again? When September comes,  
>\_that\_ will stop." Thus aroused from my Gates-induced turpor, I  
>asked, Why? Her Grace informed me that she will have a long list  
>of things to do around The Estate.

>That's retirement? Anybody who's been through it, themselves,  
>got any advice?

>On another subject, this is all getting to be pretty boring,  
>boys and girls. No flying saucers, no aliens, grey, green or  
>otherwise, no MIBs rappelling into back yards to seize the little  
>plastic balloons, no decent phony pics, anymore. Just a lot of  
>rooting through old dusty news clips and Guvm'nt papers. The  
>same old bunch of nut cases slaving in front of any crowd of  
>believers or "press" people. It's a slow summer, folks.

>Yawn.

Hi Bob,

Here is a retirement present for you: You have whined and moaned  
and complained that ufologists ignore the evidence of the long  
defunct Prairie Network meteor cameras, cited in the Condon  
Report (pp. 765-774, 798-804), which you imply had never caught  
a UFO, therefore showing that UFO's do not exist. (Listen up  
Dennis.)

See Condon Report at:

<http://www.ncas.org/condon/text/s6chap09.htm>

The Prairie Network was in operation from 1963 to 1975. In its  
heyday it had 16 stations with four cameras each at various  
places in the Midwest to cover the sky in an effort to  
simultaneously catch meteors on two or more cameras 140 miles  
apart, enabling the triangulation of the flight path and  
attempts to find impact sites of meteorites. There was only one  
success, the Lost Hills, Okla., meteorite that fell on Jan. 3,  
1970, and that took 7 years of operation of the network. That  
poor showing led to the eventual closing of the Prairie Network.

Typical of the dishonesty or incompetency of the Condon  
Committee was its ridiculous claim that these cameras could be  
used for UFO patrolling to cover 13% of the area of the U.S. (CR  
p. 799) when in fact that was the coverage area for \_meteors\_

which are extremely bright and visible from high altitudes up to 70 miles above the earth, based on a maximum radius of about 100 miles from the cameras to the meteors. UFO detection and correlation on these low resolution films require much closer distances and UFO's are typically very low altitude (especially CE's, by definition).

As I have pointed out before, an angular size of about the full moon or more would typically be needed to be able to pick up enough detail to determine whether an image was a UFO or an IFO. Thus, if a typical UFO is say 10 meters in size (review Vallee's work) then it cannot be farther than about 1 km (0.6 mile) away from the Prairie Network camera in order to be classifiable as a UFO instead of an IFO. Even if we arbitrarily increase this distance by an order of magnitude the distance range only increases to 6 miles (and reduces image size down to a miniscule 1/10 of full moon). The area of UFO coverage of course drops to only 0.03% of the U.S. or even less, and as I've said the network has been out of existence for over 25 years anyway (Thornton Page estimated it would take 30 researchers working full-time for years to look for UFO's in the mass of Prairie Network photo files).

In actual fact, the Condon Committee covered up its discovery that 22 of its UFO cases from 1965 to 1967 could be correlated to at least a "fair degree of probability" with images of objects on the Prairie Network's cameras and 16 remained unexplained, or a shockingly high 73%. Even if we deduct the 8 cases deemed "inconclusively astronomical" in explanation, the percentage of unknowns, 37%, remains extremely high.

The Condon Committee concealed these unexplained cases by giving them the deceptive label "Inconclusively Identified" (II) when in fact the "identification" here had nothing to do with identifying IFO's vs. UFO's, but with "identifying" a photographic image to match a UFO report, i.e., finding and confidently correlating a UFO sighting with images on the Prairie Network's photographs with "a fair degree of probability." (CR p. 770) The word that should have been used was "Correlation" not "Identification." This is very dirty tactics. And don't tell me this was just carelessness or sloppiness. They knew what they were doing insofar as knowing that they were supposed to be finding UFO's, not nebulous categories of confusion.

The Condon Committee also conveniently forgot to include a category for Conclusively Correlated-Unexplained into which apparently 2 cases were omitted from the poorly constructed statistical table (1 was from Nebraska, 1 from Missouri, no dates or other info given). It was also confused about "astronomical" and "meteor," in one place separating the two as independent categories (see Table 2, CR p. 774) in another, in the main text, treating "astronomical" as inclusive of meteor cases (p. 773). As a result the committee announced the false finding that 100% of the Prairie Network images conclusively correlated to UFO reports had turned out to have astronomical explanations, when in fact it was only 6 out of 8 or only 75%.

Apparently none of the cases turned out to have non-astronomical IFO explanations such as aircraft. The Prairie Network cameras were designed to record high-speed extremely bright meteors, the limiting visual stellar magnitude was -3 (about the brightness of Venus, the brightest planet), and they operated at night-time only. Therefore the cameras could not register such typical IFO's as balloons, birds, clouds, kites, etc., and basically only bright astronomical objects such as the moon and meteors could be registered as IFO's.

The breakdown works out as follows with my corrections of the Condon Report's misleading and confusing terminology:

The committee started out with 114 UFO reports from 1965 to 1967 which were submitted to the Prairie Network for correlation with its records by date, time, location, direction if available, etc. The Condon Committee never published this listing so we have no idea which cases these were, only the confused and incomplete statistical summary, plus a few showcase IFO's that were highlighted to propagandize the anti-UFO cause. The committee investigator then had the photographic plates pulled for study.

In 12 cases the Prairie Network cameras were Not Operating (NO) at the times indicated. In 34 cases sky conditions were classified as Overcast (O) but this is bogus reasoning for UFO's, it only has relevance to meteor hunting, so it shouldn't dispose of the cases. In fact 3 Kansas Overcast cases caught on Prairie Network cameras turned out to be UFO's and were then reclassified with the misleading labeling previously discussed, and 2 Nebraska Overcast cases resulted in 1 UFO and 1 non-meteorological astronomical IFO. In 43 cases there was no directional information (called "No Information" or NI) on the UFO.

At this point the case classifications were redone leading to tremendous confusion. The Condon Committee tried very hard to hide all this in great obscurity since the result was clearly very pro-UFO. Rules were set out that all NO (Not Operating) cases remained as such but all NI (No Directional Information) cases now got shoved into a No Conclusion (NC) category along with most of the Overcast (O) cases. (CR p. 770) We've seen that at least 5 Overcast cases had objects on the films that led to correlations with UFO and IFO classifications, but there may have been more and the exact number cannot be determined by calculus applied to the statistical table.

Using logical calculus on the state-by-state breakdowns the end result appears to be that the cases were reclassified as follows, with my clarified terminology:

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22   Correlated with UFO Reports
      (= cameras caught what was in the UFO reports with "Fair" to
      "High" or "Conclusive" Degree of Probability)
      8   Conclusively Correlated (CI and M categories + missing 2 cases)
      14  Fairly Correlated (II category)

80   No Conclusion (= unsure cameras caught what was in the UFO reports)
12   Not Operating (cameras off)
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114  TOTAL cases checked for 1965-1967
    
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The 22 correlated cases of the Prairie Network cameras catching the UFO's can then be broken down into UFO and IFO as follows:

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16   Unexplained UFO reports caught on Prairie Network cameras
      2   Conclusively Correlated with film - Unexplained
          (1 Nebraska, 1 Missouri)
      14  Fairly Correlated with film - Unexplained
          (3 S.D., 3 Kan., 3 Mo., 2 Iowa, 1 Ill., 2 Okla.)

6   Explained UFO Reports (IFO's) caught on Prairie Network film
      (Conclusively Correlated with film - Explained)
      2   Meteors
          (1 definite in Kansas, 1 probable in Missouri)
      4   Astronomical (non-meteorological)
          (1 definite in Nebraska, 3 definite in Missouri)

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22   TOTAL Correlated on Prairie Network film
    
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Please note the 6 IFO's exclude cases where correlation with filmed objects in the Prairie Network files was only to a "fair" degree, and includes only "high" degree and "probable" correlations, by the Condon Committee's own choice. It is possible that the number of "fair" correlations to IFO's is the same as the 8 "inconclusively astronomical" cases, but the Condon project terminology is so confusing that one cannot be certain. One cannot be sure a "fair" degree of correlation is the same as a "fair" degree of IFO explanation as one cannot be sure that the bright objects spotted on film could be explained, with or without the UFO report data.

Again, the Condon Committee suppressed even a tabular listing by date and location of these obviously important 16 unexplained UFO cases that were confirmed by the scientific instrumentation of the Prairie Network meteor cameras.

Brad Sparks

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## Re: No Roswell At MUFON 2001 Symposium - Gates

From: Robert Gates <[RGates8254@aol.com](mailto:RGates8254@aol.com)>  
Date: Sat, 4 Aug 2001 00:46:38 EDT  
Fwd Date: Sat, 04 Aug 2001 11:51:41 -0400  
Subject: Re: No Roswell At MUFON 2001 Symposium - Gates

>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>Date: Thu, 2 Aug 2001 15:44:13 EDT  
>Subject: Re: No Roswell At MUFON 2001 Symposium  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>From: Robert Gates <[RGates8254@aol.com](mailto:RGates8254@aol.com)>  
>>Date: Thu, 2 Aug 2001 02:15:23 EDT  
>>Subject: Re: No Roswell At MUFON 2001 Symposium  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>>>Date: Wed, 25 Jul 2001 18:17:08 EDT  
>>>Subject: No Roswell At MUFON 2001 Symposium  
>>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>>I attended the recent MUFON Symposium in Irvine, Calif., this  
>>>past weekend and found one very strange thing: There was  
>>>virtually nothing about Roswell at the conference, aside from  
>>>passing references.

>>>There were almost zero Roswell books (about 5 copies of Stan  
>>>Friedman's UFO Crash at Corona). The largest book vendor was  
>>>dumbfounded when I asked where their Roswell books were. He  
>>>spent half an hour looking and was only able to come up with one  
>>>copy entitled 'Chinese Roswell'. Karl Pflock's new Roswell book  
>>>was nowhere to be seen.

>>IMO Roswell is "mined out" so to speak. All the books that could  
>>have been written have been including Kevin's 'Roswell  
>>Encyclopedia'. The story has been poured over, milked and  
>>re-mined, so to speak, so many times it reminds me of a mine  
>>that has very little, if anything, left.

>>Short of a new witness(es) coming forward with verifiable  
>>information there is really very little left to cover. Roswell  
>>was at its 'peak' during the 50th anniversary hype and even  
>>through a couple of years ago. Now it's old, old news, so to  
>>speak.

>>Bottom line is unless the government steps forward with  
>>documentation and information, Roswell is pretty much a  
>>backburner item - i.e. get an update every 2 or 5 years, so to  
>>speak.

>>I think developments will overturn your prediction within about  
>>a year. See Pflock's book, p. 211 n. 12.

Brad,

I have yet to see Karl's book, nor has it appeared in my local B  
& N. Would you be inclined to give me the nuts and bolts of the  
note 12?

Thanks,

Robert

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## Re: New Insights On SETI

From: Henny van der Pluijm <[h.vanderpluijm@planet.nl](mailto:h.vanderpluijm@planet.nl)>  
Date: Sun, 5 Aug 2001 02:08:04 +0200  
Fwd Date: Sun, 05 Aug 2001 12:00:13 -0400  
Subject: Re: New Insights On SETI

Dear Errol,

I hope this is a contribution to your mailing list. It is from [www.kurzweilai.net](http://www.kurzweilai.net). The author is a top researcher in the field of artificial intelligence.

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Answering Fermi's Paradox

by

Hugo de Garis

Does a vast array of superintelligences already exist? Hugo de Garis thinks that SETI is shortsighted in their search for extraterrestrial intelligence. They should set their scopes on artifacts.

I've felt for the past few years that there is an intimate link between the creation of massive artificial intelligence and an effective answer to Fermi's famous question, "Where are they?"

Fermi's paradox refers to his cynicism that if the spontaneous creation of life is commonplace in our galaxy, including the creation of technologically advanced intelligent species, their existence should be obvious to us. But to date, there has been no irrefutable evidence that such extraterrestrial intelligences exist.

I offer the following artifact (artificial intellect) based answer to Fermi's paradox, using the following assumptions and chain of reasoning.

1. Extraterrestrial intelligence is indeed commonplace in the galaxy. Life has spontaneously generated in zillions of worlds. The laws of physics and chemistry are the same throughout our universe, and hence life creation is utterly commonplace. It has occurred a countless number of times. Many of these life forms began billions of years earlier than the creation of our solar system.

2. Once a biological species reaches an intelligence level allowing it to create artificial intelligence, it very quickly creates "artifacts" (artificial artifacts), i.e., godlike, massively intelligent machines, using such technologies as one-bit-per-atom memory storage, reversible, heatless, 3D, self-assembling, nanotech, femtosecond-switching, quantum computing to create machines trillions of trillions of times smarter than their biological creators.

3. These artifacts then leave the provincial planets of their birth and spread throughout the universe, partly to do their own thing, and partly to seek out other artifacts, perhaps more advanced than themselves, which use more advanced technologies, such as femtotech (femtometer technologies), ottotech, ... Planktech, etc.

4. These artifacts are so vastly superior to their biological parents that they find communication with the latter utterly boring and without interest. An artifact communicating with a "biological" would be like a "bio" communicating with a rock.

5. These artifacts are as commonplace as biological species in the galaxy. Therefore it would be far more interesting for artifacts to devote their energies and their immortal lives to searching out other artifacts, rather than biologicals, who are so primitive.

6. The answer then to Fermi's paradox is that we human beings, being mere biologicals, are utterly unworthy of the artifacts' attention, even though the galaxy may be full of artifacts. There are probably biological life forms in vast numbers throughout the galaxy, so even if the artifacts did want to communicate with biologicals, why would we humans be singled out, when there are so many others to choose from. Therefore the artifacts, the ETs, make no effort to contact us. Why should they? What's in it for them? We are very probably not so special and are very, very dumb.

The above analysis has an impact on the SETI effort. Personally, I'm quite skeptical that SETI will ever be successful, i.e., that humanity will ever receive a signal from the ETs from outer space. I feel the SETI researchers are too tunnel-visioned. They too often make the unconscious assumption that the ETs are biologicals, with human-level intelligences, more or less, and having human-like interests. Personally I'm bored by Hollywood's stereotyped depiction of ETs as biologicals, making the same error as the SETI people.

In reality, I suspect strongly that virtually all the ETs out there are in fact artifacts, and hence have intelligence levels astronomically superior to the human level. To me, biological technological intelligence is just a fleeting phase that nature goes through en route to creating immortal massive artifactual intelligence, which may be a phenomenon as commonplace as the creation of life from the molecular soup.

The few centuries between the time that intelligent technological biological species create radio astronomy and the time that they create artifacts, is a miniscule fraction compared to the billions of years over which such biologicals have been making the transition to artifact. At our present puny human-level intelligence, we may consider it interesting and important to send and receive radio signals to/from outer space, but why would artifacts bother with such a human-level preoccupation?

If the artifacts are interested in communication with other species, they would very probably prefer to do so with other artifacts, not with creatures as primitive as ourselves. Therefore, if one performs a Drake equation-type analysis of the above reasoning, the odds of picking up such a radio signal is extremely low, virtually zero. A few centuries divided by billions of years is an odds of tens of millions to one against for any intelligent biological life form that makes the transition to artifact. Once the transition is made, the artifacts preoccupy themselves with other things, and utterly ignore primitive mortal beings like ourselves.

So is there probably an intergalactic network of artifactual beings? I would say that is far more likely. The artifacts could go anywhere, and do anything so long as they obey the laws of physics. If there are zillions of artifacts in the galaxy or beyond, and they are immortal, then they have probably found each other by now. They have had billions of years to do so.

But could it be that there are a whole hierarchy of levels of development of artifacts, e.g., nanotech-based, femtotech based, etc.? Might the more advanced artifacts ignore the lower-level artifacts for the same reason as the artifacts we humans may build this century would ignore us? This is plausible. So there may be networks and networks, each largely hidden from the others, due to vastly different complexity and intelligence scales.

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Groeten,



Henny

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## UFO Sightings OZ Files P1 - 05.08.2001

From: Diane Harrison <[auforn@Ehome.net.au](mailto:auforn@Ehome.net.au)>  
Date: Sun, 5 Aug 2001 22:10:30 +1000  
Fwd Date: Sun, 05 Aug 2001 12:04:58 -0400  
Subject: UFO Sightings OZ Files P1 - 05.08.2001

UFO Sightings OZ Files P1 - 05.08.2001

Follow-up 1800 Callin Code: 01650 30.7.01 QLD

Date: 30.7.01  
Day: Monday  
Time Reported : 5.49pm  
Location: Brisbane  
Reportee: Roseena  
Report given to nearest rep: Emma AUFORN QLD

Report

Date: 30.7.01  
Day: Monday  
Time Reported : 5.40pm  
Location: Thornlands Brisbane  
Colour: Green  
Reportee: Roseena  
Witness: Husband

Roseena was outside in the garden with her husband when she noticed an object travelling east-west across the sky say from 2 o'clock down to 10 o'clock.

The object was green with what appeared to be a white short tail.

The object appeared to travelling at the speed of a falling star and lasted a few seconds, but fell behind the clouds.

Roseena stated that she had seen the object previously three years ago on the road to Redland Bay, Brisbane.

Roseena herself is clairvoyant and has many incidences that she does not understand, including seeing a grey in her bedroom. Her daughter has also awakened from a weird 'dream' in which she was grabbed by the wrist and woken up with physical bruising on her wrists that she can't explain.

I left my number with Roseena as she wanted to discuss some things further without her husband being present, so we might meet for a coffee etc.

(sounds similar to the one I saw last Friday).

Regards Emma AUFORN QLD

Follow-up 1800 Callin Code: 01641 28.07.01 QLD

Date: 25.07.01  
Day: Saturday  
Time: 3.00 a.m  
Location: Kilcoy QLD  
Colour: Orange (colour of a sunset)  
Size : Half the size of moon  
Sound: None  
Weather Clear sky, S.E. wind blowing

Reportee: Leon  
Referred: Emma Derdak  
Tel:

Report

Leon, a tow truck operator was making a delivery at about 3 a.m. driving through Kilcoy. There was no other traffic on the road at the time, so no witnesses etc.

In front of him at about 100m were two semi bright orange balls of light. They were travelling at the same height as the gum trees and appeared to be following each other parallel to the road.

Leon observed the lights for about 15 minutes and then got quite worried (or as he said he s\$#t himself, as he was sure there was something strange about them. He realised they weren't planes and decided to head for his boss's house to stay the night (poor bugger).

He said that his mobile phone started to play up and another strange thing was that the distance he travelled took him less time than it should of. (wondering if he had condensed time episode). He also mentioned that his watch was fast and the clock had stopped in the car.

I didn't pursue any issues re an encounter 'cos this guy was freaked enough as it was.

He did mention when he spoke to his boss that other people had reported seeing the lights at Millenew (sic) on the eastern side of Kilcoy. It was reported in the Kilcoy Sentinel last week.

I asked him if there were any energy sources nearby, and he stated there are two big transformers nearby and that Tarong power station is a few miles away.

Regards Emma AUFORN QLD

Regards Diane Harrison

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## UFO Sightings OZ Files P3 - 05.08.2001

From: Diane Harrison <[auforn@Ehome.net.au](mailto:auforn@Ehome.net.au)>  
Date: Sun, 5 Aug 2001 22:10:31 +1000  
Fwd Date: Sun, 05 Aug 2001 12:08:49 -0400  
Subject: UFO Sightings OZ Files P3 - 05.08.2001

UFO Sightings OZ Files P3 - 05.08.2001

Followup Karen Burden AUFORN NSW  
1800 Callin Code: 01488 and 01493 14.6.01

Date:14.6.01  
Day:THURSDAY  
Time Reported:12.45PM  
Location:SYDNEY, NSW  
Reportee:TONY  
Investigator:KAREN  
Tel:On file

Report:

On the 8th of June at around 11:15 pm Tony, his wife and daughter were driving along Sydney heads and noticed 3 orange lights in the Eastern sky over the ocean in what he called a perfect triangular shape, they merged together and formed one large orange light and headed South West at what he states was a tremendous speed; like a bullet. They lost sight of them in an instant. The observation only lasted a matter of seconds.

Regards  
Karen Burden

Follow up Karen Burden  
1800 Callin Code: 01492 14.6.01

Date:14.6.01  
Day THURSDAY  
Time Reported:11.06AM  
Location: SYDNEY NSW  
Reportee:Steve  
Investigator:Karen  
Tel:On file

Report:

Apparently Steve contacted us due to the newspaper article in the Manly Daily. On Monday June 11th at around 9 pm he was walking his dog on the beach at Newport. He noticed the same phenomina as that mentioned in the article. I spoke to his girlfriend about this and left a message for him to call, but he has not done so to date.

Regards  
Karen Burden

This report was sent through  
on the 16/06/01. This is a copy.

Follow up Karen Burden AUFORN NSW  
1800 Callin Code: 01491 14.6.01

Date:14.6.01  
Day:THURSDAY  
Time Reported:11.03 AM  
Location:FAIRLIGHT, NSW



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## UFO Sightings P2- OZ Files 05.08.2001

From: Diane Harrison <[auforn@Ehome.net.au](mailto:auforn@Ehome.net.au)>  
Date: Sun, 5 Aug 2001 22:10:33 +1000  
Fwd Date: Sun, 05 Aug 2001 12:11:36 -0400  
Subject: UFO Sightings P2- OZ Files 05.08.2001

Hi Everyone

I've been off line for 6 weeks but now I'm back to keep you all informed of what's been going on here in OZ... I have quite a few UFO reports to catch up on so stay tuned.

Thank you to everyone who held the fort here in OZ - what a great team.

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UFO Sightings OZ Files 03.05.2001

Follow up Doug Moffett AUFORN NSW  
1800 Callin Code: 01385 03.05.2001

Date: 03.05.2001  
Day: Thursday  
Time Reported: 5.52pm  
Location: NSW  
Reportee: Marty P

Report

Marty, a security guard at King St Wharf, received a call from a worker at a local restaurant reporting a UFO. The objects was seen to the North, stationary and silvery and coloured in appearance. The objects were tilted away from each other and were close together. I only have the security guards no:, so can get no further details. Refer UFOR NSW website callin dated 3rd of May detailing very similar objects.

Doug Moffett

AUFORN NSW State Director

Follow up Karen Burden  
1800 Callin Code 01378 02.05.01 NSW

Date: 02.05.04  
Day: Wednesday  
Time Reported: 2007  
(10:07 pm Brisbane Time)  
Location: Northern Beaches, NSW  
Reportee: Bianca

Report:

Bianca was outside her house when she saw a bright orange/yellow light in the sky about 45 degrees above the horizon and around the size of a five cent piece at arm's length. She stated it was moving very slowly, almost appearing stationary at times. Some flickering of the light was apparent. She called out to her boyfriend, Mum and Dad to come out and see it. The other people came out and saw it, then Bianca went inside to grab her binoculars. Just before she went inside she noticed a plane traveling east, she then ran inside and by the time she came back out the light had disappeared. Her mother stated it just



wasn't there anymore. Her mother thought it initially appeared to be over the suburb of Frenches Forest. No one else in the family thought it was worth phoning up about, but Bianca thought it was important enough to be reported. Good for

Follow up Karen Burden AUFORN NSW  
1800 Callin Code: 001018 16.11.2000  
Date: 16.11.2000  
Day: Thursday  
Time Reported: 1.33pm  
Location: Blacktown, NSW  
Reportee: John  
Investigator: Karen Burden

Report:

John rang in regard to an incident that happened around 12 years ago. He was gardening in his backyard at Blacktown during the day. It was either during Autumn or Spring, he cannot recall the time line. John was leaning on a rake when he noticed a ball of light in the western sky, he stated it looked like a star and was electric blue. It commenced moving to the East for a few seconds then gradually turned to go North. He then went inside to get his wife. When they came back out it was back near the position where he first saw it. But he said it was bouncing up and down and moving like a 'song ball guide' for about a minute. He said it looked very strange indeed doing that, it even looked bigger. It then proceeded to go North-East and slowly ascended then all of a sudden took of like a bullet.

He always thought what he saw was strange, but was not sure whether to report it or not and if so, who too!

Follow up EMMA AUFORN  
1800 Callin Code: 01352 2.24.01 QLD

Date: 16.4.01  
Day: Monday  
Time Reported: 10.35 pm  
Location: Brisbane Qld,  
30-40o from horizon, approx  
10-15 kms away Reportee: Chris S.  
Report given to nearest rep:  
Emma Derdak Witness: 1 other

Report

Chris & a friend were outside and observed 2 lights in the sky, north-east of Eight Mile Plains, coming towards them. Looked like 2 aircraft with landing lights - then started to go due west, coming a couple of kms apart, then went north-west. Appeared to have quite bright lights which would occasionally blink out.

Chris phone dthe local control tower at 10.43 p.m. and asked thm if any aircraft were registered, and was told no, that ATC have to be notified of all movements.

Following week - 23rd, Chris went outside at 10.15 p.m. and saw 2 lights - east-north-east, 30o. Lights came closer together, moving up & down, swapping over. Chris watched this for 10 minutes, and observed one light to drop 'like a rock' 5-7degrees in sky & appeared to move away at a 90 degree angle away & up. The other light stayed there till 10.55 p.m. gradually moving away after seven minutes.

Emma AUFORN QLD

Follow up Karen Burden AUFORN NSW  
1800 Callin Code: 01468 10.06.01 NSW

Date: 10.06.01  
Day: Sunday  
Time Reported: 5.07 am and 5.11 am  
Location: Kilcare Beach, NSW  
Reportee: Casandra  
Investigator: Karen Burden

Message:

We have two telescopes set up at our Beach house, there is an object, not a solid shape but a light which keeps changing colours, it is bobbing around all over the place. It is positioned over the ocean. Please call me. END OF MESSAGE.

Report:

Casandra was staying at a friends house at Kilcare Beach on the Queens' Birthday long weekend. The house overlooks the ocean and is positioned on a cliff face. Early Saturday morning around 4:30 pm she noticed a bright light about 40-50 degrees above the horizon (N.E) which seemed to be changing colours and shapes. Casandra and a friend of hers grabbed two telescopes and set them up to get a closer look. She knew the unidentified light was not Venus as she had studied Astronomy herself for three years and could see Venus to the right of the light which was changing shapes.

Casandra noted that periodic clouds were not affecting the view as they were behind the light, so the light object appeared to be within Earth's atmosphere. She then went to wake up the house owner's son, Terry and alert other house guests, there were now four witnesses in all. They were all surprised by the sight of the light and what it was doing, they kept taking turns looking at it through the telescopes.

The witnesses stated it appeared to flip inside and out, each time changing shapes from a circle with checker board shapes on it, to a distorted figure eight, to a square. The light continually changing into an array of colour groups; green, red, purple, blue etc. Casandra stated at times it looked like a strobe light and was as large as a 5 cent piece when looking through the telescope.

What is interesting is that Casandra and her friend set up the telescopes and did not need to adjust there position for the duration of the sighting i.e 1.25 hours. When the light changed it's shape continually though, Casandra stated it gave you the impression it was moving or bobbing up and down, but of course it wasn't.

Casandra also stated that when dawn was breaking, the stars were diminishing from view, but that the unidentified light just stayed there, becoming more faded as the sun came up. Apparently even after dawn the unidentified light could still be seen for 15 minutes. Another interesting point is that the next day the locals in the area were talking about all the groups of Whales that had been sighted that night and that they were not suppose to be migrating down the coast yet.

Casandra also stated she is sure the unidentified light was there again on Sunday night, but further away in the distance. Casandra is sending some photos of the light, if the pictures turned out. She did fortunately have a zoom lense attached to her Camera at the time. So with a bit of luck.....

I will be investigating this event further.

Regards Karen Burden

Follow up Karen Burden AUFOR NWS  
1800 Callin Code: 01491 14.6.01 NSW

Date:14.6.01  
Day:THURSDAY  
Time Reported:11.03 AM  
Location:FAIRLIGHT, NSW  
Reportee:GWEN  
Investigator: KAREN  
Tel:On file

Report:

After reading the Manly Daily Gwen thought she would phone to tell of her experience which took place in late January 2001. She was resting on her bed for 10 minutes before visitors were

due to arrive, it was 1.40 pm in the afternoon and her son was watching sports on TV in the lounge room. All of a sudden she said the floor started shaking and she could hear a noise which sounded like the sound barrier was being broken. She tried to get out of bed but couldn't, she noticed a bright light outside of her window. Gwen lives on the second floor of a block of units and her bedroom window faces the side of the building, where a driveway is situated. A garage is under her unit. She stated the orb which appeared as a bright yellow light was actually a grey metallic lace looking ball underneath the light which had sharp points or spikes on it. The object she said was only about a foot in diameter, was hovering about 12 feet from the ground and around 8 feet from her window. She said it seemed to make an electrical sound whilst hovering and stayed there for a number of minutes. Her son at this stage was still in the lounge room and could not move either, he heard the noises etc but could not get up to see to his mother. Gwen mentioned that there was a red light illuminating from the top of the orb and a green type trail coming from bottom of the object. After the event both of them felt very weak as if they had no energy left.

Regards  
Karen Burden

Follow up Karen Burden AUFORN NSW  
1800 Callin Code: 01487 14.6.01 NSW

Date:14.6.01  
Day:THURSDAY  
Time Reported:7.17AM  
Location:NSW  
Reportee: Steve  
Investigator: KAREN  
Tel:On file

Report:

Steve wanted us to know that he had seen the exact same thing as described in the Manly Daily about 2 years ago. He was turning around the bend near Diggers RSL when both the Cab driver and himself noticed a bright orange light on the horizon which seemed to disappear into the ocean and looked as if the sun was setting, it was around 8 pm in the evening. He thinks the event took place during Summer or Autum, but can't remember exactly when.

Regards  
Karen Burden

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Regards Diane Harrison

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## Re: Marcia Smith Letter - Cameron

From: Grant Cameron <[sgquishy@altavista.com](mailto:sgquishy@altavista.com)>  
Date: 5 Aug 2001 09:11:22 -0700  
Fwd Date: Sun, 05 Aug 2001 12:30:28 -0400  
Subject: Re: Marcia Smith Letter - Cameron

>From: Richard Hall <[hallrichard99@hotmail.com](mailto:hallrichard99@hotmail.com)>  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>Subject: Re: Marcia Smith Letter  
>Date: Fri, 03 Aug 2001 15:50:47 +0000

>>Date: 2 Aug 2001 15:24:23 -0700  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>>From: Grant Cameron <[sgquishy@altavista.com](mailto:sgquishy@altavista.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Marcia Smith Letter

>>>From: Robert Gates <[RGates8254@aol.com](mailto:RGates8254@aol.com)>  
>>>Date: Thu, 2 Aug 2001 02:03:00 EDT  
>>>Subject: Re: Marcia Smith Letter  
>>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>>>From: Grant Cameron <[sgquishy@altavista.com](mailto:sgquishy@altavista.com)>  
>>>>Date: 8 Jul 2001 19:09:05 -0700  
>>>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>>>>Subject: Marcia Smith Letter

>>>>Ms. Smith,

>>>>I have written you to get clarification from you about a story  
>>>>that is being told about a report you may have written back in  
>>>>the days of the Carter administration. I am a researcher here in  
>>>>Canada working on stories and documents related to U.S.  
>>>>Presidents and the UFO phenomena.

>>>>Its almost been a month on this one. Has anybody ever gotten  
>>>>an email from this Marcia Smith? I personally suspect that  
>>>>nobody will and she will choose to press the delete key and not  
>>>>respond.

>>I didn't expect Smith to answer the letter, as she publically  
>>drags herself into a no-win situation no matter what she says.

>>Apparently Sheehan himself was not too happy with the wording of  
>>my E-mail request to Smith. Moreover, I was contacted by someone  
>>who said I had actually messed up an interview they planned with  
>>Marcia. I was encouraged not to do a phone interview I had  
>>planned.

>>In short we both sit and wait, but we will not wait forever. I  
>>think the final whistle will go off soon, and the investigation  
>>will continue.

>>Phil Klass contacted me for details on the transcript. It  
>>appears he is doing some sort of investigation or is doing a  
>>write-up for his newsletter. I encouraged him to contact Smith  
>>as a part of any investigation he might be doing, as his  
>>Aviation Leak background has probably brought him into contact  
>>with Smith in the past.

>>If anyone seeks Klass publish anything on this Sheehan saga, I  
>>hope they will be nice enough to inform this List. The same goes  
>>for James Oberg who provided me Smith's E-mail, and knows Smith  
>>well. Perhaps these two should be interviewed?

>Thanks for keeping us informed. Phil Klass, of course, will only

>shed darkness on the situation. Can you tell us what exactly  
>Sheehan didn't like about your E-mail? I thought it was pretty  
>straightforward.

Apparently it made me sound like a sceptic attacking his story.  
This came second hand. Sheehan was provided copies of the main  
article and key subsequent e-mails. He made no comment about  
anything. Could be part of a Disclosure policy as you will see  
Greer has maintained this type of silence against critics.

Grant

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## Re: New Insights On SETI - Hatch

From: Larry Hatch <[larryhat@jps.net](mailto:larryhat@jps.net)>  
Date: Sun, 05 Aug 2001 00:42:34 -0700  
Fwd Date: Mon, 06 Aug 2001 09:25:46 -0400  
Subject: Re: New Insights On SETI - Hatch

>From: Henny van der Pluijm <[h.vanderpluijm@planet.nl](mailto:h.vanderpluijm@planet.nl)>  
>To: <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: New Insights On SETI  
>Date: Sun, 5 Aug 2001 02:08:04 +0200

>Dear Errol,

>I hope this is a contribution to your mailing list. It is from  
>[www.kurzweilai.net](http://www.kurzweilai.net). The author is a top researcher in the  
>field of artificial intelligence.

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>Answering Fermi's Paradox

>by

>Hugo de Garis

>Does a vast array of superintelligences already exist? Hugo de  
>Garis thinks that SETI is shortsighted in their search for  
>extraterrestrial intelligence. They should set their scopes on  
>artilects. [ artificial intellects ]

<snip>

Hello Henny:

I found the article by de Garis very interesting. While one might take issue with all or parts of it, the concept of using artificial intelligence as a means of interstellar exploration appeals to me.

This removes any biological constraints over the times and distances involved, requiring only great patience of the part of the originators (actual living beings) who may have extended their own life-spans indefinitely.

Why don't they communicate with us? Who ever said that they should? I can think of reasons they might study us, perhaps in depth, and with carefully measured distance... without so much as a giving us a nod of the head.

They might have every reason to study Earth and everything on it, and no reason at all to establish any "dialogue". They might even (assuming they exist) have reasons to avoid a dialogue.

One bear (Barney Bruin) had a good question, in an unpublished short story I once wrote. This was a group of bears so far out in the wilderness that humans were virtually non-existent.

Occasionally however, rumors of men standing upright and doing incomprehensible things would filter into the bear-lore and bear legends; stock in trade at bear-meetings.

"Humans" (the bear word is unpronounceable) would puff smoke out of their truncated snouts... step out of giant dragonflies and OH the noise those made!

Re: New Insights On SETI - Hatch

Barney Bruin simply asked: "If these 'humans' exist, and they are so smart and all, why don't they leave a big salmon by the offering tree like they're supposed to? "

Best wishes

- Larry Hatch

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## Re: UFO Sightings OZ Files P1 - 05.08.2001 - Hatch

From: **Larry Hatch** <[larryhat@jps.net](mailto:larryhat@jps.net)>  
Date: Sun, 05 Aug 2001 02:01:07 -0700  
Fwd Date: Mon, 06 Aug 2001 09:28:19 -0400  
Subject: Re: UFO Sightings OZ Files P1 - 05.08.2001 - Hatch

>Date: Sun, 5 Aug 2001 22:10:30 +1000  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>From: Diane Harrison <[auforn@Ehome.net.au](mailto:auforn@Ehome.net.au)>  
>Subject: UFO Sightings OZ Files P1 - 05.08.2001

>UFO Sightings OZ Files P1 - 05.08.2001

>Follow-up 1800 Callin Code: 01650 30.7.01 QLD

>Date: 30.7.01  
>Day: Monday  
>Time Reported : 5.49pm  
>Location: Brisbane  
>Reportee: Roseena  
>Report given to nearest rep: Emma AUFORN QLD

<snip>

>Date: 25.07.01  
>Day: Saturday  
>Time: 3.00 a.m  
>Location: Kilcoy QLD  
>Colour: Orange (colour of a sunset)  
>Size : Half the size of moon  
>Sound: None  
>Weather Clear sky, S.E. wind blowing  
>Reportee: Leon  
>Referred: Emma Derdak  
>Tel:

>Report

>Leon, a tow truck operator was making a delivery at about 3 a.m.  
>driving through Kilcoy. There was no other traffic on the road  
>at the time, so no witnesses etc.

>In front of him at about 100m were two semi bright orange balls  
>of light. They were travelling at the same height as the gum  
>trees and appeared to be following each other parallel to the  
>road.

>Leon observed the lights for about 15 minutes and then got quite  
>worried (or as he said he s\$#t himself, as he was sure there was  
>something strange about them. He realised they weren't planes  
>and decided to head for his boss's house to stay the night (poor  
>bugger).

>He said that his mobile phone started to play up and another  
>strange thing was that the distance he travelled took him less  
>time than it should of. (wondering if he had condensed time  
>episode). He also mentioned that his watch was fast and the  
>clock had stopped in the car.

>I didn't pursue any issues re an encounter 'cos this guy was  
>freaked enough as it was.

>He did mention when he spoke to his boss that other people had  
>reported seeing the lights at Millenew (sic) on the eastern side  
>of Kilcoy. It was reported in the Kilcoy Sentinel last week.

>I asked him if there were any energy sources nearby, and he  
>stated there are two big transformers nearby and that Tarong  
>power station is a few miles away.

>Regards Emma AUFORN QLD

>Regards Diane Harrison

Hello Diane:

The Kilcoy, QLD case of 25JLY01 sounds interesting. I found the  
place at 152:33E - 26:56N in the Australian ANMA Gazetteer:  
(very useful!)

<http://www.ausliq.gov.au/mapping/names/names.htm>

If any more details arise, pro or con, I would be interested in  
hearing about them. As before, and now that my incoming email  
is back up, I am at:

[larryhat@jps.net](mailto:larryhat@jps.net)

Others may be interested as well.

Its a pity there is only one witness. If others should come  
forward, it would be a real plus.

Best wishes

- Larry Hatch

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## Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Gehrman

From: Ed Gehrman <[egehrman@psln.com](mailto:egehrman@psln.com)>  
Date: Sun, 5 Aug 2001 15:49:48 -0700  
Fwd Date: Mon, 06 Aug 2001 09:30:32 -0400  
Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Gehrman

>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>Date: Fri, 3 Aug 2001 13:03:08 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>From: Ed Gehrman <[egehrman@psln.com](mailto:egehrman@psln.com)>  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>Date: Thu, 2 Aug 2001 09:09:48 -0700

>>>Date: Wed, 1 Aug 2001 13:46:03 -0700 (PDT)  
>>>From: Mac Tonnie <[macbot@yahoo.com](mailto:macbot@yahoo.com)>  
>>>Subject: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>>To: UFO UpDates <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

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>>The Forth Worth pictures of the Roswell debris  
>>proves, beyond any shadow of doubt, that the debris on Gen.  
>>Ramey's office floor is not a balloon, mogul or otherwise.

>How do the Fort Worth pictures prove "beyond any shadow of  
>doubt" that the debris is "not a balloon, mogul or otherwise"?  
>It sure looks like balloon and radar reflector debris to me.

Brad,

I should have written "not only a balloon, mogul or otherwise".  
I think you have to look very carefully and follow Neil Morris's  
line of reasoning. It's also important to study the debris  
footage in the AA and see the connections between it and the FW  
debris.

To do that, you need the AA CDs.

Would you be interested in receiving a set? If so contact me off  
list and I'll give you the details.

Ed

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## Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Gehrman

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Date: Sun, 5 Aug 2001 16:34:00 -0700  
Fwd Date: Mon, 06 Aug 2001 09:33:20 -0400  
Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Gehrman

>Date: Fri, 3 Aug 2001 13:14:37 -0700 (PDT)  
>From: Mac Tonnie <[macbot@yahoo.com](mailto:macbot@yahoo.com)>  
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>>Ramey's office floor is not a balloon, mogul or otherwise. You  
>>have the FW photos on the AA CDs I sent. Why not give them a  
>>closer examination before you draw any mistaken conclusions.

>Actually, the Ramey material isn't on the CDs you sent. I'll  
>double-check, but I think I might have received an earlier  
>edition.

If you don't have the Ramey material, let me know and I'll send  
you the latest version. It should be in a section labeled 'Ft  
Worth Photos'

>And yes, I have pondered the photos taken in Fort Worth and the  
>"debris footage." Although I really support your initiative to  
>look for parallels, I am not convinced. The resemblances  
>between various "glyphs" in vague at best and, in my opinion,  
>completely spurious.

The symbols are vague but no more vague than some of the photos  
you analyze on a daily basis at your site. But "completely  
spurious" is far too harsh and implies that our work is  
counterfeit or in some way false. That statement is incorrect.  
Neil has told folks exactly what he sees and his interpretation  
of the data he's uncovered and has supplied visual evidence for  
his interpretations Much of his research requires those  
examining it to put on their thinking caps but it is never  
"spurious".

>This doesn't mean I find the AA film without interest. I'm  
>\_very\_ interested in where it originated. But I don't think it  
>has anything to do with the photos taken in Ramey's office.

I disagree.

>>It is not at all clear that the Roswell craft and creatures are  
>>ET. There are other more convincing explanations. My position  
>>has always been that they are probably not ET but the "Ancient  
>>Ones (Gods)" mentioned by almost all prehistoric societies and  
>>have lived here ( on earth and in our solar system) for many  
>>moons.

>Good point; I agree. If the being in the AA is real, who knows  
>what it is? I suppose I wrote "extraterrestrial" in the very  
>general sense of its not exactly being one of us.

I agree; the ancient ones were not exactly human. Everyone should check out the following site and see for themselves how prehistoric humans depicted the "ancient ones".

<http://www.smithsonianmag.si.edu/smithsonian/issues96/oct96/jordan.html>

>My interest in the AA footage has always been distinct from my  
>interest in the Roswell case. I don't think they have anything  
>to do with each another.

I agree that the AA is not the classic Roswell. As far as we can tell, the AA crash happened in New Mexico, near Roswell, and the men who stayed on site were supplied in Roswell. But I see no way to account for the connections between the two sets of debris, unless both sets came from similar crafts.

>Chances are, the AA is bogus. But I'm  
>all for examining it and looking for alternative explanations,  
>if they are credible.

The AA is probably not bogus. If it were, we would have some proof of its illegitimacy by now. There is not one scrap of evidence that the footage is a fake.

Take a close look at the AA debris footage and read M. Dennis's article in \*Flatland\* and then tell me what you think. The unanswered implications of that article are the key to understanding the AA debris and the creature being dissected.

Ed

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## Cat-Faced Beings?

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Date: Sun, 5 Aug 2001 22:10:45 -0300  
Fwd Date: Mon, 06 Aug 2001 09:41:29 -0400  
Subject: Cat-Faced Beings?

Hello List,

I am helping a researcher friend who is seeking information about alien beings that look like "cats". He told me of a case that occurred here in Brazil where a housewife saw beings with a "cat-face" - eyes, ears and nose.

I know of a case that occurred in Santa Isabel, Argentina, in 1972, near the IKA-Renault Factory.

Does somebody have any cases where that type of alien being was seen?

Thanks,

Thiago Luiz Ticchetti

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## Re: Voyager Newsletter No. 18 - Gates

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Date: Mon, 6 Aug 2001 02:14:51 EDT  
Fwd Date: Mon, 06 Aug 2001 09:43:40 -0400  
Subject: Re: Voyager Newsletter No. 18 - Gates

>From: James Easton <[voyager@ufoworld.co.uk](mailto:voyager@ufoworld.co.uk)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
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Date: Mon, 6 Aug 2001 02:26:12 EDT  
Fwd Date: Mon, 06 Aug 2001 09:45:30 -0400  
Subject: Re: Carter, Sheehan, & Menzel - Gates

>Date: Tue, 17 Jul 2001 06:23:47 -0700  
>From: Larry Hatch <[larryhat@jps.net](mailto:larryhat@jps.net)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Carter, Sheehan, & Menzel

>>From: Robert Gates <[RGates8254@aol.com](mailto:RGates8254@aol.com)>  
>>Date: Tue, 17 Jul 2001 00:36:17 EDT  
>>Subject: Re: Carter, Sheehan, & Menzel  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>>Date: Sun, 15 Jul 2001 02:19:33 -0400  
>>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>>>From: John Velez <[jvif@spacelab.net](mailto:jvif@spacelab.net)>  
>>>Subject: Re: Carter, Sheehan, & Menzel

>><snip>

>>John wrote:

>>>I'm sorry man. I don't speak for anybody but me, but I'm here to  
>>>tell you that I won't do it. I am a strong supporter of the push  
>>>for disclosure, but I do not support Dr.Greer. (For all of the  
>>>above reasons.) I can't believe that you guys are willing to  
>>>"look the other way" in the name of expedience.

>>Kind of reminds me of politics. For example when Clinton was  
>>cutting defense, cutting back bombers, bases and missiles the  
>>"conservatives" howled and yelled about how he was destroying  
>>our military, our defense blah blah blah.

>>Now President Bush, through SecDef has proposed cutting back the  
>>b-1 bomber force by a third, retiring and removing all of our  
>>latest ICBM's, the peacekeepers, proposed closing 25 military  
>>bases...which the joint chiefs supported because they want to  
>>use the savings to upgrade and buy "much needed weapons systems"  
>>plus according to SecDef he is attempting to find "25-30 billion  
>>dollars in additional savings in the defense budget." Not to  
>>mention cutting the nuclear warheads down by 600 percent.

>>These same conservatives who howled and yelled when Clinton  
>>proposed cuts now are silent. Its called "our guy is in  
>>power..."

>Hello Robert:

>No big disagreement on the main points, but how do you or anyone  
>cut anything back by 600 percent?

Hi Larry,

I goofed and meant 60 percent. But supposedly the  
administration's suggested cuts will go much deeper then that.

Cheers,

Robert

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## Cydonian Imperative: 06-08-01 Chasing A Chimera

From: **Mac Tonnies** <[macbot@yahoo.com](mailto:macbot@yahoo.com)>  
Date: Mon, 6 Aug 2001 00:43:30 -0700 (PDT)  
Fwd Date: Mon, 06 Aug 2001 09:48:28 -0400  
Subject: Cydonian Imperative: 06-08-01 Chasing A Chimera

The Cydonian Imperative  
6-8-01

Chasing a Chimera: FACETS Director Dismisses "Sphinx"  
Commentary

by Mac Tonnies

See: <http://www.geocities.com/macbot/cydonia.html>

The following text appears on the current "Of Interest" section of the official FACETS (Formal Action Committee for Extra-Terrestrial Studies) website and consists primarily of a rebuttal to the above 'Sphinx' article by the organization's director Mike Bara (better known as the voice behind Lunar Anomalies and frequent contributor to Richard Hoagland's Enterprise Mission). I have inserted my own comments in ((multiple parentheses))).

((Bara's remarks are introduced by the FACETS webmaster... ))

"When asked what Michael Bara's opinion was of the article from Mr. Tonnies titled 'Sagan Memorial Station Revisited (July 31, 2001)', Michael addressed a few points not covered in Mr. Tonnies['] statements. Here is what Michael had to say:

"'...[Tonnies] completely fails to address the symmetrical, enclosed 'Face' on the 'sphinx,' which is clearly not natural. The 'temples' are not part of the same object, they are separate. And the layered structural pattern on the pyramids could not be clearer."

((I think any reasonable, curious person would be hard-pressed to agree with Bara's contention that the features in question are "clearly not natural," i.e. artificial. While Bara maintains that the alleged "sphinx" as seen in the previous article is separate from what he refers to as "temples," he provides no evidence to support this conclusion. While he could be right, a distinction between the so-called "sphinx" and "temples" is not at all apparent in the image posted on The Enterprise Mission, and Bara supplies no additional data to suggest otherwise. As noted in the article above, construing the alleged east-facing sphinx requires an imaginative leap that's simply not justified given the scant data at hand. Until better imagery is available, the simplest solution--that the "sphinx" formation is an elongated boulder facing roughly north-south--remains the most probable.))

"...As to the flood, if the object is comparable in size to the terrestrial Sphinx, it would not be 'washed away' in the flood that deposited the small objects in the foreground -- it's too big."

((This statement follows on the heels of discussion that the Twin Peaks visible from Sagan Memorial Station are highly eroded arcologies, worn down by flowing water so as to appear tantalizingly like naturally occurring hills. Clearly, if features as massive as the Twin Peaks were reduced to rounded hulks by running water, an exotic explanation is required to

explain how the "sphinx" could have survived unscathed. Remember, the Pathfinder spacecraft landed on an extinct floodplain characterized by highly eroded boulders. Are we to accept that an object as relatively minuscule as the "sphinx" somehow shrugged off mountain-stripping geological forces--and still manages to reveal cat-like anatomical detail? Bara's hypothesis, while entertaining, directly conflicts with the "ruined arcology" model of the Twin Peaks.))

((The FACETS webmaster continues...))

"Michael closed his reply by explaining the difficulty of approximately two thirds of the population to take a 2D image and project it into a 3D image in the minds eye. Michael went on to say '...Most of the rest can be taught how to do spatial projection, but a substantial chunk just will never be able to do it.'"

((This is a vague dismissal of my interpretation of the "sphinx" based not on the merits of objective evidence, but apparently on the fact that I disagree with Bara. I suppose only a fortunate few are able to see what's really lying on the Martian surface. Without recourse to testable evidence, Bara's lofty dismissal is nothing more than a biased personal opinion. While there is certainly nothing wrong with disseminating opinions (especially in a field as challenging as planetary SETI), they should not be conveyed as scientific fact.))

((The webmaster continues...))

"One common thread found among 'oppositionists' tends to be the lack of evidence to support their findings. Researchers like Michael Bara and Richard Hoagland continue to offer undisputable points of reference and evidence at the time of their commentary. The oppositionists tend to make a statement and then wait for some feedback before attempting to research the facts--often leaving the reader feeling empty and confused. This only proves to distort the facts."

((Here I am branded an "oppositionist" for not clinging to Bara's demonstrably threadbare case for the Pathfinder "sphinx" and accused of distorting facts by drawing supposedly premature conclusions. The message could not be clearer: shut up and let Bara dictate the nature of Martian surface anomalies; dissenting views, regardless of their logic or forethought, are not acceptable since the "discovery" has already been made.))

((In this case, a certain contingent has decided that there is a human-lion sphinx lurking on a Martian floodplain where it has no geological business being. The evidence? A few overblown pixels interpreted by researchers preconvicted of an esoteric Mars/Egypt connection and, apparently, desperate to provide its Web-based audience with flimsy "examples.))

((I think we can do better than this. Reality is not predicated on the dubious theories of self-appointed experts, however engaging these theories may be. Rather, scientific truth can be determined only through willingness to democratize data in such a manner that anyone can assess a claim by reproducing the results. Bara, in his retort, has made no indication of defending his colorful "discovery" with real evidence. Until he does so, fanciful notions of Martian sphinxes should be addressed with healthy skeptical restraint. Certainly Mars is interesting enough without populating it with delusion.))

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Hi Dick,

Worst of all, Easton has a fundamental contradiction he is hiding: He cannot have his hypothetical balloon quickly enough reinflated for takeoff for a sighting lasting just a few minutes unless it was already almost bouyant enough to be airborne. If it was so bouyant it would have virtually no weight to impress into the ground.

Another fatal flaw in his hypothesis is the alleged "two man crew": Such a crew of about 200 pounds or more in weight (even assuming jockey-sized pilots) could not possibly get off the balloon to make repairs without instantaneously so lightening the balloon that it would shoot up into the air. Such a procedure in fact would be very dangerous unless the balloon was first and unequivocally deflated, which would then require a long reinflation time to get airborne so as to lift a crew of two pilots of 200-300 pounds.

Brad

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I tend to let people versed in image processing do the looking,  
then make hypothetical conjectures about what various features  
might represent if artificial. I'm big on qualifying the  
anomalies in question with "if," as I don't think we'll know one  
way or the other until we go there in person. However, your  
point is well-taken.

>But "completely spurious" is far too harsh and implies that  
>our work is counterfeit or in some way false.

It's not the work that I think is flawed, but the mechanism of  
perception that allows a squiggly line in one image to resemble  
(kind of) a squiggly line in another image.

<snip>

>I agree that the AA is not the classic Roswell. As far as we can  
>tell, the AA crash happened in New Mexico, near Roswell, and the  
>men who stayed on site were supplied in Roswell. But I see no  
>way to account for the connections between the two sets of  
>debris, unless both sets came from similar crafts.

What if the Roswell story falls, as I believe is in  
the process of happening?

<snip>

>The AA is probably not bogus. If it were, we would  
>have some  
>proof of its illegitimacy by now. There is not one  
>scrap of  
>evidence that the footage is a fake.

There is also very little - and that's being kind - to suggest  
it's real. I'm an AA sympathizer; I want to know where it came  
from, and I think certain parallels between the "creature" and  
various allegedly secret documents may help us get to the bottom  
of it, "alien" or not.

Please send me a CD with the debris footage and Ramey material,  
if possible, as I already have the AA.

Thanks ,

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## Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Sparks

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Date: Mon, 6 Aug 2001 15:07:12 EDT  
Fwd Date: Mon, 06 Aug 2001 17:03:41 -0400  
Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Sparks

>From: Ed Gehrman <[egehrman@psln.com](mailto:egehrman@psln.com)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>Date: Sun, 5 Aug 2001 15:49:48 -0700

>>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>>Date: Fri, 3 Aug 2001 13:03:08 EDT  
>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

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>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>>Date: Thu, 2 Aug 2001 09:09:48 -0700

>>>>Date: Wed, 1 Aug 2001 13:46:03 -0700 (PDT)  
>>>>From: Mac Tonnies <[macbot@yahoo.com](mailto:macbot@yahoo.com)>  
>>>>Subject: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>>>To: UFO UpDates <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

>><snip>

>>>The Forth Worth pictures of the Roswell debris  
>>>proves, beyond any shadow of doubt, that the debris on Gen.  
>>>Ramey's office floor is not a balloon, mogul or otherwise.

>>How do the Fort Worth pictures prove "beyond any shadow of  
>>doubt" that the debris is "not a balloon, mogul or otherwise"?  
>>It sure looks like balloon and radar reflector debris to me.

>Brad,

>I should have written "not only a balloon, mogul or otherwise".  
>I think you have to look very carefully and follow Neil Morris's  
>line of reasoning. It's also important to study the debris  
>footage in the AA and see the connections between it and the FW  
>debris.

I have many times reviewed his "line of reasoning" on his website and find it bizarre, unsubstantiated, and technically inaccurate -- criticism which now will no doubt get me damned and vilified even though there can be no doubt that I am correct. He apparently still defends the "eagle seal" on the Ramey message, since it still appears on his website, when in fact all it is is a jumble of lines of text, not a circular emblem, seen on the message at a very steep angle. The text in that far upper left corner is only about 15° off from seeing the paper edge-on but his interpretation of the purported "seal" is about 45° off of horizontal edge-on. That is a factor 3x error.

The simulation experiment he did in response to my challenge proves it because it shows his "eagle seal" having to run right off the top edge of the paper, thus proving it physically could not possibly be an "eagle seal." His simulated paper looks nothing like his interpretation of a supposed "seal." His "seal" superimposed over the Ramey message runs from Ramey's thumb at the half-way fold in the paper and covers the entire 3-inch high top half of the paper all the way to the top and right off the

edge, stretching out nearly 4 inches high when the top half of the paper itself is only about 3 inches high and the seal is supposed to be only about 1.5 inches in diameter.

(I have to infer and estimate these dimensions because he does not bother to give them to us on the webpage, a very incomplete procedure to say the least. So if I am a little off, and maybe the "seal" is say only 1.25 inches across, all the other figures should be scaled accordingly, and it has absolutely no effect on my conclusions whatsoever which depend solely on the relative scale or ratios between the various dimensions not on their absolute values.)

He has his interpretation of the "seal" oriented so that the top is at the natural 12 o'clock position on the computer screen that one would expect. But if you look at the top edge of the Ramey paper you must rotate your head about 30° to the right, to the 1 o'clock position, to properly view the paper in the upper left corner at the correct orientation. Thus his interpretation of the alleged "seal" is actually rotated about 30° incorrectly. (His paper simulation fails to correctly match the Ramey paper on this point since it conveniently only rotates about 15° to the right, hiding half the rotation error.)

Again what he interprets as dark blobs comprising an "eagle" in a seal at one angle is in fact blobs of about 8-10 lines of text in the first half of the message, seen almost on-edge at the correct 1 o'clock rotation of one's head. His "eagle seal" would wipe out the first half of the message, albeit the first few lines are no doubt military teletype addresses and not the verbal message content.

I bring up these examples because here at least we can deal with quantitative measurements about which there can be no real doubt, and subject to easy independent calculation, just take a ruler on your computer screen and all you have to know is a little trigonometry. And it shows that his interpretations when quantitatively checked are way off the mark, so much so that he is misinterpreting lines of horizontal text as a graphic image at a skewed angle. If when he can be checked quantitatively he is so far off how can we then trust him on something that is so subjective and non-quantitative as imagining "symbols" and "Egyptian hieroglyphics" in amorphous images at the limits of resolution of the photos of the Roswell debris?

>To do that, you need the AA CDs.

>Would you be interested in receiving a set? If so contact me off  
>list and I'll give you the details.

Sure. I've "cc-ed" you on this post.

Brad

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## Re: New Insights On SETI - Sparks

From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
Date: Mon, 6 Aug 2001 15:19:28 EDT  
Fwd Date: Mon, 06 Aug 2001 17:05:19 -0400  
Subject: Re: New Insights On SETI - Sparks

>Date: Sun, 05 Aug 2001 00:42:34 -0700  
>From: Larry Hatch <[larryhat@jps.net](mailto:larryhat@jps.net)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: New Insights On SETI

>>From: Henny van der Pluijm <[h.vanderpluijm@planet.nl](mailto:h.vanderpluijm@planet.nl)>  
>>To: <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: New Insights On SETI  
>>Date: Sun, 5 Aug 2001 02:08:04 +0200

>>Dear Errol,

>>I hope this is a contribution to your mailing list. It is from  
>>[www.kurzweilai.net](http://www.kurzweilai.net). The author is a top researcher in the  
>>field of artificial intelligence.

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>>Answering Fermi's Paradox

>>by

>>Hugo de Garis

>>Does a vast array of superintelligences already exist? Hugo de  
>>Garis thinks that SETI is shortsighted in their search for  
>>extraterrestrial intelligence. They should set their scopes on  
>>artilects. [ artificial intellects ]

><snip>

>Hello Henny:

>I found the article by de Garis very interesting. While one  
>might take issue with all or parts of it, the concept of using  
>artificial intelligence as a means of interstellar exploration  
>appeals to me.

>This removes any biological constraints over the times and  
>distances involved, requiring only great patience of the part of  
>the originators (actual living beings) who may have extended  
>their own life-spans indefinitely.

>Why don't they communicate with us? Who ever said that they  
>should? I can think of reasons they might study us, perhaps in  
>depth, and with carefully measured distance... without so much  
>as a giving us a nod of the head.

>They might have every reason to study Earth and everything on  
>it, and no reason at all to establish any "dialogue". They might  
>even (assuming they exist) have reasons to avoid a dialogue.

>One bear (Barney Bruin) had a good question, in an unpublished  
>short story I once wrote. This was a group of bears so far out  
>in the wilderness that humans were virtually non-existent.

>Occasionally however, rumors of men standing upright and doing  
>incomprehensible things would filter into the bear-lore and bear

>legends; stock in trade at bear-meetings.

>"Humans" (the bear word is unpronounceable) would puff smoke out  
>of their truncated snouts... step out of giant dragonflies and  
>OH the noise \_those\_ made!

>Barney Bruin simply asked: "If these 'humans' exist, and they  
>are so smart and all, why don't they leave a big salmon by the  
>offering tree like they're supposed to? "

Hi Larry,

This is a total violation of Occam's Razor (this is not aimed at you Larry). It assumes that there are no civilizations relatively close to us in level of technology. If it doesn't assume that, if it does allow for extraterrestrial civilizations relatively close to our level, then it prevents us from finding them, by telling us to give up and not even try. Isn't that the message here? It has to be either one it can't be both. It either assumes no one is near our technology level, so there is no need to look for such, or there are, but just don't try, just be bamboozled by visions of "artilects" (whatever the hell those are).

Are we going to have to go through these useless exercises year after year, relearning the same lessons again and again? Occam's Razor tells us that we cannot jump to the highest and most complicated levels before we have eliminated the simplest and lowest levels first. This new theory like all the others tells us to do that, jump to scientifically untestable magic-like levels right off the bat. Here we go again, another scientifically useless speculation that wastes time.

Brad

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Re: UFO Sightings OZ Files P1 - 05.08.2001 -

From: Diane Harrison AUFORN <[auforn@Ehome.net.au](mailto:auforn@Ehome.net.au)>  
Date: Tue, 7 Aug 2001 06:17:11 +1000  
Fwd Date: Mon, 06 Aug 2001 17:08:16 -0400  
Subject: Re: UFO Sightings OZ Files P1 - 05.08.2001 -

>Date: Sun, 05 Aug 2001 02:01:07 -0700  
>From: Larry Hatch <[larryhat@jps.net](mailto:larryhat@jps.net)>  
>To: UFO Updates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: UFO Sightings OZ Files P1 - 05.08.2001

>>Date: Sun, 5 Aug 2001 22:10:30 +1000  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>>From: Diane Harrison <[auforn@Ehome.net.au](mailto:auforn@Ehome.net.au)>  
>>Subject: UFO Sightings OZ Files P1 - 05.08.2001

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>>Follow-up 1800 Callin Code: 01650 30.7.01 QLD

>>Date: 30.7.01  
>>Day: Monday  
>>Time Reported : 5.49pm  
>>Location: Brisbane  
>>Reportee: Roseena  
>>Report given to nearest rep: Emma AUFORN QLD

>Hello Diane:

>The Kilcoy, QLD case of 25JLY01 sounds interesting. I found the  
>place at 152:33E - 26:56N in the Australian ANMA Gazetteer:  
>(very useful!)

><http://www.auslig.gov.au/mapping/names/names.htm>

>If any more details arise, pro or con, I would be interested in  
>hearing about them. As before, and now that my incoming email  
>is back up, I am at:

>[larryhat@jps.net](mailto:larryhat@jps.net)

>Others may be interested as well.

>Its a pity there is only one witness. If others should come  
>forward, it would be a real plus.

Thank you Larry

We will keep you posted

Di

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## Re: Element 118 (And 116?) Just Spurious Data -

From: Nick Balaskas <[nikolaos@yorku.ca](mailto:nikolaos@yorku.ca)>  
Date: Mon, 6 Aug 2001 16:19:53 -0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)  
Fwd Date: Mon, 06 Aug 2001 17:09:26 -0400  
Subject: Re: Element 118 (And 116?) Just Spurious Data -

>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>Date: Fri, 3 Aug 2001 08:31:21 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Element 118 (And 116?) Just Spurious Data  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

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>stability not odd numbers such as 115).

Hi Brad.

Although you may be right that Bob Lazar's story about working on ET technology and flying saucers, including his handling of Element 115, is a complete lie, your conclusion cannot be supported just from the knowledge of physics Lazar has exhibited publicly.

We should not forget that the atoms in a sample consisting of only one element (such as a piece of 100% Carbon or 100% Uranium) are not all exactly identical to each other with respect to the mass of their nucleus. Although the different isotopes for a given element will have the same chemical properties, some isotopes will be stable (eg. Carbon 12) while others will decay or be radioactive (eg. Carbon 14).

From the patterns observed in plots of the elements (including their isotopes) and their stability, nuclear physicists predicted that Element 114 would be the first of several stable (i.e non- decaying or radioactive) heavier elements. The nucleus of this stable isotope of Element 114 was to have 114 protons and 184 neutrons.

Since the recently discovered Element 114 decayed quite rapidly, it did NOT prove the non-existence of this predicted "island of stability" because the sum of the neutrons in the two lighter elements that were fused together to produce Element 114 had about 8 to 10 neutrons less than the predicted stable isotope. Until this heavier isotope of Element 114 (or better still, Lazar's Element 115) is produced, physicists will not be able to say with confidence if Lazar claims are true or false.

Nick Balaskas

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## MUFON/U.S. Senators

From: **Dennis Stacy** <[dstacy@texas.net](mailto:dstacy@texas.net)>  
Date: Mon, 6 Aug 2001 15:42:43 -0500  
Fwd Date: Mon, 06 Aug 2001 17:10:33 -0400  
Subject: MUFON/U.S. Senators

List,

Just returned from vacation to find the latest issue of SUN in my mail box. On the last page of same is the following announcement:

"U.S. Senators to Receive MUFON UFO Journal: Thanks to a financial contribution from radio talk show host Bob Hieronimus and his wife (both very pro-UFO), every U.S. Senator will receive a complimentary subscription to the MUFON UFO Journal, beginning with the July, 2001, issue. MUFON director John Schuessler hopes for more contributions so he can send free copies to every member of the House of Representatives."

Anyone here know anymore about this? For instance, whether MUFON intends to improve the Journal's appearance now that it will be going out to U.S. Senators, or whether they're satisfied putting out something that looks like it was produced by a junior highschool journalism class bereft of a computer, never mind an art director?

Given the Journal's current amateurish appearance, it will never get past the secretary opening the Senator's mail.

Another good idea that will ultimately do more harm than good for ufology's persisting credibility problem(s).

In other words, another blown opportunity...

Dennis Stacy

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Fwd Date: Mon, 06 Aug 2001 18:10:06 -0400  
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Nick,

Physicists may not be able to pass judgment on Lazar's claims,  
but anyone with half a brain who reasons logically (and I'm not  
sure that includes the average physicist I have met in my  
lifetime) can easily conclude that Lazar totally lacks  
credibility.

Simply put, his claims are ludicrous.

Dick

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## Re: Element 118 (And 116?) Just Spurious Data -

From: Georgina Bruni <[georgina@easynet.co.uk](mailto:georgina@easynet.co.uk)>  
Date: Mon, 6 Aug 2001 23:01:42 +0100  
Fwd Date: Mon, 06 Aug 2001 18:28:23 -0400  
Subject: Re: Element 118 (And 116?) Just Spurious Data -

>Date: Mon, 6 Aug 2001 16:19:53 -0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)  
>From: Nick Balaskas <[nikolaos@yorku.ca](mailto:nikolaos@yorku.ca)>  
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What a wonderful summary!

Georgina Bruni

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## Are you Ready For The Revolution?

From: Grant Cameron <[sgquishy@altavista.com](mailto:sgquishy@altavista.com)>  
Date: Mon, 06 Aug 2001 16:57:11 -0400  
Fwd Date: Tue, 07 Aug 2001 12:05:00 -0400  
Subject: Are you Ready For The Revolution?

"Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." (John 15:13)

"This is where I felt I had to go, and we'll see what happens."  
Lara Johnstone

Just over 25 years ago, American forces left Vietnam for the last time. Part of the reason for the withdrawal was the advancing North Vietnamese forces advancing on the South Vietnamese capitol. The main reason for the withdrawal, however, was that the American people had turned on the idea of the war, and wanted it ended. Demonstrations in the streets of America, and acts of civil disobedience, had made the idea of continuing the war intolerable.

In a country that believes it is "Government of the people, by the people," it now appears that some people have begun to rise up on the UFO issue. These people believe that like the Vietnam war it is not a strong scientific or logical argument that will turn the tide. They believe that, like Vietnam, the issue is political in nature and political pressure is the main weapon for turning the tide.

One such woman who has taken a stand on the UFO issue is a 35 year old woman from Oakland California.

The story began on July 22, 2001, when Dr. Steven Greer arrived in San Francisco to make a presentation of his traveling Disclosure Project. The event was held at the huge Masonic Auditorium. Among the 2,000 people in the audience was a woman by the name of Lara Johnstone.

Lara was a bit skeptical of the whole extraterrestrial thing. She had no background in ufology. She had never had a sighting. A friend sent her an e-mail about the local Disclosure Event. Lara visited the Disclosure web site on the Internet. After reading the objective she decided to attend. "I never before really 'believed' Lara wrote to President George Bush, "in 'verifiable evidence' of extraterrestrial visits." The Disclosure event turned out to be a "reality check" for Laura.

During the event the two hour Disclosure Testimony Tape was shown. This tape produced by the Disclosure project [[www.disclosureproject.org](http://www.disclosureproject.org)] was highlights of over 100 hours of testimony that had been collected from interviews with dozens of U.S. Government, industrial, and military witnesses to UFO and extraterrestrial events and secret 'black-ops' projects. Following the presentation of the video- tape there was a presentation by Disclosure director Dr. Steven M. Greer and local San Francisco Project witnesses Carol Rosin (spokesperson for Dr. Werner Von Braun) and Daniel Sheehan (legal counsel for the Disclosure Project).

The Disclosure Testimony video was a collection of testimony clips from military and government people talking about the reality of the UFO situation. It was made up of two hours of the 100+ hours of testimony with key witnesses that the Disclosure

Project had on file. The testimony that Lara witnessed that evening was more than she could take. She purchased the Disclosure book that Greer was selling at the event, which gave testimony from yet more witnesses telling the true story of what had happened regarding UFOs since 1947.

Lara decided action was necessary. She chose a form of protest that she was familiar with - a hunger strike. In late 2000 Lara had used this protest method successfully against the state of California. In an E-mail to Charles Huffer, Lara described her first hunger strike protest.

I went on a hunger strike was against the CA Department of Corrections and Gov. Gray Davis. After 25 days, they bowed, admitted -- in writing -- what I had alleged, and what they had 'said', but not in writing. Before the press conference, the dept head of all of CA's prisons, came up to me and went ballistic. He started screaming 'who do you think you are' 'how dare you' and on and on! He did not like being called up by the South African media, asked to answer very difficult questions regarding how he runs his prisons!

Following the disclosure event, Lara quickly researched the UFO subject in preparation for sending a letter to President Bush on the subject. As a part of this effort she contacted Charles Huffer, an Arkansas UFO researcher, who on July 28, 2000, had the opportunity to question President elect Bush while he was on the campaign trail for President.

During this encounter Huffer asked Bush "Half the public believes that UFOs are real." Would you finally tell us what the hell is going on? " Bush replied, " "Sure I will."

A few minutes later Huffer ran into Bush again and the president-elect stated, " It will be the first thing that he will do." (He pointed at Dick Cheney who was just walking up) "He'll get right on it."

Lara used the Huffer encounter with Bush to time the beginning of her hunger strike. The hunger strike would begin exactly one year to the day Bush promised he would work to tell the people about UFOs. She wrote in her July 26, 2001 letter of protest to President Bush.

One year later, on 28 July 2001, you are now the President and I again ask you "are you willing to finally tell the American people and the whole world, the truth about unidentified flying objects?" Hundreds of high level US government officials are standing courageous and willing to tell the truth, which can change our world. Will you give them the opportunity. Can we begin healing our world? Can we end this endeavor of greed, corruption, fear and destruction? Can we find a way to take a stand, step by step? If we continue this way, we'll only end up where we are going. It doesn't have to be this way. We have a choice.

As a South African, Lara Johnstone also addressed her letter of protest to President Thabo Mbeki of South Africa, as well as President George Bush. She outlined her request,

President Bush and President Mbeki, I am writing to share with you and all the other leaders around the world my extreme concern. My concern is so great, that I have decided to go on a hunger strike, starting July 28, 2001, to death if need be, in order to express my humble request. My request is that the U.S. and other governments: 1. Hold open, comprehensive, secrecy-free hearings to take military/agency witness testimony on events and evidence relating to an Extraterrestrial presence on and around Earth. 2. To hold open hearings on advanced energy and propulsion systems, relating to extraterrestrial phenomena that, when publicly released, will provide solutions to global environmental challenges. 3. To enact legislation which will ban all space-based weapons, and to enact and implement international treaties and legal standards prohibiting the weaponization of space. 4. To enact comprehensive legislation to research, develop and explore space peacefully and cooperatively with all cultures on Earth and in space.

In an interview with Lara Johnstone, I asked her about her plans for the hunger strike. She stated, "I'm on my way to D.C. I was going to do a bus trip across the country. I am hoping to be in

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Washington by the 28th of August which would make the hunger strike at one month, but I'm flexible on that. I have this feeling that I must not plan to much - that things are going to work right. Things are going to happen, and I should just be open and trusting. . . It started on the 28th of July to August 28th will be a month, and then interestingly enough the 28th of September will be two months and that is the start of the anti-globalization demonstrations."

Lara has received the expected reactions from people to her hunger strike. Some have said that she is "totally nuts." One person told her, "You don't want to just take on the whole world - now you want to save the aliens too." To this Lara responded, "I said it's not about that. It's about all of us knowing what's going on. Are we just here to buy buy buy being little consumers, or are we here for a bigger purpose? To grow and to love. For me it's about the truth. With the secrecy we're spreading more fear, and more fear, and it's separation."

Lara is preparing a web site where people can access the letters she has sent out, and stay updated on what responses she has received. She is preparing a letter for all members of Congress, and is sending out letters to names she received of people inside the UFO community who might be able to help her.

Robert H. Williams, a man who lost his job at Clinton Community College in Plattsburgh, New York, for his UFO beliefs, has been kind enough to help Lara in her time of need. On his personal web site, Robert is hosting a section with copies of all the initial correspondence between Lara and Charles Huffer, and the letter to the President. To view this material go to Mr. Williams home page, and then to the section on "WHO."

<http://members.tripod.com/rhw007/>

As President George Bush vacations on his Texas ranch, Lara is in the process of writing her second letter to him. There has been no word from the White House, and no major backing by the UFO or Disclosure Movement community. Then again, it is still early in the hunger strike, Day 10 as this is being written. Lara is still confident. As Lara says, "We'll see what happens."

Lara is available for questions or offers of support at 510-823-8109

"Are you ready for the revolution?"

Lara Johnstone, a California woman who began a Hunger Strike for Disclosure on July 28th.

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Fwd Date: Wed, 08 Aug 2001 04:08:19 -0400  
Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey - Ledger

>From: Alfred Lehmborg <[Lehmborg@snowhill.com](mailto:Lehmborg@snowhill.com)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey  
>Date: Wed, 25 Jul 2001 08:42:19 -0500

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>>Date: Tue, 24 Jul 2001 10:56:55 EDT  
>>Subject: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

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>>I had earlier suggested that the lights may have been New Jersey  
>>Army or Air National Guard aircraft dropping flares. This was a  
>>Saturday night on a summer weekend. I think that it may be that  
>>our old friends, "the Martians" or their colleagues, may be  
>>flying some ultralights.

>I'm astonished at the breadth, scope, and depth of your denial,  
>Dad. I have a recording of the video courtesy of MSNBC and with  
>two decades of military aviation experience I can report  
>confidently that that video did not record the airplanes  
>reported by your suspect Star Ledger letter writer. You just  
>demonstrate your own ironic credulity regarding a crumbling  
>point of view you cling to that you must feel slipping beneath  
>your sweaty fingers even now.

Hi Alfred,

His ignorance about the FARS [FAA regulations] governing  
ultra-lite flights leaves a lot to be desired as well.

Don Ledger

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## Re: Element 118 (And 116?) Just Spurious Data -

From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
Date: Mon, 6 Aug 2001 19:48:29 EDT  
Fwd Date: Wed, 08 Aug 2001 04:09:50 -0400  
Subject: Re: Element 118 (And 116?) Just Spurious Data -

>Date: Mon, 6 Aug 2001 16:19:53 -0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)  
>From: Nick Balaskas <[nikolaos@yorku.ca](mailto:nikolaos@yorku.ca)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Element 118 (And 116?) Just Spurious Data

>>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>>Date: Fri, 3 Aug 2001 08:31:21 EDT  
>>Subject: Re: Element 118 (And 116?) Just Spurious Data  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

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>>And of course the Lazar story is a monstrous bold-faced lie from  
>>beginning to end. He claims to have carried around pounds of  
>>so-called (nonexistent) Element 115, when in fact it would be so  
>>highly radioactive it would vaporize his skin, etc. His whole  
>>story betrays such incredible imbecilic ignorance of nuclear  
>>physics (even numbered elements 114 and 118 are the islands of  
>>stability not odd numbers such as 115).

>Hi Brad.

>Although you may be right that Bob Lazar's story about working  
>on ET technology and flying saucers, including his handling of  
>Element 115, is a complete lie, your conclusion cannot be  
>supported just from the knowledge of physics Lazar has exhibited  
>publicly.

>We should not forget that the atoms in a sample consisting of  
>only one element (such as a piece of 100% Carbon or 100%  
>Uranium) are not all exactly identical to each other with  
>respect to the mass of their nucleus. Although the different  
>isotopes for a given element will have the same chemical  
>properties, some isotopes will be stable (eg. Carbon 12) while  
>others will decay or be radioactive (eg. Carbon 14).

>From the patterns observed in plots of the elements (including  
>their isotopes) and their stability, nuclear physicists  
>predicted that Element 114 would be the first of several stable  
>(i.e non-decaying or radioactive) heavier elements. The nucleus  
>of this stable isotope of Element 114 was to have 114 protons  
>and 184 neutrons.

>Since the recently discovered Element 114 decayed quite rapidly,  
>it did NOT prove the non-existence of this predicted "island of  
>stability" because the sum of the neutrons in the two lighter  
>elements that were fused together to produce Element 114 had  
>about 8 to 10 neutrons less than the predicted stable isotope.  
>Until this heavier isotope of Element 114 (or better still,  
>Lazar's Element 115) is produced, physicists will not be able to  
>say with confidence if Lazar claims are true or false.

>Nick Balaskas

Hi Nick,

Sorry, any nuclear physicist worth his salt can say today with confidence that Lazar's claims are utter pseudoscientific hogwash and don't need to have element 114's or 115's isotope series produced.

Lazar claims he actually was the one who discovered element 115 in his first few months at Area 51 in 1988, yet to this day he does not understand enough about nuclear physics to know to specify the mass number or isotope number, as anyone with even the tiniest comprehension knows is the critical identification of a nuclide (ever hear of "uranium 235" or "carbon 14"? those are the isotope numbers). Fortunately, Lazar's ignorance of physics led himself into a trap because he and his sycophants put together a "physics data table" of made-up alleged data and they accidentally went too far with their invented numbers, because they didn't realize that the product of the density and molar volume gives you the mass number and it comes out about 424, which is way too high and far above any possible "island of (relative) stability" around 298. They also made up a fictitious melting point for their imaginary element 115, supposedly 1,740°C or higher than even iron or aluminum, betraying a total lack of understanding the Periodic Table of the Elements as 115 would be chemically related to the low melting point soft metal bismuth so their precious 115 if enough of it could be made to see and would last long enough would probably be a liquid at room temperature like mercury or even a gas.

You and Lazar are mistaken in thinking that "nuclear physicists predicted that Element 114 would be the first of several stable (i.e non- decaying or radioactive) heavier elements." No one in their right minds imagines they are going to find NON-radioactive isotopes of these elements. The American Institute of Physics explains that physicists are hoping that element 114's isotope 298 will be relatively "stable" or "stable compared to its neighbors in the chart of the nuclides" -- meaning that it may have "an expected lifetime of years rather than milliseconds or microseconds." (See: [www.aip.org/enews/physnews/1997/split/pnu344-3.htm](http://www.aip.org/enews/physnews/1997/split/pnu344-3.htm))

So far isotopes 287 and 289 of element 114 have been produced by the Dubna lab in Russia and they turn out to have half lives of only 5 and 30 seconds.

A transuranic element with even a half-life of "years" would emit such deadly ionizing radiation that it would make plutonium, one of the most toxic substances known to man due to its radioactivity (half life 24,000 years for Pu-239), seem like safe to handle with one's bare hands in comparison (an utter absurdity). Yet Lazar claims he smuggled out of Area 51 a whole pound or half-kilo of element 115 which would be even more unstable than 114 because of the uneven number of protons and the resulting incomplete and unstable nuclear shell configuration.

It is manifestly clear to me that Lazar heard something about element 114 from some some popular reading and screwed it up, got the number wrong, didn't understand the nuclear physics so as to know how to correct the number 115 to 114, and then because of colossal ignorance of comic book nuclear physics failed to realize that the predicted "stability" of 114 didn't mean total "stability" as if it was non-radioactive and never understood that it would still be extremely radioactive and deadly, the "stability" being only to a relative degree compared to surrounding even more volatile elements/isotopes with half-lives of fractions of a second.

Why do you coddle and defend these notorious frauds and purveyors of monstrous ignorance who bring such total discredit to UFO research and to science?

Brad

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>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
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>Date: Wed, 25 Jul 2001 21:27:31 -0700

>>From: Bob Young Y<[oungBob2@aol.com](mailto:oungBob2@aol.com)>  
>>Date: Tue, 24 Jul 2001 10:56:55 EDT  
>>Subject: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>A letter from this past Sunday's Star Ledger (NJ) may shed some  
>>real light on the July 14-15 mystery lights:

>Or no light at all, whatever it was it was not Aircraft, at  
>least conventional aircraft -yes I am willing to say there  
>may be a prosaic reason!

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>>Logical Explanation

>>When I heard about the mysterious lights in Carteret, the first  
>>thing I did was call my husband because he works at a data  
>>center there. I figured maybe he would have a clue as to what  
>>the mystery was about.

>>Maybe he was the only one with a grip on reality. According to  
>>my husband, the lights were nothing more than a group of planes  
>>approaching the airport (Newark Airport, one on the 3 big in NYC  
>>area - WTH) slowly and quietly. He said the planes flew by while  
>>he was smoking a cigarette outside the building. He too was  
>>intrigued by the mysterious lights when he first saw them, but  
>>when they flew over the data center it became clear the lights  
>>were airplanes.

>A large formation in one of the busiest chunks of airspace at  
>night - no way at all. The FAA would be on the perps. Like flies  
>on a fresh Cowpie. Plus there are too many witness reports that  
>state otherwise, including the FAA. Bob have you ever been  
>there? Yeesh. Flying formation even military (it isn't done much  
>anymore) is dicey at best. Yes, I have flown formation in an  
>airshow and when I was an Airtanker pilot (you have to - to see  
>the leadplane) in the smoke and flame. Just some idiots tooling  
>around at night? Come on. I personally know a C-54 Tanker Crew  
>that was lost for a mere "Photo Op". Also, Bob, as I recall,  
>Newark didn't have any record of such flights.

>This reminds me of the "Ultralight" theory with the Hudson  
>valley sightings. Given the state of ultralights, both  
>structurally and mechanically (mostly powered by high-strung,  
>and very unreliable two-stroke go-cart/snowmobile engines). Back  
>in the Eighties, night - let alone formation flying - would have  
>been very stupid, idiotic, Wile E. Coyote (Acme - a name you can  
>trust) off-the-mesa dumb.

>I get damn' tired of people who claim pilots are out doing  
>dangerous things, or they are people don't know what they are  
>talking about. As in the orthodox priest, engineer, pilot who  
>witnessed the flares - see Flier's files, current issue. But of

>course he is a religious fanatic and despite his engineering  
>(scientific) background and pilot training, his observation to  
>some is obviously flawed. Along with the video camera, cops, an  
>audience of 100's.

>>Human imagination is quite amusing. Perhaps some people need  
>>drama in their lives.Maybe some lives are just so boring that  
>>people need to fabricate stories about UFO's. The evidence is  
>>clear. Let's be logical.

>I haven't had a boring life, and this argument isn't Logical.

>>Carol Giroux,  
>>Edison, [NJ]

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>>I had earlier suggested that the lights may have been New Jersey  
>>Army or Air National Guard aircraft dropping flares. This was a  
>>Saturday night on a summer weekend. I think that it may be that  
>>our old friends, "the Martians" or their colleagues, may be  
>>flying some ultralights.

>See my reference to Ultralights above, also it is, ahem,  
>'illegal' to fly Ultralights at night, in controlled airspace,  
>over populated areas. Period. Although through the process of  
>natural selection, Ultralights have gotten somewhat more  
>reliable (like small four-strokes for engines) again, the  
>Federalies would have their collective genitalia hanging on the  
>flagpole of the local FAA office! None of what you are  
>describing is a haw haw game, but serious. Also, why the hell is  
>the military dropping flares over a heavily populated area?

Hi GT,

Why would the military be dropping flaes in the biggest TRACON  
in the country, in any event. It's at least 100 miles on a side.  
Mucho illegal. Can you imagine the commercial heavies sucking  
the little buggers in to their high by-pass fans. Any nonsense  
about ultra-lites is unworthy of consideration. Flying in that  
TRACON? Surely Bob can do better than this.

Don Ledger

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>>I get damn' tired of people who claim pilots are out doing  
>>dangerous things

>I've seen them.

>>or they are people [who] don't know what they are  
>>talking about.

>Never claimed that, in fact I got the confirmation of what I had  
>seen from ultralight pilots who did it.

><snip>

>>it is, ahem, 'illegal' to fly Ultralights at night, in controlled  
>>airspace, over populated areas. Period.

>Yes?

>G.T.: whether the N.J. lights were ultralights, fire balloons, a  
>miracle (I assign a low probability to that), or whatever, may  
>eventually be determined.

>You are not the first pilot who has told me that ultralight  
>group flights in the dark have never happened, just because they  
>aren't supposed to.

Bob,

What you are trying to imply is nonsense pure and simple. There is no way you are going to get a dozen pilots to flaunt the law in this manner in what any pilot would consider rank stupidity and outright dangerous to flight safety. I don't care what one pilot told you. Has it occurred to you that the pilot who told you this was an outright liar? Your the sceptic yet you would believe this nonsense? It's something only a novice would believe.

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>group flights in the dark have never happened, just because they  
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What's that supposed to mean?  
Not ultra-lites or flares.

Don Ledger

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Secrecy News -- 08/06/01

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SECURITY NEWS  
from the FAS Project on Government Secrecy  
August 6, 2001

\*\*WEN HO LEE AND PREPUBLICATION REVIEW  
\*\*CIA CONTRETEMPS IN KOREA

WEN HO LEE AND PREPUBLICATION REVIEW

A front page story in the Sunday New York Times illustrated widespread confusion about whether government employees who have had access to classified information are obliged to submit to government censorship of their publications even after retirement.

The August 5 Times story reported an allegation that former Los Alamos scientist Wen Ho Lee may have violated censorship rules by disclosing the draft of his forthcoming memoir to his co-author and to his editor before gaining government approval.

But it turns out that the entire controversy is predicated on an error.

"Individuals like Dr. Lee who receive security clearances, especially high-level ones that give access to nuclear secrets, pledge to submit any manuscripts to federal censors before letting other people see them," the Times stated.

That is not correct. As a former employee or contractor, Wen Ho Lee had no legal obligation to submit his manuscript for pre-publication review, according to Energy Department officials and former Lab employees.

"Essentially, the requirement to submit for review only applies to those with active access authorizations (clearances)," said Jim Danneskiold of the Public Affairs Office at Los Alamos National Laboratory. This requirement is found at 10 CFR 1045.44.

"However, when anyone with a clearance leaves service with the DOE or a contractor, and gives up the clearance, he or she signs a statement acknowledging that they are still prohibited under penalty of law from revealing classified information," he noted.

"Therefore," Mr. Danneskiold continued, "not to have a manuscript reviewed that had even a remote possibility of containing classified would be foolish, since it would open up the person to potential prosecution."

Fortunately, however, not everything that is foolish is illegal.

The statement (DOE Form 5631.29) that all cleared Energy Department employees and contractors must sign upon retirement acknowledging their continuing responsibility to protect classified information may be found here:

<http://www.fas.org/sgp/othergov/doe/f5631-29.pdf>

"Note that the form says nothing about submitting manuscripts for review prior to publication," said engineer William Sullivan, who retired from Sandia National Laboratory earlier this year and who has been an outspoken defender of Wen Ho Lee.

"I can understand why," Mr. Sullivan said. "Such a regulation would be so unworkable it isn't funny. Could you imagine all ex-employees sending everything they write to DOE to determine whether or not the material is classified?"

The upshot is that the "controversy" over whether Wen Ho Lee's handling of his manuscript complied with security procedures is out of place. Although Lee has a continuing obligation to protect classified information, he has no obligation to submit any manuscripts for pre-publication review. The fact that he did so voluntarily only demonstrates an abundance of caution on his part.

Government-wide, the overwhelming majority of cleared personnel are not subject to prepublication review after their clearance is terminated.

This is spelled out in the briefing book on Standard Form 312 (SF 312), which is the "Classified Information Nondisclosure Agreement" that is signed by most employees and contractors when they are approved for authorized access to classified information:

"There is no explicit or implicit prepublication review requirement in the SF 312, as there is none in the SF 189 and SF 189-A. However, if an individual who has had access to classified information is concerned that something he or she has prepared for publication may contain classified information, that individual should be encouraged to submit it to his or her current or last employing agency for a voluntary review. In this way the individual will minimize the possibility of a subsequent action against him or her as a result of an unauthorized disclosure."

See the SF 312 briefing book, published by the Information Security Oversight Office, here:

<http://www.fas.org/sgp/isoo/sf312.html>

The situation is different for CIA employees, who do pledge in their nondisclosure agreements to submit any draft publications for government review, "either during my employment...or at any time thereafter, prior to discussing it or showing it to anyone who is not authorized to have access."

The CIA performs such reviews several hundred times a year, according to John Hollister Hedley, who formerly chaired the CIA Publications Review Board. The submissions from CIA employees ranged "from 1,000-page book manuscripts to one-page letters to the editor. There are speeches, journal articles, theses, op-eds, book reviews, and movie scripts. There are scholarly treatises, works of fiction, and, recently, a cookbook."

See Mr. Hedley's article "Reviewing the Work of CIA Authors" from the CIA journal "Studies in Intelligence" (Spring 1998) posted here:

<http://www.fas.org/sgp/eprint/hedley.html>

#### CIA CONTRETEMPS IN KOREA

The U.S. intelligence liaison relationship with Korea has been rocked in the last two weeks by the discovery that a CIA officer illicitly obtained sensitive information about North Korea through unauthorized contacts with a Korean intelligence officer.

"The National Intelligence service (NIS) voiced its displeasure to the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency over its contact with an NIS official that led to the leakage of top secret information, and demanded measures to prevent the recurrence of such an incident," according to an August 2 report from the Yonhap news agency in Seoul.

The Korean officer, identified only as Ahn, was fired on July 23

due to his unauthorized contacts with the CIA official, described as a Korean-American named Yoon who was serving as first secretary at the U.S. Embassy in Seoul.

The newspaper Chungang Ilbo, which disclosed the location of the CIA station in Seoul (on the fifth floor of the U.S. Embassy), the number of CIA staff, and the name of the station chief, said "It's an unprecedented controversy."

For other Koreans, however, there was an obvious parallel in the case of Korean-American Robert Kim. Kim was an employee at the U.S. Office of Naval Intelligence who was arrested in 1996 for providing classified information to a military attache at the Korean Embassy in Washington. He was sentenced to a nine-year prison term. Repeated Korean appeals for his pardon have been rebuffed.

The official web site of Korea's National Intelligence Service is silent on the latest events. But it may be found here:

<http://www.nis.go.kr/english/>

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## Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey - Ledger

From: Don Ledger <[dledger@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:dledger@ns.sympatico.ca)>  
Date: Mon, 06 Aug 2001 21:36:37 -0300  
Fwd Date: Wed, 08 Aug 2001 04:49:00 -0400  
Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey - Ledger

>Date: Fri, 27 Jul 2001 09:30:09 -0400  
>From: Kenny Young <[ufo@fuse.net](mailto:ufo@fuse.net)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey

>>From: Jan M. Pheneger <[jan0320@aol.com](mailto:jan0320@aol.com)>  
>>Date: Thu, 26 Jul 2001 10:43:52 EDT  
>>Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>I do not buy the military flare explanation either. I have  
>>friends in the National Guard, and one who is also a sheriff's  
>>deputy. They do not drop flares over populated areas. One can  
>>only imagine the liability issues if they did, and a innocent  
>>civilian was hurt. Forget the nonsense explanations, and lets  
>>see the videos and pictures that any witnesses have get turned  
>>over to an expert for study. Then we can all derive our opinions  
>>on the New Jersey Lights, based on an experts evaluation.

>Hi Jan;

>The flare situation is not a nonsense explanation. These things  
>do happen and hotshot or rookie pilots disregard MOA (Military  
>Operations Area) boundary and time restrictions. To my knowledge  
>there has never been any public clarification afforded by the  
>culprits themselves. I have documented examples of several  
>violation episodes that generate UFO sightings, later explained  
>when the culprits were 'tracked down' during later  
>investigation.

>I would further liken the situation to the 'mystery boom'  
>phenomena where officialdom denies having jet aircraft breaking  
>the sound barrier when people complain about the mysterious  
>noises heard across the country. Due to the property damage  
>often reported after a mystery boom, their denial of having any  
>of their pilots responsible for breaking the sound barrier makes  
>sense in the face of legal issues that would bog things down. As  
>you stated above, liability issues are a factor. But in the end  
>game, we see from past cases (such as Ohio in '96 and '97,  
>Evansville, Indiana in '98 and the Arizona sightings w/Maryland  
>A.N.G.) that the flare-spewing culprits are a little hesitant  
>about stepping forward and don't usually do so without a fight.

Hi kenny,

In this case you are forgetting the fact that something had to  
be dead center in the NY TRACON in order to drop the flares, and  
that would have been tracked by same. You would have to fly a  
long way from the nearest MOA and then at least 50 miles into  
the NY TRACON in order to drop the flares in the first place.  
If, as you say, this was some hotshot-I disagree, the pilot was  
a rank amateur and well out of his or her military flight  
program parameters. And in this day and age of GPS, I can't  
seriously believe any military pilot would be that lost.

Don Ledger



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## Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey - Ledger

From: Don Ledger <[dledger@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:dledger@ns.sympatico.ca)>  
Date: Mon, 06 Aug 2001 21:39:30 -0300  
Fwd Date: Wed, 08 Aug 2001 04:50:44 -0400  
Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey - Ledger

>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>Date: Fri, 27 Jul 2001 14:21:13 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>From: Jan M. Pheneger <[jan0320@aol.com](mailto:jan0320@aol.com)>  
>>Date: Thu, 26 Jul 2001 10:43:52 EDT  
>>Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

><snip>

>>FAA Regulations, as some may know, and some may not, carries a  
>>very stiff fine, and pilots losing their licence to just "turn  
>>off their lights."

>Ultralight pilots and ultralight airplanes are unlicensed,  
>although they are supposed to fly under FAA Regs.

The pilots are unlicensed - not the aircraft. The pilots can  
still be charged with busting the regs and public endangerment,  
licensed or not.

Don Ledger

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## Re: New Insights On SETI - Hatch

From: Larry Hatch <[larryhat@jps.net](mailto:larryhat@jps.net)>  
Date: Mon, 06 Aug 2001 20:01:08 -0700  
Fwd Date: Wed, 08 Aug 2001 04:53:02 -0400  
Subject: Re: New Insights On SETI - Hatch

>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>Date: Mon, 6 Aug 2001 15:19:28 EDT  
>Subject: Re: New Insights On SETI  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>Date: Sun, 05 Aug 2001 00:42:34 -0700  
>>From: Larry Hatch <[larryhat@jps.net](mailto:larryhat@jps.net)>  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: New Insights On SETI

>>>From: Henny van der Pluijm <[h.vanderpluijm@planet.nl](mailto:h.vanderpluijm@planet.nl)>  
>>>To: <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>>Subject: New Insights On SETI  
>>>Date: Sun, 5 Aug 2001 02:08:04 +0200

>>>Dear Errol,

>>>I hope this is a contribution to your mailing list. It is from  
>>>[www.kurzweilai.net](http://www.kurzweilai.net). The author is a top researcher in the  
>>>field of artificial intelligence.

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>>>Answering Fermi's Paradox

>>>by

>>>Hugo de Garis

>>>Does a vast array of superintelligences already exist? Hugo de  
>>>Garis thinks that SETI is shortsighted in their search for  
>>>extraterrestrial intelligence. They should set their scopes on  
>>>artilects. [ artificial intellects ]

>>><snip>

>>I found the article by de Garis very interesting. While one  
>>might take issue with all or parts of it, the concept of using  
>>artificial intelligence as a means of interstellar exploration  
>>appeals to me.

>>This removes any biological constraints over the times and  
>>distances involved, requiring only great patience of the part of  
>>the originators (actual living beings) who may have extended  
>>their own life-spans indefinitely.

>>Why don't they communicate with us? Who ever said that they  
>>should? I can think of reasons they might study us, perhaps in  
>>depth, and with carefully measured distance... without so much  
>>as a giving us a nod of the head.

>>They might have every reason to study Earth and everything on  
>>it, and no reason at all to establish any "dialogue". They might  
>>even (assuming they exist) have reasons to avoid a dialogue.

>>One bear (Barney Bruin) had a good question, in an unpublished  
>>short story I once wrote. This was a group of bears so far out  
>>in the wilderness that humans were virtually non-existent.

>>Occasionally however, rumors of men standing upright and doing  
>>incomprehensible things would filter into the bear-lore and bear  
>>legends; stock in trade at bear-meetings.

>>"Humans" (the bear word is unpronounceable) would puff smoke out  
>>of their truncated snouts... step out of giant dragonflies and  
>>OH the noise \_those\_ made!

>>Barney Bruin simply asked: "If these 'humans' exist, and they  
>>are so smart and all, why don't they leave a big salmon by the  
>>offering tree like they're supposed to? "

>This is a total violation of Occam's Razor (this is not aimed at  
>you Larry). It \_assumes\_ that there are \_no\_ civilizations  
>relatively close to us in level of technology. If it doesn't  
>assume that, if it does allow for extraterrestrial civilizations  
>relatively close to our level, then it prevents us from finding  
>them, by telling us to give up and not even try. Isn't that the  
>message here? It has to be either one it can't be both. It  
>either assumes no one is near our technology level, so there is  
>no need to look for such, or there are, but just don't try, just  
>be bamboozled by visions of "artilects" (whatever the hell those  
>are).

>Are we going to have to go through these useless exercises year  
>after year, relearning the same lessons again and again? Occam's  
>Razor tells us that we cannot jump to the highest and most  
>complicated levels before we have eliminated the simplest and  
>lowest levels first. This new theory like all the others tells  
>us to do that, jump to scientifically untestable magic-like  
>levels right off the bat. Here we go again, another  
>scientifically useless speculation that wastes time.

Hello Brad:

I don't think there cannot be civilizations at about our present  
level out there, its more a matter of distance. I presume de  
Garis takes a similar view.

I favor any sort of SETI effort .. even UFO watching, as long as  
there is some chance of learning something. If an "artilect"  
takes the form of a highly advanced smart probe-vehicle, it may  
still be seen if it gets too close. If it takes samples it might  
leave traces. Electromagnetic and other effects may be noted, if  
poorly understood at first.

I certainly don't suggest any sort of magic that is entirely  
beyond our ken, no "mysteries of the faith" or anything along  
those lines. If Hugo de Garis expressed such views, I must have  
missed it.

Best

- Larry Hatch

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## Re: Element 118 (And 116?) Just Spurious Data

From: Christopher Kelly <[tophar@iprimus.com.au](mailto:tophar@iprimus.com.au)>  
Date: Tue, 7 Aug 2001 15:49:47 +1000  
Fwd Date: Wed, 08 Aug 2001 04:55:09 -0400  
Subject: Re: Element 118 (And 116?) Just Spurious Data

>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>Date: Fri, 3 Aug 2001 08:31:21 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Element 118 (And 116?) Just Spurious Data  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>Date: Thu, 2 Aug 2001 12:35:46 -0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)  
>>From: Nick Balaskas <[nikolaos@yorku.ca](mailto:nikolaos@yorku.ca)>  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Element 118 (And 116?) Just Spurious Data

>And of course the Lazar story is a monstrous bold-faced lie from  
>beginning to end. He claims to have carried around pounds of  
>so-called (nonexistent) Element 115, when in fact it would be so  
>highly radioactive it would vaporize his skin, etc.

Lazar story may or may not be true, though through my investigations I have concluded Lazar was recruited/hired or said he was hired around the same time JPL was looking for new forms of solid rockets for the shuttles and the Star Wars program. As per Lazars old web site, (which seems to have been taken down) and Stan Friedman's site.

He (Lazar) was very experienced with solid fuel type rockets. Given the fact Lazar spent most, if not all of his time playing around with these type of rockets from a very early age, it is not beyond people like JPL to recruit someone like Lazar whom seemed to have a real talent with the afore said. (Even if they don't have degrees covering their walls)

In my humble opinion, I feel Lazar was working for JPL. But didn't work with Elements such as 115, but rather was given the information by someone within JPL who was working with it. (Why they picked Lazar to spill the beans is anybodies guess.) But I can see this happening or Lazar over heard other scientist talking.

Also, it is not beyond JPL as with other such institutions to leak false information to suspect personal to see if they are trust worthy. This is also is something to keep in mind.

Still the fact remains, Elements like 115 and others do exist, contrary to what we were lead to believe in the past.

>His whole  
>story betrays such incredible imbecilic ignorance of nuclear  
>physics (even numbered elements 114 and 118 are the islands of  
>stability not odd numbers such as 115).

Being an uneven numbers has nothing to do with it really, the main factor with elements like these is there environment. 115 is from the same family of elements that magnetic fields get there power/energy from. Instability as with chaos in the right environment in fact brings about order and stability. So the above comment cannot be taken as totally factual I feel.

Some years ago I learnt elements like 115 needed a catalyst element to get them to release there energy, given the fact that

this catalyst element was in the 200 range and said to be found only on the moon. Stories about the moon being mined by Aliens and a story about the US being told by Aliens not to return to the moon, caught more than just my interest.

At the end of the day, we are nothing more than children playing with things we have little understanding of and those that have just a small understanding of such things, warn of the dangers associated with such little understanding. Which for me is the real worry, WHY do these people with an understanding go so far out of their way to warn us? AND why do we not heed their warnings?

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## Re: MUFON/U.S. Senators - Lietz

From: Haiko Lietz <[hyco@haikolietz.de](mailto:hyco@haikolietz.de)>  
Date: Tue, 7 Aug 2001 11:10:26 +0200  
Fwd Date: Wed, 08 Aug 2001 04:56:39 -0400  
Subject: Re: MUFON/U.S. Senators - Lietz

>From: Dennis Stacy <[dstacy@texas.net](mailto:dstacy@texas.net)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: MUFON/U.S. Senators  
>Date: Mon, 6 Aug 2001 15:42:43 -0500

>"U.S. Senators to Receive MUFON UFO Journal: Thanks to a  
>financial contribution from radio talk show host Bob Hieronimus  
>and his wife (both very pro-UFO), every U.S. Senator will  
>receive a complimentary subscription to the MUFON UFO Journal,  
>beginning with the July, 2001, issue. MUFON director John  
>Schuessler hopes for more contributions so he can send free  
>copies to every member of the House of Representatives."

>Anyone here know anymore about this? For instance, whether MUFON  
>intends to improve the Journal's appearance now that it will be  
>going out to U.S. Senators, or whether they're satisfied putting  
>out something that looks like it was produced by a junior  
>highschool journalism class bereft of a computer, never mind an  
>art director?

Hi all,

it's just too bad that Richard Hall isn't writing the column anymore. The journal will be missing his cool and logic sense. Mr. Hall and Mr. Schuessler, couldn't you have cleared this problem under just four eyes? I guess better speakers for the symposium 2001 would have been too expensive ...

Besides that I want to criticize book reviews of new age titles by Dwight Conelly, that sometimes are just too positive for a journal with a scientific approach.

Best regards

HL

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## THE WATCHDOG - 08-07-01

From: Royce J. Myers III <[ufowatchdog@earthlink.net](mailto:ufowatchdog@earthlink.net)>  
Date: Tue, 07 Aug 2001 09:59:32 -0400  
Fwd Date: Wed, 08 Aug 2001 04:58:25 -0400  
Subject: THE WATCHDOG - 08-07-01

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## Re: Are you Ready For The Revolution? - Young

From: **Bob Young** <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
Date: Tue, 7 Aug 2001 07:29:29 EDT  
Fwd Date: Wed, 08 Aug 2001 04:59:50 -0400  
Subject: Re: Are you Ready For The Revolution? - Young

>From: Grant Cameron <[squishy@altavista.com](mailto:squishy@altavista.com)>  
>Date: Mon, 06 Aug 2001 16:57:11 -0400  
>Subject: Are you Ready For The Revolution?  
>To: [www.whitehouse.gov@altavista.com](mailto:www.whitehouse.gov@altavista.com)

<snip>

>"Are you ready for the revolution?"

>Lara Johnstone, a California woman who began a Hunger Strike  
for >Disclosure on July 28th.

What? Endanger her life in support of the fantasies of the likes  
of Clifford Stone?

Sad, sad, very sad. And pathetic. If anybody needs evidence that  
people can actually be harmed by all of this paranoid nonsense,  
it is Lara Johnstone.

Bob Young

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## Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Hamilton

From: **Bill Hamilton** <[skywatcher22@space.com](mailto:skywatcher22@space.com)>  
Date: 7 Aug 2001 06:47:57 -0700  
Fwd Date: Wed, 08 Aug 2001 05:03:32 -0400  
Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Hamilton

>Date: Mon, 6 Aug 2001 11:31:54 -0700 (PDT)  
>From: Mac Tonnies <[macbot@yahoo.com](mailto:macbot@yahoo.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

>>From: Ed Gehrman <[egehrman@psln.com](mailto:egehrman@psln.com)>  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>Date: Sun, 5 Aug 2001 16:34:00 -0700

><snip>

>>If you don't have the Ramey material, let me know and I'll send  
>>you the latest version. It should be in a section labeled 'Ft  
>>Worth Photos'

>No...don't have 'em. Only the AA footage (sans the  
>"debris footage.)

>>The symbols are vague but no more vague than some of the photos  
>>you analyze on a daily basis at your site.

>I tend to let people versed in image processing do the looking,  
>then make hypothetical conjectures about what various features  
>might represent if artificial. I'm big on qualifying the  
>anomalies in question with "if," as I don't think we'll know one  
>way or the other until we go there in person. However, your  
>point is well-taken.

>>But "completely spurious" is far too harsh and implies that  
>>our work is counterfeit or in some way false.

>It's not the work that I think is flawed, but the mechanism of  
>perception that allows a squiggly line in one image to resemble  
>(kind of) a squiggly line in another image.

><snip>

>>I agree that the AA is not the classic Roswell. As far as we can  
>>tell, the AA crash happened in New Mexico, near Roswell, and the  
>>men who stayed on site were supplied in Roswell. But I see no  
>>way to account for the connections between the two sets of  
>>debris, unless both sets came from similar crafts.

>What if the Roswell story falls, as I believe is in  
>the process of happening?

It won't happen because of Pflock's book. Read some paragraphs  
from it in the bookstore on Friday. Same old Mogul balloon  
hypothesis (not a certainty at all). He criticizes testimony  
that doesn't agree with his conclusions and supports testimony  
he believes does.

Then why are the images of the debris in Ramey's office photos  
not consistent with that of a Mogul balloon. Why does Sheridan  
Cavitt still stick to the weather balloon story?

No, I think Pflock's book will just follow Kal Korff's book to  
the graveyard of unsold books.

-Bill H

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## FAA Reports And NIDs

From: Katharina Wilson <[kwilson@alienjigsaw.com](mailto:kwilson@alienjigsaw.com)>  
Date: Tue, 07 Aug 2001 11:25:03 -0400  
Fwd Date: Wed, 08 Aug 2001 05:07:44 -0400  
Subject: FAA Reports And NIDs

To All:

I am posting this as an 'FYI' only.

This may be old news, but I've received a few e-mails from some upset people about this.

Apparently, they feel as if the information regarding these sightings will not be made public now.

<http://www.nidsci.org/news/faa.html>

Thanks,

K. Wilson

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## Re: Voyager Newsletter No. 18 - Hale

From: Roy J Hale <[royjhale@netscapeonline.co.uk](mailto:royjhale@netscapeonline.co.uk)>  
Date: Tue, 07 Aug 2001 16:38:50 +0100  
Fwd Date: Wed, 08 Aug 2001 05:13:56 -0400  
Subject: Re: Voyager Newsletter No. 18 - Hale

>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>Date: Mon, 6 Aug 2001 13:31:00 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Voyager Newsletter No. 18  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

<snip>

>Worst of all, Easton has a fundamental contradiction he is  
>hiding: He cannot have his hypothetical balloon quickly enough  
>reinflated for takeoff for a sighting lasting just a few minutes  
>unless it was already almost bouyant enough to be airborne. If  
>it was so bouyant it would have virtually no weight to impress  
>into the ground.

Brad,

I was under the premise that anyone flying anything around the  
skies, needed to have some kind of notification system with the  
authorities?

Why doesn't James give us the Balloon club they belonged to?

And have the local aviation officials given any data to suppose  
that there were balloons flying around the skies at the time of  
the incident?

Where is the data to propose that such a balloon was airborne at  
the time?

And how many people have validated such balloon sightings from  
that time frame ( Public Citizens ).

And do we really think that these two balloonists would be able  
to keep such an incident under their hats for so long. I am sure  
if the events were as James prescribes, surely these guys would  
have told such an event to their friends , families at some  
stage and we do know how stories get filtered out.

Roy..

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## Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Morris

From: Neil Morris <[neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk](mailto:neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk)>  
Date: Tue, 07 Aug 2001 17:30:01 +0100  
Fwd Date: Wed, 08 Aug 2001 05:16:54 -0400  
Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Morris

>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>Date: Mon, 6 Aug 2001 15:07:12 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>From: Ed Gehrman <[egehrman@psln.com](mailto:egehrman@psln.com)>  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>Date: Sun, 5 Aug 2001 15:49:48 -0700

>>I should have written "not only a balloon, mogul or otherwise".  
>>I think you have to look very carefully and follow Neil Morris's  
>>line of reasoning. It's also important to study the debris  
>>footage in the AA and see the connections between it and the FW  
>>debris.

>I have many times reviewed his "line of reasoning" on his  
>website and find it bizarre, unsubstantiated, and technically  
>inaccurate -- criticism which now will no doubt get me damned  
>and vilified even though there can be no doubt that I am  
>correct. He apparently still defends the "eagle seal" on the  
>Ramey message, since it still appears on his website, when in  
>fact all it is is a jumble of lines of text, not a circular  
>emblem, seen on the message at a very steep angle. The text in  
>that far upper left corner is only about 15° off from seeing the  
>paper edge-on but his interpretation of the purported "seal" is  
>about 45° off of horizontal edge-on. That is a factor 3x error.

Brad, As I've said to you before on the point of the Ramey  
message your interpretation and "model" takes zero account of  
the paper not being a "flat surface" when observational  
details (light gradients) show it's a highly complex set of  
curved surfaces.

>The simulation experiment he did in response to my challenge  
>proves it because it shows his "eagle seal" having to run right  
>off the top edge of the paper, thus proving it physically could  
>not possibly be an "eagle seal."

Here you don't seem to grasp the idea indicated in the image  
that the paper at the point the "seal runs off the top edge" is  
actually curved at or beyond the plane of observation, over the  
"visible horizon" but still there, we're dealing with an object  
in 3 dimensional space here even though it's only a 2d image.

>His simulated paper looks  
>nothing like his interpretation of a supposed "seal." His "seal"  
>superimposed over the Ramey message runs from Ramey's thumb at  
>the half-way fold in the paper and covers the entire 3-inch high  
>top half of the paper all the way to the top and right off the  
>edge, stretching out nearly 4 inches high when the top half of  
>the paper itself is only about 3 inches high and the seal is  
>supposed to be only about 1.5 inches in diameter.

You miss the point of the demo images completely, in that they  
demonstrate the effect generated by the combination of  
foreshortening due to the acute angles involved combined with  
the curved surfaces indicated on the message paper. Because of  
these points it is possible for a seal/stamp placed in the top

left corner of the message paper to be seen where I believe it is located in the image. There was only 1 example sheet used in the demo images and you see it in one image fully opened, this same demo sheet produced IMHO a very convincing mock up of what is seen in the Ramey Message image. As for quibbles regarding seal sizes etc, I produced demo sheets with seals sized larger and smaller than the one finally used, all produced similar results, the one used seemed closest sizewise to the original, but producing an identical copy was not my aim in this exercise.

>(I have to infer and estimate these dimensions because he does  
>not bother to give them to us on the webpage, a very incomplete  
>procedure to say the least.

If you give me the exact dimensions of the Ramey Message I'll re-run the experiment, as it is there is little scale reference to be had within the FW pictures and to run complex 3d modeling software on the images that might give such sizes accurately it's required to know exact details of the camera/lens system used. As the Speed Graphic had interchangeable lens and was supplied with a range of "standard" lens, and as JBJ has no recollection of lens used (why should he) it would require finding a known scaled feature in the same plane as the message just to estimate sizes. Seals used around that time varied greatly in size, I've seen samples in use on period documents from 3/4" thro 2+", they could be part of a letter head and pre printed or in the form of a "hand stamp" or machine date/time stamp, all seem to have the familiar tram-lines inner and outer rim as seen on the message

>So if I am a little off, and maybe  
>the "seal" is say only 1.25 inches across, all the other figures  
>should be scaled accordingly, and it has absolutely no effect on  
>my conclusions whatsoever which depend solely on the relative  
>scale or ratios between the various dimensions not on their  
>absolute values.)

Brad, I'd have no arguments if we were dealing with flat folded paper but we're not, the top left of that sheet curves up and presents itself at a far more favorable angle than you accept, but check out the way the paper is illuminated in the image. That left corner is bright compared to say the area just above the thumbnail, yes, how so?, if this was a flat surface the observed illumination would be uniform. The only way, seeing this image was illuminated from a point source close by the camera must be that the angle of the corner's surface is raised at a greater angle than that in the thumb area, as I say you cannot treat the message paper as a flat surface because it isn't flat, the top half of the message isn't you're uniform 15 degrees or otherwise to the observation plane because the observed illumination isn't uniform, it changes with the curves and folds of the paper.

If you want to see just how curved the paper is take a close look at the paper as seen in the Bettmann Ramey Dubose image where the paper can be seen fully unfolded but text side away from the camera. If you look at the lower edge, though this is intersected by the main fold it's quite evident the paper is holding a distinct curve, in fact one could say this might support the premise the message had only recently been around the roller in a typewriter and supporting the thought it originated locally at FWAAF.

>He has his interpretation of the "seal" oriented so that the top  
>is at the natural 12 o'clock position on the computer screen  
>that one would expect. But if you look at the top edge of the  
>Ramey paper you must rotate your head about 30° to the right, to  
>the 1 o'clock position, to properly view the paper in the upper  
>left corner at the correct orientation. Thus his interpretation  
>of the alleged "seal" is actually rotated about 30° incorrectly.  
>(His paper simulation fails to correctly match the Ramey paper  
>on this point since it conveniently only rotates about 15° to  
>the right, hiding half the rotation error.)

If this was a handstamp the orientation could be way out depending on how the clerk that struck it slept the night before, but as I mention above the demo sheet was produced just to demo a point not as a detailed reproduction. I think deducing exact orientation of the seal is highly debatable considering the small amount of image data available but those twin seal rim tramtracks are there and visible.



>Again what he interprets as dark blobs comprising an "eagle" in  
>a seal at one angle is in fact blobs of about 8-10 lines of text  
>in the first half of the message, seen almost on-edge at the  
>correct 1 o'clock rotation of one's head. His "eagle seal" would  
>wipe out the first half of the message, albeit the first few  
>lines are no doubt military teletype addresses and not the  
>verbal message content.

I think the demo images indicate this need not be the case, it's the same mock up sheet used throughout the demo images and that demo seal wouldn't necessarily overlap text, we don't after all know how many lines of text were on that upper half of the sheet. On reflection, after viewing the Bettmann image where the whole sheet can be seen and which I only obtained long after the seal demo sheet experiment was completed, I would now say the sheet I mocked up is actually shorter than that in Ramey's hand.

>I bring up these examples because here at least we can deal with  
>\_quantitative\_ measurements about which there can be no real  
>doubt, and subject to easy independent calculation, just take a  
>ruler on your computer screen and all you have to know is a  
>little trigonometry. And it shows that his interpretations when  
>quantitatively checked are way off the mark, so much so that he  
>is misinterpreting lines of horizontal text as a graphic image  
>at a skewed angle.

And if you do place a ruler on the screen you'll get some idea just how curved these surfaces are, try putting your ruler under a line of text!.

If you dispute the seal how do you explain the visibility of the large heading also made visible in the top right of the message paper and revealed by the self same mechanism I believe, as the seal?. I'm not the only researcher to attest to this feature.

Brad, I did what I believe was the scientific thing to do here, I took my theory, produced a real world model from it and attempted to reproduce with that model the observed effects within the image. Considering sizes etc had to be largely assumed I believe the resultant images from that simple experiment provide positive support for the theory they were based on. Try it yourself, all you need is a piece of paper, a marker pen and a reasonable copy of the Ramey Message pic so you can simulate (roughly) the way the message paper is curved and folded, then hold it at arms length in the same orientation as in the Ramey image, use one eye to simulate the camera lens.

>If when he can be checked quantitatively he  
>is so far off how can we then trust him on something that is so  
>subjective and non-quantitative as imagining "symbols" and  
>"Egyptian hieroglyphics" in amorphous images at the limits of  
>resolution of the photos of the Roswell debris?

Hell's bell's \_don't\_ just trust me!... that's the last thing I want. I report what \_I\_ see, go and look at these things for yourselves and then you can reach your own conclusions for or against. What I \_do\_ want people to do is to take a bit of time to look and then think hard about the origin of the anomalies, many of which are\_not\_ at the limits of image resolution.

Neil.

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## Re: Recognise This Triangular Stealth Aircraft? -

From: Don Ledger <[dledger@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:dledger@ns.sympatico.ca)>  
Date: Tue, 07 Aug 2001 17:44:56 -0300  
Fwd Date: Wed, 08 Aug 2001 09:10:00 -0400  
Subject: Re: Recognise This Triangular Stealth Aircraft? -

>From: Dennis Stacy <[dstacy@texas.net](mailto:dstacy@texas.net)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Recognise This Triangular Stealth Aircraft?  
>Date: Sat, 21 Jul 2001 22:30:44 -0500

>>From: Holger Isenberg <[H.Isenberg@ping.de](mailto:H.Isenberg@ping.de)>  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>>Date: Sat, 21 Jul 2001 20:34:12 +0200 (MEST)  
>>Subject: Recognise This Triangular Stealth Aircraft?

>>Can anyone identify what aircraft this is?

>><http://mars.gh.wh.uni-dortmund.de/ufo/23triangle.jpg>

>>I'm posting on this List, as it looks like a small model of the  
>>TR-3B:

>>It is from a real newspaper article, taken from the German movie  
>>'23' and dates from the 1980s.

>Holger, howcome the aircraft casts a shadow and none of the  
>figures around it do?

>Looks like one of those Photoshop moments to me.

Hi Dennis,

Notice also the elongated look to the people standing around the  
craft. Photoshop or an equivalent is my guess.

Best,

Don Ledger

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## Investigators Stumped By Cattle Mutilations

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
Date: Wed, 08 Aug 2001 09:43:27 -0400  
Fwd Date: Wed, 08 Aug 2001 09:43:27 -0400  
Subject: Investigators Stumped By Cattle Mutilations

From: UFO UpDates <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

Source: Las Vegas Sun

<http://www.lasvegassun.com/sunbin/stories/nevada/2001/aug/07/080710251.html>

August 07, 2001

Investigators Stumped By Cattle Mutilations

CONRAD, Mont. (AP) - Investigators in northcentral Montana are baffled by a string of cattle mutilations since mid-June, prompting one agency to seek help from a Las Vegas group that studies unconventional theories, including UFOs.

Ranchers in Dupuyer and Fort Shaw have reported four cattle deaths in which portions of the animals' faces were cut or peeled off and eyeballs and genitals were removed.

The animals had not been shot, and investigators say whoever is responsible left few clues behind.

The killings are similar to a string of cattle deaths in the 1970s in the same general area, in which more than 60 cattle in five counties were found mutilated. Those cases remain unsolved, and prompted speculation at the time from some that the deaths were the work of aliens or satanic cults.

Dan Campbell, a deputy with the Pondera County Sheriff's Department, believes humans are responsible, but their motives remain unclear.

"I don't believe in little green men," he said. "I think 500 people have asked me, 'Well, what's doing it?' If I knew, I would get it in the paper."

Colm Kelleher, deputy administrator of the National Institute for Discovery Science in Las Vegas, confirmed Tuesday that the sheriff's office contacted the institute for help.

"They'd heard about some of our previous research from a retired deputy sheriff in that area," he said.

The group describes itself as a research organization that studies a variety of unconventional scientific theories.

NIDS investigated the 1970s cattle mutilations in Montana, and Kelleher said its research found a correlation between the animal killings and UFO sightings around Malmstrom Air Force Base.

"Just because we found a statistical linkage between UFO sightings and animal mutilation, we are not drawing a direct link," he said. "We are completely undecided as to the perpetrators of these mutilations."

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On the Web:

National Institute for Discovery Science:  
[www.nidsci.org](http://www.nidsci.org)

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## Filer's Files #32 - 2001

From: **George A. Filer** <[WeeklyFiles@filersfiles.com](mailto:WeeklyFiles@filersfiles.com)>  
Date: Wed, 8 Aug 2001 02:01:45 -0400  
Fwd Date: Wed, 08 Aug 2001 09:47:13 -0400  
Subject: Filer's Files #32 - 2001

Filer's Files #32 MUFON Skywatch Investigations  
George A. Filer, Director, Mutual UFO Network Eastern  
August 7, 2001, [Majorstar@aol.com](mailto:Majorstar@aol.com).  
Webmaster Chuck Warren <http://www.filersfiles.com>,

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MAN'S SEARCH TO KNOW HIS WORLD AND UNIVERSE: UFO reports come in from New York, New Jersey, Georgia, Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Wisconsin, Columbia, New Zealand and Scotland.

### NEW YORK UFO SIGHTING RELATED TO CARTERET

PATCHOGUE, LONG ISLAND -- On July 14, 2001, at 11:21 PM, multiple reports were received from Long Island. In Patchogue, Long Island witnesses were traveling east on Route 27 and saw a brightly looking disc pass in front of their car on July 15. There were a total of four reports just minutes before the Carteret sighting at 12:15 AM. There are indications that multiple UFOs were present along the Long Island, New York to New Jersey corridor. Thanks to Peter Davenport Director NUFORC [www.ufocenter.com](http://www.ufocenter.com)

### NEW JERSEY LIGHTS

CARTERET -- Investigation of the twenty slow moving lights observed by hundreds on July 15, 2001, continue. Other witnesses now report sighting a fast moving UFO in the Newark Airport area. "The video tape appears to show a UFO in the lower portion of the video closest to the videographer in East Carteret.

SOUTH PLAINFIELD - Another report has been received from the area 15 miles west of Carteret earlier in the evening.

LINDA MOULTON HOWE called to ask about the Carteret sighting and told me she has just returned from Laos. She had been filming a series for the Discovery Channel television about the new Asian Enigma in search of the "wild men" of Laos. These wild men are similar or may be the same as Sasquatch or Big Foot. We discussed the fact that when there are reports of UFO landings, they are often followed by Sasquatch reports.

### VIRGINIA MENTAL PATIENT

ROANOKE - The witness of a UFO who was placed in a Sanitarium has been released. Several organizations attempted to help the Caltech Ph.D. and we hope our efforts were instrumental in having him released. Thanks to all our friends who attempted to help.

### GEORGIA WHITE PYRAMID

LAGRANGE -- MUFONGA's former State Director, John Thompson received a recent report of a 'white pyramid' hovering in the sky for about 8 seconds, around 4:00 PM on July 27, 2001. A motorist on Highway 219 just south of the Chattahoochee River

observed it to the west at about a 45-60 degree angle, estimating it was a mile away. Upon reaching the next clearing, it was gone. The object was much larger than an airliner, and two sides of the pyramid were seen. There was scattered cloud cover. The LaGrange Airport advised that there were no reported blimps or balloons in the area, and none of the pilots had reported anything unusual. Thanks to John Thompson and Tom Sheets MUFONGA SD.

#### OHIO, INDIANA GREEN FIREBALL

OHIO INDIANA BORDER -- Peter Davenport the Director of NUFORC reports that on Tuesday night, July 31st, at 2120 hours. (PDT), He received a report from a long haul trucker, traveling westbound through Ohio, and located 64 miles east of the Ohio border. He reported witnessing a very dramatic blue-green "fireball," which was streaking from his left to right, approximately 25-30 degrees above the horizontal plane in the western sky ahead of him. He telephoned two minutes after the event.

BLANCHESTER, OHIO -- On July 31, 2001, at 11:50 PM an object was moving so fast that the witness had a hard time following it. Then it just stopped, without slowing down. The witness said, "As I turned onto my road, it was hovering over our house. I was trying to get home as quick as possible so my family could see it. I got to my driveway and it shot across the sky again, as silent as can be." There was NO sound coming from this object. It just sat in the sky, for about 4 minutes. It didn't bob up and down or move in the slightest bit. I ran inside to get my video camera (but the battery was dead), I went back outside and it was still there, over the field. Then it was gone in an instant. I have never seen ANYTHING go so fast and then come to a dead stop. It was amazing! Thanks to Peter Davenport NUFORC [www.ufocenter.com](http://www.ufocenter.com).

#### INDIANA DAYLIGHT UFO

MILAN Outstanding Researcher Kenny Young writes he received an email from the gentleman claiming that an object was again visible last night after 2:00 AM. At any rate, the weather around here is hot and hazy with a gloomy overcast. I would be hard to imagine an atmospheric or celestial issue like an incoming bolide/meteor/fireball that could be seen in daylight through this haze. I had just talked with one of the witnesses by telephone regarding two suspected UFO sightings near Milan at 2:45 a.m. on July 31 and again on August 1st at 3:35 a.m. She sounded sober and alert. She said that what they had seen the last two evenings was 'very unusual' and that she had "never seen anything like this before." She described distant 'star-like lights' in a fixed triangular formation. This was not airplanes." I inquired how she could ascertain these were not airplanes (almost to the point of asking a leading question by getting her to describe any particular glow or color) and she said: "By the way it looked" and again went on to describe the three distant 'star-like lights' in a fixed triangular formation.

I am not satisfied that this is 'something different' without any outstanding characteristic such as glow, pulse or halo. Just three star-like lights that could easily be high-flying jets for purposeful or purely coincidental reason were flying about the same speed and from the position of the observer may have been in a convenient triangular formation. Perhaps even high-flying spy satellites? Thanks to KENNY YOUNG [ufo@FUSE.NET](mailto:ufo@FUSE.NET).

#### MICHIGAN GREEN FIREBALL

OSCEOLA -- I was traveling west from Midland towards Luddington at around 12:20 AM this morning on August 1, 2001, and I saw what I thought to be a shooting star tracking from South to North. I caught it early on and couldn't make my mind up what it was. I was almost suggesting to myself that it could be a satellite due to the way it wasn't getting brighter, when it did just that. Slowly it started to fizzle like a fireworks, then it grew in size getting brighter all the time and seemingly sparking, then I saw a puff of green and then it all turned a really bright burning green. I past a few trees but could still make it out it was so bright, then I came out on the other side (I was looking north now) and the fire stopped and just this red glow continued for a second, then it was gone. I suspect there

is a hole in the ground a few miles north from here. The object didn't break up.

Peter Davenport reports NUFORC has received a number of very interesting reports from Ohio, Michigan, and Wisconsin, and other states, which suggest to us that the event may not have been a typical meteoric event. One young woman in Ohio reports that she was witness to a blue-green fireball, which suddenly stopped and hovered for an estimate 5 minutes. It then "shot off," moving over the horizon very quickly. Thanks to NUFORC

#### KENTUCKY TV VIDEOS UFO

LEXINGTON Kenny Young reports a television news crew suspects that they have captured a strange aerial object on videotape. WTVQ-TV News Channel 36, an ABC affiliate in Lexington, reported on their 11:00 p.m. newscast that one of their videographers documented the suspected oddity on Thursday, August 2, 2001, over the city. Cincinnati resident Chris Heiert caught the story as it was broadcast from the Lexington television station and quickly notified me of the report. Within minutes of receiving the information I had placed a call to the news station and was lucky to speak with the videographer at 11:20 p.m. while the news program was still in live production. The videographer, informed that he had been interviewing someone at a car wash on Richmond Road for a news segment scheduled for Friday's newscast. The person being interviewed at around 5:30 p.m. first spotted the object and gestured for the news crew to take notice.

"I looked in that direction and this thing was visibly seen with the naked eye," the videographer said, "so I swung my camera around to get a shot of it and shot it for a minute." The object seemed to hover in place and was a large circular object with dome-shaped center roughly the size of a car or van. "This is where it gets weird," he said. "Coming out from the dome are little legs that curve down like triangles or something, and it rotates." He described the object as having no smoke and no lights. Thanks to Kenny Young [ufo@FUSE.NET](mailto:ufo@FUSE.NET).

#### WISCONSIN LIGHTS

DUNDEE - CORRECTION -- The Flying Triangle sighting report carried in July 21, Filer's Files #30, took place on July 15, 2000, rather than 2001 at Benson's Hideaway. A new sighting took place on July 21, 2001, about 9:40 PM when a group from Benson's Hideaway Restaurant located on Long Lake again saw UFOs. Both sightings were observed by a multiple group of UFO buffs. A light then came from the south end of the lake next to Dundee Mountain. It was about the size of a quarter held at arm's length. It looked like it was lower than Dundee Mountain and just a little higher than the trees. The light was a golden color and had golden lights shooting out from the edges. As it moved along the Eastern Shore of the lake it made little jumps almost straight up in the air and then continued on its original path. The light continued to the north end of the lake where we were, at this point someone yelled, there's another one. It came north along the western edge of the lake and it too, shot up almost straight in the air a couple of times. This one did something different though. It blew up to a white light, which was much bigger, than the golden light at least four times. It then dropped two lights like the sparkles that drop from sparklers. It moved directly across from us, while the first light it had moved northwest and disappeared.

Bonnie Meyer reports, "I believe that it left the atmosphere so fast that it only looked as if the light went out." A third golden light came from the same area and was coming towards us slowly. When it got about half way down the lake the second one started to move off and then they stayed about the same distance apart and moved off. A few minutes later another light appeared. It came almost the length of the lake and was either much smaller or it was much higher because it was smaller. As it got closer to us it turned west and settled almost stationary in the southwest. It stayed there for a long time. It seemed to become three separate lights one bluish green, one orange red and the other white. They seemed to be playing tag, running circles around each other and zigzagging with each other. Then there was a slight popping sound and two lights dropped from the underside of the center light. One of the lights took off in a northwest direction and was out of sight within a minute or

two. The greenish blue light stayed in the area and was still there when I left at about 12:30 A.M. When I talked to people the next day they said the light was still there at 2:00 A.M. Thanks to Bonnie Meyer of Lightside [www.thelightside.org](http://www.thelightside.org) and Jim Aho.

#### COLOMBIA LIGHTS

PRADERA -- El Pais News reports appearance of a strange luminous object, which suddenly became visible in the skies over Pradera and disrupted the tranquillity enjoyed by the residents. Precisely at 8:15 p.m. all eyes began looking automatically toward the heavens. There, a yellow and feeble light descended rapidly, as if seeking shelter in the mountainside's dense vegetation. Phanor Peñaloza says, "the fireball had a strange rotating movement, it took at least 15 seconds to cross the sky and vanish." Many residents of the Comuneros, La Lorena and Berlin neighborhoods witnessed the luminous phenomenon, which was allegedly responsible for two power outages five and ten minutes after the incident took place. Lieutenant Rodolfo Paredes of the Pradera Fire Brigade, who also saw the lights, believes that "it was all caused by a lit flare that someone fired" The firefighter's argument is based on the fact that the light had a permanent flame as it rose and later descended, something that happens with so called gunpowder rockets. Thanks to the El Pais News

#### NEW ZEALAND POLTERGEISTS AND UFOs

Karen L. wrote to the Skywatch International stating, "I had a UFO encounter back in 1978, where I was actually missing for two days. Its a long story but the point here is that upon return there started a three month period of "extreme" supernatural activity in the apartment where I was living. There were three other people living there and we all had to put up with items flying through the house, things suddenly lifting off and levitating on the dinner table as we were eating meals, people appearing and walking through walls. The list goes on and on and this happened everyday, day in day out. I found it all extremely interesting while my friends found it absolutely terrifying. Needless to say that after three months they couldn't take it anymore and had to move out. I decided to move back to New Zealand where the entire thing started again in my next residence. We got professional help in and without telling them the details the moment they walked into the house they came straight for me saying it was all centered around me (yep tell me about it). They couldn't help unfortunately so again I moved and this time it stopped. It's now over 20 years later and things still go 'bump' around me ;)... I'm used to it now. Karen

Editor's Note: I have investigated several cases that also involve Poltergeist activity. Seldom will a witness mention these occurrences and it usually takes getting to know the witnesses quite well. Unless people are specifically asked, they are unlikely to volunteer this information. My experience has been the wilder and more unbelievable stories are likely to be the most real. Those who investigate cases by visiting with the witnesses have a wonderful opportunity to obtain the entire story. Thanks to Karen L. and Skywatch International.

#### SCOTLAND STARGAZER CLAIMS TO HAVE PROOF OF UFOs EXISTENCE

DUNDEE -- The Courier News reports, "The best photographs of a UFO ever taken" have been snapped by a Leven man from outside his home," he claims. Andrew Wilson (58) believes he saw the UFO when he was looking out of his living-room window on August 3, 2001. Mr Wilson claims it was moving across the sky, "It was a small thing and it was traveling fast but there was no sound from it." A member of the RSPB and a keen bird watcher, Mr Wilson owns a book on astronomy and often watches the night sky, "I like the stars, they're beautiful," he added. It was, perhaps, this hobby that allowed him to witness another UFO in 1971, "It was right above me. It had a red dome on it, and a flashing light." Mr. Wilson has two witnesses who also saw the latest object. Firm in his belief that what he saw was an UFO, Mr. Wilson has handed the matter over to the authorities. Thanks to Gerry@Farshores - [www.100megsfree4.com/farshores/](http://www.100megsfree4.com/farshores/) and Courier News, August 6, 2001.

#### ROSWELL CRASH RESEARCH FINDINGS



Bond Johnson writes, "After more than three years of eye straining research of comparing the computer enhanced and carefully dissected Ramey Office Photos (ROP) with the blueprints of RAWIN/MOGUL and to other weather devices circa 1947 -- and with extensive consultation of UFO experts from Klass to Rudiak to Friedman -- The Roswell Photo Interpretation Team (RPIT) has concluded that there is NOTHING to be seen in the ROP that can be matched to ANYTHING expected to be found in the crash of a RAWIN/MOGUL or any other known "weather device." Further, in spite of frequent and widespread invitations for such, no one -- from dedicated skeptic to devout believer -- has SUGGESTED that ANY piece of wreckage to be seen in the ROP has any specific terrestrial genesis.

Also, after more than a half century the US government has produced NO documented evidence as to the etiology of the Roswell crash -- even when RPIT and others requested such documents under FOIA. Finally, after its extensive research -- including discussions by three team members w Prof. Charles Moore -- RPIT has concluded that there is NO evidence that ANY known RAWIN/MOGUL launch could account for the strange and well documented reports connected with the Roswell crash of 1947. Thanks to Colonel James Bond Johnson RPIT Project Director.

#### MARS: NEUROSCIENTIST FINDS LIFE ON MARS IN DECADES-OLD DATA

SAN DIEGO, July 29, 2001 -University of Southern California announced Experiments done more than two decades ago on Martian soil collected by the Viking Landers 1 and 2 provided evidence that life might exist on Mars, says Joseph Miller, Ph.D., associate professor in the Department of Cell and Neurobiology at the Keck School of Medicine of the University of Southern California. Miller recently did a re-analysis of data collected by the landers, and found that something in the collected soil was apparently metabolizing nutrients-and doing so with a distinct biological rhythm that, he says, can only be found in a living cell. Miller presented his findings at an astrobiology symposium held during the International Society for Optical Engineering.

In August and September of 1975, the Viking spacecraft were launched from Cape Canaveral. After traveling for nearly a year, each was deployed to the planet's surface. Once there, they performed a series of experiments-including one in which a robotic arm scooped up samples of soil and deposited them in petri dishes, along with a drop of a nutrient solution that had been labeled with radioactive carbon. The idea, explains Miller, was that if there were any living organisms in the sample, they would take up the carbon-labeled nutrients and process them, eventually releasing the radioactive carbon in a gas form. A radiation detector was set up near the covered dish, connected to it by a tube through which any released gases would travel. There was definite evidence of a gas release. It seemed Levin and Straat had indeed found life on Mars-but other scientists felt the release might be better explained as the result of chemical reactions with highly reactive compounds like uperoxides and peroxides. Unable to prove that the gas was definitely being released by living organisms, the NASA scientists let the matter drop.

Based on new discoveries Miller started studying the old data and after reviewing just 30 percent of the data, Miller was able to find something remarkable-something, he says, that went unremarked-upon in the original papers. "The signal itself not only had a circadian rhythm," declares Miller, "but it had a precise circadian rhythm of 24.66 hours-which is particularly significant, because it's the length of a Martian day." The fluctuations in gas emissions seem to be entrained to a 2 degrees C fluctuation inside the lander, which in turn reflected not-quite-total shielding from the 50 degrees C. fluctuation in temperature that occurs daily on the surface of Mars. Temperature-entrained circadian rhythms, even to a mere 2-degree C fluctuation, have been observed repeatedly on earth. As for the original concerns of the dubious chemists, who thought the same sort of signal could simply be coming from highly reactive, non-organic compounds in the soil, Miller says such a scenari! o would be almost impossible to imagine. The circadian rhythms from the Martian soil persisted for nine straight weeks."

"There is no reason for a purely chemical reaction to be so strongly synchronized to such a small temperature fluctuation,"

he adds. "We think that in conjunction with the strong indications from Mars Observer images that show water flowed on the surface in the recent past. I think back in 1976, the Viking researchers had an excellent reason to believe they'd discovered life; I'd say it was a good 75 percent certain. Now, with this discovery, I'd say it's over 90 percent."

[http://www.eurekalert.org/pub\\_releases/2001-07/uosc-unf072701.ph](http://www.eurekalert.org/pub_releases/2001-07/uosc-unf072701.ph)

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#### UFOs POLITICS GOD AND SCIENCE

Dr. Robert Trundle has written the new book "UFOs: POLITICS, GOD AND SCIENCE" (2001, European Press). With commentaries by Harvard's John E. Mack, MD. as well as NASA's Dr. Richard Haines and US Air Force Intelligence Maj. George Filer (Ret.), this book makes a novel defense of alien UFO visitation. After revealing why current science cannot be used to exclude the visitation and listing the testimonies of well regarded witnesses, several perplexing questions are raised: Has the academic community had a role in obstructing truth about the phenomenon of UFOs? Were military denials of alien UFOs ordered by one of the most admired US Presidents who, with no one noticing, virtually admitted of the cover-up? Might a cover-up be actually justified? Do bizarre reports, which rival X-Files, have a basis in science?

Having received his Ph.D. at the University of Colorado at Boulder, Robert Trundle is a member of the New York Academy of Sciences and Scientific Research Society of Sigma Xi. He has written over forty professional articles and numerous books. This new UFO book can be ordered by e-mail from the distributor Casalini (<http://www.casalini.it>), The Book Place (<http://www.thebookplace.com>), or directly from the European Press. (e-p-a-p.com) for approximately \$27.00. More information on the book is also listed on the web site "amazon.co.uk."

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## Re: Are you Ready For The Revolution? - Hatch

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>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>Date: Tue, 7 Aug 2001 07:29:29 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Are you Ready For The Revolution?  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>From: Grant Cameron <[sgquishy@altavista.com](mailto:sgquishy@altavista.com)>  
>>Date: Mon, 06 Aug 2001 16:57:11 -0400  
>>Subject: Are you Ready For The Revolution?  
>>To: [www.whitehouse.gov@altavista.com](mailto:www.whitehouse.gov@altavista.com)

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>>"Are you ready for the revolution?"

>>Lara Johnstone, a California woman who began a Hunger Strike  
>>for Disclosure on July 28th.

>What? Endanger her life in support of the fantasies of the likes  
>of Clifford Stone?

>Sad, sad, very sad. And pathetic. If anybody needs evidence that  
>people can actually be harmed by all of this paranoid nonsense,  
>it is Lara Johnstone.

>Bob Young

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Hello Bob, all:

Somebody else wrote me privately, and indicated that they had bought the CD set from the Disclosure Project (Greer's project I presume.)

This person noted that my website was listed somewhere in a links list within that product; and wanted to know why I didn't link back to the D.P. on my links page!

I replied that I usually only link to the oldest and most respected journals and groups (etc. etc.) and that Greer and company had certain credibility problems, without going into any detail.

Rather than waste an hour on a useless tirade, I recommended the Archives link at the bottom of this page, suggesting use of the handy search function. I suggested that the person simply use the word "Greer" and see what pops up.

<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates>

I further suggested signing onto this (UpDates) List where one can not only join the discussion, but recommend links to Greer's D.P. to anyone else with web pages up.

I haven't heard anything back yet.

Best wishes

- Larry Hatch

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## Re: Are you Ready For The Revolution? - Lehmborg

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Fwd Date: Wed, 08 Aug 2001 09:53:40 -0400  
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Yes. Quite!

>>Lara Johnstone, a California woman who began a Hunger Strike  
>>for Disclosure on July 28th.

>What? Endanger her life in support of the fantasies of the likes  
>of Clifford Stone?

Great suffering baragrugous Zot, Bobbo old sod! I'm amazed at how you can so completely and so blithely miss the point in every post you key! Why not just say she's doing this based on one, suspected, hot tub encounter with Dr. Boylan! That's the same kind of straw man that you're trotting out here. You're ninety degrees to the broad side of a barn, sir, for the usual par!

Forget Stone! "Dubya" Bush, our arguable President, looked her in the face and lied to her, in her estimation, and she's pissed about it, just like you should be. Man, if I didn't absolutely know that my German wife would have me committed to an institution, I would join with her in her hunger strike, and otherwise try to add a little fuel to her fire!

>Sad, sad, very sad. And pathetic.

...Looking in a psychological mirror perhaps? Sad and pathetic is an unerring instinct to miss the point! Conversely, I celebrate her, and wish her well! She has the guts to hold to account someone that would hold her to account, she wants the respect of a proper accounting, and she wants the truth of that accounting, though the heavens fall! What's not to celebrate! I hope she lights the fuse!

>If anybody needs evidence that  
>people can actually be harmed by all of this paranoid nonsense,  
>it is Lara Johnstone.

I remain in astonishment how harmed you are by your too easy "show me" complacency regarding an inexplicable that you ignore only because it won't dance to your shallowly over-centric tune.

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

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EXPLORE "Alfred Lehmborg's Alien View" at his HostPros URL.

<http://www.alienview.net>

JOHN FORD RESTORATION FUND -- John will be released eventually.  
He'll need a tax free cash stake to get on his feet. Let's put  
one together for him; the bigger it is -- the more attention  
he gets. It could have been you. E-mail for detail.  
\$350.00 pledged -- \$200.00 collected!

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see  
from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, scourged by  
scurrilous skepti-bunkies.

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## New At Magonia - 08-08-01

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Some new articles on the Magonia website, listed at:

<http://www.magonia.demon.co.uk/arc/00/00index.html>

Levelland, the Last Redoubt: Peter Rogerson reviews the numerous accounts of the Levelland incidents, and finds them rather unsatisfactory.

Limners of Faerie: classic Magonian literary criticism from David Sivier, guaranteed to enrage English majors.

The Media and the Paranormal: yes there is media bias, but it's against the sceptics, says Dr Christopher French.

Comments welcome...

John Rimmer

Magonia Magazine  
[www.magonia.demon.co.uk](http://www.magonia.demon.co.uk)

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## Rush Takes Aim At UFO Politics

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Aug. 8, 2001

Rush Takes Aim At UFO Politics

By Billy Cox  
A Florida Today column

Judging from the brevity of the exchange, which was recorded by CNN on July 28, 2000, you can almost hear George W. Bush's eyeballs clicking against the socket ceilings.

Addressing the media horde as the Republican Convention in Philadelphia winds down, this one guy, Charles Huffer, manages to squeeze a response from the Texas governor. What the gov doesn't know is, Huffer's a state regional director for the Mutual UFO Network in Arkansas.

Huffer: "Half the public believes that (unidentified flying objects) are real. Would you finally tell us what the hell is going on (if elected president)?"

W.: "Sure I will."

Huffer (gesturing to running mate Dick Cheney): "This man knows. He was secretary of defense."

W.: "And a good one."

A few minutes later, off camera, Huffer catches one more Bush blurb on his audiocassette: "It'll be the first thing he (Cheney) will do. He'll get right on it."

Yeah, sure, whatever. The only reason for presenting this otherwise inconsequential snippet from the margins is that recently, \$120 million gasbag Rush Limbaugh decided that no attack on the Bush clan - not even those related to UFOs - should get a free pass. Limbaugh drew a bead on Daniel Sheehan, chief counsel for the Disclosure Project, a group of former government, military and corporate types who gathered in Washington, D.C., on May 9 to lobby Congress for open hearings on the UFO phenomenon.

Sheehan and Disclosure Project director Steven Greer argued that the recovery and exploitation of crashed UFOs has led to the development of technologies that can harness free energy, enough to end petroleum's hammerlock on the world economy.

But they also contended the innovations were buried deep inside black budget operations to keep from destabilizing financial institutions.

Media coverage of the witness testimony was scant and yawning. Three months after the press conference, letter-writing campaigns haven't generated many blips on political radar

screens. Senate heavies like Orrin Hatch (R-Utah) brush off constituents with form-letter replies referring all queries to the long-dead Project Blue Book archives. Lesser-known rubber stamps like Sen. James Imhofe (R-Okla.), who support pouring billions of dollars into National Missile Defense, write that "it would be irresponsible to spend taxpayer money on hearings and legislation related to such phenomena."

So, obviously, if you're just another brick in the wall, the smart thing to do is let this Disclosure Project thing die a slow, natural death. But then, along comes Limbaugh - you know, the guy with talent on loan from God? With half his brain tied behind his back? On the cutting edge of societal revolution? Limbaugh makes an issue of Sheehan's charge that President-elect Carter's attempts to honor a campaign pledge to declassify UFOs were stymied by then-CIA director George Bush in 1976.

"So let me get this straight," Limbaugh says. "The Bushes are at the heart of the vast right-wing conspiracy to keep the oil companies rich by hiding extraterrestrial solar panels or super-warm sweaters or whatever it is they showed Jimmy Carter."

Limbaugh's bottom line: UFOs are just another "liberals from Planet X" Bush-bashing platform. "You may be surprised to hear me say that Mr. Sheehan is half right," Limbaugh says. "There is alien life - but we are not hiding it. We see Dick Gephardt plain as day!"

That's a real seam-splitter, dude.

Too bad the godfather of Republican conservatism, Barry Goldwater - Mr. Extremism In Defense of Liberty Is No Vice - isn't around to untie the other half of Limbaugh's brain. Goldwater aired his frustrations to no less than Larry King regarding his inability to access top-secret UFO data when he was chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee.

"This thing has gotten so highly classified... that it is just impossible to get anything on it," Goldwater wrote to one constituent. To another, he added: "I have no idea of who controls the flow of 'need to know', because frankly, I was told in such an emphatic way that it was none of my business that I've never tried to make it my business since."

Glib campaign sound bites to the contrary, the status quo is safely entrenched. Limbaugh attacking UFO declassification as a "liberal agenda" is like a hippo break-dancing in Spandex. He draws major-league attention to what his fellow ideologues would just as soon leave under a rock, and the guy winds up looking like a dork.

Billy Cox's column runs every Wednesday. He can be reached at 242-3774, or Florida Today, P.O. Box 419000, Melbourne, FL 32941-9000.

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--Lara Johnstone, a California woman who began a Hunger Strike for Disclosure on July 28th.

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>From: Roy J Hale <[royjhale@netscapeonline.co.uk](mailto:royjhale@netscapeonline.co.uk)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Voyager Newsletter No. 18 - Sparks

>>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>>Date: Mon, 6 Aug 2001 13:31:00 EDT  
>>Subject: Re: Voyager Newsletter No. 18  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

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>>Worst of all, Easton has a fundamental contradiction he is  
>>hiding: He cannot have his hypothetical balloon quickly enough  
>>reinflated for takeoff for a sighting lasting just a few minutes  
>>unless it was already almost bouyant enough to be airborne. If  
>>it was so bouyant it would have virtually no weight to impress  
>>into the ground.

As I have said, Late spring in New Mexico is no time to be flying Balloons, (I can personally attest that flying Four Engine Douglas products at low level isn't much fun in those conditions either.)

One word - 'wind'. Big wind, 25-30 knot steady, 50kt. gusts, not unusual. Try changing a 300 lb. tire in those conditions, when your 95,000 lb. Airplane wants to weathervane into the wind that has just sprung up.

>I was under the premise that anyone flying anything around the  
>skies, needed to have some kind of notification system with the  
>authorities?

>Why doesn't James give us the Balloon club they belonged to?

Because no balloonist in their right mind would be out there in the spring. Late fall, yes, Alberquerque Balloon festival - late October, yes.

>And have the local aviation officials given any data to suppose  
>that there were balloons flying around the skies at the time of  
>the incident?

Unfortunately, probably not, being uncontrolled airspace, at least close to the ground, you don't have to notify anyone.

>Where is the data to propose that such a balloon was airborne at  
>the time?

Only in the fevered imaginings of a Pelican-fever'd mind.

>And how many people have validated such balloon sightings from  
>that time frame ( Public Citizens ).

To give an example of how windy springs are in that part of the country, does anyone remember the recent Los Alamos fire? And the wind?

I think that someone would have noted some idiots out flying in

a balloon over Siccoro NM. going 50mph in the direction say of Amarillo TX., landing would be out of the question, however.

>And do we really think that these two balloonists would be able  
>to keep such an incident under their hats for so long. I am sure  
>if the events were as James prescribes, surely these guys would  
>have told such an event to their friends, families at some  
>stage and we do know how stories get filtered out.

I've known a few balloonists in my time and none of them are sworn to secrecy about their exploits. The experience would have been the ride of their lives or more likely, their getting nearly killed.

GT McCoy

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## Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey - Hamilton

From: Bill Hamilton <[skywatcher22@space.com](mailto:skywatcher22@space.com)>  
Date: 8 Aug 2001 09:04:39 -0700  
Fwd Date: Thu, 09 Aug 2001 03:27:01 -0400  
Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey - Hamilton

>Date: Mon, 06 Aug 2001 20:48:49 -0300  
>From: Don Ledger <[dledger@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:dledger@ns.sympatico.ca)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey

>>From: GT McCoy <[gtmccoy@harborside.com](mailto:gtmccoy@harborside.com)>  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey  
>>Date: Wed, 25 Jul 2001 21:27:31 -0700

>>>From: Bob Young Y<[oungBob2@aol.com](mailto:oungBob2@aol.com)>  
>>>Date: Tue, 24 Jul 2001 10:56:55 EDT  
>>>Subject: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey  
>>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>>A letter from this past Sunday's Star Ledger (NJ) may shed some  
>>>real light on the July 14-15 mystery lights:

>>Or no light at all, whatever it was it was not Aircraft, at  
>>least conventional aircraft -yes I am willing to say there  
>>may be a prosaic reason!

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>>>Logical Explanation

>>>When I heard about the mysterious lights in Carteret, the first  
>>>thing I did was call my husband because he works at a data  
>>>center there. I figured maybe he would have a clue as to what  
>>>the mystery was about.

>>>Maybe he was the only one with a grip on reality. According to  
>>>my husband, the lights were nothing more than a group of planes  
>>>approaching the airport (Newark Airport, one on the 3 big in NYC  
>>>area - WTH) slowly and quietly. He said the planes flew by while  
>>>he was smoking a cigarette outside the building. He too was  
>>>intrigued by the mysterious lights when he first saw them, but  
>>>when they flew over the data center it became clear the lights  
>>>were airplanes.

>>A large formation in one of the busiest chunks of airspace at  
>>night - no way at all. The FAA would be on the perps. Like flies  
>>on a fresh Cowpie. Plus there are too many witness reports that  
>>state otherwise, including the FAA. Bob have you ever been  
>>there? Yeesh. Flying formation even military (it isn't done much  
>>anymore) is dicey at best. Yes, I have flown formation in an  
>>airshow and when I was an Airtanker pilot (you have to - to see  
>>the leadplane) in the smoke and flame. Just some idiots tooling  
>>around at night? Come on. I personally know a C-54 Tanker Crew  
>>that was lost for a mere "Photo Op". Also, Bob, as I recall,  
>>Newark didn't have any record of such flights.

>>This reminds me of the "Ultralight" theory with the Hudson  
>>valley sightings. Given the state of ultralights, both  
>>structurally and mechanically (mostly powered by high-strung,  
>>and very unreliable two-stroke go-cart/snowmobile engines). Back  
>>in the Eighties, night - let alone formation flying - would have  
>>been very stupid, idiotic, Wile E. Coyote (Acme - a name you can  
>>trust) off-the-mesa dumb.

>>I get damn' tired of people who claim pilots are out doing  
>>dangerous things, or they are people don't know what they are  
>>talking about. As in the orthodox priest, engineer, pilot who  
>>witnessed the flares - see Flier's files, current issue. But of  
>>course he is a religious fanatic and despite his engineering  
>>(scientific) background and pilot training, his observation to  
>>some is obviously flawed. Along with the video camera, cops, an  
>>audience of 100's.

>>>Human imagination is quite amusing. Perhaps some people need  
>>>drama in their lives.Maybe some lives are just so boring that  
>>>people need to fabricate stories about UFO's. The evidence is  
>>>clear. Let's be logical.

>>I haven't had a boring life, and this argument isn't Logical.

>>>Carol Giroux,  
>>>Edison, [NJ]

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>>>I had earlier suggested that the lights may have been New Jersey  
>>>Army or Air National Guard aircraft dropping flares. This was a  
>>>Saturday night on a summer weekend. I think that it may be that  
>>>our old friends, "the Martians" or their colleagues, may be  
>>>flying some ultralights.

>>See my reference to Ultralights above, also it is, ahem,  
>>'illegal' to fly Ultralights at night, in controlled airspace,  
>>over populated areas. Period. Although through the process of  
>>natural selection, Ultralights have gotten somewhat more  
>>reliable (like small four-strokes for engines) again, the  
>>Federalies would have their collective genitalia hanging on the  
>>flagpole of the local FAA office! None of what you are  
>>describing is a haw haw game, but serious. Also, why the hell is  
>>the military dropping flares over a heavily populated area?

>Why would the military be dropping flaes in the biggest TRACON  
>in the country, in any event. It's at least 100 miles on a side.  
>Mucho illegal. Can you imagine the commercial heavies sucking  
>the little buggers in to their high by-pass fans. Any nonsense  
>about ultra-lites is unworthy of consideration. Flying in that  
>TRACON? Surely Bob can do better than this.

Don, you are correct. This reminds me of all the bruhaha over  
flares regarding the Phoenix Lights. I think someone has got to  
get a grip here and learn more about flares and flare activity.  
Aerial flares over any residential area could be extremely  
hazardous. Lets see now... ultra-lights are flying at night and  
launching flares... hmmm, I would rather believe in flying  
saucers and the tooth fairy.

Bill Hamilton

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## Aegean Airspace Challengers... From Outer Space?

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
Date: Thu, 09 Aug 2001 03:37:13 -0400  
Fwd Date: Thu, 09 Aug 2001 03:37:13 -0400  
Subject: Aegean Airspace Challengers... From Outer Space?

From UFO UpDates <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

Source: ABCNEWS.com

[http://abcnews.go.com/sections/world/DailyNews/turkey010808\\_ufo.html](http://abcnews.go.com/sections/world/DailyNews/turkey010808_ufo.html)

Eyes to the Skies  
Aegean Airspace Challengers... From Outer Space?

By John K. Cooley

A T H E N S, Aug. 8 -- Greek and Turkish air force pilots, sharing contested Aegean airspace, are used to seeing a fighter or two of their usually friendly adversary looping around them, or diving to intercept their patrol or training flights.

But for two Turkish trainee pilots, the aerobatics were different this time.

While on a routine training flight in a U.S.-made T-37 off the Turkish Aegean coastal town of Candarli, they suddenly had reason to call their home base control tower.

A bright object had approached their plane at high speed and reportedly gyrated around them for about a half hour.

The Turkish newspaper Hurriyet quoted their call: "Object approaching the wings. Now it's behind the plane... now it's in front of us." They told their controller and the regional war alert center of the Turkish army that the apparent Unidentified Flying Object had an unusual shape that looked like a cross between a cone and a disc.

A Widely Curious Incident

Turkish air force sources said they were investigating. So were the neighboring Greeks.

The Turks were planning to report the encounter to international bodies - especially the U.S. National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

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## Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Sparks

From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
Date: Wed, 8 Aug 2001 15:22:14 EDT  
Fwd Date: Thu, 09 Aug 2001 09:41:24 -0400  
Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Sparks

>From: Bill Hamilton <[skywatcher22@space.com](mailto:skywatcher22@space.com)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Date: 7 Aug 2001 06:47:57 -0700  
>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'

>>Date: Mon, 6 Aug 2001 11:31:54 -0700 (PDT)  
>>From: Mac Tonnies <[macbot@yahoo.com](mailto:macbot@yahoo.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

>>>From: Ed Gehrman <[egehrman@psln.com](mailto:egehrman@psln.com)>  
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>>Date: Sun, 5 Aug 2001 16:34:00 -0700

>><snip>

>>What if the Roswell story falls, as I believe is in  
>>the process of happening?

>It won't happen because of Pflock's book. Read some paragraphs  
>from it in the bookstore on Friday. Same old Mogul balloon  
>hypothesis (not a certainty at all). He criticizes testimony  
>that doesn't agree with his conclusions and supports testimony  
>he believes does.

Bill,

How is it that there is any testimony in Pflock's book that  
conflicts with his conclusions? Why does he let that stuff in  
there?

>Then why are the images of the debris in Ramey's office photos  
>not consistent with that of a Mogul balloon. Why does Sheridan  
>Cavitt still stick to the weather balloon story?

>No, I think Pflock's book will just follow Kal Korff's book to  
>the graveyard of unsold books.

I think you're wrong. I'll have more on this soon.

Brad

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## Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey - Young

From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
Date: Wed, 8 Aug 2001 16:45:27 EDT  
Fwd Date: Thu, 09 Aug 2001 09:43:24 -0400  
Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey - Young

>Date: Mon, 06 Aug 2001 20:39:54 -0300  
>From: Don Ledger <[dledger@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:dledger@ns.sympatico.ca)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey

>>From: Alfred Lehmborg <[Lehmborg@snowhill.com](mailto:Lehmborg@snowhill.com)>  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey  
>>Date: Wed, 25 Jul 2001 08:42:19 -0500

>>>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>>>Date: Tue, 24 Jul 2001 10:56:55 EDT  
>>>Subject: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey  
>>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>>A letter from this past Sunday's Star Ledger (NJ) may shed some  
>>>real light on the July 14-15 mystery lights:

>His ignorance about the FARS [FAA regulations] governing  
>ultra-lite flights leaves a lot to be desired as well.

Why don't you enlighten us?

Please list the FAA regulations which would be violated by  
somebody flying an ultralight in the dark, showing lights, for  
future reference.

Please give specific examples where I have revealed my ignorance  
of such rules and I won't do it again.

Clear skies,

Bob Young

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From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
Date: Wed, 8 Aug 2001 16:59:54 EDT  
Fwd Date: Thu, 09 Aug 2001 09:45:02 -0400  
Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey - Young

>Date: Mon, 06 Aug 2001 21:22:00 -0300  
>From: Don Ledger <[dledger@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:dledger@ns.sympatico.ca)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey

>>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>>Date: Thu, 26 Jul 2001 12:27:15 EDT  
>>Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>>From: GT McCoy <[gtmccoy@harborside.com](mailto:gtmccoy@harborside.com)>  
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>>Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey  
>>>Date: Wed, 25 Jul 2001 21:27:31 -0700

>>>I get damn' tired of people who claim pilots are out doing  
>>>dangerous things

>>I've seen them.

>>>or they are people [who] don't know what they are  
>>>talking about.

>>Never claimed that, if fact I got the confirmation of what I had  
>>seen from ultralight pilots who did it.

><snip>

>>>it is, ahem, 'illegal' to fly Ultralights at night, in controlled  
>>>airspace, over populated areas. Period.

<snip>

>>You are not the first pilot who has told me that ultralight  
>>group flights in the dark have never happened, just because they  
>>aren't supposed to.

>What you are trying to imply is nonsense pure and simple. There  
>is no way you are going to get a dozen pilots to flaunt the law  
>in this manner in what any pilot would consider rank stupidity  
>and outright dangerous to flight safety. I don't care what one  
>pilot told you. Has it occurred to you that the pilot who told  
>you this was an outright liar? Your the sceptic yet you would  
>believe this nonsense? It's something only a novice would  
>believe.

The problem may be, Don, that as a pilot you're just a  
reasonable and cautious man. When it comes to your belief in  
saucers you can't seem to even imagine that behind the ETs there  
might lurk - somebody willing to play a joke.

Clear skies,

Bob Young

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Denial, as they say in Alcoholics Anonymous, is not just  
a river in Egypt.

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## Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey - Young

From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
Date: Wed, 8 Aug 2001 17:03:47 EDT  
Fwd Date: Thu, 09 Aug 2001 09:46:20 -0400  
Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey - Young

>Date: Mon, 06 Aug 2001 21:39:30 -0300  
>From: Don Ledger <[dledger@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:dledger@ns.sympatico.ca)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey

>>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>>Date: Fri, 27 Jul 2001 14:21:13 EDT  
>>Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>Ultralight pilots and ultralight airplanes are unlicensed,  
>>although they are supposed to fly under FAA Regs.

>The pilots are unlicensed - not the aircraft. The pilots can  
>still be charged with busting the regs and public endangerment,  
>>licensed or not.

Don:

Thanks for pointing out this distinction.

Clear skies,

Bob Young

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## Re: Are you Ready For The Revolution? - Mortellaro

From: Jim Mortellaro <[Jsmortell@aol.com](mailto:Jsmortell@aol.com)>  
Date: Wed, 8 Aug 2001 12:09:17 EDT  
Fwd Date: Thu, 09 Aug 2001 09:49:14 -0400  
Subject: Re: Are you Ready For The Revolution? - Mortellaro

>From: Alfred Lehmborg <[Lehmborg@snowhill.com](mailto:Lehmborg@snowhill.com)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Are you Ready For The Revolution?  
>Date: Wed, 8 Aug 2001 06:19:04 -0500

>>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>>Date: Tue, 7 Aug 2001 07:29:29 EDT  
>>Subject: Re: Are you Ready For The Revolution?  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>>From: Grant Cameron <[sqquishy@altavista.com](mailto:sqquishy@altavista.com)>  
>>>Date: Mon, 06 Aug 2001 16:57:11 -0400  
>>>Subject: Are you Ready For The Revolution?  
>>>To: [www.whitehouse.gov@altavista.com](mailto:www.whitehouse.gov@altavista.com)

>><snip>

>>>"Are you ready for the revolution?"

>Yes. Quite!

>>>Lara Johnstone, a California woman who began a Hunger Strike  
>>>for Disclosure on July 28th.

>>What? Endanger her life in support of the fantasies of the likes  
>>of Clifford Stone?

>Great suffering baragrugous Zot, Bobbo old sod! I'm amazed at

Dear All, Al, Errol;

I knew it. Albert Leh.... sorry, Alfred Lehmborg is an Alien. I  
knew it! I just knew it. Lookit that strange language he speaks.  
Lookit the name of his slight... sight... site... 'Alien View'!  
Everyone who has ever experienced a perceived abduction knows  
the lingo. "Baragrugous Zot" is alienspeak for "Take me to your  
places where I may poke your women!" Alternately translated by  
the Gesundt Institoot for Alien Lingo, it could also mean, "I am  
thirsty for Gripple, point me to it!"

Terse little bastards, eh?

I digress...

>how you can so completely and so blithely miss the point in  
>every post you key! Why not just say she's doing this based on  
>one, suspected, hot tub encounter with Dr. Boylan! That's the  
>same kind of straw man that you're trotting out here. You're  
>ninety degrees to the broad side of a barn, sir, for the usual  
>par!

That's easy when the point is right on top of your head. And by  
the by, I've been in a hot tub with Boylan. And this straw,  
thing. It ain't. I can assure you of that. Lemme, see, 90  
degrees to the broad. Nope. That part eludes me.

>Forget Stone! "Dubya" Bush, our arguable President, looked her  
>in the face and lied to her, in her estimation, and she's  
>pissed about it, just like you should be. Man, if I didn't

>absolutely know that my German wife would have me committed  
to >an institution, I would join with her in her hunger  
strike, >and otherwise try to add a little fuel to her fire!

Your wife is Gehrman? Oh my gosh, Al... I think I'll leave that  
one alone.

>>Sad, sad, very sad. And pathetic.

Boy, you ain't just whistlin Dixie!

<snip>

Surprised in Mellowland,

Morty

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## Danish Circles

From: **Ron Cecchini** <[Ron.Cecchini@GD-CS.COM](mailto:Ron.Cecchini@GD-CS.COM)>  
Date: Wed, 08 Aug 2001 18:41:29 -0400  
Fwd Date: Thu, 09 Aug 2001 09:52:05 -0400  
Subject: Danish Circles

(not a pastry...)

Source: The Danish Post

<http://cphpost.periskop.dk/default.asp?id=16055>

Mysterious crop-circle returns to Jutland  
Rebecca K. Engmann  
1. August 2001

A 55 year-old man from East Jutland claims to be one of the country's leading crop-circle researchers.

Summer is high season for the appearance of mysterious circles in wheat fields. Fifty-five year-old self-styled 'crop-circle researcher' Jonah Ohayv recently discovered a large circle bearing an ostensibly Celtic pattern in a field near Frijsenborg. This is the second year in a row that a crop-circle has appeared within a 15 km radius of Ohayv's East Jutland home.

Ohayv became a crop-circle researcher in 1998. His passion for the mysterious international phenomenon led him to abandon his career as a psychotherapist.

Ohayv returned from a study-tour and crop-circle meeting in England in late-July. He reports that he returned home on July 27, and that the circle 'must have been made' on the night of July 26. Ohayv denies accusations that he himself has made the circles in the wheat fields.

'Honestly, now. If I could make crop-circles like the new ones, I could earn thousands of kroner for it. It could be a new art form. I'd talk about it, instead of spending my time researching it and constantly standing back, saying I don't know what it is,' said Ohayv.

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## Re: Element 118 (And 116?) Just Spurious Data -

From: Ron Cecchini <[Ron.Cecchini@GD-CS.COM](mailto:Ron.Cecchini@GD-CS.COM)>  
Date: Wed, 08 Aug 2001 19:26:23 -0400  
Fwd Date: Thu, 09 Aug 2001 09:54:33 -0400  
Subject: Re: Element 118 (And 116?) Just Spurious Data -

>From: Christopher Kelly <[tophar@iprimus.com.au](mailto:tophar@iprimus.com.au)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Element 118 (And 116?) Just Spurious Data  
>Date: Tue, 7 Aug 2001 15:49:47 +1000

>Lazar story may or may not be true

>In my humble opinion, I feel Lazar was working for JPL. But  
>didn't work with Elements such as 115, but rather was given the  
>information by someone within JPL who was working with it.

<snip>

>Still the fact remains, Elements like 115 and others do exist,  
>contrary to what we were lead to believe in the past.

And we're supposed to just take your word for it?

Heck, if that's the case, why not just flat out believe any- and  
everything Lazar has already claimed?

Why not just believe that ET is here and stop asking for proof?

>115 is from the same family of elements that magnetic fields  
>get there power/energy from.

Huh...???

>Some years ago I learnt elements like 115 needed a catalyst  
>element to get them to release there energy,

Again I say, "Huh?!?"

Where did you allegedly get this "115"?

How did you allegedly learn about its "catalyst element"?

>given the fact that this catalyst element was in the 200 range

"fact"...?

>and said to be found only on the moon.

\_Who\_ said?

>At the end of the day, we are nothing more than children playing  
>with things we have little understanding of and those that have  
>just a small understanding of such things, warn of the dangers  
>associated with such little understanding. Which for me is the  
>real worry, WHY do these people with an understanding go so far  
>out of their way to warn us? AND why do we not heed their  
>warnings?

Because the unrestricted belief in unsubstantiated claims, such  
as the ones you're promulgating, leaves the door open to belief  
in even more bizarre ideas -- the cumulative effect being a path  
along the Highway of Ignorance and a return to the Dark Ages;  
the effect of \_that\_ always being more fighting, war, death,  
etc.

Note, I'm not saying what does or doesn't exist; it's just that you've stated some Really Important Things as "fact", and have given us only hearsay. Excuse me if I need a little bit more in order to believe.

Take care.

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CHINA DEBATE "PARALYZED" BY IDEOLOGUES

Public debate over U.S. policy toward China is so skewed by ideological prejudices that "We're almost self-paralyzed," said Michael Pillsbury, a China specialist at the National Defense University.

"We don't have a debate taking place," he said. Instead, "we have potshots being taken at each other's integrity." Mr. Pillsbury spoke August 3 at a hearing of the U.S.-China Security Review Commission.

Among the primary targets of these potshots is the Central Intelligence Agency. The most scathing criticism directed against the CIA today is not about its evasions of accountability, its anachronistic classification policies or its deviation from constitutional norms. Rather, the Agency has become a principal target of the political right because it is supposedly "soft on China."

"CIA reporting on China is biased and slanted toward a benign view of the emerging communist power," writes Bill Gertz in the Washington Times. Mr. Gertz, author of a recent book entitled "The China Threat," has kept up a steady drumbeat of "CIA Bias Updates" in his Washington Times columns.

Last week, in yet another item berating the CIA's insufficiently bellicose view on China, Mr. Gertz threw the worst insult he could think of at Director of Central Intelligence George Tenet. He noted that "Mr. Tenet is a Democratic holdover from the Clinton administration."

In Mr. Pillsbury's assessment, there are two sharply polarized views of China among American national security elites and academics. There is the hawkish view that stresses the Chinese threat, and the benign view that sees China inexorably progressing to democracy and peaceful integration in the international order.

The hawkish group, which refers to itself as the "blue team," warns of imminent catastrophe. Mr. Pillsbury summarized the prescription of the blue team, represented by Mr. Gertz and others, as follows: "Get ready for military conflict, prepare yourself for domestic subversion, protect your highest level of technology from theft, increase your internal security measures, strengthen your armed forces, and beware of the Chinese forming coalitions against the United States."

Adherents of a more pacific view of China, derided by their opponents as the "red team," assume that the forces of modernization and the marketplace will automatically make

everything turn out okay. Mr. Pillsbury described their stance this way: "Do not antagonize China, do not overreact to Chinese behavior. All we have to do is trade with them and invest."

Beyond exchanging insults, there is little substantive communication between those who embrace these contrasting views, according to Mr. Pillsbury, and therefore there is little progress toward a more sophisticated understanding of China.

"These two groups make up almost the entire China field with very little middle in between," he said. "Any question you refer to China experts is going to become a victim of this [polarization]."

Public debate over China is further impoverished by a lack of Chinese language skills.

"When nobody reads Chinese very well, among either the red team or the blue team, outsiders have to question the credibility of both groups," Mr. Pillsbury said.

"We have very few people who can read Chinese who work on Chinese security matters," he said. There are "close to none who can actually read a newspaper or an article published by the Chinese military or a Chinese government think tank. We have almost no one in our government who can do that."

As a result, "we rely heavily on translations," particularly those of the CIA's Foreign Broadcast Information Service (FBIS). But FBIS, Mr. Pillsbury noted, does not translate books, except by special arrangement. It translates very few journals of Chinese government think tanks. And no more than "one or two percent of the Chinese military daily newspaper is ever translated into English."

A fawning portrayal of the blue team, "Blue Team Takes on Red China" by J. Michael Waller, appeared in the Washington Times Insight Magazine on June 4:

<http://www.insightmag.com/archive/200106047.shtml>

Michael Pillsbury's book "China Debates the Future Security Environment," which presents new translations on security policy from some 200 Chinese authors, may be found here:

<http://www.ndu.edu/inss/books/pills2.htm>

#### INADVERTENT DISCLOSURES OF CLASSIFIED INFO

Hundreds of pages of classified documents concerning nuclear weapons were inadvertently made available to researchers at the National Archives, according to a new Department of Energy (DOE) report to Congress.

Following an examination of approximately 100 million pages of declassified records at the Archives, DOE reviewers found 288 documents containing 840 pages of classified nuclear weapons information.

"The identified documents are in collections belong to the Department of State and the Department of Defense. The documents were inadvertently declassified and made available to the public during the years from 1995 to 2000 by the Department of State, the Department of the Navy, and the National Archives and Records Administration. Three of the documents were subsequently found on the Internet," the report states.

The inadvertent disclosures "could assist potential adversaries" in developing nuclear weapons or delivery systems, according to the report.

But classification experts discounted the problem for two reasons. One is that, for the most part, the technology of first generation nuclear weapons information found in some of the documents has long been in the public domain. The second reason is that DOE classification standards have still not been fully updated since the end of the cold war, so that much innocuous information is still considered "classified."

"I'm not saying they haven't found one or two sensitive

documents," said Steven Garfinkel of the federal Information Security Oversight Office. But "in almost all cases," the inadvertently disclosed records are "of no continuing national security sensitivity."

Most of the information "has previously been publicly available, for decades in many cases," Mr. Garfinkel said. In many cases, "this is information about the basing of nuclear warheads or delivery systems in NATO countries, primarily during the 50s and 60s."

"It's absolutely ridiculous that you would spend millions and millions of dollars to track these records down," Mr. Garfinkel said.

A declassified version of the May 2001 report to Congress was released by the Department of Energy on August 7 and may be found here:

<http://www.fas.org/sqp/othergov/doe/inadvertent3.html>

#### HUAC RECORDS UNSEALED

Following a campaign led by a coalition of historians and archivists, the records of the former House Committee on Un-American Activities (HUAC) are being made available to the public.

The newly opened collection includes HUAC records concerning atomic espionage, as well as Committee investigations into the Ku Klux Klan, American Nazis, civil rights and anti-war activists, and diverse other topics dating from 1945 to 1975, when HUAC was abolished.

Further information may be found in an August 8 press release from the National Coordinating Committee for the Promotion of History:

<http://www.fas.org/sqp/news/2001/08/huac.html>

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## Ramey Message 'Eagle Seal' [was: Review of

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Fwd Date: Thu, 09 Aug 2001 10:00:55 -0400  
Subject: Ramey Message 'Eagle Seal' [was: Review of

>Date: Tue, 07 Aug 2001 17:30:01 +0100  
>From: Neil Morris <[neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk](mailto:neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'

>>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>>Date: Mon, 6 Aug 2001 15:07:12 EDT  
>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

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>>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>>Date: Sun, 5 Aug 2001 15:49:48 -0700

>>>I should have written "not only a balloon, mogul or otherwise".  
>>>I think you have to look very carefully and follow Neil Morris's  
>>>line of reasoning. It's also important to study the debris  
>>>footage in the AA and see the connections between it and the FW  
>>>debris.

>>I have many times reviewed his "line of reasoning" on his  
>>website and find it bizarre, unsubstantiated, and technically  
>>inaccurate - criticism which now will no doubt get me damned  
>>and vilified even though there can be no doubt that I am  
>>correct. He apparently still defends the "eagle seal" on the  
>>Ramey message, since it still appears on his website, when in  
>>fact all it is is a jumble of lines of text, not a circular  
>>emblem, seen on the message at a very steep angle. The text in  
>>that far upper left corner is only about 15° off from seeing the  
>>paper edge-on but his interpretation of the purported "seal" is  
>>about 45° off of horizontal edge-on. That is a factor 3x error.

>Brad, As I've said to you before on the point of the Ramey  
>message your interpretation and "model" takes zero account of  
>the paper \_not\_ being a "flat surface" when observational  
>details (light gradients) show it's a highly complex set of  
>curved surfaces.

Neil,

I give you numbers you give me doubletalk. It is text of a  
message, not an image of a bird, an eagle!

Do we only get pelicanism out of the UK these days?

I gave you specific quantitative measurements of the angles of  
orientation of the paper - which you totally ignore because you  
can't refute them - and you respond by pointing to irrelevant  
minor ripples or deviations from a flat surface.

You overlay an "eagle seal" over the Ramey message that is about  
45° off horizontal whereas the Ramey paper is itself at about  
15° in that top-left corner. Your seal overlay is therefore  
grossly improperly positioned by a factor of three, an error of



300%, a few degrees' deviation for ripples or curves makes no dent in the size of the overall error, of 300%. How can there possibly be any dispute over this? Is it because angles are involved? Is it because numbers are involved? Do people just tune out as soon as they see a number or a concept they think is too intricate? Why is this so hard? This problem would make a laughingstock in any university math or physics department in the world.

Your "demo" seal is properly oriented at the 15° angle - it's your overlay seal that is grossly in error. The difference is obvious. In effect, your overlay seal is standing up off the plane of the paper, yet you claim it represents images on the paper amounting to a U.S. official seal like the Defense Department seal (which did not exist for more than 2 more years, when the NME became the DoD in Aug 1949).

If your "eagle seal" actually existed it would have to float nearly 1 inch above and away from the surface of the Ramey message, in the top-left corner. Thus, it is a physical impossibility. What you are imagining is unreal.

(The trigonometry on this is high-school level. Let me spell it out in words so the numbers and trig functions don't paralyze the mind: The difference between the inclination angle of your overlay seal and the Ramey paper top-left corner is thirty degrees. So it's the sine of thirty degrees times the one and a half inch diameter of the seal, or three-fourths inch height above the paper of the far edge of the seal. Round off to one inch since you have yet to give me the exact size of the seal you used.)

If you want to correct this blunder you must tilt your seal overlay at the same 15° angle as in your demo, and then overlay it on top of the Ramey message. You will then see it doesn't match anything. Your demo is correct, your overlay is not. It is your overlay that purports to match ink blobs on Ramey's document into a pattern supposedly comprising an official U.S. "eagle seal."

The fact that at some spots the curves and ripples in the paper may alter this angle to the camera by a few degrees from 15°, so it is say 13° or 17°, is irrelevant. The fact remains that your 45° "eagle seal" is nowhere even close to 15° or 13° or whatever, it is a 300% or factor 3x error.

Your message to us is, in effect, stop trying to read the first half of the message, it doesn't exist or it is obliterated by a supposed 1.5-inch "eagle seal." If people listen to you on this then they won't bother looking for 8-10 lines of text as they instead will be chasing windmills looking for an "eagle" or some other image rather than words or letters that are part of the message. This is not helping the effort to read the message by imagining images that aren't there in place of text to be deciphered.

>>The simulation experiment he did in response to my challenge  
>>proves it because it shows his "eagle seal" having to run right  
>>off the top edge of the paper, thus proving it physically could  
>>not possibly be an "eagle seal."

>Here you don't seem to grasp the idea indicated in the image  
>that the paper at the point the "seal runs off the top edge" is  
>actually curved at or beyond the plane of observation, over the  
>"visible horizon"

Huh??? If the paper curves out of sight at the edge then by definition it isn't visible anymore and there won't be anything on that invisible portion to match up with an "eagle" or anything else! If the alleged "eagle," or a large part of it, is on this supposedly hidden edge of the paper, then what on earth are you claiming to have matched up with the shape and contours of an "eagle"??? If it's not visible it's not visible! This is madness!!!!

And no it isn't curved "over the 'visible horizon'"! Look closely at the top left corner of the Ramey Message. The corner of the paper where you put the supposed "seal" is not curved out of sight. You can see the left edge and top edge, both are

there. If the edge of the paper did curl out of sight, hidden by the other portions of the paper itself, then the 15° grazing angle I measured would have dropped down to 10° then 5° then 0° as one approached the edge of the paper, and it doesn't do that, and there is a control sample for comparison where another part of the Ramey paper does go off edge (see next).

Anyone can see this, and can compare that top-left corner with an edge of the Ramey paper that does go virtually invisible because of the angle - and there is no comparison. Near the middle of the top edge of the Ramey paper it does go very nearly edge-on invisible where the angle to the camera drops to about 1° or less but it is more than 3 inches away from the top-left corner where your 1.5-inch "eagle seal" is supposed to be (dimensions assuming about a 7-inch wide paper, if it is 6 inches adjust accordingly, etc.). This nearly disappearing edge gives us a control sample of what such an effect actually looks like on the actual Ramey paper and it makes it 100% certain that top-left corner does not do that.

>but still there, we're dealing with an object  
>in 3 dimensional space here even though it's only a 2d image.

>>His simulated paper looks  
>>nothing like his interpretation of a supposed "seal." His "seal"  
>>superimposed over the Ramey message runs from Ramey's thumb at  
>>the half-way fold in the paper and covers the entire 3-inch high  
>>top half of the paper all the way to the top and right off the  
>>edge, stretching out nearly 4 inches high when the top half of  
>>the paper itself is only about 3 inches high and the seal is  
>>supposed to be only about 1.5 inches in diameter.

>You miss the point of the demo images completely, in that they  
>demonstrate the effect generated by the combination of  
>foreshortening due to the acute angles involved combined with  
>the curved surfaces indicated on the message paper. Because of  
>these points it is possible for a seal/stamp placed in the top  
>left corner of the message paper to be seen where I believe it  
>is located in the image.

This is non-quantitative verbal gobbledygook. Prove your case not by useless verbiage but by tilting an eagle seal at the correct angle of about 15° off of edge-on, as you've done, and then overlaying and comparing the image blob-by-blob with the real thing. You have not done the overlay of a seal at 15° (your overlay is at 45°). You have not done the point-by-point comparison - and you cannot because they don't compare and it is glaringly obvious. Your demo eagle is correctly shown as so flattened due to the angle that you cannot compare wing to wing, talon to talon, head to head with the real Ramey message image -- if there had really been an eagle on the Ramey message it would be so flattened by the angle of the paper it wouldn't even be recognizable as such.

My best estimate of the size of your eagle inside the seal is about 8 millimeters high by about double that in width, when laid full on to view. If this is tilted to 15° in the vertical then the eagle shrinks to only 2 millimeters in height, but retaining the same width. How on earth can you see any shapes of wings, head, talons, in an image only 2 mm tall, under ordinary viewing conditions, perhaps projected on a computer screen?

You can't do an overlay comparison because in fact what you see as an "eagle" inside a double-circle "seal" is in reality scattered blobs of text stretching across about the entire top 2-3 inches of the Ramey paper from the center fold upward. It's like seeing faces in a tortilla or a cloud.

You do not seem to even grasp that the issue here is one of vertical distortion. Your eagle when laid flat is a little over a quarter-inch high, about 0.3 inch, which is roughly 10% of the height of the top half of the Ramey message. If overlaid onto text your eagle from top to bottom would cover about the separation of 1 line of text, in height (the message has space for about 10 lines of text in the bottom half, and 10% is therefore 1, simple math, but also easily measured in the photos on your website). When the eagle is tilted as in your demo it is compressed in the vertical dimension but so is the paper and it therefore still maintains the same fraction 10% of the height of

the top half of the paper.

But what you interpret as an "eagle" in the Ramey Message photo is so wildly distorted that it is comprised of blobs of text spread across about 30% of the height of the top half of the paper, or 3 lines of text in height, and then merged in your mind into the form of a supposed "eagle."

Again, it is text of a message, not an image of a bird!

Your 45° "eagle seal" is totally imaginary because it doesn't lay flat on the plane of the Ramey paper. Indeed it would have to be larger than the paper itself in order stretch sufficiently so as to match the eagle shape to the blobs you have picked out on the Ramey paper that are actually words - not eagle wings or talons or whatever. This has nothing to do with whether a file clerk misstamped a seal off the edge of the paper. I'm talking about vertical distortion by 300% that is so great that when you - not some file clerk 47 years ago - overlaid the eagle seal in a way that you thought matched the ink blots on the Ramey message most closely, it ran off the page in the vertical dimension. The issue is the amount of vertical distortion. If 250% vertical distortion of the purported "eagle" and round "seal" came just to the edge of the paper and didn't run off, it still would be a physical impossibility. Going off the edge just makes it look more ridiculous. It is still a physical absurdity.

>There was only 1 example sheet used in  
>the demo images and you see it in one image fully opened, this  
>same demo sheet produced IMHO a very convincing mock up of what  
>is seen in the Ramey Message image. As for quibbles regarding  
>seal sizes etc, I produced demo sheets with seals sized larger  
>and smaller than the one finally used, all produced similar  
>results, the one used seemed closest sizewise to the original,  
>but producing an identical copy was not my aim in this exercise.>

>>(I have to infer and estimate these dimensions because he does  
>>not bother to give them to us on the webpage, a very incomplete  
>>procedure to say the least.

>If you give me the exact dimensions of the Ramey Message I'll  
>re-run the experiment, as it is there is little scale reference

This is called blowing smoke, Neil. You have at hand your own piece of paper you photographed for the demo, which is what I was talking about, don't force me to have to reprint the entire posting just to prove from English language sentence structure that that was what I was referring to. Give it to us instead of engaging in irrelevant distractions about the Ramey message's dimensions. Don't leave us having to guess whether you drew in a 1.5-inch seal or a 2-inch seal or whatever on your own piece of paper. You know exactly the size or can measure it and tell us. The same for the size of the paper you drew it on - is it 5 x 7 inches, 4 x 6 or what? This is just basic scientific procedure in any experiment.

>to be had within the FW pictures and to run complex 3d modeling  
>software on the images that might give such sizes accurately  
>it's required to know exact details of the camera/lens system  
>used. As the Speed Graphic had interchangeable lens and was  
>supplied with a range of "standard" lens, and as JBJ has no  
>recollection of lens used (why should he) it would require  
>finding a known scaled feature in the same plane as the message  
>just to estimate sizes. Seals used around that time varied  
>greatly in size, I've seen samples in use on period documents  
>from 3/4" thro 2+", they could be part of a letter head and pre  
>printed or in the form of a "hand stamp" or machine date/time  
>stamp, all seem to have the familiar tram-lines inner and outer  
>rim as seen on the message

Gawd you make all this so damned hard! If you had done this right you would have put on the webpage right from the outset a clear statement of your experimental protocol something like: "I do not have the exact dimensions of the Ramey paper. A close estimate would be about 5 x 7 inches so therefore I took a piece of paper of those dimensions [or whatever the exact numbers YOU have to fill it in] and folded and creased it in such a way as to try to simulate the folds and curves of the Ramey message, after drawing in an eagle seal of 1.5 inches diameter [again YOU put in the correct number for the diameter] located

1 inch [ditto] from the top and left margins in the to-left corner." Is that so doggone hard???

No wonder scientists won't touch Ufology - you have to fight over basics and even the meaning of the English language just to be understood on simple concepts. Forget it if it comes to more complicated concepts!

Do you know what the meaning of "is" is, Neil?

>>So if I am a little off, and maybe  
>>the "seal" is say only 1.25 inches across, all the other figures  
>>should be scaled accordingly, and it has absolutely no effect on  
>>my conclusions whatsoever which depend solely on the relative  
>>scale or ratios between the various dimensions not on their  
>>absolute values.)

>Brad, I'd have no arguments if we were dealing with flat  
>folded paper but we're not, the top left of that sheet curves up  
>and presents itself at a far more favorable angle than you  
>accept, but check out the way the paper is illuminated in the  
>image. That left corner is bright compared to say the area just  
>above the thumbnail, yes, how so?, if this was a flat surface  
>the observed illumination would be uniform. The only way, seeing  
>this image was illuminated from a point source close by the  
>camera must be that the angle of the corner's surface is raised  
>at a greater angle than that in the thumb area, as I say you  
>cannot treat the message paper as a flat surface because it  
>isn't flat, the top half of the message isn't you're uniform 15  
>degrees or otherwise to the observation plane because the  
>observed illumination isn't uniform, it changes with the curves  
>and folds of the paper.

More smoke and mirrors. I have already refuted this above. Don't make me have to repeat it all.

>If you want to see just how curved the paper is take a close  
>look at the paper as seen in the Bettmann Ramey Dubose image  
>where the paper can be seen fully unfolded but text side away  
>from the camera. If you look at the lower edge, though this is  
>intersected by the main fold it's quite evident the paper is  
>holding a distinct curve, in fact one could say this might  
>support the premise the message had only recently been around  
>the roller in a typewriter and supporting the thought it  
>originated locally at FWAAF.

Again more smoke and mirrors delving into irrelevancies in a non-quantitative way about what in effect amounts to quibbles over whether the paper is at a 13° angle or a 15° angle at certain points in the top-left corner. Irrelevant!

As for a typewriter, then what is all that teletype tractor-feed-type ribbon coming off the left edge of the paper? If Ramey had just sent the message don't you think he would keep a file copy of the actual message not just a typewritten draft?

>>He has his interpretation of the "seal" oriented so that the top  
>>is at the natural 12 o'clock position on the computer screen  
>>that one would expect. But if you look at the top edge of the  
>>Ramey paper you must rotate your head about 30° to the right, to  
>>the 1 o'clock position, to properly view the paper in the upper  
>>left corner at the correct orientation. Thus his interpretation  
>>of the alleged "seal" is actually rotated about 30° incorrectly.  
>>(His paper simulation fails to correctly match the Ramey paper  
>>on this point since it conveniently only rotates about 15° to  
>>the right, hiding half the rotation error.)

>If this was a handstamp the orientation could be way out  
>depending on how the clerk that struck it slept the night  
>before, but as I mention above the demo sheet was produced just  
>to demo a point not as a detailed reproduction. I think deducing  
>exact orientation of the seal is highly debatable considering  
>the small amount of image data available but those twin seal rim  
>tramtracks are there and visible.

No they're not, you're seeing things. I have first generation high-res prints directly from the negative done at varying contrast levels from UTA archives and I see no such "twin seal rim."

Your imagination has run wild and you're connecting up the dots of dust or dirt on the negative. The double-circle rim of your supposed seal if it really existed would be floating an inch above the paper.

>>Again what he interprets as dark blobs comprising an "eagle" in  
>>a seal at one angle is in fact blobs of about 8-10 lines of text  
>>in the first half of the message, seen almost on-edge at the  
>>correct 1 o'clock rotation of one's head. His "eagle seal" would  
>>wipe out the first half of the message, albeit the first few  
>>lines are no doubt military teletype addresses and not the  
>>verbal message content.

>I think the demo images indicate this need not be the case, it's  
>the same mock up sheet used throughout the demo images and that  
>demo seal wouldn't necessarily overlap text, we don't after all  
>know how many lines of text were on that upper half of the  
>sheet. On reflection, after viewing the Bettmann image where the  
>whole sheet can be seen and which I only obtained long after the  
>seal demo sheet experiment was completed, I would now say the  
>sheet I mocked up is actually shorter than that in Ramey's hand.

As I said earlier don't give us verbiage, give us measurements.  
Otherwise it is just meaningless doubletalk.

>>I bring up these examples because here at least we can deal with  
>>\_quantitative\_ measurements about which there can be no real  
>>doubt, and subject to easy independent calculation, just take a  
>>ruler on your computer screen and all you have to know is a  
>>little trigonometry. And it shows that his interpretations when  
>>quantitatively checked are way off the mark, so much so that he  
>>is misinterpreting lines of horizontal text as a graphic image  
>>at a skewed angle.

>And if you do place a ruler on the screen you'll get some idea  
>just how curved these surfaces are, try putting your ruler under  
>a line of text!.

More red herrings (herrons? pelicans?) as distractions to avoid  
connecting with the point I actually made. I said you're not  
quantitative and you reply with no numbers, just irrelevancies.  
We're not talking about the text of the bottom half of the  
message, where one can put a ruler under the line of text and  
see how wavy it is. We're talking about the top-left corner of  
the top half of the Ramey message!

If one spot in the top-left corner is at 13° and another at 15°  
it doesn't at all come close to rescuing your totally imaginary  
"eagle seal" at 45°!!!!

>If you dispute the seal how do you explain the visibility of the  
>large heading also made visible in the top right of the message  
>paper and revealed by the self same mechanism I believe, as the  
>seal?. I'm not the only researcher to attest to this feature.

What "self same mechanism"???? Do you have machines or  
mechanisms that think for you now? It's your imagination that  
sees an eagle seal at a 45° angle that is impossible because  
that would put the seal in the air floating above the surface of  
the paper. The paper is at too steep an angle at 15° in the  
top-left corner to be able to see any such "seal" if it really  
was on the surface of the paper. I've given actual numbers for  
this (above), not mere subjective opinion.

>Brad, I did what I believe was the scientific thing to do here,  
>I took my theory, produced a real world model from it and  
>attempted to reproduce with that model the observed effects

You didn't even give elementary scientific basics such as the  
size of the seal and the size of the paper you used. You forced  
me to have to waste time guessing - and possibly later having to  
re-do calculations if and when you give me real numbers - when  
you could just produce the figures.

>within the image. Considering sizes etc had to be largely  
>assumed I believe the resultant images from that simple  
>experiment provide positive support for the theory they were  
>based on. Try it yourself, all you need is a piece of paper, a  
>marker pen and a reasonable copy of the Ramey Message pic so you  
>can simulate (roughly) the way the message paper is curved and

>folded, then hold it at arms length in the same orientation as  
>in the Ramey image, use one eye to simulate the camera lens.

>>If when he can be checked quantitatively he  
>>is so far off how can we then trust him on something that is so  
>>subjective and non-quantitative as imagining "symbols" and  
>>"Egyptian hieroglyphics" in amorphous images at the limits of  
>>resolution of the photos of the Roswell debris?

>Hell's bell's \_don't\_ just trust me!... that's the last thing I  
>want. I report what \_I\_ see, go and look at these things for  
>yourselves and then you can reach your own conclusions for or  
>against. What I \_do\_ want people to do is to take a bit of time  
>to look and then think hard about the origin of the anomalies,  
>many of which are\_not\_ at the limits of image resolution.

Rohrschach ink blots are reproducible and visible to people,  
too, but the dragon and butterfly images are still imaginary,  
even though people can "see it for themselves."

Let me recap here: You've made a serious mistake about the  
orientation of the paper in the top-left corner of the Ramey  
message. It is a physical impossibility for an "eagle seal" at a  
45° angle, as you've overlaid it over the Ramey message image,  
to be on the surface of the paper, which is much flatter at a  
15° angle, as it would float above the paper by nearly 1 inch.  
You have the equivalent of a pelican outflying a civil aircraft.

Brad

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## Re: Aegean Airspace Challengers... From Outer

From: Larry Hatch <[larryhat@jps.net](mailto:larryhat@jps.net)>  
Date: Wed, 08 Aug 2001 18:14:32 -0700  
Fwd Date: Thu, 09 Aug 2001 10:04:53 -0400  
Subject: Re: Aegean Airspace Challengers... From Outer

>From UFO UpDates <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

>Source: ABCNEWS.com

>[http://abcnews.go.com/sections/world/DailyNews/turkey010808\\_ufo.html](http://abcnews.go.com/sections/world/DailyNews/turkey010808_ufo.html)

>Eyes to the Skies

>Aegean Airspace Challengers... From Outer Space?

>By John K. Cooley

>A T H E N S, Aug. 8 -- Greek and Turkish air force pilots,  
>sharing contested Aegean airspace, are used to seeing a fighter  
>or two of their usually friendly adversary looping around them,  
>or diving to intercept their patrol or training flights.

>But for two Turkish trainee pilots, the aerobatics were  
>different this time.

>

>While on a routine training flight in a U.S.-made T-37 off the  
>Turkish Aegean coastal town of Candarli, they suddenly had  
>reason to call their home base control tower.

>A bright object had approached their plane at high speed and  
>reportedly gyrated around them for about a half hour.

>The Turkish newspaper Hurriyet quoted their call: "Object  
>approaching the wings. Now it's behind the plane... now it's in  
>front of us." They told their controller and the regional war  
>alert center of the Turkish army that the apparent Unidentified  
>Flying Object had an unusual shape that looked like a cross  
>between a cone and a disc.

>A Widely Curious Incident

>Turkish air force sources said they were investigating.  
>So were the neighboring Greeks.

>The Turks were planning to report the encounter to international  
>bodies - especially the U.S. National Aeronautics and Space  
>Administration.

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Hello Errol and all:

I think the story above is potentially much more interesting  
than any lights in the sky. Note the shape given, something  
between a disk and a cone... Right out of a 1950s space invaders  
movie I hope!

Hopefully, more details will emerge than those given in the  
brief ABC account. I'd like the date and time of the actual  
incident, even if that is of little concern to ABC News who  
should know better.

It will get more interesting still if the Turkish military or  
government does indeed stir up some international inquiry.

Is there anyone on-list who can dig up more on this?

Best!

- Larry Hatch

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## Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey - Young

From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
Date: Thu, 9 Aug 2001 07:31:43 EDT  
Fwd Date: Thu, 09 Aug 2001 10:06:26 -0400  
Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey - Young

>From: Bill Hamilton <[skywatcher22@space.com](mailto:skywatcher22@space.com)>  
>Date: 8 Aug 2001 09:04:39 -0700  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey

>>Date: Mon, 06 Aug 2001 20:48:49 -0300  
>>From: Don Ledger <[dledger@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:dledger@ns.sympatico.ca)>  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey

>>>From: Bob Young Y<[oungBob2@aol.com](mailto:oungBob2@aol.com)>  
>>>Date: Tue, 24 Jul 2001 10:56:55 EDT  
>>>Subject: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey  
>>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>>A letter from this past Sunday's Star Ledger (NJ) may shed some  
>>>real light on the July 14-15 mystery lights:

>Don, you are correct. This reminds me of all the bruhaha over  
>flares regarding the Phoenix Lights. I think someone has got to  
>get a grip here and learn more about flares and flare activity.  
>Aerial flares over any residential area could be extremely  
>hazardous.

Bill:

No one on this List suggested this possibility. Military Flares  
can be seen for tens of miles.

>Lets see now... ultra-lights are flying at night and  
>launching flares...

Nobody here ever mentioned this, either.

>hmmm, I would rather believe in flying saucers and the tooth fairy.

Before the possibility that an unlicensed pilot would play a  
joke on you?

I think that the joke may be on the believers, Bill.

Clear skies,

Bob Young

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## Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey - Mortellaro

From: Jim Mortellaro <[Jsmortell@aol.com](mailto:Jsmortell@aol.com)>  
Date: Thu, 9 Aug 2001 10:17:12 EDT  
Fwd Date: Thu, 09 Aug 2001 10:35:15 -0400  
Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey - Mortellaro

>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>Date: Wed, 8 Aug 2001 16:45:27 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

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>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey

>>>From: Alfred Lehmborg <[Lehmborg@snowhill.com](mailto:Lehmborg@snowhill.com)>  
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>>Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey  
>>>Date: Wed, 25 Jul 2001 08:42:19 -0500

>>>>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>>>>Date: Tue, 24 Jul 2001 10:56:55 EDT  
>>>>Subject: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey  
>>>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>>>A letter from this past Sunday's Star Ledger (NJ) may shed some  
>>>>real light on the July 14-15 mystery lights:

>>His ignorance about the FARs [FAA regulations] governing  
>>ultra-lite flights leaves a lot to be desired as well.

>Why don't you enlighten us?

>Please list the FAA regulations which would be violated by  
>somebody flying an ultralight in the dark, showing lights, for  
>future reference.

>Please give specific examples where I have revealed my ignorance  
>of such rules and I won't do it again.

Dear All, and EBK,

May I take this one? Please? Thank yous.

Regulations cited are 109488.00Vol.17 para 2.3 (it may be 3.2)  
says that during the waning gibbon phase of the moon, and when  
Jupiter is lying with Mars ...

I forgot.

Anyway it's one of those.

Morty.

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## National UFO Conference Update

From: **Stephen Miles Lewis** <[smiles@elfis.net](mailto:smiles@elfis.net)>  
Date: Thu, 09 Aug 2001 10:48:27 -0500  
Fwd Date: Thu, 09 Aug 2001 14:15:26 -0400  
Subject: National UFO Conference Update

The 38th Annual  
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NUFOC 38 SPEAKERS

Robert Anton Wilson, Jenny Randles, Constance Clear, Patrick Huyghe, Karl Pflock, Kenn Thomas, Greg Bishop, Eugenia Macer-Story, James Arthur, David Perkins, James Moseley, Mack White, Russ Dowden, Tom Deuley, Loren Coleman, Diana Hoyt, Pamela Stonebrooke, Bruce Wright, Ed Conroy, Erik Stearns, Dennis Stacy, Don Webb, Miles Lewis, Tim Brigham, Steve Mizrach, Jim Beal.

-Robert Anton Wilson-

RAW is the coauthor, with Robert Shea, of the underground classic *The Illuminatus! Trilogy*, which won the 1986 Prometheus Hall of Fame Award. His other writings include *Schrodinger's Cat Trilogy*, called "the most scientific of all science fiction novels," by *New Scientist*, and several nonfiction works of Futurist psychology and guerilla ontology, such as *Prometheus Rising* and *The New Inquisition*.

Robert Anton Wilson is probably responsible for turning more people on to alternative reality explorations than any other author. His fiction and non-fiction works always challenge your belief systems. He is a master of prose and has written about everything from Flying Saucers and the Illuminati to Magickal Workings and Quantum Physics. His latest book is *Everything Is Under Control: The Encyclopedia of Conspiracy Theories*.

RAW will be presenting his talk "Claims of the Normal: A Skeptical Analysis" during the Saturday Night Session. He will also appear within several panel discussions Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

For more information about Robert Anton Wilson...  
<http://www.nufoc.net/raw.htm>  
<http://www.rawilson.com>

-Jenny Randles-

British ufologist & author of Science and the Ufos, Alien Contact: The First Fifty Years, The Truth Behind the Men in Black: Government Agents Or Visitors from Beyond and "more Paranormal & UFO books than any other author." Former Director of Investigations for BUFORA, the British UFO Research Association.

Jenny is considered by many to be Britain's leading ufologist. Her tireless efforts have helped to understand the multiple threads found within the UFO phenomenon. While maintaining an active role in ufo investigations she has managed to write book after book after book on every aspect of this most important phenomenon. All the while she has continued to publish her own magazine, Northern UFO News.

Friday night Jenny will be presenting her talk "Media Influence on public experiencing of the UFO". Sunday night she will be speaking on "Earth Lights, Time Storms and Atmospheric Physics revealed by UFO Related Phenomena". She will also be appearing on most of our six different panel discussions.

For more information about Jenny Randles...

<http://www.nufoc.net/randles.htm>

-Loren Coleman-

One of the world's leading cryptozoologists. Coleman has written books and more than two hundred articles on the subject, has appeared frequently on radio and television programs, and has lectured from Idaho to Loch Ness. He has been both on- and off-camera consultant to NBC-TV's "Unsolved Mysteries," A & E's "Ancient Mysteries" and other reality-based programs. He contributes cryptozoology columns, "On the Trail," to the London-based magazine Fortean Times, and "Mysterious World" to Fate, as well as occasional articles to The Anomalist and Fortean Studies.

While Loren Coleman primarily investigates the existence of undiscovered animals he is also a consummate Fortean; researching all sorts of strange phenomena and their even more bizarre inter-connections. For instance, did you know that there are often conjunctions of UFO flaps and bigfoot sightings? These are the sorts of connections that drive many a researcher over the edge. But these are exactly the sort of findings Loren Coleman has revealed in several of his books including two he co-authored with veteran ufologist Jerome Clark.

Loren will be talking Sunday morning on how "A Fortean Looks at the Last Four Decades". On the previous day he will also be presenting at the First Annual Texas Bigfoot Conference in Jefferson Texas. At that same conference will be Linda Moulton Howe who recently commented on the UFO/Bigfoot connection within the latest edition of Filers Files:

<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates/2001/aug/m08-019.shtml>

For more information about Loren Coleman...

<http://www.nufoc.net/coleman.htm>

<http://www.LorenColeman.com>

<http://www.TexasBigfoot.com>

-Karl Pflock-

UFO investigator and author of Roswell: Inconvenient Facts and the Will to Believe. Karl has recently contributed research towards the re-investigation of certain seminal ufological cases. Pflock, a former CIA intelligence officer, congressional staffer, and deputy assistant secretary of defense, is the author of Roswell in Perspective and many investigative articles in UFO and related publications, including Fortean Times, International UFO Reporter, and The Anomalist.

Like so many people interested in ufos, I took as gospel that the Roswell Incident was a government coverup of a crashed saucer. I started having doubts in the late eighties. Whatever you think about this marker in ufological history, Karl Pflock, an extraterrestrial hypothesis proponent, will likely make you think even more deeply about the Roswell "saucer crash" and whether it is at all related to ET craft.

For more information about Karl Pflock...

<http://www.nufoc.net/pflock.htm>

And check out his recent appearance on the Today show.. The first in a series called Truth or Conspiracy, the Today show looks at the Roswell incident. UFOlogists Kevin Randle and Karl Pflock of the Mutual UFO Network, talk with Today's Katie Couric about the Roswell incident. <http://www.msnbc.com/news/609170.asp>

#### ONLINE NUFOC TEASER PREVIEW

Thanks to Anomaly Television there will be several teaser previews in rotation locally on screens at the Alamo Drafthouse Cinema. And thanks to the wonders of technology you can view it online with the help of Windows Media Player.

Click the link below to watch the one minute teaser preview:

<http://www.themib.com/nufoc01.wmv>

#### OFFICIAL CONFERENCE POSTER

Underground comic artist and conspiracy researcher Mack White has created an original work of art for the official National UFO Conference poster. In keeping with the Flying Saucer Film Festival theme Mack has created a poster in the Pulp Movie Poster style. Full color posters and other NUFOC merchandise featuring Mack's design will be available for purchase and signing by the artist.

Mack White will be giving a brief presentation on "Conspiracy Gnosis" Friday night. He will also be contributing to several panel discussions.

Check out the poster here:

<http://www.nufoc.net/nufocposter.htm>

#### TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE FOR ONLINE PURCHASE

Thanks to Ticketweb and the Alamo Drafthouse Cinema tickets to NUFOC 38 can now be purchased online with valid credit card:

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## Element 118 Claim Withdrawn

From: **Bob Young** <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
Date: Thu, 9 Aug 2001 12:47:15 EDT  
Fwd Date: Thu, 09 Aug 2001 14:16:53 -0400  
Subject: Element 118 Claim Withdrawn

Ladies & Gents:

In this week's issue of Science News is an article which states that the claims for the existance of Element 118 have been withdrawn.

Clear skies,

Bob Young

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## MUFON Ontario URL Change

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
Date: Thu, 09 Aug 2001 14:24:15 -0400  
Fwd Date: Thu, 09 Aug 2001 14:24:15 -0400  
Subject: MUFON Ontario URL Change

Please Note the change to the MUFON Ontario Website:

<http://members.home.net/ufoupdates/mufon/index.htm>

It'll take a couple of days to move everything over.....

Errol Bruce-Knapp

Instant Archives at:

<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates>  
[updates@sympatico.ca](mailto:updates@sympatico.ca)

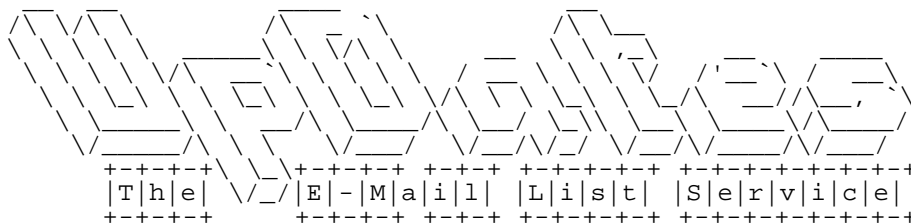
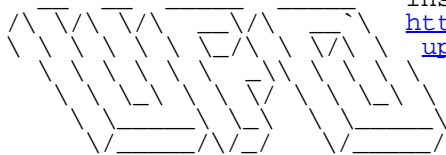
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## Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey - Ledger

From: Don Ledger <[dledger@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:dledger@ns.sympatico.ca)>  
Date: Thu, 09 Aug 2001 16:08:37 -0300  
Fwd Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 09:58:17 -0400  
Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey - Ledger

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<snip>

>>Why would the military be dropping flaes in the biggest TRACON  
>>in the country, in any event. It's at least 100 miles on a side.  
>>Mucho illegal. Can you imagine the commercial heavies sucking  
>>the little buggers in to their high by-pass fans. Any nonsense  
>>about ultra-lites is unworthy of consideration. Flying in that  
>>TRACON? Surely Bob can do better than this.

>Don, you are correct. This reminds me of all the bruhaha over  
>flares regarding the Phoenix Lights. I think someone has got to  
>get a grip here and learn more about flares and flare activity.  
>Aerial flares over any residential area could be extremely  
>hazardous. Lets see now... ultra-lights are flying at night and  
>launching flares... hmmm, I would rather believe in flying  
>saucers and the tooth fairy.

Hi Bill,

And at that time I remember bringing to the attention of some of  
the List memebers that one pilot climbing out of the Pheonix TCA  
reported one of these lights above him. A highly dangerous  
incident - had that been a flare. It's bad enough an unknown was  
in controlled airspace.

Don Ledger

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>>From: Don Ledger <[dledger@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:dledger@ns.sympatico.ca)>  
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>>>From: Alfred Lehmborg <[Lehmborg@snowhill.com](mailto:Lehmborg@snowhill.com)>  
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>>Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey  
>>>Date: Wed, 25 Jul 2001 08:42:19 -0500

>>>>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>>>>Date: Tue, 24 Jul 2001 10:56:55 EDT  
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>>>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

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>>His ignorance about the FARS [FAA regulations] governing  
>>ultra-lite flights leaves a lot to be desired as well.

>Why don't you enlighten us?

>Please list the FAA regulations which would be violated by  
>somebody flying an ultralight in the dark, showing lights, for  
>future reference.

>Please give specific examples where I have revealed my ignorance  
>of such rules and I won't do it again.

Ultra-lite pilots are greatly restricted without an FAA approved  
flying license and are not allowed to fly in the dark because  
you cannot fly at night without an endorsement on your flying  
license, even as a private pilot.

Ultra-lite pilots do not enjoy the freedom of the skies that a  
private ticket allows. Most ultra-lite pilots do not have a  
private pilots license. They fly on a very restricted license.

Most aren't allowed to fly when the winds are over 8 knots. Most  
ultra-lites don't have electric, though some of them are  
getting more sophisticated than the older types.

If you get a group of ultra-lite pilots with only an ultra-lite  
license flying together at night you have an extremely dangerous  
and highly illegal situation, Bob - particularly in the New York  
TRACON. If the FAA suspected for a moment that ultra-lites had  
been responsible for those lights over New Jersey I guarantee  
you there would be a full blown and likely highly publicized  
investigation going on right now. The fact that you've heard boo  
should tell you something.

Don't feel bad, most laypersons don't know anything about flying  
and get their general knowledge of aviation from TV and the

movies and the latters lack of aviation knowledge - in most cases - is deplorable. You'd be hard pressed to find one movie using flying as a plot or sub-plot that took the time to bother learning anything about the craft.

Start with Top Gun and work your way down to Sky King. It's mostly all nonsense, though like the old Sci-fi pulps got many astronomers and space techs started many of these old flying movies got many pilots to the flying clubs.

Don Ledger

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Date: Thu, 09 Aug 2001 16:36:55 -0300  
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There was no joke played here. Find another explanation Bob. The  
joke idea doesn't cut it. See my earlier response to your email.

BTW - what's a believer?

Don Ledger

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## Condon Committee Harrisburg Camera [was: Talk And

From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 01:51:19 EDT  
Fwd Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 10:13:33 -0400  
Subject: Condon Committee Harrisburg Camera [was: Talk And

>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>Date: Wed, 11 Jul 2001 23:19:39 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Talk And Action  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>>Date: Sun, 8 Jul 2001 06:23:09 EDT  
>>Subject: Re: Talk And Action  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>>>Date: Mon, 11 Jun 2001 23:29:08 EDT  
>>>Subject: Re: Talk And Action  
>>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>>The Prairie Network simply took all-sky pictures which could  
>>>record meteors brighter than fourth magnitude (about the  
>>>limiting brightness of stars in most suburban skies).

Bob,

You simply don't know what you're talking about. The limiting magnitude for the Prairie Network cameras was 7 magnitudes poorer than you claim, -3 not +4. (CR p. 768). Further down in your posting (below) you mistakenly claim that the Condon Committee set up a meteor tracking camera in Harrisburg, Penn., in August 1967, when in fact it was an all-sky airglow camera, a big difference.

As I recently revealed for the first time in the 34-year history of criticism of the Condon Report, I have discovered that the Condon Committee covered up 16 unexplained UFO cases that were confirmed by the Prairie Network photographs in 1965-7. See my post of Aug. 4, 2001:

<http://www.aliensonearth.com/ufo/updates/2001/aug/m04-012.shtml>

>>>The system was used for 17 days at Harrisburg during the 1967  
>>>'flap' (during which no flying saucers were recorded\_during\_  
>>>the time of 100 UFO reports phoned in to Condon Committee  
>>>investigators).

You omit to mention that of the 106 UFO reports made during the downtown Harrisburg sky watch, only 67 were explained, leaving 39 unexplained or 37%. Even eliminating the supposedly insufficient information cases, that still leaves 25 unexplained cases or 24% unexplained with fully adequate data. All very high percentages of unknowns for a supposedly scientific investigation of UFOs that purportedly couldn't find any.

You also omit again that the Condon investigator Dr. Gerald Rothberg and the Condon Report did not blame the UFO phenomenon for being nonexistent - as you do - but criticized the all-sky camera used at Harrisburg as essentially worthless (CR p. 765).

>>The system used by the Condon Committee at Harrisburg was  
>>situated on top of a hospital building and was aimed straight



>>overhead at zenith. It did not cover the horizon (its coverage >>started at 10° above the horizon). How on earth could it have >>picked up any UFOs from miles away, unless the UFO just >>happened to fly overhead?

>Are you claiming that the cameras, designed to photograph >meteors, could not pick up an object brighter than 4th magnitude >unless it was directly overhead? Are you suggesting that for >some strange reason known only to the ETs the UFOs were never >near the city, but only toward the distant horizon? Why, then >were hundreds of UFO reports coming from Harrisburg?

You really must be desperate. The Condon Report (and you) conveniently fail to mention the distance range around Harrisburg from which the 106 UFO reports were made during the operation of the camera. You are completely in error when you claim there were "hundreds" of UFO reports coming from Harrisburg as if from the urban city limits instead of the rural areas for many miles around. I doubt there were any from downtown Harrisburg where the all-sky camera was perched for a few weeks.

As I pointed out above, you have the wrong camera system so your comments on system capability are irrelevant.

And as I posted previously and quoted above, this is the craziest camera orientation for supposedly catching UFOs I've ever heard of - pointed straight up overhead and located on top of a tall downtown hospital building instead of where UFOs normally are found (rural areas). To have the horizon up to 10° elevation completely uncovered by the camera is the kiss of death. It is well known to everyone except you apparently that UFOs are typically found at low altitudes.

And you have no comment on my previous postings where I point out as did the Condon Committee that the Harrisburg camera was so poor it could only pick up aircraft landing lights from 5 miles away. (CR p. 765) But that is only with a well-known manmade light source with a known airport landing pattern. Considerably greater resolution would be needed to make any kind of determination as to an Unexplained UFO status.

The Condon Committee gave 20 arcminutes as the resolution limit for the camera used at Harrisburg (which means a UFO would have to be much larger before anyone would have been willing to classify an image as an unexplained UFO). (CR p. 763)

That means that a typical UFO of about 30 feet in size could not even be adequately resolved by the Harrisburg camera at distances greater than just 1 mile. I bet virtually all of the 106 UFO reports came from distances much greater than 1 mile from the camera.

>>The Condon Committee rightly criticized the system as of >>little use for UFO detection and tracking.

>Maybe not perfect, but what if the results were ZERO saucers > during 100 sightings? What if many sightings came from a > distant hilltop packed with believers and saucer club members > but no one in the direction of the presumed UFOs downtown > noticed anything?

Your suppositions are incoherent. You ignore the fact again that the Harrisburg camera was put in a bad location and aimed away from where any UFOs could reasonably have been expected.

The Condon Report criticized the camera used at Harrisburg as designed for "large, amorphous luminous regions" of the sky (airglow and aurora phenomena) and "does not have the resolution necessary for investigating phenomena such as fireballs, ball lightning, tornadoes, or UFOs." (CR p. 765)

But you dispute the Condon Report's own dismissal of the Harrisburg camera without providing a shred of evidence to support your opinion or to refute the Condon Committee's facts.

>Negative results with any recording system will place some kind > of parameter on a phenomenon.

>Clear skies,

>Bob Young

Clear answers,

Brad Sparks

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Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 03:14:31 -0700  
Fwd Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 10:17:11 -0400  
Subject: THE WATCHDOG - 08-10-01

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From: Alfred Lehmborg <[Lehmborg@snowhill.com](mailto:Lehmborg@snowhill.com)>  
Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 09:41:24 -0500  
Fwd Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 10:59:07 -0400  
Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey - Lehmborg

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Why, that's what our honored Mr. Young sees when he looks in a  
mirror! He's a believer of the first water! Give us a hard one!  
<g>.

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

>~0~  
EXPLORE "Alfred Lehmborg's Alien View" at his HostPros URL.  
<http://www.alienview.net>

JOHN FORD RESTORATION FUND -- John will be released eventually.  
He'll need a tax free cash stake to get on his feet. Let's put  
one together for him; the bigger it is -- the more attention  
he gets. It could have been you. E-mail for detail.  
\$350.00 pledged -- \$200.00 collected!

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see  
from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, scourged by  
scurrilous skepti-bunkies.

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## Gerald Anderson A Seal?

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Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 12:34:05 -0500  
Fwd Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 15:20:21 -0400  
Subject: Gerald Anderson A Seal?

List,

Interesting front page article in today's NY Times about people who fake their military experiences.

Seems to be increasingly commonplace.

See

<http://www.nytimes.com/2001/08/10/national/10FAKE.html>

and

<http://cyberseals.org/wos.htm>

Dennis Stacy

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Fwd Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 15:29:00 -0400  
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True.

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I mentioned it just to be ornery. There were from 20 to 25  
amber-colored lights in the air according to one witness. These  
amber lights seem similar to the ones we videotaped in  
Awahutukee, near Phoenix on March 13, 1997. Those lights were NOT  
flares. I had a good view of them through a Celestron telescope  
with a 25x eyepiece and a 90 mm objective. Each individual amber  
light appeared perfectly round, pulsated, and had no surrounding  
aureola or glare. Mike Kryzston saw the same view through his  
telescope from North Mountain. From the witness testimony I  
believe the Carteret, New Jersey Sighting was similar.

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>Before the possibility that an unlicensed pilot would play a  
>joke on you?

Maybe and maybe not. These lights were holding a "V" formation  
according to witnesses. I highly doubt flares or ultralights.

Light planes? According to a witness, "No sound. Now there were people like yelling in amazement." Maybe they couldn't hear the motors over the yells.

>>I think that the joke may be on the believers, Bill.

I don't have a belief one way or another. As for the witnesses, perhaps some were what you call believers and others were not.

I try to leave belief out of it and gather the facts first before hypothesizing. It seems like your belief is that if something unusual is seen in the sky, it must have a prosaic explanation. Have you ever found any sighting that you could not explain?

Bill

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Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Hamilton

>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>Date: Wed, 8 Aug 2001 15:22:14 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

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>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Date: 7 Aug 2001 06:47:57 -0700  
>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'

>>>Date: Mon, 6 Aug 2001 11:31:54 -0700 (PDT)  
>>>From: Mac Tonnies <[macbot@yahoo.com](mailto:macbot@yahoo.com)>  
>>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
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>>>>From: Ed Gehrman <[egehrman@psln.com](mailto:egehrman@psln.com)>  
>>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>>>Date: Sun, 5 Aug 2001 16:34:00 -0700

>>>><snip>

>>>>What if the Roswell story falls, as I believe is in  
>>>>the process of happening?

>>It won't happen because of Pflock's book. Read some paragraphs  
>>from it in the bookstore on Friday. Same old Mogul balloon  
>>hypothesis (not a certainty at all). He criticizes testimony  
>>that doesn't agree with his conclusions and supports testimony  
>>he believes does.

>Bill,

>How is it that there is any testimony in Pflock's book that  
>conflicts with his conclusions? Why does he let that stuff in  
>there?

He gives little space to anomalous descriptions. Have you read  
June Crain's testimony? She saw the material at Wright-Patterson.  
Her testimony about shape memory and uncuttable metal is similar  
to other testimony. I don't think Karl gave such testimony  
much attention.

>>Then why are the images of the debris in Ramey's office photos  
>>not consistent with that of a Mogul balloon. Why does Sheridan  
>>Cavitt still stick to the weather balloon story?

>>No, I think Pflock's book will just follow Kal Korff's book to  
>>the graveyard of unsold books.

>I think you're wrong. I'll have more on this soon.

OK, Brad, so you say. However, why is it the Mogul staff had no  
concern for the recovery of the physical materials. Where they  
floated off to did not seem to interest the Mogul personnel.  
Flight 8 was aloft about 3 hours before touching down about 20  
miles from the base and nothing from this flight was recovered.  
Only 20 miles away and no one bothered to pick it up. There are  
other reasons why the Mogul explanation fails and if this is

proven, then Karl's book is so much waste paper.

-Bill

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from the FAS Project on Government Secrecy  
August 10, 2001

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The Senate Select Committee on Intelligence is preparing to revive the very same proposal to criminalize unauthorized disclosures of classified information that led to the veto of the last year's intelligence authorization bill.

The legislation, propelled by Sen. Richard Shelby, would make the knowing and willful disclosure of classified information to an unauthorized person a felony.

In vetoing the measure last November 4, President Clinton called it "badly flawed" and said it could have a "chilling effect," limiting the participation of government officials "even in appropriate public discussion, press briefings, or other legitimate official activities."

Evidently having learned nothing, the Committee is poised to reintroduce the very same proposal in next month's markup of the Intelligence Authorization Act for FY 2002. A hearing on the matter, featuring government and press witnesses, is scheduled for September 5.

In a report published last week the Intelligence Committee reviews its activities during the 106th Congress (1999-2000). The report provides some new information on the Committee's diverse activities, including a defense of its attempts to criminalize disclosures of classified information.

From the point of view of public accountability, the Senate Intelligence Committee in the 106th Congress was perhaps the worst in the history of intelligence oversight.

An unusually small fraction of the Committee's hearings were open to the public. Likewise, a sharply diminished number of non-governmental witnesses were invited to testify before the Committee. Under then-Chairman Shelby, the Committee increasingly became an adjunct of the intelligence community rather than in any sense a representative of the public.

The new Senate Intelligence Committee report (S. Rep. 107-51), dated August 3, may be found here:

[http://www.fas.org/irp/congress/2001\\_rpt/srep107-51.html](http://www.fas.org/irp/congress/2001_rpt/srep107-51.html)

"SUPPRESSED" FRUS VOLUME PUBLISHED

On Wednesday, the State Department formally released the Foreign Relations of the United States (FRUS) volume on Indonesia that had been withheld because of concern at the CIA and the State Department that it could upset relations with the Indonesian government.

The new release was utterly anticlimactic due to the fact that an advance copy of the volume was published last month by the National Security Archive.

Although the earlier release elicited some slight press interest in Indonesia, it created no controversy to speak of. No ambassadors were withdrawn, no censures were issued, no riots ensued.

"The fact that this is a ho-hum issue in Indonesia really makes us look like idiots," said one government official who participated in the process.

The text of the new volume and an accompanying release may be found here:

<http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ho/frus/johnsonlb/xxvi/>

Another completed FRUS volume whose release has been deferred due to its purported political sensitivity addresses U.S. foreign policy toward Cyprus, Greece, and Turkey during 1964-1968. While eventual release of that volume is "inevitable," an official said, no release date has been set.

#### PLUTONIUM DISPOSITION REPORT LEAKED

An internal Department of Energy report reveals that the cost of disposing of weapons grade plutonium by converting it to mixed oxide (MOX) reactor fuel is far higher than previously estimated, calling this disposal approach into question.

The DOE report was never provided to Congress, despite a mandatory February 2001 due date. But a copy was obtained by the Nuclear Control Institute, a non-proliferation research and advocacy organization, which posted the report on its web site yesterday.

"We find it contrary to the will of Congress and harmful to the discussion over the fate of surplus plutonium that DOE has withheld release of this report which was required by law," said Tom Clements, Executive Director of the Nuclear Control Institute (NCI).

NCI argues that "immobilization" of surplus plutonium by rendering it into ceramic form, for example, would be a superior alternative to consuming it as MOX reactor fuel. The new report confirms that immobilization would be the cheaper alternative. But DOE recently canceled its immobilization research and development program.

"It's no mystery why DOE wouldn't want Congress to see this report as it points to the conclusion that immobilization is cheaper than MOX," said Clements. "Instead of abandoning this promising technology at a critical stage DOE should reverse course and give immobilization its full support."

The internal DOE report and related information may be found on the NCI web site here:

<http://www.nci.org/>

#### IN-Q-TEL LOOKS PROMISING -- BUT CIA NEEDS WORK

In-Q-Tel, the venture capital enterprise established by the CIA in 1999 to facilitate the introduction of new technologies into the aging intelligence bureaucracy, is off to a promising start, according to a new assessment by a group of corporate executives. But the CIA is ill-equipped to take advantage of its contributions.

"In-Q-Tel has achieved significant early progress," the report by Business Executives for National Security (BENS) stated.

"To date, In-Q-Tel has reviewed hundreds of business plans, made more than a dozen investments, brought five technologies and services to the Agency for use or demonstration, and has implemented three pilots since its charter was signed in July 1999. By private sector standards, this represents a noteworthy accomplishment and the start of a good track record."

At the same time, however, "the CIA has been unprepared ... to integrate the solutions In-Q-Tel delivers." A host of technological, security and other barriers the authors found at the CIA pose fundamental challenges to the In-Q-Tel initiative.

"The Report of the Independent Panel on the CIA In-Q-Tel Venture," released on August 7, may be found on the BENS web site here:

[http://www.bens.org/highlights\\_InOTel.html](http://www.bens.org/highlights_InOTel.html)

#### STATE DEPT ACQUIRES KISSINGER TELCONS

Former Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger has provided the Department of State with 10,000 pages of documents from his years as Secretary, the State Department announced yesterday.

The newly acquired documents are transcriptions of official telephone conversations (telcons) that Kissinger had between 1973 and 1976. Until last week, these transcripts were held in a closed collection at the Library of Congress, much to the annoyance and frustration of historians and students of American foreign policy.

The National Security Archive, which pressed for the move, presents further information about it here:

<http://www.nsarchive.org/news/20010809/>

#### BOSNIA WAR CRIME DATA WITHHELD

A federal appeals court this week rejected a Freedom of Information Act lawsuit seeking disclosure of intelligence imagery and other records concerning human rights violations committed by Bosnian Serb forces during the summer of 1995.

A human rights organization called Students Against Genocide (SAGE) had requested copies of satellite and aerial images of mass graves that were displayed by Secretary of State Albright to the UN Security Council in 1995. Some of the photos were subsequently released. On appeal, SAGE sought release of other images and documentation that were withheld.

The court rejected almost all of the appellant's arguments. The fact that some photos had been released did not mean that all of them could be, the court ruled. Just because the Secretary of State had revealed the images to foreign governments at the UN did not mean that they could be disclosed to the general public. Further, the government had no obligation to prepare a releasable version of the intelligence photos by degrading their resolution, the court said.

The August 7 ruling is posted here:

<http://www.fas.org/sqp/news/2001/08/sage.html>

Some previously released Bosnia imagery may be found here:

<http://www.fas.org/irp/imint/bosnia.htm>

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Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 17:01:02 EDT  
Fwd Date: Sat, 11 Aug 2001 15:53:50 -0400  
Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey - Mortellaro

>Date: Thu, 09 Aug 2001 16:31:19 -0300  
>From: Don Ledger <[dledger@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:dledger@ns.sympatico.ca)>  
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>>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>>>Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey  
>>>>Date: Wed, 25 Jul 2001 08:42:19 -0500

>>>>>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>>>>>Date: Tue, 24 Jul 2001 10:56:55 EDT  
>>>>>Subject: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey  
>>>>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

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>investigation going on right now. The fact that you've heard boo  
>should tell you something.

Hello, Don, All, Al, Errol,

Now if I were a conspiracy theorist AND a skeptibunker, which I am neither, I would suggest... actually I would insist if I were both of those types... I would insist that:

There were no UFO's, just the ultralights  
The pilots were military professionals  
The reason for doing the deed is to make the public look silly  
Another reason for doing it is to debunk UFO nin com poops  
Or some such.

>Don't feel bad, most laypersons

Please, Don. My sex life has nothing to do with this.

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>and get their general knowledge of aviation from TV and the  
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>astronomers and space techs started many of these old flying  
>movies got many pilots to the flying clubs.

I used to love to hear that Beech on the radio intro to Sky King. Vroooooom!

Say, do you also remember, "Captaaaaaaain Video. And his Spaaaaaaace Cadets." I actually remember when his one dimensional paper microphone, the one he used to communicate with his spaaaaaaace cadets.... fell over flat on his desk. If memory serves, it was 1950 on the old Dumont Network.

(sigh)

>Don Ledger

Old Morty

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## Re: Gerald Anderson A Seal? - Mortellaro

From: **Jim Mortellaro** <[Jsmortell@aol.com](mailto:Jsmortell@aol.com)>  
Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 17:15:14 EDT  
Fwd Date: Sat, 11 Aug 2001 15:56:00 -0400  
Subject: Re: Gerald Anderson A Seal? - Mortellaro

>From: Dennis Stacy <[dstacy@texas.net](mailto:dstacy@texas.net)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Gerald Anderson A Seal?  
>Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 12:34:05 -0500

>List,

>Interesting front page article in today's NY Times about people  
>who fake their military experiences.

>Seems to be increasingly commonplace.

>See

><http://www.nytimes.com/2001/08/10/national/10FAKE.html>

>and

><http://cyberseals.org/wos.htm>

>Dennis Stacy

Dear List, Dennis, Errol,

As a result of the meanness and cruelty of Mr. Stacy, the man who ruined Dallas forever, I must come forward and confess the lie I have lived since publishing my life story on my web site. I am truly sorry and wish to apologize to my wives and other assorted women for their embarrassments.

I did not serve in Nam. I did not earn the Congressional Medal of Honor. I was not wounded during the festivity... uh, in battle. I, like my brother in law (the \_other\_ hero) served during the war, in Fort Dicks... Dix, sorry. I was not a war hero. However, I was able to establish a record for the most number of AWL's in the history of Dix.

Stacey, you could sperl a nocturnal omission. You know that Bubba?

Mort

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## Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Stacy

From: Dennis Stacy <[dstacy@texas.net](mailto:dstacy@texas.net)>  
Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 16:55:32 -0500  
Fwd Date: Sat, 11 Aug 2001 15:58:12 -0400  
Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Stacy

>From: Bill Hamilton <[skywatcher22@space.com](mailto:skywatcher22@space.com)>  
>Date: 10 Aug 2001 10:56:27 -0700  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'

<snip>

>OK, Brad, so you say. However, why is it the Mogul staff had no  
>concern for the recovery of the physical materials. Where they  
>floated off to did not seem to interest the Mogul personnel.  
>Flight 8 was aloft about 3 hours before touching down about 20  
>miles from the base and nothing from this flight was recovered.  
>Only 20 miles away and no one bothered to pick it up. There are  
>other reasons why the Mogul explanation fails and if this is  
>proven, then Karl's book is so much waste paper.

Bill,

Go back and look at a population density map for New Mexico in 1947. No one ever expected that Mogul - or much other debris - would ever be encountered by humans. That's why they (and others) did the stuff where they did it. They expected the landscape itself to absorb most of the evidence.

Why do you think Los Alamos and the 509th Bomb Group were located where they were in the first place?

As for 20 miles with roads and 20 miles without roads, there is a world of difference. One reason why, I suspect, the Hub Corn ranch has "caught on" as the location of the "official" crash site: you can easily get there by car from Roswell, \$15 or so per vehicle.

What if it weren't so easy? What if you couldn't necessarily get there from here? Do you forge your own roads?

I can take you to a ranch in West Texas and tell you that a pot of gold is "only" 20 miles away somewhere to the northwest.

And go to sleep perfectly content that you won't stumble across it in this century or the next, using only available 1947 technology.

No one bothered to pick up the debris from Flight 8, even though it was only 20 miles away, because no one needed to or thought it necessary. Had it come down at a highway intersection, that might have been another matter. But it didn't. It came down in a remote area where it could be conveniently ignored - and allowed to deteriorate over time.

And so did the Foster ranch episode occur - until Brazel inadvertently stumbled across it.

\_That's\_ what initiated the recovery and cover up, not any built-in retrieval policy on the part of Project Mogul.

Dennis Stacy

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Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 16:27:23 -0700  
Fwd Date: Sat, 11 Aug 2001 16:01:51 -0400  
Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey - McCoy

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Hello, all Don.

What I want to know is Kirby (Sky King) Grant's soft/rough field technique - especially with the Cessna 310, I've got enough time in 300 seires Cessna's to know they aren't rough field machines.

Any way, I invite those who want to seach the net on ultralights, and find that they are limited machines with limited pilots. There are some who fall into the experimental category by nature of gross weight and perfomance, yet again , you are taking an incaluable risk flying at, night in formation over any urban area.

I've been to Phoenix , Sky Harbor, is busy with Airliners, Small Jets, and in the summer (I like to meet the genius who thought of putting a tanker base at Sky Harbor.) Retardant Tankers. To bring the Phoenix lights into this, I was there some 3-4 months after they occurred. I can honestly tell all of you, that any foolish behavior on the part of military, or civilian aircraft, such as dropping flares, using spotlights, etc, could/would meet in disaster. Let alone the 2:23 from Trafamador.

GT McCoy

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Fwd Date: Sat, 11 Aug 2001 16:04:15 -0400  
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>Date: 10 Aug 2001 10:44:18 -0700  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey

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<snip>

>These lights were holding a "V" formation  
>according to witnesses.

Not according to all witnesses. At least one described several  
"V"s and others scattered around.

>I don't have a belief one way or another. As for the witnesses,  
>perhaps some were what you call believers and others were not.

Yes, that's always a possibility. Especially the woman who was  
convinced that she had seen a miracle.

<snip>

>It seems like your belief is that if something unusual is seen  
>in the sky, it must have a prosaic explanation.

Yees... That's a reasonable way to start. Good Lord, Bill, if  
you didn't do that you would have Flying Saucers everywhere.

>Have you ever found any sighting that you could not  
>explain?

Sure, Kenneth Arnold's. Actually, I haven't decided yet,  
whether it was a meteor, birds or a mirage (a long-time favorite  
of mine and old Doc Menzel). I just keep trying.

The difference between my approach and yours is that you assume  
that every little light in the sky that the witnesses can't  
identify must be a UFO, where I assume that the witness just  
doesn't recognize what they're looking toward. See, then you can  
start with a list like, Planets, Stars, airplanes, etc.

Your list seems to start with, UFOs, spaceships, etc.

Clear skies,

Bob Young

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## Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Sparks

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>>>>>What if the Roswell story falls, as I believe is in  
>>>>>the process of happening?

>>>>>It won't happen because of Pflock's book. Read some paragraphs  
>>>>>from it in the bookstore on Friday. Same old Mogul balloon  
>>>>>hypothesis (not a certainty at all). He criticizes testimony  
>>>>>that doesn't agree with his conclusions and supports testimony  
>>>>>he believes does.

>>Bill,

>>How is it that there is any testimony in Pflock's book that  
>>conflicts with his conclusions? Why does he let that stuff in  
>>there?

>He gives little space to anomalous descriptions. Have you read  
>June Crain's testimony? She saw the material at Wright-Patterson.  
>Her testimony about shape memory and uncuttable metal is similar  
>to other testimony. I don't think Karl gave such testimony  
>much attention.

Hi Bill,

I think you're being very unfair to Pflock. He has an entire  
25-page chapter on the descriptions and identifications of the  
Roswell debris and further discussion and quotes throughout the  
book, plus an extremely valuable 50 pages of verbatim  
transcripts and affidavits from Marcel and others filled with  
descriptions of the Roswell material. So what are you saying,  
that he should have written an entire book on Roswell Debris?  
Then what happens to all the other aspects of Roswell, the Frank

Kaufmann and Glenn Dennis, Ragsdale and other stories, the bodies, the recovery operations, etc. etc.????

He goes into great detail on "anomalous descriptions" or are you just relying on the distorted and error-filled review instead of reading the book?

Isn't the June Crain story something just recently surfaced by the Woods? If her story is admittedly "similar" to other accounts, which Karl covers in his book, then nothing has been missed as far as descriptions are concerned. There had to be a cutoff point somewhere in finishing the book otherwise it'd never get published.

>>>Then why are the images of the debris in Ramey's office photos >>>not consistent with that of a Mogul balloon. Why does Sheridan >>>Cavitt still stick to the weather balloon story?

>>>No, I think Pflock's book will just follow Kal Korff's book to >>>the graveyard of unsold books.

>>I think you're wrong. I'll have more on this soon.

>OK, Brad, so you say. However, why is it the Mogul staff had no >concern for the recovery of the physical materials. Where they >floated off to did not seem to interest the Mogul personnel. >Flight 8 was aloft about 3 hours before touching down about 20 >miles from the base and nothing from this flight was recovered. >Only 20 miles away and no one bothered to pick it up.

You're just getting this from the book review. What does this have to do with the Mogul explanation? It has nothing to do with it. It has to do with the Mogul coverup claim not the explanation for the debris. You and others keep driving this fanatical either/or situation -- it has to be either Mogul or an anomaly/spaceship and you can't seem to consider the possibility of both.

>There are >other reasons why the Mogul explanation fails and if this is >proven, then Karl's book is so much waste paper.

It will certainly not be "so much waste paper." How ironic that one of the great contributions possibly even a breakthrough in Roswell research is treated so shabbily and Karl Pflock condemned and treated as an enemy to be destroyed. Read my long post on this coming soon, assuming I'm not vilified and damned to hell beforehand. I predict no one will be happy with it from either side.

Brad

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>>ROSWELL: Inconvenient Facts and the Will to Believe

>>by Karl Pflock

>>reviewed by Mac Tonnies

>To Mark Tonnies and the List

>Before you fall completely in the "skeptic's corner" on Roswell,  
>at least read the brilliant critic of the book made  
>by Robert Durant, just published in the review of Cufos,

Good points but hardly "brilliant," it is intermixed with huge errors and it is very poorly documented considering the 12 "dense" pages it takes up in IUR, not citing a single page number of Pflock's book, thus forcing the reader to waste time having to go through the entire book in many cases to find the quotes and obscure references - fortunately Karl's book has an index, which helps. The critique regrettably delves into really needless personal jabs without any appreciation for the great work that Karl Pflock has done in giving us his unique perspective of once being pro-Roswell and now anti-Roswell but still pro-UFO, where he presents both the pro-UFO evidence as well as the anti-Roswell evidence - however imperfectly and subject to criticism and however much we may disagree with Karl's conclusions based on this evidence.

Durant presents point after point of pro-UFO anomalous evidence straight out of Pflock's book without any consciousness of the irony involved in him doing so from the work he describes as following certain infamous "forebears in debunking," and only in the very last paragraph does he make a grudging acknowledgment of the irony. (See partial list of pro-UFO or pro-Roswell evidence in Pflock's book below.)

Pro-UFO evidence quoted or cited from Pflock's book by Durant (with pages numbers from Pflock's book supplied by me, not given by Durant):

1. Unusual properties of recovered material ("would not tear," "would not burn," "too strong to break," "resisted being cut," etc.). (pp. 152-3)
2. CIC/OSI agent Lewis Rickett reportedly handled a "very thin, very light sheet material which 'looked like metal,' was about two feet square and slightly curved, and which he could not bend, even with great effort." (p. 153)

(This report seems to be the origin of unbelievable hearsay claim by Marcel that some unnamed military man tried to sledgehammer a large piece and couldn't damage it.)

3. Testimony of Gen Swancutt and newspaper editor McQuiddy that Blanchard confided to them privately that something very unusual and significant had been found at Roswell. (p. 96)

4. Testimony of various CIC/OSI agents on something unusual being covered up.

5. William Woody's account of a military roadblock of the road north of Roswell.

Again, these are just the points of pro-UFO evidence that Durant quotes or cites from Pflock's book. There is much more pro-UFO data in Pflock's book besides this and I can only touch on some of it here.

Although Pflock reaches negative conclusions on Roswell - as I would have a little over a year ago having been a Roswell skeptic since 1978 - he does have an escape hatch on p. 211 n. 12:

"... quiet work independent of RPIT is underway, with very preliminary results demonstrating that RPIT's 'interpretations' definitely are off the mark, but that something interesting and perhaps surprising may be teased out of the Ramey message."

So "something interesting and perhaps surprising" may still come out of the Roswell case according to Pflock, and unbeknownst to Durant.

Pflock's book is an excellent work of scholarship, one of the traits of true scholarship being that the fair presentation of evidence on both sides allows one to independently sift through the evidence and arrive at different conclusions. Yes, Karl missed a few pro-Roswell points and understated things here and there (as I will point out), but he also presented tremendously important pro-UFO evidence that something unusual really did happen at Roswell in 1947 which if he was the diabolical debunker as he is being portrayed he could easily have suppressed.

For example, Karl presents the extremely provocative testimony of several AFOSI/CIC agents through an investigation he undertook with the Association of Former OSI Special Agents (pp. 113-7). He concludes that there is "less than meets the eye" here because of memory problems or errors but I look at the evidence from agents Zimmerman, Bethart, O'Brien and Miller and I find it quite disturbing and not subject to dismissal. The facts and reasoning Karl uses to reject the testimony of Zimmerman and Maj. O'Brien are flatly in error factually and logically, the green fireball investigation is grossly misrepresented, and thus the testimony about Lincoln LaPaz's reported involvement in investigating Roswell in 1947 remains intact, to say nothing of the fact it correlates with other data I cannot discuss at present.

If the world renowned meteoriticist Lincoln LaPaz investigated Roswell in 1947 then that is tremendously disturbing for us Roswell skeptics. He was then, in effect, the world's leading UFO investigator from his decades of meteor fireball investigations, which honed his mathematician skills in deriving solar orbits of meteors and triangulating impact sites for recovering meteorites by interviewing witnesses - those hated numbskulls always derided by debunkers, yet somehow LaPaz usually got accurate enough data to actually find meteorites from it, even though it was like looking for a needle in a haystack. He developed the ability to evaluate eyewitness testimony and determine what was the most accurate, what was less accurate and what was worthless.

Now think about what that means, think real hard, especially the part about "deriving solar orbits." If, and I admit it is a big "if," if the government thought there was a crash or explosion of a vehicle or maybe to generalize this a bit, a "something" from outer space and it had no way to determine its origin from what mundane evidence it may or may not have had in hand, who

could possibly be able to determine the point of origin in outer space from other data, from eyewitness data? Who had the unique skills to extract the requisite data by interrogation?

Do you suppose that in 1947 someone in authority at the AAF who knew LaPaz, who by the way had a TOP SECRET clearance with the Army/AAF, might have thought it was just possible that LaPaz could reconstruct a solar orbit for a UFO or flying disc if he got sufficient data? Never mind whether today in 2001 that might seem silly or impossible because we think of interstellar flight rather than interplanetary now, the question is whether someone in the military back then in 1947 might have thought this was a good idea based on what they knew of LaPaz's peculiar specialty of calculating meteor orbits from eyewitness data. It is irrelevant whether LaPaz succeeded or not, I'm only talking about whether he might have been brought in for this.

Who on earth at that time would have been a better expert than LaPaz in taking eyewitness data and tracing back trajectories to points of origin literally in outer space? No one! Certainly not solar astrophysicist Menzel who despised laymen eyewitnesses and probably never did a bit of meteorite hunting in his life (no doubt that can be checked). Who would already have the necessary security clearances? Who was already located in New Mexico? Who was already known to AAF and security agencies in New Mexico? Who is known to have been in the Corona, N.M., area on July 10, 1947?

We know where LaPaz was at 4:47 in the afternoon of Thursday, July 10, 1947, two days after the Roswell story burst into the world news: He was driving on a road or highway north of Corona, a long way from home in Albuquerque! He said he and his family were driving from Clovis to Clines Corners when they sighted a Daylight Disc UFO - not a green fireball at night, but a real honest-to-goodness UFO, high speed and highly maneuverable. He doesn't say what highways or roads or possible detours he might have taken along the way from Clovis to Clines Corners and strangely omits giving his actual location at the time of the sighting which is extremely bizarre for the careful scientist LaPaz was - it suggests he was unwilling to reveal his exact location for some reason. It's the only defect in an otherwise scientifically precise, airtight UFO case, one of the best cases of all time. No explanation what they were doing in Clovis in the middle of the week 6 days after the 4th of July holiday - just the one word "vacationing" would suffice but it's not mentioned.

News reports place LaPaz in Oklahoma when the Roswell story broke on July 8, as he was traveling around doing meteorite hunting. The main highway leading from Oklahoma directly to LaPaz's home in Albuquerque was almost a straight line running east-west (look on a map) in 1947 and this was the famous Route 66. But Clovis was way off Route 66 to the south. Why did LaPaz detour to Clovis from a straightline back home with a car packed with wife and kids?

Why did LaPaz pick these two towns, Clovis and Clines Corners, over 150 road miles apart instead of specifying his actual location at the sighting, just the name of one town and his distance? Why didn't he take the most direct route back to Route 66 from Clovis, which would be to go through Ft. Sumner then rejoin Route 66 near Santa Rosa - a full 50 miles before he would have gotten to Clines Corners? In that case he would have said he was driving from Clovis to Santa Rosa, not Clovis to Clines Corners. (See the 1947 map in Pflock's book endpapers. This makes more sense when one studies it carefully on a map as if you're planning the trip as your own.)

Why on earth did LaPaz take this 100-mile detour in the first place, going straight southwest apparently from Amarillo, Tex., directly into Clovis, N.M., from Route 66? Another 100 miles or so in the same southwest direction on a straight-line road, Hwy 70, takes you from Clovis directly into - ROSWELL. Here seems to be the reason for choosing Clovis: By going through Clovis he would save almost 80 miles of travel to get to Roswell, instead of continuing on Route 66 then going directly south from a turnoff near Santa Rosa.

If LaPaz had indeed taken a detour to Roswell then Hwy 285 takes him most conveniently back to Route 66 and the junction would then have to be Clines Corners rather than Santa Rosa (once

again saving nearly 50 miles' travel this time). This is the most direct Roswell detour route off of Route 66, and Clovis and Clines Corners are the most logical New Mexico takeoff points for a Roswell detour, saving more than 120 miles total. Had LaPaz said he was driving from a place in Texas (Amarillo) to a place in New Mexico (Clines Corners) it might have drawn attention to the fact that he was obviously withholding the exact location for some reason.

And Hwy 285 of course is the road one has to take to get to the Brazel debris field, and it's the scene of reported military roadblocks. (Pflock pp. 27, 44, 60, etc.)

It is possible that LaPaz belatedly used a family vacation trip and meteorite hunt as a cover for Roswell-related interviewing - clearly he took his family along for meteorite hunting at least (what kind of "vacation" [my word] could that be anyway, taking a entire family of four out into the Texas Panhandle in the blistering heat of July?). LaPaz might have decided to contact the military while on this trip to Oklahoma on unrelated business and offer his assistance, after he was contacted by reporters about the flying discs sightings in the news. Maybe a detour to Roswell was suggested to him. Maybe he suggested it.

Or LaPaz might have been brought in by the military initially without a thought of trajectories but merely to canvass neighboring communities to find out how much eyewitnesses may have seen since he was known to be good at doing that (and might be less obtrusive than stiff-necked GI's who would scare people and attract too much attention, whereas LaPaz was reportedly quite accustomed to giving out cover stories, such as "investigating an aircraft accident," Pflock p. 113, or perhaps a "meteorite hunt"). LaPaz may have then been the one to suggest to the military that if he could get sufficient witness data to determine a velocity and a direction (radiant) he might be able to project a trajectory out into space. Either way.

Even the now skeptical Karl is forced to admit it is "possible" LaPaz was involved in the Roswell investigation (p. 113).

Sure, this isn't proof that LaPaz went to Roswell but his odd statement giving a 150-mile Clovis-Clines Corners route instead of giving his exact sighting location on July 10, 1947, is unaccountable for this meticulously detailed scientist, very suspicious, and fits the logical travel route for a detour to Roswell that is concealed between the Clovis-Clines Corners place names - and he certainly had to pass close to Corona by any interpretation. The fact he kept this daylight UFO sighting so private for so long, never bringing it up in the course of his green fireball investigations and reports about which he was so outspoken - in contrast to his silence about the UFO which was revealed only reluctantly and anonymously - is indicative of hiding something more than just a sighting.

I plotted the trajectory of a Roswell UFO back into outer space using the most detailed sighting data available, the Wilmots' sighting of July 2, 1947, with the SE-NW path. No one else has ever done this before so far as we know unless LaPaz did it. A horizontal flight path projects back to somewhere near the constellation Capricorn in outer space, at very roughly 21 hrs (RA) -30° (Dec), the most important point of which is that it is reasonably and surprisingly close to the ecliptic, the plane of the earth's orbit around the sun as well as the plane of most of the planets in our solar system, and the error margins are large enough it might actually be right on the ecliptic. It's a bit surprising because if it was just random it could come from any direction. If LaPaz discovered this in 1947 it might have suggested either a natural phenomenon such as a meteor or possibly the flight path of an interplanetary vehicle which of course would most likely come from the direction of a planet on the ecliptic plane. HMMMMM. Just trying to reconstruct what LaPaz might have discovered if he had tried to derive an orbital trajectory from the Roswell events, and what he might have told authorities. No one else has ever reconstructed this.

The very fact that I can make my independent evaluation of this evidence is a tribute to the great job Karl has done of fairly presenting the evidence here. Again, if Karl Pflock was the evil debunker why did he spend 5 pages presenting this OSI/CIC evidence which he could just simply have omitted and no one would have been the wiser - least of all Durant who doesn't even

mention it and misses its significance? (Among other things, the testimony of the AFOSI/CIC agents is in a different class because they were responsible for plugging security leaks and enforcing security, hence anything they reveal is going to be reluctantly given up, as witness the continuing facile lies from Cavitt 47 years after the fact.)

Durant sets up an erroneous strawman right at the outset. He claims that Pflock's "Mogul thesis" in summary form begins as follows:

"Mogul was so exotic in construction that Marcel and Blanchard concluded its debris was extraterrestrial."

Huh? Where is THAT anywhere in Pflock's book? As far as I can tell according to Pflock (p. 96) there is one report from Blanchard's first wife that he thought the material might be "Russian." Nothing about ET's. But Durant goes on with his caricature of Pflock's thesis:

"Blanchard, in a paroxysm typical of his 'loose cannon' personality, ordered a press release claiming his staff found an extraterrestrial device."

Huh? Are we on the same planet? Is this the "brilliant" critique or one so dulled it blacks out the facts?

I cannot find anywhere that Karl claims Blanchard's alleged "loose cannon" attitude led him to jump to an ET conclusion, but as usual Durant gives no page number references. I will get to Durant's valid criticisms further on, particularly about the Mogul thesis that security was required to cover up the Mogul debris found.

Durant next complains that "the logical way to write a book about Roswell" would begin by making a "very careful comparison of the materials comprising the Mogul arrays with the testimony of witnesses who handled the 'flying disk' materials" but that "Unfortunately, Pflock does not take this clear path."

Huh? He doesn't? From about pages 159 to 167, or over some 8 pages or so, Karl does just that - makes careful comparisons of the Mogul components with the witnesses' reports. And he does this after separately discussing the various Mogul configurations from about pages 147 to 149 and again from 155 to 157, and then separately discussing the UFO witnesses' testimony on pages 152 to 154, before combining and comparing the two sets of data, which seems eminently fair if not a bit redundant. Others complain that Karl supposedly doesn't discuss it enough! Pflock also refers to his plates showing photos, diagrams and drawings of the Mogul arrays and components. Now, we can certainly criticize Pflock's presentation for incompleteness and errors. (For example, he completely mangles Bessie Brazel's descriptions, consistently withholding her references to a "double-sided" "foil-rubber" material, p. 277, by dissecting the material into separate foil and rubber - omitting the "rubber" part in one place, p. 162, even dotting out the words "rubber-like" from a direct quote on p. 163, and omitting the "foil-like" part in another, p. 159, when in fact she never separates the two. But he mitigates this error or distortion by presenting equivalent testimony from others, see below.) Yet Pflock certainly did carry out the "logical way to write a book about Roswell" that Durant wants.

What I find especially odd and disturbing is the impressive array of evidence that Pflock pulls together, however incompletely with the mangling of Bessie Brazel's testimony, (which Durant totally misses) that points consistently to a "foil-fabric" or "foil-rubber" "double-sided" material being found. This is especially interesting in light of the discussion and investigation by Dave Rudiak on possible nanotechnology fabric-like materials, which he has discussed here on UFO UpDates recently.

Judging by Pflock's presentation, no one ever reported seeing or handling a Mogul radar reflector material made of double-sided "foil-paper" or aluminized paper. Foil-paper was not an unusual combination at all then or now as it was and is widely used in chewing gum and cigarette wrappers - an absolutely indisputable fact of American life in 1947 and in 2001. Foil-paper should have been instantly recognized by

everyone who saw and/or felt the material. The press reports should have described or quoted witnesses describing a gum-wrapper-like foil-paper material yet not a single one to my knowledge mentions any paper backing or metallized paper found by Brazel. That every single witness quoted by Pflock including AP reporter Kellahin describes a "foil-fabric" instead of a Mogul "foil-paper" material is bizarre and unaccountable. (Of course, "foiled-cloth" material doesn't sound very spacecraft-like, but that wasn't the only thing unusual found.)

From Pflock's book, and please note he repeatedly cites or quotes this testimony, it's not just passed over quickly or briefly, in fact he takes over half a page quoting Whitmore Jr. alone (I won't quote it all here of course):

"Sallye Tadolini described a piece of 'fabric' Bill Brazel showed her, which was 'about the thickness of very fine kidskin leather and a dull metallic grayish silver' in color." (p. 153)

Whitmore Jr.: "Most of what I found was white, linen-like cloth with reflective tinfoil attached to one side.... One of the larger pieces of foiled cloth, measuring about 8 by 12 inches, had writing on the cloth side.... I collected some of the foiled-cloth material...."

(p. 154)

AP reporter Jason Kellahin "told me he saw 'pieces of silver colored fabric, perhaps aluminized cloth.'" (p. 163)

Despite Pflock quoting literally pages of witness testimony to unusual material properties in the Roswell debris throughout his book and repeatedly reciting it to the point of redundancy (AP reporter Kellahin's description of the material is quoted twice on the same page, p. 153), and presenting an extremely valuable collection of 50 pages of witness interview transcripts and affidavits, Durant makes the incredibly baseless charge that:

"The refusal to consider anomalistic characteristics in the debris explains why throughout the book the witness testimony is compressed and paraphrased to the point of distortion."

What the hell else should Karl have done, quoted a full page each and every time???? No single witness ever gave such lengthy descriptions of the recovered material that could be so quoted anyway. Karl quotes over half a page from Walt Whitmore Jr. which Durant admits, yet still goes on to charge Karl with "compression and paraphrase to the point of distortion."

Apparently Durant's Exhibit A in the case against Pflock on this allegedly pervasive "compression and distortion" is the testimony of OSI/CIC agent Lewis Rickett. But Durant is completely confused. He apparently doesn't realize that the passage from Pflock that he considers "compressed and distorted" is talking about the foil-like material, not the long thin piece of metal. Two different things.

He thinks Pflock was being unfair because he supposedly failed to do more than "selectively summarize to the point of obscuring the testimony" in the transcript of a Rickett interview, where Rickett states "it can't be plastic ... it just flat feels like metal, but I said, I never saw a piece of metal that thin, that you can't bend!" Durant goads the reader, "Compare this with Pflock's version." Okay.

As I previously quoted, Pflock's book states that Rickett reportedly handled a "very thin, very light sheet material which 'looked like metal,' was about two feet square and slightly curved, and which he could not bend, even with great effort." (p. 153)

Pflock's version has much more scientific detail than Durant's overly long quote (which I trimmed for reasons of space and relevancy, omitting nothing pertinent here). Pflock gives the dimensions ("about two feet square"). Durant does not. Pflock mentions the slight curvature of the metal. Durant does not. (The curvature could be suggestive of the hull of a vehicle of some kind and is obviously of tremendous potential importance, being the only such report from Roswell known, I think.) Of the two it's Durant who



"compressed and paraphrased to the point of distortion."

>the International UFO Reporter (IUR, Spring 2001), under the title ;  
>"Project Mogul. Still a flight of fancy".  
>If you don't know that review, here is the address:  
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>After carefull reading, I think that the twelve its dense pages  
>expose clearly the sophisticated rethoric used by Karl Pflock.

I don't see any "sophisticated rhetoric." He states the evidence for both sides and then gives his (negative) evaluation. It's very unsophisticated, straightforward and commendable. If you disagree, state your reasons, point out where Karl is in error or has omitted important evidence, without demonizing him in the process. But simple courtesy and fairness dictates that you also give him credit for doing a fair job where he has done so instead of trying to create a bandwagon against him as if he is some kind of enemy to be destroyed.

>I think that Durant has chosen the right angle, which is to  
>focus on the strong witnesses and put aside the weak ones. Of  
>course, Pflock does exactly the opposite, as Durant demonstrates  
>in his article.

How do you determine who are the "strong witnesses"? Are they simply the ones who agree with your position?

You claim that Durant focuses on strong evidence. But he makes frivolous arguments about Pflock such as the following, nitpicking on a quote from Pflock. pp. 154-5:

"The best we get from Pflock about the Mogul materials is this: 'We now know volumes about the activities of the NYU balloon-project team in New Mexico and the types of equipment and materials they used in their flight arrays, key elements of it absolutely unique.' The reader will search in vain for an elaboration of his critically important claim of 'absolutely unique' physical properties. Please, Mr. Pflock! Not only unique, but absolutely unique, then not a word of explanation, when all those volumes are in the open literature, thanks to the Air Force and the Government Printing Office."

Oh come now Mr. Durant! Use a little more reading comprehension, please! Or is this a game where you insist Pflock must use the exact words "absolutely unique" otherwise you refuse to recognize it? Here are a few apparently obvious "absolutely unique" elements of the early Mogul balloon arrays:

1. "Aluminum collars about four inches around" described by Bessie Brazel (Pflock p. 160) which correspond to the aluminum rings C. B. Moore's team cut from 3-4-inch tubing and used to keep the nylon lines from snarling. These would be "absolutely unique" because Moore's group invented them to solve a problem with their unique balloon arrays.
2. Flower-imprinted tape on the ML-307B radar reflectors seemingly added to reinforce the connection between the foil-paper and the balsa struts in response to the Mogul project's needs or request (?). (Pflock pp. 161-4) I may be wrong about whether the tape was added uniquely for Mogul, I do not have days and weeks to spend researching items like this. No doubt someone will correct me in the most insulting way possible.
- s3. Bakelite plastic ballasts filled with sand for controlling the constant level height of the balloon array, an "absolutely unique" characteristic of the balloon arrays not to be found anywhere else since no one else was trying to maintain constant heights for such balloons. (Pflock pp. 153, 160)
4. Metal box possibly used to carry instruments, or the sonobuoy which would be unique to Mogul. (For some reason Karl does not cite the testimony to a Thermos-like cylinder which would match much better with the sonobuoy.)

>I am afraid that Pflock's rethoric is going to be very effective  
>because he works so well on the weak witnesses,

What "rhetoric"? See above. I don't want to have to repeat myself.

>such as Gerald  
>Anderson (sorry fo Stan Friedman), Glenn Dennis, Jim Ragsdale  
>(everybody agrees on their weaknes), and Frank Kaufmann (sorry  
>for Kevin Randle). In addition to that, Pflock cleverly puts in  
>doubt the best ones, even erasing the most important points,  
>such as descriptions on the strange debris.

I see no "cleverness" in Pflock's text. It's just straightforward presentation and reasoning. You make him out to be some kind of master of deceit who hypnotizes his readers with dazzling displays of twisted argument and trickery. If anything, his negative conclusions are quite superficial and almost unrelated to the material he is evaluating - peel them off like the hokey-looking film layers on the AA alien eyeballs and paste over your own conclusions. I would almost suspect Karl wrote it in this way so that differing conclusions could easily be reached, maybe even so he could get the book past Prometheus so they would publish it and later he would be able to quickly "correct" it.

>I have not read yet the book of Pflock (you are a fast reader),  
>but many of his arguments are already well known. For instance,  
>when I had a discussion with him in 1995 at the Mufon symposium  
>in Seattle, he told me that Colonel Blanchard was a "loose  
>cannon". He added that Blanchard had become a four star General  
>only because he was protected by General Curtis LeMay. Of course  
>we find these preposterous arguments in the book, as noted by  
>Bob Durant.

I disagree with Karl on Blanchard. It seems totally unbelievable to me that Blanchard could make Vice Chief of Staff of the USAF if he had the reputation of a "loose cannon." I reject that anonymous comment as totally unsubstantiated - substantiation should come in the form of documented instances of "loose cannon" behavior by Blanchard. I cannot believe either that Blanchard authorized the Haut press release on his own authority without clearing it with Washington first - it was on a subject of national controversy in the daily news headlines, it's sheer madness to think he didn't coordinate it with AAF HQ. That doesn't mean Washington wrote it though changes in wording might have been made (over the telephone, I don't see it as something necessarily coordinated by telex).

However, I find Durant's comments on this point poorly argued and you and he both ignore the fact that Karl contrasted his negative opinion of Blanchard, from one admittedly anonymous general, with specific positive supporting evidence from named testimony by three different people including a named general, Gen. Swancutt, as well as journalist McQuiddy and Blanchard's first wife, all testifying to Blanchard telling them in 1947 that there was something very strange at Roswell.

Pflock quotes McQuiddy who said Blanchard told him about Oct-Nov 1947:

"The stuff I saw, I've never seen anyplace else in my life."  
(Pflock pp. 96, 266-7)

Karl gives no explanation for this troublesome pro-Roswell testimony and doesn't even try to reject it, he just does his duty and sets it out for the reader. That seems pretty fair, all things considered. One could hope for a more coherent handling of the pro-Roswell evidence scattered throughout Pflock's book, but hey he got it past Prometheus! That has to be something of an achievement.

>The same mecanism of reduction is at work for Major Marcel, who  
>becomes a kind of fool, unable to recognize a cluster of  
>balloons when he sees one.

That's a very good point. No amount of disparagement of Marcel for exaggerating and falsifying his background can explain away why he along with Gen. Ramey, Maj. Kirton and everyone else - backed up by the 1947 FBI telex I discovered in 1979 and the interviews in the Reuters dispatch - supposedly could not

recognize weather balloons and radar reflectors right from the start. If anyone had been unfamiliar with radar foil reflectors then they were not going to think any such Mogul debris was a spacecraft but an odd kite made out of foil-paper chewing gum wrappers. Also, I do not believe Newton's 47-year-old testimony in 1994 claiming that Marcel back in 1947 tried to convince him there were "alien writings" on the stick debris (p. 162). That sounds like contaminated testimony and it conflicts with other, less contaminated testimony from 1978 that Marcel didn't seriously consider ETH until UFO researchers convinced him it was a possibility (p. 179).

Another good point Durant makes is that the 2-inch wide plastic tape with the flowers is nowhere to be seen in the photos of the debris in Ramey's office, no tape of any kind is seen.

I still have not heard any explanation for the issue raised by Loren Gross as to how come there is no brown dirt visible all over the Roswell debris from days or weeks in the desert, especially on the clean white paper backing seen in the photos in Ramey's office. (The fact that foil-paper is apparently never described by the witnesses but rather foil-cloth, as well as the apparent cleanness of the photographed debris and lack of any tape, supports the idea of some kind of a "switch" of the debris in Ramey's office - Brazel's dirty desert debris being substituted in whole or in part with a cleaner batch of debris from some other source.)

>Why was he praised so much, before and after Roswell, by Colonel Blanchard and General Ramey? (Perhaps Ramey was a fool, too? >Dangerous Air Force!!).

>May I add a personal comment, along the same line as Durant.  
>There is another key witnesses: the man who spent the all day on  
>the debris field with Marcel: Captain Sheridan Cavitt. When  
>interviewed by Colonel Weaver for the Air Force in 1994, (the 30  
>pages interview is in the AF Roswell Report), Cavitt stuck to  
>the first "explanation", the one of an ordinary weather balloon.

If Cavitt's testimony is 30 pages long that would explain why Pflock doesn't include it with all the 1 or 2 or 3-page affidavits he does include in his book - it was just too long for the very limited value it has, contrary to Durant who makes some big point of its omission as if some kind of major coverup by Pflock.

>If the purpose had been, in 1947, to protect the top-secret Mogul balloons, in 1994 Cavitt did not have to do that any more!  
>If that's what he had found, he should have said to Weaver: "Oh yes, I remember now, the cluster of balloons, radar targets reinforced with flower decorated tape, instruments etc." But  
>no, he did not find that, only a miserable weather balloon.

>If only Cavitt had been willing to vouch for the Mogul story, that would have probably put an end to the Roswell case. Instead of that, when Weaver asked him his opinion of Karl Pflock, he replied: "He's our chief debunker. I lean toward him".

What an insult to Phil Klass! If Karl Pflock is the AF's "chief debunker" what does that make Phil? Too bad Karl does such a horribly bad job of it that his masterpiece of alleged debunkery, this Roswell book, contains some of the most convincing and compelling evidence that something unusual did happen at Roswell, evidence that should never have seen the light of day if Karl was truly a sinister agent of the great conspiracy. Everywhere I turn in Karl's book I find troubling evidence of something very mysterious at Roswell. To me this is the best case for Roswell ever put forward to date, because among other things, it isn't laden down with all the dubious and incredible wild stories and has been sifted by a very critical eye. If this much pro-UFO evidence survives Pflock's sober scrutiny to reach the pages of his book, that makes it all the more credible in my view.

Durant makes a very good point, though not very cogently: What "secret" was there to protect with Mogul? The balloons and radar reflectors were lost all the time and no one on the Mogul project cared. The only press attention was that created by the AAF itself when it put out that press release from the 509th proudly announcing that the AAF had, in effect, solved the flying disc mystery and regained mastery of the skies over America once again. Skeptics are forced to explain this as a foulup, that the right hand of the AAF didn't know what the left

hand was doing, partly because of the alleged high-security and compartmentation of the Mogul project - which I dispute because it is inconceivable to me that the 509th would put out a press release on a subject of nationwide public impact without coordinating with AAF HQ in Washington.

But even if we ignore the 509th's press release, we are confronted with a very strange response documented by Pflock in his book (p. 150). Karl claims that the news coverage from the 509th's release threatened to compromise security of the project and that "physical evidence" of the Mogul balloons falling into the wrong hands would be an example of such a security breach requiring something to be done "to divert press and public attention." As Durant documents straight out of Pflock's book, the balloons and off-the-shelf equipment were innocuous and could not possibly expose the Top Secret purpose to which they were being put - which was to set up a system to monitor acoustic shock waves expected from future Soviet nuclear tests, and other intelligence items of interest. Even if one eavesdropped on the telemetry sent from some of the instrument packages it would not tell you what it was for or what was its significance.

There was precedent for the military to hold a press conference to try to "deflect" public attention away from a dangerous security leak. On June 7, 1942, the Chicago Tribune printed a story that the Navy knew in advance about the positions of the Japanese fleet at the Battle of Midway, thus exposing to the Japanese the fact that we had broken their naval codes. The Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Ernest King held a press conference to try to "deflect" attention away from a codebreak by suggesting other causes to explain the Tribune story. (Micahel Smith, The Emperor's Codes, 2001, p. 142.)

So what did the AAF do to supposedly keep "the secret of Project Mogul ... safe" according to Pflock? The AAF held a press conference in New Mexico the next day, July 9, 1947, to announce to all the world the identity and location of the "high-security" (Pflock's words p. 146) New Jersey military laboratory responsible for launching the (Top Secret Mogul) balloons and the military command responsible for them and its location as well!

This AAF announcement identifying the "Watson Laboratories AMC experimental group for long range radar detection" (as quoted by Pflock) served to attract even more security-compromising attention by talking about not just "experimental radar" but specifically "long range radar" which put it into the most highly sensitive category of radar development at that time.

Thus, the multiple Soviet spy rings then known by security authorities to be operating in both New Mexico and New Jersey were told by the AAF itself about the existence of a high-priority espionage target to turn their attention to, and were told who was involved and where to go!!!

How in the world did this protect Mogul security??? How did this "divert public and press attention"? By making up a cover story for Mogul referring to a high-priority target for Soviet espionage - long range experimental radar - this didn't "divert" attention but positively attracted it in a way that could result in Soviet agents concentrating more and more espionage resources to AMC Watson Labs at Red Bank, NJ, until they succeeded in uncovering the actual purpose of the Mogul balloons. Does this make any sense at all??? Even a loyal and patriotic press was still interested in top secret radar developments especially if the military was seemingly willing to reveal them, so how did that "divert" instead of attract attention from the press?

And Pflock has blocked any way out of this from the possible skeptical excuse "they just didn't know about supersecret Mogul at Alamogordo" by documenting the fact that Major W. D. Pritchard, who was the Watson Labs project officer at Alamogordo AAF who arranged the press conference and balloon launch demo, was fully "privy" to the Top Secret Mogul Project and "coordinated" with Mogul field chief Albert Crary. (p. 146) So no one can claim that this utterly unbelievable attention-getting show was done inadvertently and in ignorance of Mogul. And surely we're not going to be treated to the patently absurd idea that three supposedly Mogul-related AAF press conferences and releases in a row, the 509th's, Ramey's,

and Alamogordo's, were not coordinated with higher headquarters in Washington!!

So what is the meaning of all this? I think it is pretty clear, speaking as a Roswell skeptic who used to think Roswell was the biggest bunch of hogwash in UFO history. Thanks to Karl Pflock I am beginning to see new things. (As Durant says, it's a "dangerous book," alright but in a way entirely different than Durant or perhaps even Pflock intends.) The Alamogordo press conference was designed to divert attention alright, and the AAF was willing to risk compromise of this Priority 1A TOP SECRET Project Mogul in order to do so. What could possibly have been so important that the AAF would deliberately dangle Mogul out to the secret-hungry press and Soviet spy networks in a seemingly desperate effort to almost give away an ultra top secret to protect something else?

>Why did Cavitt refuse to support the Mogul story?  
>Possibly, he felt that his oath of secrecy did not compell  
>him to engage into a new, more elaborate lie.  
>The old one was good enough. The message was  
>then: "yes of course, we lied, and I will stick to that".

Of course Cavitt lied his head off. What I think is interesting is this notion that the Secretary of the AIR FORCE in 1994 could release Cavitt, or anyone else serving in the ARMY in July 1947 at the time of the Roswell incident, from ARMY security oaths, or from security strictures imposed by any other agency in July 1947, before the AIR FORCE itself had even been created. This is laughable. The Secretary of the AIR FORCE would have no authority to clear or lift ARMY security restrictions. The whole issue of the difficulties with different agencies not respecting each other's security clearances is in the Washington news today, years and decades later because it still isn't fully resolved. All this great flourish with the SecAF makes a good show so long as one doesn't dig too deeply or ask too many questions.

>But who cares about the opinion of Lt Colonel Cavitt?  
>Karl Pflock knows better: he found a Mogul balloon train!

Maybe he did find a Mogul array. Did you stop to consider that a Mogul balloon array was found but along with something unusual? Did you think about the possibility that if there had been aerial recon that it surely would have turned up the lost Mogul flight in the area even if it hadn't already been found on the ground by Brazel? Did it ever occur to you that skeptics and proponents might both be right in large respects and that there is common ground in between?

One thing that Pflock reiterates throughout his book is the corrosive effect that crashed saucer - dead alien tales have had in the Roswell controversy. What if the truth about Roswell is that something extraordinary did happen, but did not include dead aliens and War of the Worlds-type wrecked spaceships? What if the government discovered early on that the easiest way to deflect serious attention away from its UFO secrets was to salt stories with liberal doses of dead aliens and crumpled space vehicles? How hard would it be to spread such saucer-bodies rumors if the government wanted to do so? How hard would it be to deliberately contaminate body-less accounts of anomalous UFO evidence with pickled "aliens" and spacecraft? How hard would it be to stage a few hush-hush "crash saucer" classified government conferences, show a few carefully staged movies, pass around some cleverly misrepresented classified documents, especially when no public or press scrutiny is possible because of the security restrictions?

These sensational morsels about alien skin color, eating habits, body shape, etc., seize people's attention and crowd out the less interesting (but more accurate or truthful) details of anomalies, mysteries, extraordinary unexplained incidents. The truth isn't protected by a "bodyguard of lies," but by a bodybag of alien corpses. If the government had a program of discrediting genuine leaks with alien tales, wouldn't we expect to find a suspiciously high rate of well-placed military and defense personnel, even the very patriotic last-person-on-earth-we'd-expect-to-tell-tall-tales types, telling very strange tales such as these, mixed in with seemingly sober material, all done with a straight face? Wouldn't we expect that whenever focus on alien baloney begins

to wane that suddenly a new initiative appears out of nowhere to revive it once again, presenting new spine-tingling promises of full disclosure of the alien bodies? Scully, Newton, Ike's visit to Edwards, Hangar 18, Emenegger, MJ-12, Area 51, Corso, and Greer readily come to mind. If so, then the government has successfully polarized us into two warring camps each of which continue to unwittingly follow the government script, repeating the same plays over and over again, keeping us focused on what the government wants us focused on, neutralized and no threat to the government's secrets. And we mindlessly plunge on ahead oblivious to the manipulation and deception even when some try to sound a warning.

To sum up: Karl Pflock deserves our thanks and gratitude for the tremendous research effort he put into his Roswell book and for revealing a lot of very "inconvenient facts" - inconvenient to both sides of the Roswell debate including himself. His book is a worthy work of scholarship. He deserves a fair hearing and honest criticism. He doesn't deserve to be vilified as some kind of devious debunker or coverup conspirator. We can disagree with his conclusions, as I have and as Bob Durant and others have, but we cannot ignore the wealth of factual evidence Karl has given us that enables us to reach our own, differing conclusions. Pflock's book is the second great shock that has recently shattered my long-held Roswell skepticism.

Brad Sparks

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Jesse Ventura Talks UFOs

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APPLE VALLEY, Minn. (AP) - UFOs? Why not?

"You look at the vast array of stars up there and we're to believe we're the only life?" Gov. Jesse Ventura said Friday. "I don't think so. ... There's got to be somebody else out there."

The comments came in reaction to a question from an audience member during Ventura's live weekly radio show, broadcast from the Minnesota Zoo.

Ventura said the federal government should disclose whatever it knows about aliens or unidentified flying objects to the public.

"That's called national security," he said. "People in government think you can't handle it and you need to be protected from it."

"Personally, I've never seen a UFO. I can't say that I have," Ventura said. "But do they exist? Who knows?"

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Glowing Discs, Orbs & Strange Beings Around Ontario

08-11-01

Hello,

I'm a police constable for the OPP (Ontario Provincial Police) and I am taking a huge risk to deliver this information to you. For the past three months there have been very unusual things happening around the local areas I work in. This is the first time ever that things of this nature have been reported in this area.

All police agencies in this area were ordered not to release or acknowledge the reports being made, orders came in from main HQ. Reports are now being sent in to the military so I was only able to access and copy a few reports without being noticed. I have family in this area and I am very worried that something serious is going on in this area. This email was created for single time use, on a public computer...so don't bother replying to this email address.

Reports are below.

UFOs

June 28, 2001 9:30PM East of Arthur, Ont. Canada. 5 Witnesses

Event Description: A orange glowing object was seen hovering 100 metres above a small wooded area. The object began to glow brighter and vanished. Five minutes later the object reappeared in the same spot and began moving until it was no longer visible.

June 30, 2001 7:00PM Hwy.9 (From Grand Valley to Palmerston).  
Multiple Witnesses (including 2 highway patrol officers)

Event Description: Motorists travelling to cottages for the long weekend holiday witnessed five glowing orange circular/disc shaped objects flying in formation along Hwy.9. Objects were flying just above the tree level. Objects were described as being large (length of six vehicles).

July 4, 2001 2:00PM North of Drayton, Ont. 4 Witnesses

Event Description: Three metallic disc shaped objects were witnessed by four farmers working in the field. The objects were flying towards them at low altitude. The discs slowed down and hovered ten metres away from the farmers. The discs hovered for five minutes then continued on their previous course. The discs



were described as being 20ft in length. The witnesses also reported hearing a low humming sound.

July 10,2001 7:00PM Near Damascus (East of Arthur,Ont.) 3 Witnesses

Event Description: A triangular shaped object was witnessed hovering near the local marsh. The object appeared to be black in colour with three white lights at each corner. The object was described as being the size of a football field.

July 11,2001 6:00PM Palmerston, Ont. Multiple Witnesses

Event Description: A triangular shaped object was seen flying across the town. The object moved slowly above the local high school. It was described as being black with three lights and making no sound.

July 22.2001 11:00AM South East of Mount Forest, Ont. 1 Witness

Event Description: A farmer was travelling in his field aboard his tractor when he witnessed metallic objects in his field. Thinking it was garbage that someone had dumped he went closer to remove it. As he got closer he saw ten or more small metallic discs, the size of dinner plates, resting on his field. He described them as being very reflective like mirrors. When he got closer the discs began to hover and fly away in the opposite direction.

#### Unusual Events/Encounters

July 1,2001 8:00PM Near Damascus, Ont. 2 Witnesses

Event Description: A couple were riding their bikes along a wooded area, where they witnessed what they initially thought were a group of bears. As they got closer they noticed it was a group of tall humanoid shaped beings that were covered with brown hair. The beings appeared to be holding unusual devices. There were four beings present, they quickly fled into the wooded area after being spotted.

July 20,2001 9:30PM South of Fergus, Ont. 4 Witnesses

Event Description: Police were called in to monitor a "bush party" that was being held in a remote area. The police's duties were to monitor for underage drinking, impaired driving and keeping the peace. Until a unusual event was reported to them. A group of teenagers had wandered off in a wooded area. The teens then witnessed a unusual glow within the forest. Attempting to reach the source the teens ran into five beings. The teens observed from a distance without being spotted. They described the beings as looking like normal humans, except that they had pointed ears. They had short curly dark hair, they were normal height, and they wore white robed clothing. They appeared to be taking soil samples. The teens feared being caught so they left. After returning to the party the teens then reported it to the police monitoring the party. Two constables were taken to the site and only found a four inch circular hole in the ground that was five feet deep.

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>>OK, Brad, so you say. However, why is it the Mogul staff had no  
>>concern for the recovery of the physical materials. Where they  
>>floated off to did not seem to interest the Mogul personnel.  
>>Flight 8 was aloft about 3 hours before touching down about 20  
>>miles from the base and nothing from this flight was recovered.  
>>Only 20 miles away and no one bothered to pick it up. There are  
>>other reasons why the Mogul explanation fails and if this is  
>>proven, then Karl's book is so much waste paper.

Dear Bill, Denise... Dennis, sorry, All and EBK,

Bill, why do you not say Karl's last name in your tomb... tome?  
Might it be that you cannot say it without making a mistake in  
the pronunciation, or can it be that your spelling of the name  
"Flock" is off Kimber? Informed believers want to know.

>Bill,

>Go back and look at a population density map for New Mexico in  
>1947. No one ever expected that Mogul - or much other debris -  
>would ever be encountered by humans. That's why they (and  
>others) did the stuff where they did it. They expected the  
>landscape itself to absorb most of the evidence.

Horses potties... patooties... Dennis, the reason those thingies  
were done there in the first place, was not because of the dense  
population. There was very little population there. Harumpff!  
And there too.

>Why do you think Los Alamos and the 509th Bomb Group were  
>located where they were in the first place?

There you go ass ooming again. I told you that the population  
density was very low there and you keep saying some none sense  
about the dense population. Menace!

>As for 20 miles with roads and 20 miles without roads, there is  
>a world of difference. One reason why, I suspect, the Hub Corn  
>ranch has "caught on" as the location of the "official" crash  
>site: you can easily get there by car from Roswell, \$15 or so  
>per vehicle.

This ranch was just recently purchased by the Gripple Institoot  
for a song. I think it was the theme to the Godfadda what did  
it. Anyway, the new fee is \$50 per car. Deal with it.

>What if it weren't so easy? What if you couldn't necessarily get

>there from here? Do you forge your own roads?

Ah but you cannot get there from here, which is why we bought the farm. There.

>I can take you to a ranch in West Texas and tell you that a pot  
>of gold is "only" 20 miles away somewhere to the northwest.

There is nothing in West Texas. I remember flying into the town what Texas Instruments was in... nothing but dirt. Sand actually. We were making our approach to the airport when I suddenly screamed, "Oh my GOD we gonna crash...." when the Stu came over with a Scotch and told me (A) to shut the hell up and (B) that we were as the pilot just announced, making our approach to the airport.

When we landed I was compelled to wear that gas mask I always carry for just such emergencies. Take a deep breath and all's you get is sand. Every try breathing sand? Go to West Texas.

>And go to sleep perfectly content that you won't stumble across  
>it in this century or the next, using only available 1947  
>technology.

I promise to use 1947 technology if you promise to put that pot of gold there. (Heh, heh)

>No one bothered to pick up the debris from Flight 8, even though  
>it was only 20 miles away, because no one needed to or thought  
>it necessary. Had it come down at a highway intersection, that  
>might have been another matter. But it didn't. It came down in a  
>remote area where it could be conveniently ignored - and  
>allowed to deteriorate over time.

Just like me. I've deteriorated over time and in fact, as we speak, my body is rejecting me.

>And so did the Foster ranch episode occur - until Brazel  
>inadvertently stumbled across it.

>That's\_ what initiated the recovery and cover up, not any  
>built-in retrieval policy on the part of Project Mogul.

Mogul is not sold there. Neither is Fosters. Only Ballentine and the Three Ring Sign.

Deal with that too.

Con mucho gusto, I remain,

Prone

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>and I am taking a huge risk to deliver this information to you.  
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>happening around the local areas I work in. This is the first  
>time ever that things of this nature have been reported in this  
>area.

>All police agencies in this area were ordered not to release or  
>acknowledge the reports being made, orders came in from main HQ.  
>Reports are now being sent in to the military so I was only able  
>to access and copy a few reports without being noticed. I have  
>family in this area and I am very worried that something serious  
>is going on in this area. This email was created for single time  
>use, on a public computer...so don't bother replying to this  
>email address.

>Reports are below.

> UFOs

>June 28, 2001 9:30PM East of Arthur, Ont. Canada. 5 Witnesses

>Event Description: A orange glowing object was seen hovering 100  
>metres above a small wooded area. The object began to glow  
>brighter and vanished. Five minutes later the object reappeared  
>in the same spot and began moving until it was no longer  
>visible.

>June 30, 2001 7:00PM Hwy.9 (From Grand Valley to Palmerston).  
>Multiple Witnesses (including 2 highway patrol officers)

>Event Description: Motorists travelling to cottages for the long  
>weekend holiday witnessed five glowing orange circular/disc  
>shaped objects flying in formation along Hwy.9. Objects were  
>flying just above the tree level. Objects were described as  
>being large (length of six vehicles).

>July 4, 2001 2:00PM North of Drayton, Ont. 4 Witnesses

>Event Description: Three metallic disc shaped objects were  
>witnessed by four farmers working in the field. The objects were  
>flying towards them at low altitude. The discs slowed down and  
>hovered ten metres away from the farmers. The discs hovered for  
>five minutes then continued on their previous course. The discs

>were described as being 20ft in length. The witnesses also  
>reported hearing a low humming sound.

>July 10,2001 7:00PM Near Damascus (East of Arthur,Ont.) 3  
>Witnesses

>Event Description: A triangular shaped object was witnessed  
>hovering near the local marsh. The object appeared to be black  
>in colour with three white lights at each corner. The object was  
>described as being the size of a football field.

>July 11,2001 6:00PM Palmerston, Ont. Multiple Witnesses

>Event Description: A triangular shaped object was seen flying  
>across the town. The object moved slowly above the local high  
>school. It was described as being black with three lights and  
>making no sound.

>July 22.2001 11:00AM South East of Mount Forest, Ont. 1 Witness

>Event Description: A farmer was travelling in his field aboard  
>his tractor when he witnessed metallic objects in his field.  
>Thinking it was garbage that someone had dumped he went closer  
>to remove it. As he got closer he saw ten or more small metallic  
>discs, the size of dinner plates, resting on his field. He  
>described them as being very reflective like mirrors. When he  
>got closer the discs began to hover and fly away in the opposite  
>direction.

> Unusual Events/Encounters

>July 1,2001 8:00PM Near Damascus, Ont. 2 Witnesses

>Event Description: A couple were riding their bikes along a  
>wooded area, where the witnessed what they initially thought  
>were a group of bears. As they got closer they noticed it was a  
>group of tall humanoid shaped beings that were covered with  
>brown hair. The beings appeared to be holding unusual devices.  
>There were four beings present, they quickly fled into the  
>wooded area after being spotted.

>July 20,2001 9:30PM South of Fergus, Ont. 4 Witnesses

>Event Description: Police were called in to monitor a "bush  
>party" that was being held in a remote area. The police's duties  
>were to monitor for underage drinking, impaired driving and  
>keeping the peace. Until a unusual event was reported to them. A  
>group of teenagers had wandered off in a wooded area. The teens  
>then witnessed a unusual glow within the forest. Attempting to  
>reach the source the teens ran into five beings. The teens  
>observed from a distance without being spotted. They described  
>the beings as looking like normal humans, except that they had  
>pointed ears. They had short curly dark hair, they were normal  
>height, and they wore white robed clothing. They appeared to be  
>taking soil samples. The teens feared being caught so they left.  
>After returning to the party the teens then reported it to the  
>police monitoring the party. Two constables were taken to the  
>site and only found a four inch circular hole in the ground that  
>was five feet deep.

Does anyone else detect a distinct aroma of rodent here? Just  
too damn pat for my taste. How would one Provincial cop have  
access to all this scattered information? I'll leave it to  
Ontario residents to assess the likelihood.

Meanwhile, anonymous information is worthless on its own. But  
with this many alleged witnesses in one Province, it should be  
possible to smoke out at least a few confirming witnesses who  
are willing to go on record. If something of this alleged  
magnitude were going on, isolated witnesses would be looking for  
confirmation from others. I'm assuming Errol will put out a  
radio call for witnesses.

My working hypothesis, however, is that this is a hoax. Go ahead  
and prove me wrong by finding evidence. I'm willing to discard  
my hypothesis on the basis of new evidence. That's science.

Dick

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## Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Sandow

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>>>Date: Wed, 1 Aug 2001 13:46:03 -0700 (PDT)  
>>>From: Mac Tonnies <[macbot@yahoo.com](mailto:macbot@yahoo.com)>  
>>>Subject: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>>To: UfoUpdates <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

>>>ROSWELL: Inconvenient Facts and the Will to Believe

>>>by Karl Pflock

>>>reviewed by Mac Tonnies

>>To Mark Tonnies and the List

>>Before you fall completely in the "skeptic's corner" on Roswell,  
>>at least read the brilliant critic of the book made  
>>by Robert Durant, just published in the review of Cufos,

>Good points but hardly "brilliant," it is intermixed with huge  
>errors and it is very poorly documented considering the 12  
>"dense" pages it takes up in IUR, not citing a single page  
>number of Pflock's book, thus forcing the reader to waste time  
>having to go through the entire book in many cases to find the  
>quotes and obscure references - fortunately Karl's book has an  
>index, which helps. The critique regrettably delves into really  
>needless personal jabs without any appreciation for the great  
>work that Karl Pflock has done in giving us his unique  
>perspective of once being pro-Roswell and now anti-Roswell but  
>still pro-UFO, where he presents both the pro-UFO evidence as  
>well as the anti-Roswell evidence - however imperfectly and  
>subject to criticism and however much we may disagree with  
>Karl's conclusions based on this evidence.

<snip>

Let me be one of the first to thank Brad for his clear, logical,  
objective -- and, as always with him -- scrupulously fair  
comments. I've been baffled by Roswell, and his post helps me  
start to clarify things.

I'm looking forward to reading Karl's book. I might add, by the  
way, that Karl, too, is one of the most objective, fair-minded  
people I've met in this field. Doesn't mean I or anyone else has  
to agree with him about Roswell or anything else, but I'll always  
take anything he says very seriously.

Greg Sandow



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## Meteor Shower Tonight And The Rest Of August

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Fwd Date: Sun, 12 Aug 2001 14:04:26 -0400  
Subject: Meteor Shower Tonight And The Rest Of August

Hi Folks,

Tonight is a great time to view cosmic fireworks: the Perseid Meteor Showers. During the early weeks of August Earth will be littered with extraterrestrial debris. I saw a spectacular shooting star when I took the dog to the beach after dark last night around 9 p.m. at Zuma Beach (Southern California). Early morning hours of August 12, that's tonight/this morning, is supposed to be the hot time to view them--between 1-4 a.m. 20 meteors per hour is predicted. Venus and Jupiter in Gemini in the East-Northeast and Saturn high in the sky (but to the Southeast) will feature in the dawn sky.

You won't need any instruments such as binoculars to see them; they're visible to the naked eye. Just be sure to have a comfortable, fold down chair or sleeping bag, and accoutrements to keep you comfortable.

"You will see most meteors directly; but you will sometimes see others out of the corner of your eye. If you are very lucky, you will witness a fireball, a very bright meteor with a small disk. Some fireballs break into several fragments. With excellent viewing conditions, you should see about one meteor per minute at the peak! Even if you are not observing under optimal circumstances, which is likely to be the case, you can expect to see about 25 meteors per hour." Whee!

Happy viewing and keep your eyes on the skies.....

Teri Edgar

"I wish no living thing to suffer pain."  
Percy Bysshe Shelley (1792-1822)

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## Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Hamilton

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>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

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>>Date: 10 Aug 2001 10:56:27 -0700  
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>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'

>>>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>>>Date: Wed, 8 Aug 2001 15:22:14 EDT  
>>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

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>>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>>>Date: 7 Aug 2001 06:47:57 -0700  
>>>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'

>>>>>Date: Mon, 6 Aug 2001 11:31:54 -0700 (PDT)  
>>>>>From: Mac Tonnies <[macbot@yahoo.com](mailto:macbot@yahoo.com)>  
>>>>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

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>>>>>What if the Roswell story falls, as I believe is in  
>>>>>the process of happening?

>>>>>It won't happen because of Pflock's book. Read some paragraphs  
>>>>>from it in the bookstore on Friday. Same old Mogul balloon  
>>>>>hypothesis (not a certainty at all). He criticizes testimony  
>>>>>that doesn't agree with his conclusions and supports testimony  
>>>>>he believes does.

>>>>>How is it that there is any testimony in Pflock's book that  
>>>>>conflicts with his conclusions? Why does he let that stuff in  
>>>>>there?

>>He gives little space to anomalous descriptions. Have you read  
>>June Crain's testimony? She saw the material at Wright-Patterson.  
>>Her testimony about shape memory and uncuttable metal is similar  
>>to other testimony. I don't think Karl gave such testimony  
>>much attention.

>I think you're being very unfair to Pflock. He has an entire  
>25-page chapter on the descriptions and identifications of the  
>Roswell debris and further discussion and quotes throughout the  
>book, plus an extremely valuable 50 pages of verbatim  
>transcripts and affidavits from Marcel and others filled with  
>descriptions of the Roswell material. So what are you saying,  
>that he should have written an entire book on Roswell Debris?  
>Then what happens to all the other aspects of Roswell, the Frank  
>Kaufmann and Glenn Dennis, Ragsdale and other stories, the  
>bodies, the recovery operations, etc. etc.????

At least half of it since that seems to be the most important  
element in Pflock's book. Why didn't any of the witnesses

describe the balloons themselves? What happened to the ballons, not just the sonde? In fact it all revolves around whether the debris that covered the wide area that Brazel found could be accounted for by a broken-up radio sonde?

>He goes into great detail on "anomalous descriptions" or are you >just relying on the distorted and error-filled review instead of >reading the book?

>Isn't the June Crain story something just recently surfaced by >the Woods? If her story is admittedly "similar" to other >accounts, which Karl covers in his book, then nothing has been >missed as far as descriptions are concerned. There had to be a >cutoff point somewhere in finishing the book otherwise it'd >never get published.

I think it adds to the testimony that something was highly unusual about the metal found.

>>>>Then why are the images of the debris in Ramey's office photos >>>>not consistent with that of a Mogul balloon. Why does Sheridan >>>>Cavitt still stick to the weather balloon story?

>>>>No, I think Pflock's book will just follow Kal Korff's book to >>>>the graveyard of unsold books.

>>>I think you're wrong. I'll have more on this soon.

>>OK, Brad, so you say. However, why is it the Mogul staff had no >>concern for the recovery of the physical materials. Where they >>floated off to did not seem to interest the Mogul personnel. >>Flight 8 was aloft about 3 hours before touching down about 20 >>miles from the base and nothing from this flight was recovered. >>Only 20 miles away and no one bothered to pick it up.

>You're just getting this from the book review. What does this >have to do with the Mogul explanation? It has nothing to do >with it. It has to do with the Mogul coverup claim not the >explanation for the debris. You and others keep driving this >fanatical either/or situation -- it has to be either Mogul or an >anomaly/spacehip and you can't seem to consider the possibility >of both.

Do you consider the possibility of both?

>>There are >>other reasons why the Mogul explanation fails and if this is >>proven, then Karl's book is so much waste paper.

>It will certainly not be "so much waste paper." How ironic that >one of the great contributions possibly even a breakthrough in >Roswell research is treated so shabbily and Karl Pflock >condemned and treated as an enemy to be destroyed. Read my long >post on this coming soon, assuming I'm not vilified and damned >to hell beforehand. I predict no one will be happy with it from >either side.

As we both know, Brad, we haven't heard the end of this yet. Neither Kevin or Stanton have stepped in here to say much in the way of their opinion on the matter. There is no doubt that a great deal of scholarship can still result in a wrong answer if one goes into an investigation leaning in that direction. Certainly, I admit that Karl seems to play fair, but I am not convinced of it.

Bill H

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## Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey - Hamilton

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>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 22:46:53 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey  
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>>These lights were holding a "V" formation  
>>according to witnesses.

>Not according to all witnesses. At least one described several  
>"V"s and others scattered around.

>>I don't have a belief one way or another. As for the witnesses,  
>>perhaps some were what you call believers and others were not.

>Yes, that's always a possibility. Especially the woman who was  
>convinced that she had seen a miracle.

><snip>

>>It seems like your belief is that if something unusual is seen  
>>in the sky, it must have a prosaic explanation.

>Yees... That's a reasonable way to start. Good Lord, Bill, if  
>you didn't do that you would have Flying Saucers everywhere.

Or, as in your case, meteors everywhere. I don't immediately  
start with any explanation.

>>Have you ever found any sighting that you could not  
>>explain?

>Sure, Kenneth Arnold's. Actually, I haven't decided yet,  
>whether it was a meteor, birds or a mirage (a long-time favorite  
>of mine and old Doc Menzel). I just keep trying.

Well, at least there is one.

>The difference between my approach and yours is that you assume  
>that every little light in the sky that the witnesses can't  
>identify must be a UFO, where I assume that the witness just  
>doesn't recognize what they're looking toward. See, then you can  
>start with a list like, Planets, Stars, airplanes, etc.

Good grief! You know nothing about my approach. I usually dismiss little lights in the sky in 99% of the cases. I always start with the usual list like planets, stars, aircraft of any sort, meteors, or even reflected ground lights, but after considering most of these and not finding a match, then I dig deeper.

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>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 16:55:32 -0500

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>Go back and look at a population density map for New Mexico in  
>1947. No one ever expected that Mogul - or much other debris -  
>would ever be encountered by humans. That's why they (and  
>others) did the stuff where they did it. They expected the  
>landscape itself to absorb most of the evidence.

>Why do you think Los Alamos and the 509th Bomb Group were  
>located where they were in the first place?

>As for 20 miles with roads and 20 miles without roads, there is  
>a world of difference. One reason why, I suspect, the Hub Corn  
>ranch has "caught on" as the location of the "official" crash  
>site: you can easily get there by car from Roswell, \$15 or so  
>per vehicle.

>What if it weren't so easy? What if you couldn't necessarily get  
>there from here? Do you forge your own roads?

>I can take you to a ranch in West Texas and tell you that a pot  
>of gold is "only" 20 miles away somewhere to the northwest.

>And go to sleep perfectly content that you won't stumble across  
>it in this century or the next, using only available 1947  
>technology.

>No one bothered to pick up the debris from Flight 8, even though  
>it was only 20 miles away, because no one needed to or thought  
>it necessary. Had it come down at a highway intersection, that  
>might have been another matter. But it didn't. It came down in a  
>remote area where it could be conveniently ignored - and  
>allowed to deteriorate over time.

>And so did the Foster ranch episode occur - until Brazel  
>inadvertently stumbled across it.

>\_That's\_ what initiated the recovery and cover up, not any  
>built-in retrieval policy on the part of Project Mogul.



Not just the fact that it wasn't recovered. No balloon material was mentioned in the debris field that Brazil found. All that debris from a radiosonde? That is what it amounts to.

Bill H

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>number of Pflock's book, thus forcing the reader to waste time  
>having to go through the entire book in many cases to find the  
>quotes and obscure references - fortunately Karl's book has an  
>index, which helps.

<snip>

>Yes, Karl  
>missed a few pro-Roswell points and understated things here and  
>there (as I will point out), but he also presented tremendously  
>important pro-UFO evidence that something unusual really did  
>happen at Roswell in 1947 which if he was the diabolical  
>debunker as he is being portrayed he could easily have  
>suppressed.

>For example, Karl presents the extremely provocative testimony  
>of several AFOSI/CIC agents through an investigation he  
>undertook with the Association of Former OSI Special Agents (pp.  
>113-7). He concludes that there is "less than meets the eye"  
>here because of memory problems or errors but I look at the  
>evidence from agents Zimmerman, Bethart, O'Brien and Miller and  
>I find it quite disturbing and not subject to dismissal. The  
>facts and reasoning Karl uses to reject the testimony of  
>Zimmerman and Maj. O'Brien are flatly in error factually and  
>logically, the green fireball investigation is grossly  
>misrepresented, and thus the testimony about Lincoln LaPaz's  
>reported involvement in investigating Roswell in 1947 remains  
>intact, to say nothing of the fact it correlates with other data  
>I cannot discuss at present.

>If the world renowned meteoriticist Lincoln LaPaz investigated  
>Roswell in 1947 then that is tremendously disturbing for us  
>Roswell skeptics. He was then, in effect, the world's leading  
>UFO investigator from his decades of meteor fireball  
>investigations, which honed his mathematician skills in deriving  
>solar orbits of meteors and triangulating impact sites for  
>recovering meteorites by interviewing witnesses - those hated  
>numbskulls always derided by debunkers, yet somehow LaPaz  
>usually got accurate enough data to actually find meteorites  
>from it, even though it was like looking for a needle in a

>haystack. He developed the ability to evaluate eyewitness  
>testimony and determine what was the most accurate, what was  
>less accurate and what was worthless.

>Now think about what that means, think real hard, especially the  
>part about "deriving solar orbits." If, and I admit it is a big  
>"if," if the government thought there was a crash or explosion  
>of a vehicle or maybe to generalize this a bit, a "something"  
>from outer space and it had no way to determine its origin from  
>what mundane evidence it may or may not have had in hand, who  
>could possibly be able to determine the point of origin in outer  
>space from other data, from eyewitness data? Who had the unique  
>skills to extract the requisite data by interrogation?

>Do you suppose that in 1947 someone in authority at the AAF who  
>knew LaPaz, who by the way had a TOP SECRET clearance with the  
>Army/AAF, might have thought it was just possible that LaPaz  
>could reconstruct a solar orbit for a UFO or flying disc if he  
>got sufficient data? Never mind whether today in 2001 that might  
>seem silly or impossible because we think of interstellar flight  
>rather than interplanetary now, the question is whether someone  
>in the military back then in 1947 might have thought this  
>was a good idea based on what they knew of LaPaz's peculiar  
>specialty of calculating meteor orbits from eyewitness data. It  
>is irrelevant whether LaPaz succeeded or not, I'm only talking  
>about whether he might have been brought in for this.

>Who on earth at that time would have been a better expert than  
>LaPaz in taking eyewitness data and tracing back trajectories to  
>points of origin literally in outer space? No one! Certainly not  
>solar astrophysicist Menzel who despised laymen eyewitnesses and  
>probably never did a bit of meteorite hunting in his life (no  
>doubt that can be checked). Who would already have the necessary  
>security clearances? Who was already located in New Mexico? Who  
>was already known to AAF and security agencies in New Mexico?  
>Who is known to have been in the Corona, N.M., area on July 10,  
>1947?

>We know where LaPaz was at 4:47 in the afternoon of Thursday,  
>July 10, 1947, two days after the Roswell story burst into the  
>world news: He was driving on a road or highway north of Corona,  
>a long way from home in Albuquerque! He said he and his family  
>were driving from Clovis to Clines Corners when they sighted a  
>Daylight Disc UFO - not a green fireball at night, but a real  
>honest-to-goodness UFO, high speed and highly maneuverable. He  
>doesn't say what highways or roads or possible detours he might  
>have taken along the way from Clovis to Clines Corners and  
>strangely omits giving his actual location at the time of the  
>sighting which is extremely bizarre for the careful scientist  
>LaPaz was - it suggests he was unwilling to reveal his exact  
>location for some reason. It's the only defect in an otherwise  
>scientifically precise, airtight UFO case, one of the best cases  
>of all time. No explanation what they were doing in Clovis in  
>the middle of the week 6 days after the 4th of July holiday -  
>just the one word "vacationing" would suffice but it's not  
>mentioned.

>News reports place LaPaz in Oklahoma when the Roswell story  
>broke on July 8, as he was traveling around doing meteorite  
>hunting. The main highway leading from Oklahoma directly to  
>LaPaz's home in Albuquerque was almost a straight line running  
>east-west (look on a map) in 1947 and this was the famous Route  
>66. But Clovis was way off Route 66 to the south. Why did LaPaz  
>detour to Clovis from a straightline back home with a car packed  
>with wife and kids?

>Why did LaPaz pick these two towns, Clovis and Clines Corners,  
>over 150 road miles apart instead of specifying his actual  
>location at the sighting, just the name of one town and his  
>distance? Why didn't he take the most direct route back to Route  
>66 from Clovis, which would be to go through Ft. Sumner then  
>rejoin Route 66 near Santa Rosa - a full 50 miles before he  
>would have gotten to Clines Corners? In that case he would have  
>said he was driving from Clovis to Santa Rosa, not Clovis to  
>Clines Corners. (See the 1947 map in Pflock's book endpapers.  
>This makes more sense when one studies it carefully on a map as  
>if you're planning the trip as your own.)

>Why on earth did LaPaz take this 100-mile detour in the first  
>place, going straight southwest apparently from Amarillo, Tex.,  
>directly into Clovis, N.M., from Route 66? Another 100 miles or

>so in the same southwest direction on a straight-line road,  
>Hwy 70, takes you from Clovis directly into - ROSWELL. Here  
>seems to be the reason for choosing Clovis: By going through  
>Clovis he would save almost 80 miles of travel to get to  
>Roswell, instead of continuing on Route 66 then going directly  
>south from a turnoff near Santa Rosa.

>If LaPaz had indeed taken a detour to Roswell then Hwy 285 takes  
>him most conveniently back to Route 66 and the junction would  
>then have to be Clines Corners rather than Santa Rosa (once  
>again saving nearly 50 miles' travel this time). This is the  
>most direct Roswell detour route off of Route 66, and Clovis and  
>Clines Corners are the most logical New Mexico takeoff points  
>for a Roswell detour, saving more than 120 miles total. Had  
>LaPaz said he was driving from a place in Texas (Amarillo) to a  
>place in New Mexico (Clines Corners) it might have drawn  
>attention to the fact that he was obviously withholding the  
>exact location for some reason.

>And Hwy 285 of course is the road one has to take to get to the  
>Brazel debris field, and it's the scene of reported military  
>roadblocks. (Pflock pp. 27, 44, 60, etc.)

>It is possible that LaPaz belatedly used a family vacation trip  
>and meteorite hunt as a cover for Roswell-related interviewing -  
>clearly he took his family along for meteorite hunting at least  
>(what kind of "vacation" [my word] could that be anyway, taking  
>a entire family of four out into the Texas Panhandle in the  
>blistering heat of July?). LaPaz might have decided to contact  
>the military while on this trip to Oklahoma on unrelated  
>business and offer his assistance, after he was contacted by  
>reporters about the flying discs sightings in the news. Maybe a  
>detour to Roswell was suggested to him. Maybe he suggested it.

>Or LaPaz might have been brought in by the military initially  
>without a thought of trajectories but merely to canvass  
>neighboring communities to find out how much eyewitnesses may  
>have seen since he was known to be good at doing that (and might  
>be less obtrusive than stiff-necked GI's who would scare people  
>and attract too much attention, whereas LaPaz was reportedly  
>quite accustomed to giving out cover stories, such as  
>"investigating an aircraft accident," Pflock p. 113, or perhaps  
>a "meteorite hunt"). LaPaz may have then been the one to suggest  
>to the military that if he could get sufficient witness data to  
>determine a velocity and a direction (radiant) he might be able  
>to project a trajectory out into space. Either way.

>Even the now skeptical Karl is forced to admit it is "possible"  
>LaPaz was involved in the Roswell investigation (p. 113).

>Sure, this isn't proof that LaPaz went to Roswell but his odd  
>statement giving a 150-mile Clovis-Clines Corners route  
>instead of giving his exact sighting location on July 10, 1947,  
>is unaccountable for this meticulously detailed scientist, very  
>suspicious, and fits the logical travel route for a detour to  
>Roswell that is concealed between the Clovis-Clines Corners  
>place names - and he certainly had to pass close to Corona by  
>any interpretation. The fact he kept this daylight UFO sighting  
>so private for so long, never bringing it up in the course of  
>his green fireball investigations and reports about which he was  
>so outspoken - in contrast to his silence about the UFO which  
>was revealed only reluctantly and anonymously - is indicative of  
>hiding something more than just a sighting.

>I plotted the trajectory of a Roswell UFO back into outer space  
>using the most detailed sighting data available, the Wilmots'  
>sighting of July 2, 1947, with the SE-NW path. No one else has  
>ever done this before so far as we know unless LaPaz did it. A  
>horizontal flight path projects back to somewhere near the  
>constellation Capricorn in outer space, at very roughly 21 hrs  
>(RA) -30° (Dec), the most important point of which is that it is  
>reasonably and surprisingly close to the ecliptic, the plane of  
>the earth's orbit around the sun as well as the plane of most of  
>the planets in our solar system, and the error margins are large  
>enough it might actually be right on the ecliptic. It's a bit  
>surprising because if it was just random it could come from any  
>direction. If LaPaz discovered this in 1947 it might have  
>suggested either a natural phenomenon such as a meteor or  
>possibly the flight path of an interplanetary vehicle which of  
>course would most likely come from the direction of a planet on  
>the ecliptic plane. Hmmmm. Just trying to reconstruct what LaPaz

>might have discovered if he had tried to derive an orbital  
>trajectory from the Roswell events, and what he might have told  
>authorities. No one else has ever reconstructed this.

>The very fact that I can make my independent evaluation of this  
>evidence is a tribute to the great job Karl has done of fairly  
>presenting the evidence here. Again, if Karl Pflock was the evil  
>debunker why did he spend 5 pages presenting this OSI/CIC  
>evidence which he could just simply have omitted and no one  
>would have been the wiser - least of all Durant who doesn't even  
>mention it and misses its significance? (Among other things, the  
>testimony of the AFOSI/CIC agents is in a different class  
>because they were responsible for plugging security leaks and  
>enforcing security, hence anything they reveal is going to be  
>reluctantly given up, as witness the continuing facile lies from  
>Cavitt 47 years after the fact.)

Hi Brad and List

I just want to butt in here for some little comments.

Tom Tulien as part of the Sign Historical Group oral history program interviewed Col Doyle Reese, the first head of the Air Force Kirkland District Office Special Investigations (OSI). Reese was a lawyer not an intelligence agent, the Air Force wanted someone who could direct fraud and other such investigations in that area.

While certain personnel from the Army Counter Intelligence Command (CIC) were transferred to the OSI, maybe the records were not. As Reese remembers it, the records were not transferred. Not necessarily surprising, OSI was not just a counter intelligence agency, but a criminal investigation agency and an arm of the Inspector General. Other Services have separate organizations for these functions, but the Air Force developed this approach due to unique circumstances in its history and probably because the first Chief of Special Investigations (CSI) was an FBI agent sent to the Air Force to set up the program. (One has to comment here that Col. Reese is dealing with nearly 50 year old recollections here and there might have been some mistakes.)

As I have outlined in 'The Search for Roswell Records' many promising leads were not followed up in the search for official records on the Roswell incident.

<http://www.project1947.com/roswell/rosearch.htm>

The Army seems to have gotten away free here. I seriously doubt that their search of their records was serious or diligent, and I doubt that they went after the CIC records for Roswell in their records holding areas. (CIC was an Army agency and in 1947 such records would have been in the Army system; so put emphasis on each place "their" appears above.)

The DOD Assistant Inspector General had to get involved with both the Army and Navy when they did not send representatives to a GAO meeting on Roswell, because they contended, "it was the Air Force's business."

One other comment on the CIC: during the war these guys were given rather wide powers to do their counter intelligence jobs. After the war, most CIC were assigned overseas as part of occupation duty. The occupation was not handled in the most legal or humane manner. In some cases it was down right brutal, so some CIC agents may have acquired an "off the wall" approach to doing things and threaten people with death if they talked about something. However, this doesn't go down to well with a lot of people. I have a lot of trouble believing that military officials would come into a local law enforcement office and threaten the local sheriff. First off it is not very smart to go into the lion's den and beard the lion, one might be facing down a shot gun barrel and get a few threats coming their way.

This makes for a great read and high drama, but the guy who runs in the drunk wingnuts and breaks up fights on the weekend is hardly overawed by the military presence. Most military towns I have been in it's the other way around; local John Law gets away with nearly anything up to just short of murder in dealing with the military. A different more reasonable approach would be needed for good cooperation.

As for LaPaz, I can't take this trajectory calculation story too seriously. If the Roswell debris did originate on the 2nd of July maybe so. However, when was the material found? Contemporary newspaper accounts have the time as back in June.

Jan Aldrich

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Date: Sun, 12 Aug 2001 08:15:50 -0700  
Fwd Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 09:56:41 -0400  
Subject: Re: Glowing Discs, Orbs & Strange Beings Around

>From: Richard Hall <[hallrichard99@hotmail.com](mailto:hallrichard99@hotmail.com)>  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>Subject: Re: Glowing Discs, Orbs & Strange Beings Around Ontario  
>Date: Sat, 11 Aug 2001 22:55:34 +0000

>>Date: Sat, 11 Aug 2001 17:32:57 -0400  
>>To: "02 - UFO UpDates Subscribers":;  
>>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: UFO UpDate: Glowing Discs, Orbs & Strange Beings Around Ontario

>>Source: Rense.com

>><http://rense.com/general12/reportsofglow.htm>

>>Glowing Discs, Orbs & Strange Beings Around Ontario

>>08-11-01

>>Hello,

>>I'm a police constable for the OPP (Ontario Provincial Police)  
>>and I am taking a huge risk to deliver this information to you.  
>>For the past three months there have been very unusual things  
>>happening around the local areas I work in. This is the first  
>>time ever that things of this nature have been reported in this  
>>area.

>>All police agencies in this area were ordered not to release or  
>>acknowledge the reports being made, orders came in from main HQ.  
>>Reports are now being sent in to the military so I was only able  
>>to access and copy a few reports without being noticed. I have  
>>family in this area and I am very worried that something serious  
>>is going on in this area. This email was created for single time  
>>use, on a public computer....so don't bother replying to this  
>>email address.

>>Reports are below.

>>UFOs

>>June 28, 2001 9:30PM East of Arthur, Ont. Canada. 5 Witnesses

<snip>

>Does anyone else detect a distinct aroma of rodent here? Just  
>too damn pat for my taste. How would one Provincial cop have  
>access to all this scattered information? I'll leave it to  
>Ontario residents to assess the likelihood.

>Meanwhile, anonymous information is worthless on its own. But  
>with this many alleged witnesses in one Province, it should be  
>possible to smoke out at least a few confirming witnesses who  
>are willing to go on record. If something of this alleged  
>magnitude were going on, isolated witnesses would be looking for  
>confirmation from others. I'm assuming Errol will put out a  
>radio call for witnesses.

>My working hypothesis, however, is that this is a hoax. Go ahead  
>and prove me wrong by finding evidence. I'm willing to discard

>my hypothesis on the basis of new evidence. That's science.

- - -

Hello Dick (and all)

Yes, I smell a rat too. I was considering asking for opinions on the list, but you saved me the trouble.

Too bad really, a couple of cases sounded really neat. Nicely organized with the dates, times, locations all up front over a terse and pertinent synopsis of events.

If only the genuine reports would come in like that!

If its a hoax for the benefit of Jeff Rense et. al., then the hoaxer can teach a lesson or two to people trying to report actual sightings.

I also note the conspiratorial veil of silence on the part of the Provincial Police, something I find unlikely, as the data is shunted over to the military, in peacetime. Its all too pat for me too.

Best!

- Larry

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Date: Sun, 12 Aug 2001 12:18:16 -0700  
Fwd Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 09:59:36 -0400  
Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Gehrman

>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>Date: Sat, 11 Aug 2001 09:48:29 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

<snip>

>Despite Pflock quoting literally pages of witness testimony to  
>unusual material properties in the Roswell debris throughout his  
>book and repeatedly reciting it to the point of redundancy (AP  
>reporter Kellahin's description of the material is quoted twice  
>on the same page, p. 153), and presenting an extremely valuable  
>collection of 50 pages of witness interview transcripts and  
>affidavits,

I just purchased Pflock's "Roswell" yesterday and expected a  
\$26, typical debunking hack-job but was surprised to find an  
interesting, fact-filled, hack-job instead.

And while you're correct that Karl has made an important  
contribution to Roswell research, his conclusions are dead wrong  
and dumb. ( find an identifiable piece of the mogul on the floor  
of Gen. Ramey's office) This it is not the fault of the  
information that Pflock has gathered together, but his own spin  
on the details.

Pflock gets his AA facts all wrong; (the phone cord issue was  
settled within the first week of discussion back in 95 so he  
really shouldn't have made that error), and while he mentions  
the work of RPIT, his comments are condescending and ignorant.  
This is not a good book by any stretch of the imagination, but  
it is and important book for Roswell aficionados.

<snip>

>To sum up: Karl Pflock deserves our thanks and gratitude for the  
>tremendous research effort he put into his Roswell book and for  
>revealing a lot of very "inconvenient facts" - inconvenient to  
>both sides of the Roswell debate including himself. His book is  
>a worthy work of scholarship. He deserves a fair hearing and  
>honest criticism.

>He doesn't deserve to be vilified as some kind  
>of devious debunker or coverup conspirator. We can disagree with  
>his conclusions, as I have and as Bob Durant and others have,  
>but we cannot ignore the wealth of factual evidence Karl has  
>given us that enables us to reach our own, differing  
>conclusions. Pflock's book is the second great shock that has  
>recently shattered my long-held Roswell skepticism.

Karl does not deserve our thanks or gratitude; (buying the book  
is enough) but "Roswell" deserves to be read carefully and  
honestly criticised.

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Maybe he figures someone will actually listen.

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>>acknowledge the reports being made, orders came in from main HQ.

A great way to create a fake coverup. Since everyone was ordered to coverup, naturally when no such reports are acknowledged after inquiries, this would be claimed to be proof of a coverup.

On the other hand, if there was such an order maybe it's because the reports are known to be fakes.

>>Reports are now being sent in to the military so I was only able  
>>to access and copy a few reports without being noticed.

<snip>

Notice that the reports which were "copied" (presumably from the official documents) all have times which are right on the hour or half hour, and include no witness names. If the report was made anonymously as claimed, why be circumspect when one's "family" is at risk?

<snip>

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<snip>

>July 1,2001 8:00PM Near Damascus, Ont. 2 Witnesses

<snip>

>>July 20,2001 9:30PM South of Fergus, Ont. 4 Witnesses

<snip>

>Does anyone else detect a distinct aroma of rodent here?

<snip>

>Meanwhile, anonymous information is worthless on its own.

>My working hypothesis, however, is that this is a hoax. Go ahead  
>and prove me wrong by finding evidence. I'm willing to discard  
>my hypothesis on the basis of new evidence. That's science.

Needles to say, Richard, we agree on this one.

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## Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey - Young

From: Robert Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
Date: Sun, 12 Aug 2001 15:58:44 EDT  
Fwd Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 10:07:48 -0400  
Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey - Young

>From: Bill Hamilton <[skywatcher22@space.com](mailto:skywatcher22@space.com)>  
>Date: 11 Aug 2001 20:18:19 -0700  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey

>>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>>Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 22:46:53 EDT  
>>Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>The difference between my approach and yours is that you assume  
>>that every little light in the sky that the witnesses can't  
>>identify must be a UFO, where I assume that the witness just  
>>doesn't recognize what they're looking toward. See, then you can  
>>start with a list like, Planets, Stars, airplanes, etc.

>Good grief! You know nothing about my approach. I usually  
>dismiss little lights in the sky in 99% of the cases. I always  
>start with the usual list like planets, stars, aircraft of any  
>sort, meteors, or even reflected ground lights, but after  
>considering most of these and not finding a match, then I dig  
>deeper.

Bill:

Like your "Skydancer" UFOs, dancing around in hand-held binocs  
where Venus was in the daytime sky? Please see:

<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates/2000/nov/m28-014.shtml>

Clear skies,

Bob Young

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## Re: Strieber In Austin & On Politically Incorrect

From: Steve Bassett <[SGBList2@aol.com](mailto:SGBList2@aol.com)>  
Date: Sun, 12 Aug 2001 16:12:15 EDT  
Fwd Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 10:11:24 -0400  
Subject: Re: Strieber In Austin & On Politically Incorrect

>Date: Sun, 12 Aug 2001 11:37:47 -0700 (PDT)  
>From: Mac Tonnies <[macbot@yahoo.com](mailto:macbot@yahoo.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Strieber In Austin & On Politically Incorrect  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

>>Date: Sun, 12 Aug 2001 11:54:30 -0500  
>>Subject: Strieber In Austin & On Politically Incorrect  
>>From: Stephen Miles Lewis <[smiles@elfis.net](mailto:smiles@elfis.net)>  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

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>the obligatory "skeptic"? I thought Strieber was campaigning  
>his new fiction book, "The Last Vampire."

>For that matter, who is Michael Shermer? I've never  
>heard of him.

Mac,

Shermer has been establishing himself as a skeptic. See his books  
at Amazon.com

How We Believe: The Search for God in an Age of Science

Why People Believe Weird Things: Pseudoscience, Superstition, and Other  
Confusions of Our Time

The Borderlands of Science: Where Sense Meets Nonsense

This is an interesting opportunity and I'm sure Whitley will do  
fine. Am I jealous he got this gig? - you betcha.

Steve Bassett

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From: **Jim Mortellaro** <[Jsmortell@aol.com](mailto:Jsmortell@aol.com)>  
Date: Sun, 12 Aug 2001 17:07:39 EDT  
Fwd Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 10:18:07 -0400  
Subject: Re: Strieber In Austin & On Politically Incorrect

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>>Subject: Strieber In Austin & On Politically Incorrect  
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>heard of him.

Dear All, EBK;

Who is Shermer? Woof! Don't go to the URL Errol pointed to unless you have a strong stomach or, you are taking Prilosec. However the better question is, "Why the hell does the man wish to appear on such as Mahr's show when it is obvious to all that all he'll get is abuse and a black eye for the rest of the UFO community.

Now I shall answer my question. The reason he must appear is that his publisher requires it. Another good reason for self-publishing. Boogers never look good on TV. Especially when there's no hanky around to save your tuchus.

Old Morty

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## CCCRN News: 08-12-01 Crop Watch 2001

From: Paul Anderson <[psa@look.ca](mailto:psa@look.ca)>  
Date: Sun, 12 Aug 2001 21:09:27 +0000  
Fwd Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 10:21:13 -0400  
Subject: CCCRN News: 08-12-01 Crop Watch 2001

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### CROP WATCH 2001

As we enter the usual prime 'circle season' here in Canada, CCCRN will be conducting expanded field studies in Saskatchewan in August and September, for Crop Watch 2001, involving aerial surveillance of known 'hot spots' where possible (and subsequent photography of any formations), field investigations of reported circles, other experiments and increased farming / media awareness initiatives. While this also covers Canada in general over these two months, the focus is on the prairie provinces, Saskatchewan and Alberta, where most formations are reported.

CCCRN will also be assisting in the filming of a couple documentaries in Saskatchewan during this time as well as doing other radio programs in the region, including live updates as warranted for CCCRN's own Fields of Dreams webcast for the World Paranormal Report portion of the Night Search Paranormal Network (NSPN).

Circle reports this year during the regular harvest time may be very unpredictable as parts of the prairies have been hit with a very bad drought, with sparser than normal crop growth in many areas. A reminder to the Canadian subscribers on this mailing list (or otherwise even), if you see or hear of any formations, please let us know. There is a rumoured report of a formation at Leduc, Alberta (just south of Edmonton), but this has not been confirmed yet. As usual, previous reports so far this year (5) have been mostly in wild grass and pasture field areas.

(NOTE: I will be in Saskatchewan and possibly also Alberta to assist with CW activities from about the last week of August and during the first part of September. During that time, I can be reached if needed by my cell (604.727.1454) or my alternate hotmail e-mail address ([cccrn@hotmail.com](mailto:cccrn@hotmail.com)); please use these only for urgent messages, ie. formation reports, etc.; regular e-mail should be sent to my usual address and I will be able to get back to people after I return, thanks! - PA).

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## The Forest Has Eyes... Red Ones

From: **Bobbie Felder** <[jilain@ebicom.net](mailto:jilain@ebicom.net)>  
Date: Sun, 12 Aug 2001 21:28:34 -0500  
Fwd Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 10:26:13 -0400  
Subject: The Forest Has Eyes... Red Ones

This may be a little off-topic, but I would love to get some input from the very knowledgeable crowd that hangs around this List. I have some pictures up on my webpage that are very odd. Some of those "what the hell is that?" sort of things.

<http://www.jilain.com/ufo/paranormal/creek.htm>

Take a look if you get a free minute and let me know what you think.

Thanks

Bobbie

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## Sighting, Franklin/Springboro, OHIO - 8/3/01

From: **Kenny Young** <[ufo@fuse.net](mailto:ufo@fuse.net)>  
Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 00:04:22 -0400  
Fwd Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 10:43:07 -0400  
Subject: Sighting, Franklin/Springboro, OHIO - 8/3/01

On Tuesday, August 7, Ohio M.U.F.O.N. state director Bill Jones received word of a sighting that occurred in Franklin, Ohio on Friday, August 3.

Bill Jones of Columbus, Ohio took the report from Scott Arnette, a M.U.F.O.N. State Section Director in Louisiana who has an "800" number intended for receipt of Louisiana UFO sightings.

The UFO witness, Mr. Greg Banks of Morland Drive in Franklin, Ohio, reported that he was awakened early in the morning, perhaps around 2 a.m., when a bright light flashed through his window. He then heard a "thunder like" sound.

Scott Arnette said that Mr. Banks claimed that no thunderstorms were in the area. The hair on his arm seemed to stand up.

Jones reports: "He (Mr. Banks) went outside on the porch and saw a bright white light in the sky. He called it a sphere. He said, in response to a question from Scott, that an aspirin tablet held at arms length would not cover this light. It was traveling slowly. Then it stopped over a wood line to the East Northeast. He thought it was about 2 miles distant in the direction of Springboro. The light bobbed up and down for awhile. Then a smaller white light came out from underneath it and bobbed around like a cork in the water. It also moved around the parent object for a time, but mostly stayed underneath it. He told Scott that the moon was visible to the south. He tried to take a picture of the light with his parent's camera. He did not have access to a video camera."

Banks had called Arnette at the 1-800 number while this event was still going on and they talked about what was happening. Banks had watched the light for about an hour before he made the call. When the call with Scott was terminated the sighting was still going on.

Scott Arnette said he then made a call to the Springboro police to see if he could get confirmation of the sighting. He asked the police to call him back, but they never did.

Bank's mother, who lives in the same house, apparently saw the light also.

### Investigation

After acquiring details of the report from Bill Jones, I placed a call to the claimant. He sounded alert and explained that he had never seen anything like this before and was not medicated and had been sober during the event. He asserted his inability to explain the sighting. His mother, who he said is extremely religious, also saw the object after he awakened her and she was unable to account for it, also saying it was "something very unusual" from her perspective.

The witness recounted basically the same details as Bill Jones advised of above, but also added that the object seemed localized above the area of Springboro. He thinks that Scott from Louisiana had called the Springboro police department but

is unsure of any response from that department. He has not heard any news since but suspects that others should have seen the object, perhaps motorists driving along I-75.

Interestingly, Greg informs that the sound of helicopters were heard several minutes into the event while he was standing in the yard and talking on the phone with Scott in Louisiana. Greg states that he could not visually see helicopters or ascertain the source of the helicopter noise.

He was not familiar with any recent UFO sightings and not familiar with the recent police/UFO event in Waynesville, Ohio, near his location by a few miles. Interestingly, his sighting has similarities to the recent police/UFO sighting in that the object first appeared near to the witness and then receded into the distance over a brief period of time. This location is also south of Wright Patterson Air Force Base by around 25-miles.

The Springboro Police Department was contacted at 513-748-0611 and the female dispatcher who took the call checked the record book and advised that there's the nothing relevant to a UFO sighting listed on August 3rd. I left my telephone number with her and requested that she leave my number posted if anyone had information about a UFO sighting to call me.

Banks was a friendly and cooperative witness and did not mind having his name released with the report. A very special thanks to Scott Arnette and Bill Jones for this information.

Filed: Thursday, August 7, 2001

Kenny Young

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## Re: Glowing Discs, Orbs & Strange Beings Around

From: **GT McCoy** <[gtmccoy@harborside.com](mailto:gtmccoy@harborside.com)>  
Date: Sun, 12 Aug 2001 21:45:07 -0700  
Fwd Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 10:47:53 -0400  
Subject: Re: Glowing Discs, Orbs & Strange Beings Around

>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>To: 02 - UFO UpDates Subscribers  
>Date: Saturday, August 11, 2001 2:32 PM  
>Subject: Glowing Discs, Orbs & Strange Beings Around Ontario

Hello all,

>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Source: Rense.com  
><http://rense.com/general12/reportsofglow.htm>  
>Glowing Discs, Orbs & Strange Beings Around Ontario  
>08-11-01  
>Hello, all EBK.

>I'm a police constable for the OPP (Ontario Provincial Police)  
>and I am taking a huge risk to deliver this information to you.  
>For the past three months there have been very unusual things  
>happening around the local areas I work in. This is the first  
>time ever that things of this nature have been reported in this  
>area.

What no news media in Ontario?! No one reported this. EBK - CFRB  
where are you? (finally started listening to SDI - great show -  
but I digress) all this activity and not one UFO/Media type has  
heard about this?

>All police agencies in this area were ordered not to release or  
>acknowledge the reports being made, orders came in from main HQ.

<snip>

Orders from H.Q. OK, right.

>Reports are below.

> UFOs

>June 28,2001 9:30PM East of Arthur, Ont. Canada. 5 Witnesses

>Event Description: A orange glowing object was seen hovering 100  
>metres above a small wooded area. The object began to glow  
>brighter and vanished. Five minutes later the object reappeared  
>in the same spot and began moving until it was no longer  
>visible.

What direction? how fast, what's the big deal?

>June 30,2001 7:00PM Hwy.9 (From Grand Valley to Palmerston).  
>Multiple Witnesses (including 2 highway patrol officers)

>Event Description: Motorists travelling to cottages for the long  
>weekend holiday witnessed five glowing orange circular/disc  
>shaped objects flying in formation along Hwy.9. Objects were

>flying just above the tree level. Objects were described as  
>being large (length of six vehicles).

Again, no one reports this? except the hapless constable  
Fife?

>July 4,2001 2:00PM North of Drayton, Ont. 4 Witnesses

>Event Description: Three metallic disc shaped objects were  
>witnessed by four farmers working in the field. The objects were  
>flying towards them at low altitude. The discs slowed down and  
>hovered ten metres away from the farmers. The discs hovered for  
>five minutes then continued on their previous course. The discs  
>were described as being 20ft in length. The witnesses also  
>reported hearing a low humming sound.

What direction did they move? Ten meters is close folks.  
that's a football field, roughly for us Yankees. Not one whit of  
evidence, even DNA from the Farmer's unlaundered BVD's?

>July 10,2001 7:00PM Near Damascus (East of Arthur,Ont.) 3  
>Witnesses

>Event Description: A triangular shaped object was witnessed  
>hovering near the local marsh. The object appeared to be black  
>in colour with three white lights at each corner. The object was  
>described as being the size of a football field.

Gee what's the big deal about keeping a Triangle sighting secret  
I just saw one-or something very like one back in July. Ok, now  
we are talking football. Notice the switch in descriptive terms?

>July 11,2001 6:00PM Palmerston, Ont. Multiple Witnesses

<snip>

Ok, it's another triangle, I don't have all night, Constable Fife.

>July 22.2001 11:00AM South East of Mount Forest, Ont. 1 Witness

>  
>Event Description: A farmer was travelling in his field aboard  
>his tractor when he witnessed metallic objects in his field.  
>Thinking it was garbage that someone had dumped he went closer  
>to remove it. As he got closer he saw ten or more small metallic  
>discs, the size of dinner plates, resting on his field. He  
>described them as being very reflective like mirrors. When he  
>got closer the discs began to hover and fly away in the opposite  
>direction.

This is a good one, real flying saucers not only do we not know  
the name of the farmer, but we don't know if the flying flatware  
is microwave safe.

> Unusual Events/Encounters

>  
>July 1,2001 8:00PM Near Damascus, Ont. 2 Witnesses

>  
>Event Description: A couple were riding their bikes along a  
>wooded area, where they witnessed what they initially thought  
>were a group of bears. As they got closer they noticed it was a  
>group of tall humanoid shaped beings that were covered with  
>brown hair. The beings appeared to be holding unusual devices.  
>There were four beings present, they quickly fled into the  
>wooded area after being spotted.

Orrgh! or some such Sasquatch like sound, now Constable Fife has  
Bigfoot involved, and he is possessed of unusual devices!  
Probably to eat off the previous flying flatware.

>July 20,2001 9:30PM South of Fergus, Ont. 4 Witnesses

>  
>Event Description: Police were called in to monitor a "bush  
>party" that was being held in a remote area. The police's duties  
>were to monitor for underage drinking, impaired driving and  
>keeping the peace. Until a unusual event was reported to them. A  
>group of teenagers had wandered off in a wooded area. The teens  
>then witnessed a unusual glow within the forest. Attempting to  
>reach the source the teens ran into five beings. The teens  
>observed from a distance without being spotted. They described  
>the beings as looking like normal humans, except that they had

>pointed ears. They had short curly dark hair, they were normal  
>height, and they wore white robed clothing. They appeared to be  
>taking soil samples. The teens feared being caught so they left.  
>After returning to the party the teens then reported it to the  
>police monitoring the party. Two constables were taken to the  
>site and only found a four inch circular hole in the ground that  
>was five feet deep.

Constable Fife has seen one too many 'Star Trek' episodes, or  
that really was a Vulcan scouting party, which I find as, well,  
logical (sorry I had to say that) as any other of the sightings.

Maybe 'HQ'. let the good Constable check his bullet out.

GT McCoy

Smelling the same rodent.

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HOLLAND CROP FORMATION GROWS - WHILE RESEARCHERS ARE INSIDE IT!

In what appears to be the first known event of its kind, crop circle researchers from Holland have reported that a 'scorpion' formation found earlier this month grew an extra circle a few days later - the catch is, this happened in daytime while the researchers were surveying and photographing the formation; the extra circle appeared at the end of the scorpion's 'tail' where it had not been ten minutes before, with nobody seeing or hearing anything...

Full story here:

<http://www.earthfiles.com/earth263.htm>

<http://www.unknowncountry.com/news/?id=695>

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## Re: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Maccabee

From: Bruce Maccabee <[brumac@compuserve.com](mailto:brumac@compuserve.com)>  
Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 10:06:45 -0400  
Fwd Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 17:24:49 -0400  
Subject: Re: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Maccabee

>From: Gldas Bourdais <[GBourdais@aol.com](mailto:GBourdais@aol.com)>  
>Date: Fri, 3 Aug 2001 12:18:20 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>Date: Wed, 1 Aug 2001 13:46:03 -0700 (PDT)  
>>From: Mac Tonnies <[macbot@yahoo.com](mailto:macbot@yahoo.com)>  
>>Subject: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>To: UfoUpdates <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>>

>>ROSWELL: Inconvenient Facts and the Will to Believe >

>>by Karl Pflock

>>reviewed by Mac Tonnies

>May I add a personal comment, along the same line as Durant.  
>There is another key witness: the man who spent the all day on  
>the debris field with Marcel: Captain Sheridan Cavitt. When  
>interviewed by Colonel Weaver for the Air Force in 1994, (the 30  
>pages interview is in the AF Roswell Report), Cavitt stuck to  
>the first "explanation", the one of an ordinary weather balloon.

>If the purpose had been, in 1947, to protect the top-secret  
>Mogul balloons, in 1994 Cavitt did not have to do that any more!  
>If that's what he had found, he should have said to Weaver: "Oh  
>yes, I remember now, the cluster of balloons, radar targets  
>reinforced with flower decorated tape, instruments etc." But  
>no, he did not find that, only a miserable weather balloon. >

>If only Cavitt had been willing to vouch for the Mogul story,  
>that would have probably put an end to the Roswell case. Instead  
>of that, when Weaver asked him his opinion of Karl Pflock, he  
>replied: "He's our chief debunker. I lean toward him".

For an analysis of the Cavitt testimony see Did Sheridan Cavitt  
Visit the Same Crash Site or CAVITT EMPTOR at:

[htt://brumac.8k.com](http://brumac.8k.com)

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## Re: Glowing Discs, Orbs & Strange Beings Around

From: **Marty Murray** <[mmurray31@home.com](mailto:mmurray31@home.com)>  
Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 01:21:48 -0400  
Fwd Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 17:27:54 -0400  
Subject: Re: Glowing Discs, Orbs & Strange Beings Around

>From: Richard Hall <[hallrichard99@hotmail.com](mailto:hallrichard99@hotmail.com)>  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>Subject: Re: Glowing Discs, Orbs & Strange Beings Around Ontario  
>Date: Sat, 11 Aug 2001 22:55:34 +0000

>>Date: Sat, 11 Aug 2001 17:32:57 -0400  
>>To: "02 - UFO UpDates Subscribers":;  
>>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: UFO UpDate: Glowing Discs, Orbs & Strange Beings Around Ontario

>>Source: Rense.com

>><http://rense.com/general12/reportsofglow.htm>

>>Glowing Discs, Orbs & Strange Beings Around Ontario

>>08-11-01

>>Hello,

>>I'm a police constable for the OPP (Ontario Provincial Police)  
>>and I am taking a huge risk to deliver this information to you.  
>>For the past three months there have been very unusual things  
>>happening around the local areas I work in. This is the first  
>>time ever that things of this nature have been reported in this  
>>area.

>>All police agencies in this area were ordered not to release or  
>>acknowledge the reports being made, orders came in from main HQ.  
>>Reports are now being sent in to the military so I was only able  
>>to access and copy a few reports without being noticed. I have  
>>family in this area and I am very worried that something serious  
>>is going on in this area. This email was created for single time  
>>use, on a public computer....so don't bother replying to this  
>>email address.

>>Reports are below.

>> UFOs

>>June 28, 2001 9:30PM East of Arthur, Ont. Canada. 5 Witnesses

>>Event Description: A orange glowing object was seen hovering 100  
>>metres above a small wooded area. The object began to glow  
>>brighter and vanished. Five minutes later the object reappeared  
>>in the same spot and began moving until it was no longer  
>>visible.

<snip>

>Does anyone else detect a distinct aroma of rodent here? Just  
>too damn pat for my taste. How would one Provincial cop have  
>access to all this scattered information? I'll leave it to  
>Ontario residents to assess the likelihood.

>Meanwhile, anonymous information is worthless on its own. But  
>with this many alleged witnesses in one Province, it should be  
>possible to smoke out at least a few confirming witnesses who  
>are willing to go on record. If something of this alleged



>magnitude were going on, isolated witnesses would be looking for  
>confirmation from others. I'm assuming Errol will put out a  
>radio call for witnesses.

>My working hypothesis, however, is that this is a hoax. Go ahead  
>and prove me wrong by finding evidence. I'm willing to discard  
>my hypothesis on the basis of new evidence. That's science.

>Dick

Howdy Richard!

This is a region of Ontario I am well familiar with, and these various locations are not "widely scattered" as you surmised. In fact most of these towns are located within a close distance of each other, along Highway 6 running north from Guelph, Ontario. It is mostly a rural area and it is not unusual to see Mennonites driving horse and buggies through town.

I wouldn't be surprised if the same OPP officers didn't cover the entire area described, hence this officer having access to all this information. He may have been involved in some of the investigations of the sightings himself, and no doubt knew the officers who investigated the other ones. Nothing fishy at all here, despite your suspicions.

Take care,

Marty

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## Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Young

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 10:48:48 EDT  
Fwd Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 17:29:43 -0400  
Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Young

>From: Ed Gehrman <[egehrman@psln.com](mailto:egehrman@psln.com)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>Date: Sun, 12 Aug 2001 12:18:16 -0700

>>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>>Date: Sat, 11 Aug 2001 09:48:29 EDT  
>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

<snip>

>while you're correct that Karl has made an important  
>contribution to Roswell research, his conclusions are dead wrong  
>and dumb. ( find an identifiable piece of the mogul on the floor  
>of Gen. Ramey's office)

See:

REPORT OF AIR FORCE RESEARCH REGARDING THE  
"ROSWELL INCIDENT" July 1994 By Col. Richard L. Weaver

Specifically, the following Attachments:

16. July 9, 1947 Photos of Balloon Wreckage, Ft Worth Star Telegram
21. Signed Sworn Statement of Charles Moore, June 8, 1994, a man who launched the Mogul balloons arrays.
23. Transcript of Interview with Moore, June 8, 1994
25. Illustration of Project Mogul "Balloon Trains"
26. Two Photos of Project Mogul "Balloon Trains"
27. Log Summary, NYU Constant Level Balloon Flights
29. Copy of Blueprint for "Pilot Balloon Target, NM-307C/AP Assembly"

Ed, if you believe that the things photographed on Ramey's office floor don't resemble the Mogul radar reflectors, but instead look to you like an alien spaceship, please say so.

Clear skies,

Bob Young

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## Re: Strieber In Austin & On Politically Incorrect

From: John Velez <[johnvelez.aic@verizon.net](mailto:johnvelez.aic@verizon.net)>  
Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 11:48:40 -0400  
Fwd Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 17:32:44 -0400  
Subject: Re: Strieber In Austin & On Politically Incorrect

>Date: Sun, 12 Aug 2001 11:37:47 -0700 (PDT)  
>From: Mac Tonnies <[macbot@yahoo.com](mailto:macbot@yahoo.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Strieber In Austin & On Politically Incorrect  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

>>Date: Sun, 12 Aug 2001 11:54:30 -0500  
>>Subject: Strieber In Austin & On Politically Incorrect  
>>From: Stephen Miles Lewis <[smiles@elfis.net](mailto:smiles@elfis.net)>  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

>>On August 23, Whitley Strieber will be at Bookpeople  
>>in Austin, Texas at 7:00 PM.

>>He will also appear on Politically Incorrect (the television  
>>show) on August 16 with comedian Kevin Nealon, skeptic Michael  
>>Shermer and actress Marion Ross (Happy Days).

>Does anyone know why, exactly, Strieber is appearing  
>alongside the obligatory "skeptic"? I thought Strieber  
>was campaigning his new fiction book, "The Last  
>Vampire."

>For that matter, who is Michael Shermer? I've never  
>heard of him.

Hi All,

Politically Incorrect for all its pretensions of being a  
"serious" talk show, is just a venue for its hosts (mostly)  
vulgarian comedy. Several years ago Budd called me to ask if I  
would be willing to appear with him on the David Letterman show.  
After a brief moment of hesitation (I was astounded that he  
would even consider it) I asked him if he was aware that  
Letterman was a professional comedian, and that the point of  
having us on could only be to lampoon and make light of UFO  
abduction reports.

I'm not surprised at Whitley's acceptance of this guest shot on  
P.I. But then I haven't taken him 'seriously' for many years  
anyway. The reason for his acceptance has to be because he needs  
to 'plug' the new book. It's a shame. I also wonder about where  
Steve Bassett's "envy" comes from. What serious ufologist would  
want to appear on a program that is only going to clothe the  
phenom in even more ridicule?

I hope Whitley represents us (abductees) well, anyway.

Regards,

John Velez

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## Where To Archive Diaries, Etc.?

From: Will Bueche - PEER <[peer@peermack.org](mailto:peer@peermack.org)>  
Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 13:58:08 -0400  
Fwd Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 17:39:05 -0400  
Subject: Where To Archive Diaries, Etc.?

Dear List,

Elderly people who have had a lifetime of alien encounter experiences sometimes call PEER seeking a place to donate their diaries before they pass away. Most often we suggest they hand their journals down to a family member (usually good advice, as the experiences sometimes run in families and therefore are of interest to the children or grandchildren), but when this is not possible, we are at a loss as to what to advise. We aren't able to store such materials ourselves, and don't have a research proposal in place to study them even if we had room.

Is anyone aware of any institutions that archive this sort of material? Perhaps there are some libraries that save diaries regardless of content (that is, whether alien encounters are present or not)?

Will Bueche

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### Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - Day 16

From: Grant Cameron <[sgquishy@altavista.com](mailto:sgquishy@altavista.com)>  
Date: 13 Aug 2001 14:06:22 -0700  
Fwd Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 17:57:41 -0400  
Subject: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - Day 16

Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - Day 16

"Got a few more calls today, one from an abductee who just could not stop saying thank you, and wishing well. One from someone who apologized for not giving his name - just wanted to say thank you and that he was in the military and all that the disclosure project witnesses say is true, and much more, and he just wanted to share his appreciation. Someone else from Atlanta -- 'thank you' and so on... Very nice people, chatted with all of them, and all very concerned about my health, but also very appreciative.."

--Partial report by Lara on Day 13

On July 26, 2001 Lara Johnstone, a 35 year old woman from Oakland wrote a letter to President George Bush in support of 400 UFO Disclosure Witnesses who had come forward to tell of their involvement in the cover-up of the UFO story by the government. Lara stated in her letter that she would support her request for disclosure with a hunger strike. Now, two and a half weeks later there is still no reply from President Bush, or any one else at the White House. There is not even an acknowledgment that the letter arrived.

This author E-mailed to President Bush, the first article in this series 'Are You Ready for the Revolution', detailing Lara Johnstone's hunger strike for UFO Disclosure. Moments later the automatic E-mail responder at the White House sent back a reply. "Thank-you for writing President Bush. He is not able to read all his mail... thanks for your ideas... yada, yada.

The fact that there was a response was good news. It meant that Bush was still there, and maybe Lara might still get a response. Neither rogue North Korean terrorists, nor Al Gore forces had overrun the White House. Bush was still in charge.

On July 28, two days after Lara sent her letter to the President, and exactly one year after President-elect George Bush promised UFO researcher Charles Huffer he would reveal the UFO truth to the world, Lara began her hunger strike.

It is now August 12, sixteen days into the hunger strike. George Bush is on holidays at his Texas ranch, probably enjoying the occasional home ground Texas steak. Lara on the other hand is at home, living only on water, vegetable and fruit juices, and vitamins. She is concentrating on her perceived mission, and planning what action to take next.

While she waits for the President to answer, Lara is writing a second letter to President Bush. She is also working on a web page she has set up to inform people about her mission:

<http://www.amandla.org/ufo/>

She calls the site "The Bush/UFO Disclosure Request". It is a web site detailing the "Hungerstrike Requesting President Bush to honor his agreement to tell the American people the truth, by supporting the Disclosure Project witnesses to testify about their extensive knowledge of UFOs." In days the site is up and

running, without all the 'Under Construction' signs that are so common with new web pages.

The web site Lara has developed has a section where the original letter of protest to President Bush can be read. There is a section that relates news, and articles that have been written about the hunger strike. There is a direct link to Dr. Steven Greer Disclosure Project web site. There is a section on upcoming events. Finally, Lara has included a section that displays some of the letters of support she has received. She has some strong supporters.

Among the many letters she has received are the following examples:

- Ron Eastwood, a former bodyguard for Martin Luther King's wife and children following his assassination wrote. Eastwood detailed a hunger strike he had participated in with United Farm Workers Union organizer Caesar Chavez. He told Lara, "My own congestive heart failure, obesity, diabetes and high blood pressure prevent me from taking the drastic measures you have chosen (namely hunger strike) but be assured I shall make my ability to write a sword of words to rattle the cages of as many of our recalcitrant and cowardly public servants as possible on this cause for total public disclosure. With your permission may I send a copy of this message to my local news media and government officials along with the attached copy of the notice which informed me of your awesome undertaking."

- Larry Bryant, a UFO researcher and long time crusader for total disclosure of the UFO story by the government wrote, "As an old semi-street warrior myself, (having taken part in the anti-UFO-secrecy demonstrations that the now defunct Operation Right to Know mounted some years ago at the White House, the Washington Post Building, the Pentagon (there only indirectly. Since I was still employed there), and the GAO building in Washington), I get a vicarious thrill knowing that a young woman has taken this bold lead in a renewed knock on officialdom's UFO door."

- Tom Buyea from Miami Florida wrote, "I just read about you and forwarded the email to about 3,000 people on all my UFO & government conspiracy etc. email lists. What else can we do to help you?"

- Hi there, I just read about you, I am the International Director of P.R.I.S.M. International Paranormal Research Investigation Services & Monitoring International here in Adelaide, South Australia, I am starting "Operation Recovery" which is the Sister to Project Disclosure, & I have people coming forward, all though I would not like to say if the Extraterrestrial Agenda is good or bad, how ever like you I believe in the uncovering of the truth behind it all. You are a brave lady, I admire you very much, I Love you very much too :) I hope one day I can meet you & give you a big hug, cause your my hero Lara, & everyone else's too, thank you for being there for us, if I can help you somehow, please ask how!, take care Lara, from all your friends in Australia

Lara spends time talking to people from all over the world (calls from as far away as the UK and Australia) who have phoned to offer support. She counsels with a small group over what to do next, and E-mails people who have written with questions or comments about her actions. She also watches and comments on the many messages being posted on the many Internet discussion boards that are discussing her Hunger Strike.

There have been ups and downs, even though after talking to Lara, one comes away with the impression that for Lara it is all good. She is a strong tree in the windy storm. Usually, it is Lara who provides the support for the many concerned people who see a looming disaster, and who have called her and expressed concern for her well-being. An example is Lara's answer to one concerned person who asked her about the pain of being hungry all the time. Lara's response, "You are only hungry for the first three days. I promise."

Despite Lara's steadfast optimism there have been downs over the first 16 days of the hunger strike. The main down would be the weight. Lara is down 13 pounds. To most this would seem like an



ensuing disaster. Lara, however, says, "I have a few pounds I can lose."

Most of the comments have been supportive but unfortunately there have been some real shots taken at her. Lara has after all, chosen to involve herself in the world of Ufology where primitive tribal warfare is often the norm.

One example of the very few attacks on Lara came from Jack Sarfatti, a physicist who hosts a very small UFO/zero point energy chat group (made up mainly of theoretical physicists, and "bump in the night" intelligence types). Sarfatti is a big supporter of space-based weapons. Perhaps it Lara's open opposition to space based weapons that led Sarfatti to post a vile attack on Lara on the Internet:

"Laura is a typical clueless New Ager brainwashed by Macroshift psycho-babble with no ability to discriminate between real science and Cargo Cult superstition posing as science. This poor woman is obviously in need of psychiatric help."

Where the normal UFO response would be to counter-punch, Lara was calm and collected in her response to Sarfatti. Perhaps this is a result of the fact that Lara had absolutely no background in Ufology before beginning the hunger strike. She took the attack as an opportunity to repeat the goals of the hunger strike:

"I appreciate your comments, and, I am okay with you saying whatever you like - I know that your definition of who I am or what I do is not 'who I am' ;-), only your imagination! ;-). And a very vivid one at that! ;-). I want the truth, I want the light of the truth to shine where the darkness of secrecy, fear and hate currently reigns and makes us more afraid of one another, so that we call them names, whatever name we wish to denigrate them by. I apologize but I do not wish to do that, and that is not my quest or my purpose. I shall continue my search for truth, and I support you in continuing yours. Mine is a request to President Bush to honor his agreement with Charles Huffer and the American people. I imagine that includes you! ;-), unless you already have been informed about the 'secret' truth!, and are trying to deflect the issue to me!"

Another temporary down was the lack of support or contact from people that would have been expected to race to Lara's aid. Again the ever-positive Lara understood. She told this author:

"I imagine they are a little unsure as to what to do - should they endorse, and then it goes down the drain, and damages all the work they have done... My focus - I want to keep on Pres. Bush - it was his agreement (made twice) with Huffer (and therefore the people) that I want him to keep, or at the very least re-negotiate - which is what anyone who makes an agreement has to do, if they can no longer keep it! So, I am going to attempt to keep my focus there... They need to keep their 'professionalism' - and not be seen as 'activist' and they have worked hard at that... I can support them, and appreciate their work, without them having to 'endorse' me. They are not responsible for my actions; only I am, just as only bush is for his! ;-)"

To avoid confusion and to keep the lines of communication lines open Lara E-mailed one of the groups on August 9th:

"I am writing because I would like to keep an open line of communication... to keep you informed. I imagine disclosure and knowledge on your part of my actions would be more helpful than silence and surprise."

As the third week of the hunger strike began Lara received two new indications that her efforts were not in vain. In addition to all the people who had been motivated by her action, it was learned that Charles Huffer, whose original contact with George Bush had motivated Lara, was now motivated by Lara's action to press again for his own answer from the White House.

On the August 11 'Strange days... Indeed' radio show broadcast

out of Toronto radio station CFRB, Lara appeared to update the listening audience on how the hunger strike was progressing. While on the air she received positive encouragement from Washington D.C. UFO lobbyist Steven Bassett who was also a guest. Bassett had been closely connected to the Disclosure movement, and his words came as a comfort that the Disclosure movement had come to grips with Lara's form of public protest. Bassett spoke about Lara and the hunger strike.

I had talked with Lara at length (2 hours). What I think about this is really straightforward. When the government looks out the window, what it needs to see - particularly now in an ever increasing degree - is a relentless public coming at them from every different direction, very clearly not going to give up, not going to go away. That means pacts, lobbyists, hunger strikes, marches, and protests like we used to have. It means political initiatives, press conferences, and the whole nine yards. The more it sees that the more it will start to realize that there is simply no where to go but toward us, with the disclosure and with the truth.

Lara is adding another piece to that mosaic, and she knows what she is doing. She's good at it. I knew this would happen, and I think it's coming from a person that can do well. I have indicated to her that when she gets a little further along, because as you know these things tend to go for 60-80 days if you're really serious, in which case Lara will be getting requests to model in New York. In a little while when she is a little further down the line I have every intention and every capability to bring this to the attention of the entire congress, as well as the political press here, and to the next level of awareness.

It's her show, not mine. I will stay in the background. Getting into the public is very easy. Whether she gets onto any of the shows like Art Bell or Jeff Rense - well that's up to them. For now it needs to build a little slowly. I think that's appropriate. It's timing is excellent. The strategy is wonderful. Tying it to the Bush statement, so that it can be a matter between her and George Bush is wonderful. It's logical. It's something that people know about. Huffer was there. It has all been documented. The effect of it will be to bring new attention to the Huffer event, which as you know came and went. It is out on the net but in large is not news to the press anymore, unless of course something like this happens. So all of this works very nicely, and the timing is great as well... if I'm Washington looking outside the beltway, I'm seeing this stuff happening. Clearly I'm going to be getting a clear impression that I can play deaf, dumb, and stupid, and this is going to go away.

#### Upcoming Events

On Monday Day 17, Lara takes her hunger strike to the steps of the federal courthouse in Oakland, to petition her Congress woman Barbara Lee to write a letter to President Bush sharing Lara's request for UFO Disclosure.

On Monday Day 17, Lara will be interviewed by the South African News Service out of Washington. The media in South Africa considers Lara the most prominent South African activist in the United States.

Lara will be interviewed by host Adam Clark on the Wake Up America website. Listen live at 8:00 p.m. Central Wednesday August 17 at: <http://wakeupusa.netfirms.com/>

On Day 22, Saturday, August 18, at 10:30, Eastern, Lara Johnstone will appear on 'Strange Days... Indeed' CFRB 1010 AM Toronto, Canada for an update on her progress at: <http://www.cfrb.com/>

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>>Does anyone else detect a distinct aroma of rodent here? Just  
>>too damn pat for my taste. How would one Provincial cop have  
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## Reed, Chacon & Aria [was: MUFON 2001 Symposium]

From: Kathleen Anderson <[KAnder6444@aol.com](mailto:KAnder6444@aol.com)>  
Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 18:15:25 EDT  
Fwd Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 10:18:43 -0400  
Subject: Reed, Chacon & Aria [was: MUFON 2001 Symposium]

>From: Melvin Podell <[mpodell@juno.com](mailto:mpodell@juno.com)>  
>Date: Mon, 23 Jul 2001 09:44:18 -0700  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>Subject: MUFON 2001 Symposium

>Jaime Maussan in addition to his excellent UFO videos presented  
>further evidence in support of the controversial Dr. Jonathan  
>Reed entity case.

>Personally this conference has changed my views regarding the  
>Dr. Reed case which one time was thought to have little validity  
>but now has more credibility going for it.

Reed is akin to a bad penny. He keeps showing up in the most unlikely places since 1996. I do have some insight to this case.

The people who are supporting people (those in West Seattle) are pulling a fast one. I lived within one mile from Mr. Reed, Harold and Bobby a/k/a Robert when I was let to believe as the MUFON State Section Director he lived in Southern California. They all knew me, knew my position and knew we were working on the case.

From Day one, the facts were not consistent, the area never jived and the plot excuse me... story has grown faster than a mushroom in a dark room. Now I am receiving email from people who paid for their copy of the book and are left holding the bag with nothing.

Personally, I think the Washington State Attorney General needs to look into the business operations on California Avenue in West Seattle and perhaps the post office since this is a mail order business.

P.S. The case is officially being investigated by MUFON. Will keep you posted.

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## Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Gehrman

From: Ed Gehrman <[egehrman@psln.com](mailto:egehrman@psln.com)>  
Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 15:43:36 -0700  
Fwd Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 10:21:47 -0400  
Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Gehrman

>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 10:48:48 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>Ed, if you believe that the things photographed on Ramey's  
>office floor don't resemble the Mogul radar reflectors, but  
>instead look to you like an alien spaceship, please say so.

Bob,

You have consistently declined our offer to view the Ft. Worth debris evidence contained in the AA CD package, and you refuse to acknowledge the information the RPIT has contributed to the Roswell discussion. If you'd been paying attention, you wouldn't have to ask silly questions since I've made my position on all this completely clear.

But since you ask, and there's always time for redemption, I'll answer best I can. I am well aware of Col. Weaver's report and the makeup of the Mogul balloon train and reflectors and have in fact published a detailed description of the Mogul along with photos in the last issue of Flatland.

There is nothing on the floor in Gen. Ramey's office that resembles a mogul balloon train. If there is, point it out to me.

The debris does not look like an "alien spaceship" because there are only fragments of material.

But those fragments contain numerous physical clues to their genesis and do resemble witness descriptions of the Roswell craft debris and the debris shown in the AA debris footage.

So to answer your question directly:

The debris on the office floor does not resemble a Mogul in any way. What this debris actually is, if not a Mogul or weather balloon, is what the RPIT would like to discuss. Why not order the AA CDs and see the evidence for yourself? You don't really want to seem so ignorant, do you?

Ed

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## Re: Strieber In Austin & On Politically Incorrect

From: **Ron Cecchini** <[Ron.Cecchini@GD-CS.COM](mailto:Ron.Cecchini@GD-CS.COM)>  
Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 19:12:14 -0400  
Fwd Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 10:26:44 -0400  
Subject: Re: Strieber In Austin & On Politically Incorrect

>Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 11:48:40 -0400  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>From: John Velez <[johnvelez.aic@verizon.net](mailto:johnvelez.aic@verizon.net)>  
>Subject: Re: Strieber In Austin & On Politically Incorrect

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Depends on the Solar and Lunar cycles, as they dictate whether  
Whitley's in his "They're our Benevolent Space Brothers!" mode  
or his "Aaahh! They're Demons!" mode.

But, then again, I can sorta relate to that particular  
confusion.

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## Re: Strieber In Austin & On Politically Incorrect

From: Steve Bassett <[SGBList2@aol.com](mailto:SGBList2@aol.com)>  
Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 19:24:50 EDT  
Fwd Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 10:34:07 -0400  
Subject: Re: Strieber In Austin & On Politically Incorrect

>Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 11:48:40 -0400  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>From: John Velez <[johnvelez.aic@verizon.net](mailto:johnvelez.aic@verizon.net)>  
>Subject: Re: Strieber In Austin & On Politically Incorrect

>>Date: Sun, 12 Aug 2001 11:37:47 -0700 (PDT)  
>>From: Mac Tonnies <[macbot@yahoo.com](mailto:macbot@yahoo.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Strieber In Austin & On Politically Incorrect  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

>>>Date: Sun, 12 Aug 2001 11:54:30 -0500  
>>>Subject: Strieber In Austin & On Politically Incorrect  
>>>From: Stephen Miles Lewis <[smiles@elfis.net](mailto:smiles@elfis.net)>  
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

>>>On August 23, Whitley Strieber will be at Bookpeople  
>>>in Austin, Texas at 7:00 PM.

>>>He will also appear on Politically Incorrect (the television  
>>>show) on August 16 with comedian Kevin Nealon, skeptic Michael  
>>>Shermer and actress Marion Ross (Happy Days).

>>Does anyone know why, exactly, Strieber is appearing  
>>alonside the obligatory "skeptic"? I thought Strieber  
>>was campaigning his new fiction book, "The Last  
>>Vampire."

>>For that matter, who is Michael Shermer? I've never  
>>heard of him.

>Hi All,

>Politically Incorrect for all its pretensions of being a  
>"serious" talk show, is just a venue for its hosts (mostly)  
>vulgarian comedy. Several years ago Budd called me to ask if I  
>would be willing to appear with him on the David Letterman show.  
>After a brief moment of hesitation (I was astounded that he  
>would even consider it) I asked him if he was aware that  
>Letterman was a professional comedian, and that the point of  
>having us on could only be to lampoon and make light of UFO  
>abduction reports.

>I'm not surprised at Whitley's acceptance of this guest shot on  
>P.I. But then I haven't taken him 'seriously' for many years  
>anyway. The reason for his acceptance has to be because he needs  
>to 'plug' the new book. It's a shame. I also wonder about where  
>Steve Bassett's "envy" comes from. What serious ufologist would  
>want to appear on a program that is only going to clothe the  
>phenom in even more ridicule?

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John,

To answer your question: I'm not a ufologist, I'm a political  
activist. Maher has had quite a few politicians on his show and  
is pretty well connected. Who would argue that the UFO/ET issue  
isn't "politically incorrect?" The show talks about every

controversial issue out there, why not this one. Getting in some face time in front of an audience composed of millions of iconoclasts with a host who feasts on government dogma - I'll take that gig.

Steve B.

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Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 20:44:55 -0300  
Fwd Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 10:41:03 -0400  
Subject: Re: Glowing Discs, Orbs & Strange Beings Around

>From: Richard Hall <[hallrichard99@hotmail.com](mailto:hallrichard99@hotmail.com)>  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>Subject: Re: Glowing Discs, Orbs & Strange Beings Around Ontario  
>Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 21:35:07 +0000

>>From: Marty Murray <[mmurray31@home.com](mailto:mmurray31@home.com)>  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Glowing Discs, Orbs & Strange Beings Around Ontario  
>>Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 01:21:48 -0400

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>>>Date: Sat, 11 Aug 2001 22:55:34 +0000

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Hi Dick,

There was a time some years ago where the police - whether town, city, municipal in some Provinces the Provincial Police or the RCMP would be open about UFO reports, admitting to having sightings themselves, but not anymore. I've noticed this reticence of the police to comment or even report their sightings other than anonymously. The police here range over large areas of territory. The RCMP for example will patrol a stretch of highway well over 100 miles [during the Shag Harbour sightings, one Mountie [Ron O'Brien] was nearly 200 miles out of his Division], working from as they call it Sub-Division to Sub-Division as a 'floater' unit - beefing up their presence in a given area - staying in a motel for a couple of days then moving further along as his or her presence is required, eventually returning to the larger detachment in a large town or city after 5 or 6 days on the road.

The reason for this is low population density in a huge country. Since Ontario is about the size of Eastern Europe you can see how the OPP would be spread out and covering large amounts of territory.

Whether this is a hoax or not I have no way of knowing. But some of the reasons stated, such as the mention of too large a territory for one police officer having covered and the anonymity doesn't give me reason to suspect a hoax for the reasons I stated above.

There was an email to Art Bell a couple of summers ago by a police officer - reporting a UFO here in Nova Scotia and requesting anonymity. He and his partner apparently sighted a huge triangular shaped object, one eighth mile on a side.

On his show, Bell called the officer [while not mentioning his name] however he got the officer's wife who told Artt he was on duty. Since the policeman mentioned they lived in an area where there were military bases I figured he was from the Halifax region, the only place in Nova Scotia where there is more than one military base.

I tried for months [ie several months later I got Whitley Strieber to ask Art if he had the email address who replied that he couldn't find it at that point] to get these two policemen to come forward, by posting requests in every cop-shop within 50 miles of Halifax without success.

Best,

Don Ledger

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## Re: The Forest Has Eyes... Red Ones - Mortellaro

From: Jim Mortellaro <[Jsmortell@aol.com](mailto:Jsmortell@aol.com)>  
Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 23:32:34 EDT  
Fwd Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 13:23:10 -0400  
Subject: Re: The Forest Has Eyes... Red Ones - Mortellaro

>Date: Sun, 12 Aug 2001 21:28:34 -0500  
>To: UFO Updates <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>From: Bobbie Felder <[jilain@ebicom.net](mailto:jilain@ebicom.net)>  
>Subject: The Forest Has Eyes... Red Ones

>This may be a little off-topic, but I would love to get some  
>input from the very knowledgeable crowd that hangs around this  
>List. I have some pictures up on my webpage that are very odd.  
>Some of those "what the hell is that?" sort of things.

><http://www.jilain.com/ufo/paranormal/creek.htm>

>Take a look if you get a free minute and let me know what  
>you think.

Dear Bobbie, All and Errol;

At first I was going to make some fun at the pics on the URL you gave above. But then I decided to take it quite seriously and make the attempt at some logical explanation. So I thought long and hard. For me, "long" is about four, maybe five seconds. And "hard" is the kind of liquid I require in order to concentrate on anything that long.

So I poured me a cup of hard Gripple, drank it and then grunted for that length of time it was necessary to concentrate in order to come to a conclusion... which is to say, about four, maybe five seconds. Suddenly and to my surprise, I found what the thingy is. But then the Gripple wore off, and I can't for the life of me remember.

And because this is so important to you, Bobbie, I wanted to recover the memory. So I had me another hard cup a hard Gripple and thought about it yet again. It came to me again and then, I forgotted it again. So an udda trinka rhardend Pipple an I tought I taw a putty ta.....

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>>>08-11-01

>>>Hello,

>>>I'm a police constable for the OPP (Ontario Provincial Police)  
>>>and I am taking a huge risk to deliver this information to you.  
>>>For the past three months there have been very unusual things  
>>>happening around the local areas I work in. This is the first  
>>>time ever that things of this nature have been reported in this  
>>>area.

>>>All police agencies in this area were ordered not to release or  
>>>acknowledge the reports being made, orders came in from main HQ.  
>>>Reports are now being sent in to the military so I was only able  
>>>to access and copy a few reports without being noticed. I have  
>>>family in this area and I am very worried that something serious  
>>>is going on in this area. This email was created for single time  
>>>use, on a public computer....so don't bother replying to this  
>>>email address.

>>>Reports are below.

>>>UFOS

>>>June 28, 2001 9:30PM East of Arthur, Ont. Canada. 5 Witnesses

>>>Event Description: A orange glowing object was seen hovering 100  
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Hello Marty:

Thanks for the details. Perhaps a better question might be:  
"What kept all of this out of the news?"

Newsmen jump all over stories like this (often garbling them  
beyond recognition of course) because people want to read about  
them.

Here we have case after case, multiple witnesses, and the local  
press is entirely in the dark about them? I find that hard to  
envision.

Best wishes

- Larry Hatch

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## Re: Where To Archive Diaries, Etc.? - Cammack

From: Diana Cammack <[cammack@comw.net](mailto:cammack@comw.net)>  
Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 10:37:10 +0100  
Fwd Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 13:29:24 -0400  
Subject: Re: Where To Archive Diaries, Etc.? - Cammack

>Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 13:58:08 -0400  
>Subject: Where To Archive Diaries, Etc.?  
>From: Will Bueche - PEER <[peer@peermack.org](mailto:peer@peermack.org)>  
>To: <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

>Elderly people who have had a lifetime of alien encounter  
>experiences sometimes call PEER seeking a place to donate their diaries  
>before they pass away.

<snip>

>Is anyone aware of any institutions that archive this sort of  
>material? Perhaps there are some libraries that save diaries  
>regardless of content (that is, whether alien encounters are  
>present or not)?

>>Will Bueche  
>>PEER

List,

The problem is not just diaries, but other materials. But 'ufology' is politicised with divisions and personal animosities, that it seems impossible to recommend that one of the organisations (eg MUFON, CUFOS, NIDS etc) archive all materials.

Instead, I would think that an indept library with an open mind and good archivist should be approached, to house such materials.

My friend Cynthia Hind (Zimbabwe) recently died and I have wondered what happened not only to her books, but to her field notes, interviews with kids (at the bush school), investigations with experiences in SA and elsewhere, book research materials, etc....

These sorts of materials, plus diaries, photos, obscure news reports, etc should be put together in a library which has high standards and quality control. I would think a university library might be the best.

I would suggest Harvard because Mack is there, but maybe the library would think such materials are nonsense? Perhaps Stanford or Cal Tech, or MIT, or ?

Its a matter of finding a library that collects alternative materials - Duke must for its parapsychology courses? - or an interest in space (Embry Riddell?)

Is there not an archivist or librarian or academic on the List with the name of a likely university to approach?

Diana  
(Malawi)

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## Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - Velez

From: John Velez <[johnvelez.aic@verizon.net](mailto:johnvelez.aic@verizon.net)>  
Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 07:48:35 -0400  
Fwd Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 13:31:15 -0400  
Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - Velez

>From: Grant Cameron <[sqquishy@altavista.com](mailto:sqquishy@altavista.com)>  
>Date: 13 Aug 2001 14:06:22 -0700  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>Subject: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - Day 16

>Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - Day 16

Hello All,

Due to a death in my family I have been away from the List for several weeks. Like Michael Corleone, no matter how hard I try to stay away, "they drag me back in!" ; ) I am writing because this is one I cannot allow to pass without comment.

Lara seems like a sincere person of strong conviction. Abductees are sending her letters of support and she is being "encouraged" in her hunger strike by folks from all points on the compass. As strongly as I believe in UFO disclosure I cannot (in good conscience) support anything that will put someone's health or Life in danger.

Although this grandstand hunger strike may help to attract some attention to the subject, at what price? Do any of the people who are egging her on with letters of support care about this person's well being? Has anyone tried to counsel her about the foolishness of risking her health for something that can be accomplished without risk to human life? Has everybody gone completely bonkers while I was away?

Again, I am in complete agreement with her "cause." It is her "methods" I am questioning. Reality Check: George Bush Jr. is busy playing golf. He is -not,- repeat, NOT) going to respond directly to this sacrificial (albeit noble) effort from Lara.

What will most likely happen if Lara persists is that her body and health will begin to deteriorate (dangerously) at some point, and unless she is in tip-top physical condition, she will suffer/pay the consequences.

Instead of "encouraging" her we should all be pleading with her to put an end to this folly before harmful or irreversible effects from her hunger strike are visited upon her person.

Lara: Please, reconsider this (personally) dangerous course of action you have taken. I am ready and willing to support you in any way in order to get the presidents attention. But as I have already stated, I cannot in good conscience support anything that is going to endanger your life or your continued well being.

As for the rest of her alleged "supporters": If anything bad happens to Lara because of your encouragement, may it burn a hole in your thoughtless (for Lara) heads for the rest of your natural lives.

Most sincerely,

John Velez

On the side of sanity!

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## Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Hamilton

From: Bill Hamilton <[skywatcher22@space.com](mailto:skywatcher22@space.com)>  
Date: 14 Aug 2001 06:42:06 -0700  
Fwd Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 13:35:31 -0400  
Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Hamilton

>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 10:48:48 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>From: Ed Gehrman <[egehrman@psln.com](mailto:egehrman@psln.com)>  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>Date: Sun, 12 Aug 2001 12:18:16 -0700

>>>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>>>Date: Sat, 11 Aug 2001 09:48:29 EDT  
>>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

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>>while you're correct that Karl has made an important  
>>contribution to Roswell research, his conclusions are dead wrong  
>>and dumb. ( find an identifiable piece of the mogul on the floor  
>>of Gen. Ramey's office)

>See:

>REPORT OF AIR FORCE RESEARCH REGARDING THE  
>"ROSWELL INCIDENT" July 1994 By Col. Richard L. Weaver

>Specifically, the following Attachments:

>16. July 9, 1947 Photos of Balloon Wreckage, Ft Worth Star  
> Telegram

>21. Signed Sworn Statement of Charles Moore, June 8, 1994, a  
> man who launched the Mogul balloons arrays.

>23. Transcript of Interview with Moore, June 8, 1994

>25. Illustration of Project Mogul "Balloon Trains"

>26. Two Photos of Project Mogul "Balloon Trains"

>27. Log Summary, NYU Constant Level Balloon Flights

>29. Copy of Blueprint for "Pilot Balloon Target, NM-307C/AP  
> Assembly"

>Ed, if you believe that the things photographed on Ramey's  
>office floor don't resemble the Mogul radar reflectors, but  
>instead look to you like an alien spaceship, please say so.

I believe, specifically, that the debris on the floor in Ramey's  
office is mostly that of a Rawin radar target (possibly the  
ML-307B) used not just by Project Mogul, but hung from weather  
balloons.

It appears to be aluminum foil laminated to paper and supported  
by balsa wood struts. As retired General Thomas DuBose said in  
interviews it was a cover story. There is no way the target was  
strewn out over 3/4 mile on the Foster Ranch.

Bill Hamilton

A true believer in your book. :)

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## Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Hamilton

From: **Bill Hamilton** <[skywatcher22@space.com](mailto:skywatcher22@space.com)>  
Date: 14 Aug 2001 06:57:51 -0700  
Fwd Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 13:39:03 -0400  
Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Hamilton

>Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 10:06:45 -0400  
>From: Bruce Maccabee <[brumac@compuserve.com](mailto:brumac@compuserve.com)>  
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

>>From: Gldas Bourdais <[GBourdais@aol.com](mailto:GBourdais@aol.com)>  
>>Date: Fri, 3 Aug 2001 12:18:20 EDT  
>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>>Date: Wed, 1 Aug 2001 13:46:03 -0700 (PDT)  
>>>From: Mac Tonnies <[macbot@yahoo.com](mailto:macbot@yahoo.com)>  
>>>Subject: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>>To: UfoUpdates <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

>>>ROSWELL: Inconvenient Facts and the Will to Believe >

>>>by Karl Pflock

>>>reviewed by Mac Tonnies

>>May I add a personal comment, along the same line as Durant.  
>>There is another key witnesses: the man who spent the all day on  
>>the debris field with Marcel: Captain Sheridan Cavitt. When  
>>interviewed by Colonel Weaver for the Air Force in 1994, (the 30  
>>pages interview is in the AF Roswell Report), Cavitt stuck to  
>>the first "explanation", the one of an ordinary weather balloon.

>>If the purpose had been, in 1947, to protect the top-secret  
>>Mogul balloons, in 1994 Cavitt did not have to do that any more!  
>>If that's what he had found, he should have said to Weaver: "Oh  
>>yes, I remember now, the cluster of balloons, radar targets  
>>reinforced with flower decorated tape, instruments etc." But  
>>no, he did not find that, only a miserable weather balloon. >

>>If only Cavitt had been willing to vouch for the Mogul story,  
>>that would have probably put an end to the Roswell case. Instead  
>>of that, when Weaver asked him his opinion of Karl Pflock, he  
>>replied: "He's our chief debunker. I lean toward him".

>  
>For an analysis of the Cavitt testimony see Did Sheridan Cavitt  
>Visit the Same Crash Site or CAVITT EMPTOR at:

>[htt://brumac.8k.com](http://brumac.8k.com)

Ok, Bruce, I read it all. Very interesting, but your footnote concludes that Cavitt lied in his testimony to Weaver. Do you still stand behind that conclusion? And, have you seen anything that further substantiates this conclusion?

Bill Hamilton (curious)

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## Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey - Hamilton

From: Bill Hamilton <[skywatcher22@space.com](mailto:skywatcher22@space.com)>  
Date: 14 Aug 2001 07:04:13 -0700  
Fwd Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 13:41:31 -0400  
Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey - Hamilton

>From: Robert Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>Date: Sun, 12 Aug 2001 15:58:44 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>From: Bill Hamilton <[skywatcher22@space.com](mailto:skywatcher22@space.com)>  
>>Date: 11 Aug 2001 20:18:19 -0700  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>>Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey

>>>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>>>Date: Fri, 10 Aug 2001 22:46:53 EDT  
>>>Subject: Re: Orange 'Flares' Over New Jersey  
>>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>>The difference between my approach and yours is that you assume  
>>>that every little light in the sky that the witnesses can't  
>>>identify must be a UFO, where I assume that the witness just  
>>>doesn't recognize what they're looking toward. See, then you can  
>>>start with a list like, Planets, Stars, airplanes, etc.

>>Good grief! You know nothing about my approach. I usually  
>>dismiss little lights in the sky in 99% of the cases. I always  
>>start with the usual list like planets, stars, aircraft of any  
>>sort, meteors, or even reflected ground lights, but after  
>>considering most of these and not finding a match, then I dig  
>>deeper.

>Bill:

>Like your "Skydancer" UFOs, dancing around in hand-held binocs  
>where Venus was in the daytime sky? Please see:

><http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates/2000/nov/m28-014.shtml>

Bob,

I answered that one much to your embarrassment. I had videotaped  
two skydancers (two Venuses) with one moving past the other one.  
Must have been a Venusian mirage.

Say, I just had a thought. You could replace Donald Menzel. Oh,  
but you have.

Bill Hamilton

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Date: 14 Aug 2001 07:21:45 -0700  
Fwd Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 13:52:23 -0400  
Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Hamilton

>From: Ed Gehrman <[egehrman@psln.com](mailto:egehrman@psln.com)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
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>>Despite Pflock quoting literally pages of witness testimony to  
>>unusual material properties in the Roswell debris throughout his  
>>book and repeatedly reciting it to the point of redundancy (AP  
>>reporter Kellahin's description of the material is quoted twice  
>>on the same page, p. 153), and presenting an extremely valuable  
>>collection of 50 pages of witness interview transcripts and  
>>affidavits,

>I just purchased Pflock's "Roswell" yesterday and expected a  
>\$26, typical debunking hack-job but was surprised to find an  
>interesting, fact-filled, hack-job instead.

I think you hit the nail on the head here, Ed.

>And while you're correct that Karl has made an important  
>contribution to Roswell research, his conclusions are dead wrong  
>and dumb. (find an identifiable piece of the mogul on the floor  
>of Gen. Ramey's office) This it is not the fault of the  
>information that Pflock has gathered together, but his own spin  
>on the details.

Agreed. Marcel's large field-size estimate is a vital factor as  
well as descriptions of the material found by those who handled  
it and that does not logically lead to Pflock's conclusion.

The field-size was estimated to be about 4,000 ft long (3/4  
mile) by about 250 feet wide. That is about 1,000,000 square  
feet.

Assuming that to be a maximum and assuming the debris field to  
be uneven in shape, we can still estimate that the ground was  
covered by about 6,000 square feet of material.

Assuming half this size and about 3,000 square feet of thin  
metallic material (no identifiable remnants of neoprene balloons  
seemed to have been mentioned), then how do we reconcile this  
with Rawin targets which had a total of 54 square feet of  
surface area. Lets see now - that would be around 55 Rawin  
targets.

Hmmm... new theory.

Someone disposed of old Rawin targets on the Foster Ranch and  
paid him a fee for it. No balloons needed. How is that for  
imaginative skepticism?

Bill Hamilton

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## Voyager Newsletter No. 19

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Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 15:22:03 +0100 (BST)  
Fwd Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 13:56:51 -0400  
Subject: Voyager Newsletter No. 19

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'RENDLESHAM' - A REPORT OF RESEARCH DEVELOPMENTS

In March, 1998, I published 'Rendlesham Unravelled', which revealed the existence of those pivotal witness statements dating from shortly after the late December 1980, Rendlesham forest 'UFO' incidents.

The full publication is online, at:

<http://www.ufoworld.co.uk/cover.htm>

'Voyager Newsletter No. 17' explained how in a recent book, 'You Can't Tell the People', by Georgina Bruni, it was alleged these statements were false and she had been told by Col. Halt that he had not written the notes

[...]

I know this much... I can prove the notes were in fact written by Halt.

It's not that difficult to do so and there was a blatant clue which Bruni should perhaps have spotted.

[...]

Proving this, is essentially stating the obvious. The contents of those notes could only conceivably have been written by Halt.

[...]

Aside from any such speculation, further confirmation of their authenticity can be found in 'The 1980 Rendlesham Forest UFO Encounter', an audio CD [or video] of Col. Charles Halt's lecture at Prince Georges County Community College, MD on 23 August, 1997.

It can be purchased from the 'Fund for UFO Research'...

[...]

I'm pleased to reveal a remarkable and previously unpublished photograph, taken earlier that year from the SPCDS Tower at RAF Bentwaters. A high resolution scan has been uploaded to my web site, at:

<http://www.ufoworld.co.uk/ftp/wsa1.jpg>

This shows a view of the Weapons Storage Area [WSA] and surrounding landscape, looking towards Eyke village.

At the far side is the Security Police [SP] Assessment Tower.

Just before this, at the end of the 'hot row', are separate, taller, earth covered bunkers. On top were the Defensive Fighting Positions [DFPs].

This was apparently where Sgt Randy Smith duly took up a 'fighting position' during the second 'UFO' scare (when Lt. Col. Halt's team ventured into Rendlesham forest to investigate reports that the 'UFO' was back).

Sgt Smith's full account can be read here:

<http://www.ufoworld.co.uk/newslet4.htm>

[...]

Another rarely available photograph shows the SPCDS tower's interior at night. This is the same view as before, only it's now somewhat darker outside! - see:

<http://www.ufoworld.co.uk/ftp/tower.jpg>

Conditions would be similar to when Sgt Smith and others were crowded into the tower that 'second' night, looking for reported 'UFOs'.

Kathy notes that only the Munitions Maintenance Squadron were authorised to enter the bunkers.

A new witness I recently located is Mike Jenkins, who was NCOIC of the Munitions Maintenance Shop at Woodbridge and then moved to 'Bentwaters Missile Maintenance'. Mike has a strange tale to tell and which he dates as occurring during some 'UFO' excitement, specifically the morning after 'Lt. Col. Halt went out on the night shift'.

If we could be sure about the dating, Mike's claims could have a profound effect on the entire 'UFO' scenario.

He recalls:

"When I came in the next morning, all I saw was a lot of our staff in uniform and in civilian dress, posted about the weapons storage area, and everyone being told to not ask questions, just do our jobs. To me it appeared to be no more than a regular training or alert drill after which there is normally a higher level of visible security at the twin bases anyway".

[...]

Those exercises with the Territorial Army actually took place during April 1980. As we shall see, he is correct in pointing out that the WSA at RAF Woodbridge was used during this mock incursion, not the WSA at RAF Bentwaters. The reason why will also become clear.

[...]

Senior Airman Kenneth Greene was assigned to RAF Bentwaters security from May 1977 to May 1980 and was the primary 'D' Flight SPCDS operator.

His recent contributions to case research have been immense, exceptionally helpful and gratefully appreciated.

"The Orford Ness lighthouse \_could not\_ be seen from the SPCDS Tower, in case you did not know".

"I also pulled occasional duty at the Woodbridge East Gate on the midnight shift. East Gate at the time was a small telephone booth sized wood shack with a small sandbag bunker adjacent to it. The shack was located off the road. I can verify that the Orford Ness lighthouse was not visible from that location either".

"We never heard about or observed any unusual lights in the forest that had a known explanation during my time at Bentwaters. In fact, during my three years at Bentwaters I can not recall any incidents of unusual lights in the forest".

"I have read Larry Warren's 'Left at East Gate'. I did not know Mr. Warren, but in my opinion he has a credibility problem".

"Coincidentally, Today I received Georgina Bruni's 'You Can't Tell the People'. I quickly leafed through it and immediately

recognized a bunch of names".

Kenneth also identified Airman Egercic in one of the book's photographs, noting, "I worked with and knew him quite well!".

There are also some apparent discrepancies, as Kenneth explained:

"On the last page of photographs there is a picture of a 'controlled area' sign for the Command Post. The Command Post was actually designated a 'Restricted Area' which is a higher security rating than a 'controlled area'. 'Restricted Areas' required authorized personnel be issued a special identity badge.

If you look at the picture of Airman Egercic in the photo section, you will see that he is wearing his restricted area badge and I can tell from the photo that the badge is coded for entry into the Bentwaters WSA".

"Georgina Bruni comments how we drove on the right hand side of the road at the twin bases. This is false! In the photograph section of 'Left at East Gate,' there is a picture that clearly shows vehicle traffic on the base driving in accordance with the British 'left hand side' standard. It would not make any sense to switch sides of the road going from off to on base and vice versa".

Asked about Larry Warren's claims that there was a 'secret underground base', Kenneth remarks, "I say the 'underground facilities' are a complete fantasy!".

An often referred to aspect is how weak radio communications were during the 'UFO encounters', possibly affected by a source of 'static' in the vicinity.

[...]

"One thing I would like to mention is that radio communications between Bentwaters and Woodbridge were poor. Some of the Woodbridge posts could communicate directly with Bentwaters depending on their location at Woodbridge, but for the most part radio transmissions between the two bases were inadequate. In fact, we had to create a special post at Woodbridge just to relay radio transmissions between the two bases".

[...]

As Kenneth has experience of radio transmissions from within Rendlesham forest, he was able to offer a first-hand assessment:

"In fact, during the war games, we utilized the 'bricks' in the forest and they were absolutely worthless as far as I'm concerned. We had a terrible time trying to communicate with each other. I personally believe it had something to do with the density of the trees in the forest".

"I am intrigued by Col Halt's statement regarding radio communications: 'There were dead spots outside the base, but we knew where those were and they were never in this area before'. I can't for the life of me figure out why we would have known about off base radio dead spots. We had no business off base so why be concerned about radio transmissions from off base locations?

Secondly, we were never even advised as to locations of on base radio dead spots!

[...]

I am also a former Air National Guard reserve SP and was trained by the reserves to estimate the height of aircraft. Take your hand and hold it at arms length in front of your face with the thumb resting on the horizon. You can now rudimentarily measure height in degrees. One finger covers approximately 2 degrees, one hand (palm and thumb) covers approximately 10 degrees. With this reference in mind, the object observed and reported by LTC Halt would not have been high enough in the sky to be observed by the personnel at B/W.

Secondly, imagine the face of a clock. The B/W WSA would have



been at the one o'clock position, the W/B WSA at the seven o'clock position, and LTC Halt and crew at about three o'clock most likely facing the nine o'clock position. I can not see him confusing the location between the areas as they were almost opposite of each other and separated by the forest and W/B runway. I believe that he was referring to the B/W WSA when he states '...continued to send down beams of light, at one point near the weapons storage facility'."

[...]

There's one last notable photograph which research has brought to light and we are indebted to local researcher Robert McLean.

Robert has located the 'landing site' where Larry Warren claims other military personnel and himself had a traumatic encounter with a 'UFO' in Rendlesham forest.

This is a separate event, which supposedly took place on the same night as Lt. Col. Halt et al were involved.

The many areas of difficulty with Warren's tales are well known and have been addressed in previous newsletters.

That acknowledged, this is Robert's report of his investigations:

[...]

Robert McLean has kindly also permitted that I can upload a photograph he took, on 12 May 2001, of Warren's 'landing site' and it can be seen at:

<http://www.ufoworld.co.uk/ftp/warrsite.jpg>.

That, however, is not the notable photograph referred to.

Robert has also obtained some aerial shots of the locale and one of these, taken by the Royal Air Force [RAF], captures Larry Warren's 'UFO landing site' in detail...

The full newsletter can be obtained online at:

<http://www.ufoworld.co.uk/v19.txt>

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## Re: Strieber In Austin & On Politically Incorrect

From: John Velez <[johnvelez.aic@verizon.net](mailto:johnvelez.aic@verizon.net)>  
Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 11:09:05 -0400  
Fwd Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 14:21:07 -0400  
Subject: Re: Strieber In Austin & On Politically Incorrect

>Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 19:12:14 -0400  
>From: Ron Cecchini <[Ron.Cecchini@GD-CS.COM](mailto:Ron.Cecchini@GD-CS.COM)>  
>Subject: Re: Strieber In Austin & On Politically Incorrect  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

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>>From: John Velez <[johnvelez.aic@verizon.net](mailto:johnvelez.aic@verizon.net)>  
>>Subject: Re: Strieber In Austin & On Politically Incorrect

>>I'm not surprised at Whitley's acceptance of this guest shot on  
>>P.I. But then I haven't taken him 'seriously' for many years

><snip>

Hiya Ron,

>>I hope Whitley represents us (abductees) well, anyway.

>Depends on the Solar and Lunar cycles, as they dictate whether  
>Whitley's in his "They're our Benevolent Space Brothers!" mode  
>or his "Aaahh! They're Demons!" mode.

Let's see which personality 'Sybil' presents that night. <LOL>

>But, then again, I can sorta relate to that particular  
>confusion.

I have to admit... me too! ;)

Warm regards,

John Velez

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## Re: Strieber In Austin & On Politically Incorrect

From: John Velez <[johnvelez.aic@verizon.net](mailto:johnvelez.aic@verizon.net)>  
Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 11:19:02 -0400  
Fwd Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 14:34:21 -0400  
Subject: Re: Strieber In Austin & On Politically Incorrect

>From: Steve Bassett <[SGBList2@aol.com](mailto:SGBList2@aol.com)>  
>Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 19:24:50 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Strieber In Austin & On Politically Incorrect  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 11:48:40 -0400  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>>From: John Velez <[johnvelez.aic@verizon.net](mailto:johnvelez.aic@verizon.net)>  
>>Subject: Re: Strieber In Austin & On Politically Incorrect

>>>Date: Sun, 12 Aug 2001 11:37:47 -0700 (PDT)  
>>>From: Mac Tonnies <[macbot@yahoo.com](mailto:macbot@yahoo.com)>  
>>>Subject: Re: Strieber In Austin & On Politically Incorrect  
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

>>>>Date: Sun, 12 Aug 2001 11:54:30 -0500  
>>>>Subject: Strieber In Austin & On Politically Incorrect  
>>>>From: Stephen Miles Lewis <[smiles@elfis.net](mailto:smiles@elfis.net)>  
>>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

>>>>On August 23, Whitley Strieber will be at Bookpeople  
>>>>in Austin, Texas at 7:00 PM.

>>>>He will also appear on Politically Incorrect (the television  
>>>>show) on August 16 with comedian Kevin Nealon, skeptic Michael  
>>>>Shermer and actress Marion Ross (Happy Days).

>>>>Does anyone know why, exactly, Strieber is appearing  
>>>>alonside the obligatory "skeptic"? I thought Strieber  
>>>>was campaigning his new fiction book, "The Last  
>>>>Vampire."

>>>>For that matter, who is Michael Shermer? I've never  
>>>>heard of him.

>>Hi All,

>>Politically Incorrect for all its pretensions of being a  
>>"serious" talk show, is just a venue for its hosts (mostly)  
>>vulgarian comedy. Several years ago Budd called me to ask if I  
>>would be willing to appear with him on the David Letterman show.  
>>After a brief moment of hesitation (I was astounded that he  
>>would even consider it) I asked him if he was aware that  
>>Letterman was a professional comedian, and that the point of  
>>having us on could only be to lampoon and make light of UFO  
>>abduction reports.

>>I'm not surprised at Whitley's acceptance of this guest shot on  
>>P.I. But then I haven't taken him 'seriously' for many years  
>>anyway. The reason for his acceptance has to be because he needs  
>>to 'plug' the new book. It's a shame. I also wonder about where  
>>Steve Bassett's "envy" comes from. What serious ufologist would  
>>want to appear on a program that is only going to clothe the  
>>phenom in even more ridicule?

>>I hope Whitley represents us (abductees) well, anyway.

Hi Steve,

You wrote:

>John,  
>  
>To answer your question: I'm not a ufologist, I'm a political  
>activist. Maher has had quite a few politicians on his show and  
>is pretty well connected. Who would argue that the UFO/ET issue  
>isn't "politically incorrect?" The show talks about every  
>controversial issue out there, why not this one.

Maher is a comedian first and foremost. And a cynical one at that. Kind of like an un-funny Mort Sahl. I don't consider comedy venues (in spite of the programs' pretension to be a serious talk show) to be a very good place to discuss the topic of UFOs. It's why I postulated in my original that Whitley's motivation for participating in this program is 'probably' more to hawk the new book as opposed to making a serious case for the reality of UFOs or the abduction phenomenon.

To each his own.

>Getting in some face time in front of an audience composed of  
>millions of iconoclasts with a host who feasts on government  
>dogma - I'll take that gig.

My first question to producers who are contacting me with an invitation to appear in front of a camera is; "Is this program going to be presented as 'news' or entertainment?" It's why you don't see my face on the boob tube very often now-a-days. I take this subject way too seriously to do otherwise. I'm more interested in how the subject matter is going to be handled and presented than I am in how many asses are going to be in the seats. I understand that your point of approach is political in nature, but in spite of that, the venue does matter.

But then, we all have our own priorities eh? ;)

Regards,

John Velez

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## 'UFO/Anthropoid Catalogue'?

From: Roy J Hale <[royjhale@netscapeonline.co.uk](mailto:royjhale@netscapeonline.co.uk)>  
Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 16:25:10 +0100  
Fwd Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 14:36:23 -0400  
Subject: 'UFO/Anthropoid Catalogue'?

Hi All,

Does anybody know where I can get a copy of the booklet  
'UFO/Anthropoid Catalogue' by Mark Moravec from Australia?

Roy

Down To Earth Magazine on The Net  
<http://www.thelosthaven.co.uk>

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## Humanoid Contact Database 1990 Online

From: Roy J Hale <[royjhale@netscapeonline.co.uk](mailto:royjhale@netscapeonline.co.uk)>  
Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 16:29:44 +0100  
Fwd Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 14:38:10 -0400  
Subject: Humanoid Contact Database 1990 Online

Hi All,

I have just uploaded the Humanoid Contacts for 1990  
by Albert S. Rosales. You can find these at:

<http://www.thelosthaven.co.uk/conthumanoid.html>

I hope this data is of some help for researchers.

Regards,

Roy

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## Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Young

From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 14:07:59 EDT  
Fwd Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 14:42:20 -0400  
Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Young

>From: Bill Hamilton <[skywatcher22@space.com](mailto:skywatcher22@space.com)>  
>Date: 14 Aug 2001 06:42:06 -0700  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'

>>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>>Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 10:48:48 EDT  
>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>>From: Ed Gehrman <[egehrman@psln.com](mailto:egehrman@psln.com)>  
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>>Date: Sun, 12 Aug 2001 12:18:16 -0700

>I believe, specifically, that the debris on the floor in Ramey's  
>office is mostly that of a Rawin radar target (possibly the  
>ML-307B) used not just by Project Mogul, but hung from weather  
>balloons.

>It appears to be aluminum foil laminated to paper and supported  
>by balsa wood struts. As retired General Thomas DuBose said in  
>interviews it was a cover story.

Bill:

I agree.

Marcel also claimed this, although he did say that one picture was the actual debris and the other (s?) part of the cover. I think this later claim of his was refuted by an examination of the entire pixs frames in the roll of film, as pointed out by Mark Rodeghier years ago in an article in IUR.

I think that Ed reveals his lack of reliability as a photo interpreter by not noticing the resemblance. His fascination with the phony Alien Autopsy film doesn't add much confidence, either.

>There is no way the target was strewn out over 3/4 mile on the  
>Foster Ranch.

Well, it would depend upon how thinly spread out it was, or if it was in pieces.

Clear skies,

Bob Young

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## Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Young

From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 14:21:04 EDT  
Fwd Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 14:51:07 -0400  
Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Young

>From: Bill Hamilton <[skywatcher22@space.com](mailto:skywatcher22@space.com)>  
>Date: 14 Aug 2001 07:21:45 -0700  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'

>>From: Ed Gehrman <[egehrman@psln.com](mailto:egehrman@psln.com)>  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
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<snip>

>Hmmm... new theory.

>Someone disposed of old Rawin targets on the Foster Ranch and  
>paid him a fee for it. No balloons needed. How is that for  
>imaginative skepticism?

Bill,

Now you're cookin'.

Of course, applying Ocham's Razor suggests that everything being equal, one of the balloon trains that are known to have been launched, such as the one launched on June 4, with more than one target attached, just happened to come down there.

Clear skies,

Bob Young

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## Re: Glowing Discs, Orbs & Strange Beings Around

From: **Marty Murray** <[mmurray31@home.com](mailto:mmurray31@home.com)>  
Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 14:40:11 -0400  
Fwd Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 14:56:21 -0400  
Subject: Re: Glowing Discs, Orbs & Strange Beings Around

>Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 20:53:55 -0700  
>From: Larry Hatch <[larryhat@jps.net](mailto:larryhat@jps.net)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Glowing Discs, Orbs & Strange Beings Around Ontario

>>From: Marty Murray <[mmurray31@home.com](mailto:mmurray31@home.com)>  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Glowing Discs, Orbs & Strange Beings Around Ontario  
>>Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 01:21:48 -0400

<snip>

>Hello Marty:

>Thanks for the details. Perhaps a better question might be:  
>"What kept all of this out of the news?"

>Newsmen jump all over stories like this (often garbling them  
>beyond recognition of course) because people want to read about  
>them.

>Here we have case after case, multiple witnesses, and the local  
>press is entirely in the dark about them? I find that hard to  
>envision.

Howdy Larry!

As I mentioned, this region is quite rural and the towns in question are very small. Something like this would no doubt be big news among the local residents, as not much goes on up there. Whether it would make it to the papers is another question.

All I can tell you is that I haven't read a UFO report in a paper for years, neither the large Toronto publications or the smaller local ones.

Something may have been printed in one of the small town papers, but whether a reporter would bother to drive up from Guelph, the nearest big city, to investigate this, I kind of doubt it.

If it was all kept quiet, as the officer claims, then it would take one of the witnesses approaching a paper his or herself to get this out, and whether it would be printed even so, who knows?

Take care,

Marty

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### Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - Hall

From: Richard Hall <[hallrichard99@hotmail.com](mailto:hallrichard99@hotmail.com)>  
Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 20:55:59 +0000  
Fwd Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 04:45:36 -0400  
Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - Hall

>Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 07:48:35 -0400  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>From: John Velez <[johnvelez.aic@verizon.net](mailto:johnvelez.aic@verizon.net)>  
>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure

>>From: Grant Cameron <[sgquishy@altavista.com](mailto:sgquishy@altavista.com)>  
>>Date: 13 Aug 2001 14:06:22 -0700  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>>Subject: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - Day 16

>>Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - Day 16

>Hello All,

>Due to a death in my family I have been away from the List for  
>several weeks. Like Michael Corleone, no matter how hard I try  
>to stay away, "they drag me back in!" ;) I am writing because  
>this is one I cannot allow to pass without comment.

>Lara seems like a sincere person of strong conviction. Abductees  
>are sending her letters of support and she is being "encouraged"  
>in her hunger strike by folks from all points on the compass. As  
>strongly as I believe in UFO disclosure I cannot (in good  
>conscience) support anything that will put someone's health or  
>Life in danger.

>Although this grandstand hunger strike may help to attract some  
>attention to the subject, at what price? Do any of the people  
>who are egging her on with letters of support care about this  
>person's well being? Has anyone tried to counsel her about the  
>foolishness of risking her health for something that can be  
>accomplished without risk to human life? Has everybody gone  
>completely bonkers while I was away?

>Again, I am in complete agreement with her "cause." It is her  
>"methods" I am questioning. Reality Check: George Bush Jr. is  
>busy playing golf. He is -not,- repeat, NOT) going to respond  
>directly to this sacrificial (albeit noble) effort from Lara.

>What will most likely happen if Lara persists is that her body  
>and health will begin to deteriorate (dangerously) at some  
>point, and unless she is in tip-top physical condition, she will  
>suffer/pay the consequences.

>Instead of "encouraging" her we should all be pleading with her  
>to put an end to this folly before harmful or irreversible  
>effects from her hunger strike are visited upon her person.

>Lara: Please, reconsider this (personally) dangerous course of  
>action you have taken. I am ready and willing to support you in  
>any way in order to get the presidents attention. But as I have  
>already stated, I cannot in good conscience support anything  
>that is going to endanger your life or your continued well  
>being.

>As for the rest of her alleged "supporters": If anything bad  
>happens to Lara because of your encouragement, may it burn a  
>hole in your thoughtless (for Lara) heads for the rest of your  
>natural lives.

John,

Condolences on your loss. I, for one, am very glad to have the return of your "voice of sanity".

Non-bonkers in Brentwood,

Dick

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## Re: Where To Archive Diaries, Etc.? - González

From: Luis R. González Manso <[lrgm@arrakis.es](mailto:lrgm@arrakis.es)>  
Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 22:38:25 +0200  
Fwd Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 04:47:45 -0400  
Subject: Re: Where To Archive Diaries, Etc.? - González

>From: Diana Cammack <[cammack@eomw.net](mailto:cammack@eomw.net)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Where To Archive Diaries, Etc.?  
>Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 10:37:10 +0100

>Is anyone aware of any institutions that archive this sort of  
>material? Perhaps there are some libraries that save diaries  
>regardless of content (that is, whether alien encounters are  
>present or not)?

Here in Spain, Fundación Anomalia ([www.anomalia.org](http://www.anomalia.org)) was founded precisely with that intention (among others). Unfortunately, we have a very small budget so we would be unable to cover even the shipping costs!

Yours,

Luis R. González Manso

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## Re: Voyager Newsletter No. 19 - Bruni

From: Georgina Bruni <[georgina@easynet.co.uk](mailto:georgina@easynet.co.uk)>  
Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 22:37:44 +0100  
Fwd Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 04:51:10 -0400  
Subject: Re: Voyager Newsletter No. 19 - Bruni

>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Voyager Newsletter No. 19  
>Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 15:22:03 +0100 (BST)  
>From: James Easton <[voyager@ufoworld.co.uk](mailto:voyager@ufoworld.co.uk)>

>'Voyager Newsletter No. 17' explained how in a recent book, 'You  
>Can't Tell the People', by Georgina Bruni, it was alleged these  
>statements were false and she had been told by Col. Halt that he  
>had not written the notes

Your way with words is deceiving! But what's new!  
Two of the witnesses said they did not type the statements.

>I know this much... I can prove the notes were in fact written  
>by Halt.

We all know that Halt wrote the notes and although I offered  
enough evidence for that, which if you read the book properly  
you will see it is clear, Halt said he did not write them. So  
what's your point? Are you familiar with publishing? If the man  
said he did not write them, then one cannot quote him as saying  
he did!

Georgina Bruni

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## Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Bourdais

From: Gildas Bourdais <[GBourdais@aol.com](mailto:GBourdais@aol.com)>  
Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 17:51:09 EDT  
Fwd Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 04:54:04 -0400  
Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Bourdais

>From: Bill Hamilton <[skywatcher22@space.com](mailto:skywatcher22@space.com)>  
>Date: 14 Aug 2001 07:21:45 -0700  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'

>>From: Ed Gehrman <[egehrman@psln.com](mailto:egehrman@psln.com)>  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>Date: Sun, 12 Aug 2001 12:18:16 -0700

>>>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>>>Date: Sat, 11 Aug 2001 09:48:29 EDT  
>>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

Hello, Errol Bruce Knapp, and all members  
of the list

I am answering to Brad Sparks on this post because I have lost  
my archives after a computer nightmare due to the passage from  
Aol 5 to Aol 6. Fortunately, I saved a copy of his message. I  
write again here, summarized, what I wanted to say, in answer to  
Brad Sparks.

Thank you for your long and interesting message. It forces me to  
have another look at the new book of Karl Pflock, and I am  
certainly going to read it.

However I maintain that Bob Durant has written an outstanding  
article, one of the sharpest to date on Roswell. You claim that  
he is unfair to Pflock. Well, I will see when I read the book.

You say that Pflock's book changed your mind on Roswell. But for  
Mac Tonnie's it had the opposite effect. So it seems the book is,  
indeed, on the skeptical side, unless you are able to perceive  
the positive elements in it.

I am quite interested by your information on Dr LaPaz. I knew  
about the testimony of Rickett saying that he had assisted LaPaz  
in 1947, searching for debris and ground traces after the crash.  
But, argued the skeptics, he was probably confused about the  
date, which was 1949 according to the archives. So, if you are  
right, Rickett may well have assisted LaPaz in 1947, after all!  
That's one important witness saved.

You say that Durant does a caricature of Pflock's thesis, when  
he writes that Mogul was "so exotic in construction that Marcel  
and Blanchard concluded its debris was extraterrestrial". Again,  
I will see in the book. On the other hand, it seems right to say  
that the press release strongly suggested a non-terrestrial  
origin. If Blanchard had really suspected it was Russian (as his  
wife said he told her), there would have been no press release,  
or it would have been quite different! In his article, Bob  
Durant merely contracted that in a few words.

Now about the testimony of Sheridan Cavitt. In my last post, I  
made extensive quotes of Cavitt, and I am not going to do it



again. In a nutshell, Cavitt repeated all the time, in the 30 pages interview of Colonel Weaver, that he had found a simple, uninteresting weather balloon, or a "radio sonde". The debris was small, "maybe as long as this room wide". He did not see any tape decorated with flowers, etc. If he had recovered a huge balloon train, twenty balloons or more, attached to a strong nylon line, with radar reflectors and various instruments, he should have at least vaguely remembered that, but he didn't.

So, as Bob Durant puts it very well, it is no big surprise that this is not quoted in the book. It is so damaging to the Mogul theory! It is a serious flaw of the book. On the contrary, it does not harm the ufo theory because, as you admit yourself, Cavitt is lying all the time. He had no need to do that if he had found a Mogul balloon train, but he needed to if he had found a ufo.

I am also interested by you remarks on the risks of disinformation. What you describe is what the Cometa report labelled "amplifying disinformation". You suppose that secret services may have put a lot of false rumors and testimonies in circulation, but to protect what? In the case of Roswell, the real story of the UFO crash!

Regards to all

Gildas Bourdais

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## Re: CCCRN News: 1000' Six-Armed Julia Set

From: Paul Anderson <[psa@look.ca](mailto:psa@look.ca)>  
Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 00:34:38 +0000  
Fwd Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 04:59:24 -0400  
Subject: Re: CCCRN News: 1000' Six-Armed Julia Set

CCCRN NEWS  
The E-News Service of the Canadian Crop Circle Research Network

<http://www.geocities.com/cropcirclecanada>

August 14, 2001

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1000' SIX-ARMED JULIA SET IN WILTSHIRE, ENGLAND

!!!

<http://www.cropcircleconnector.com/2001/MilkHill2/milkhill2001a.html>

Found August 13, 2001

See also the two incredible formations at Gog Magog in  
Cambridgeshire, two more highlights of the year in England:

<http://www.cropcircleconnector.com/2001/GogMagogHills/GogMagogHills2001a.html>

<http://www.cropcircleconnector.com/2001/GogMagogHills2/GogMagogHills2001b.html>

The larger (first) one is exactly 666' across. Make of this what  
you will...

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## Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - McCoy

From: GT McCoy <[gtmccoy@harborside.com](mailto:gtmccoy@harborside.com)>  
Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 18:55:54 -0700  
Fwd Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 14:22:05 -0400  
Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - McCoy

>Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 07:48:35 -0400  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>From: John Velez <[johnvelez.aic@verizon.net](mailto:johnvelez.aic@verizon.net)>  
>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure

>>From: Grant Cameron <[sgquishy@altavista.com](mailto:sgquishy@altavista.com)>  
>>Date: 13 Aug 2001 14:06:22 -0700  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>>Subject: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - Day 16

>>Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - Day 16

>Hello All,

>Due to a death in my family I have been away from the List for  
>several weeks. Like Michael Corleone, no matter how hard I try  
>to stay away, "they drag me back in!" ;) I am writing because  
>this is one I cannot allow to pass without comment.

>Lara seems like a sincere person of strong conviction. Abductees  
>are sending her letters of support and she is being "encouraged"  
>in her hunger strike by folks from all points on the compass. As  
>strongly as I believe in UFO disclosure I cannot (in good  
>conscience) support anything that will put someone's health or  
>Life in danger.

I Agree John, I wrote a long rant then erased it because I saw  
that this is not Lara's doing, entirely.

What really upset me was the biblical quote of John 15:3, when  
the subject that Jesus Christ was talking about was giving your  
life so others may live. Lay on the hand grenade, take the  
bullet, get nailed to a Cross that sort of thing.

When this is not a life or death matter, why damage yourself  
just to prove a point. It won't do any good anyway.

>Although this grandstand hunger strike may help to attract some  
>attention to the subject, at what price? Do any of the people  
>who are egging her on with letters of support care about this  
>person's well being? Has anyone tried to counsel her about the  
>foolishness of risking her health for something that can be  
>accomplished without risk to human life? Has everybody gone  
>completely bonkers while I was away?

>Again, I am in complete agreement with her "cause." It is her  
>"methods" I am questioning. Reality Check: George Bush Jr. is  
>busy playing golf. He is -not,- repeat, NOT) going to respond  
>directly to this sacrificial (albeit noble) effort from Lara.

Not only Bush but every other politician that has never heard of  
any UFO activist. Every President from Truman on down has gotten  
tons of mail of all types. Is Bush any different, form letters  
and all?

>What will most likely happen if Lara persists is that her body  
>and health will begin to deteriorate (dangerously) at some  
>point, and unless she is in tip-top physical condition, she will  
>suffer/pay the consequences.

She seems to be in the habit of that, if her previous hunger strike is any indication.

>Instead of "encouraging" her we should all be pleading with her  
>to put an end to this folly before harmful or irreversible  
>effects from her hunger strike are visited upon her person.

Having known a survivor of the Bataan Death March, starvation's effects stayed with him until the day he died, (at a relatively young age of 59)

>Lara: Please, reconsider this (personally) dangerous course of  
>action you have taken. I am ready and willing to support you in  
>any way in order to get the presidents attention. But as I have  
>already stated, I cannot in good conscience support anything  
>that is going to endanger your life or your continued well  
>being.

Listen to John, Lara.

>As for the rest of her alleged "supporters": If anything bad  
>happens to Lara because of your encouragement, may it burn a  
>hole in your thoughtless (for Lara) heads for the rest of your  
>natural lives.

Yes, I Agree with this too.

Tell me does Dr. Greer support this? has he heard about it? how about it Mr. Cameron?

GT McCoy

All for sanity too.

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## New UFO-Flap In Turkey?

From: Joachim Koch <[AchimKoch@compuserve.com](mailto:AchimKoch@compuserve.com)>  
Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 16:26:36 -0400  
Fwd Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 14:31:31 -0400  
Subject: New UFO-Flap In Turkey?

Hi List,

I've just heard it on the radio and it was on page one of the Turkish newspaper "Hurriyet" on Aug. 8th:

Two Turkish Air Force bomber pilots, Ilker Dincer and Arda Gunyer, in their T-37 reported to the tower that they suddenly saw a glowing disk-like UFO over the province of Izmir. It was traveling with fast speed and they followed it. They were able to lock on and had kind of a dog fight for some moments, then the UFO buzzed out of sight.

"Hurriyet" spent page number one for this report and printed much of the conversation between the two pilots and the tower: "the object comes close to the wings... it is behind us... now it is in front of us...it is like a dogfight..."

At the same time nothing was to be seen on the radar screens. Some international news agencies such as AFP have picked up the news.

Since June this year there were some reports of unusual air traffic and it is said that in one case it was videotaped.

12 years ago Belgium - now Turkey...?

Another reminder...?

Best wishes

Joachim Koch, Berlin

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## Ramey's Debris [was: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell']

From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
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Fwd Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 14:35:45 -0400  
Subject: Ramey's Debris [was: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell']

>From: Ed Gehrman <[egehrman@psln.com](mailto:egehrman@psln.com)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 15:43:36 -0700

>>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>>Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 10:48:48 EDT  
>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>Ed, if you believe that the things photographed on Ramey's  
>>office floor don't resemble the Mogul radar reflectors, but  
>>instead look to you like an alien spaceship, please say so.

>Bob,

>You have consistently declined our offer to view the Ft. Worth  
>debris evidence contained in the AA CD package, and you refuse  
>to acknowledge the information the RPIT has contributed to the  
>Roswell discussion. If you'd been paying attention, you wouldn't  
>have to ask silly questions since I've made my position on all  
>this completely clear.

>But since you ask, and there's always time for redemption, I'll  
>answer best I can. I am well aware of Col. Weaver's report and  
>the makeup of the Mogul balloon train and reflectors and have in  
>fact published a detailed description of the Mogul along with  
>photos in the last issue of Flatland.

>There is nothing on the floor in Gen. Ramey's office that  
>resembles a mogul balloon train. If there is, point it out to  
>me.

>The debris does not look like an "alien spaceship" because there  
>are only fragments of material.

>But those fragments contain numerous physical clues to their  
>genesis and do resemble witness descriptions of the Roswell  
>craft debris and the debris shown in the AA debris footage.

>So to answer your question directly:

>The debris on the office floor does not resemble a Mogul in any  
>way.

Ed,

Yes it does. See below.

>What this debris actually is, if not a Mogul or weather  
>balloon, is what the RPIT would like to discuss. Why not order  
>the AA CDs and see the evidence for yourself? You don't really  
>want to seem so ignorant, do you?

So far as I can see, the material in the Ramey office photos  
looks very much like a torn Mogul radar reflector, a kite-like  
mess consisting almost entirely of foil backed with paper, with  
blank white tape-like strips bordering them especially where

balsa-like sticks appear to be joined. But this does NOT match what the witnesses back in and around Roswell said they saw, though their accounts do resemble the Mogul radar reflectors, except for the absence of the flower-like designs on the tape. This exception or discrepancy lies in the fact the tape is only about 1 inch wide in the photos whereas the Mogul reflectors were reportedly affixed with 2-inch wide tape (Pflock p. 161) and Bessie Brazel described a tape at the debris site that was about 2-3 inches wide with flower designs on it (p. 277).

It would have been impossible for the flower-like symbols to have disappeared in just a few hours' time from the Roswell witnesses seeing them on the material to being flown to Ft. Worth. The notion I've heard suggested that the camera flash was so bright it blanked out the flower designs on the film is ridiculous -- if the flowers were visible in bright sunlight without being blanked out then a flashbulb wouldn't blank them out either. Bessie Brazel remembered that they were "faint" symbols but no one, neither she or anyone else said they were so faint they could barely be seen to the naked eye. Marcel Jr described the pink or purplish-pink characters as "embossed" which should show up easily on the Ramey photos (pp. 26, 268). This is a matter that can be tested experimentally by getting an identical or comparable model camera and film, and simulated tape, etc.

So far as I've been able to determine not a single eyewitness reported finding any of the foil paper double-sided material that was used in Mogul radar reflectors. They all say "foiled-cloth" or "foil-fabric" or "foil-rubber" or one or two who missed the backing or didn't think to mention it call it "tinfoil" or "foil-like," and one of the earliest descriptions on record was "foil or other shining material" but nothing about any paper-foil. ("Foil or other shining material" was the actual July 8, 1947, description by 8th AF intelligence officer Major Edwin Kirton in Reuters interview, so cannot possibly be contaminated memory from 30-50 years later.)

The widespread use of foil-paper material in the U.S. in 1947 for gum wrappers and cigarette wrappers, etc., was so pervasive that it seems there cannot possibly be any conceivable error by the witnesses in failing to tell the difference between an obvious paper backing to the Roswell foil debris (claimed by Moguloids) and the strange "cloth" or "fabric" side of a two-sided material actually described by witnesses -- compared by one witness to "the thickness of very fine kidskin glove leather and a dull metallic grayish silver, one side slightly darker than the other." (Pflock pp. 153, 285) The soft thin leather comparison nicely fits in between descriptions of cloth and rubber. If it had been foil-paper the witnesses would have noticed it instantly.

The only way out on this for Moguloids is to claim the witnesses are all wrong, every last one of them, in telling of foil-cloth instead of Mogul foil-paper -- including AP reporter Jason Kellahin. Or to come up with Mogul radar reflectors made out of a foil-cloth material, which seems absurd as that could double or triple the weight of the radar reflectors over that of foil-paper material, and to date no C. B. Moore has come forward to say they used such material in 1947.

Also the material in the Ramey photos is completely clean, not a speck of dirt visible on it, despite alleged days or weeks out in the windswept desert, despite the recorded fact of an unusual violent thunderstorm in the area of the debris field on July 2-3 that should have made a muddy mess of all of the paper in the alleged Mogul array from Flight 4 that fell on June 4, 1947. (Pflock p. 23)

No raindrop spatter marks on the paper are visible in the Ramey office photos either. When paper gets wet it swells and warps, and the distortion never goes away after it dries, it's permanently disfigured. Every drop would be recorded forever on the paper as ugly cratered or roundish pockmarks of the paper as well as dust turned to mud and partially washed away in round blobs around the impacts of raindrops, themselves carrying swept up dirt from the air to form their own patterns of obvious flow and eventual drying. The Ramey office photos are so fine in resolution that every ripple in the surface of paper can be seen yet no raindrop pockmarks are visible from the thunderstorm of July 2-3. How come?



To sum up: The Roswell witnesses describe Mogul-like debris except for foil-cloth, a 2-foot section of a thin slightly curved sheet metal, and a discrepancy in the width of the tape used. The Ramey photos show a clean set of tattered Mogul-like remains lacking any dirty raindrop pockmarks or any dirt at all, as if the material was substituted perhaps to make a 'good show' for the news media, except that no flower designs are visible on the tape. The Roswell witness evidence suggests a Mogul balloon array in the field was mixed with some other debris, either by human agency, deliberately or unintentionally, or as a result of the anomaly/explosion event.

Brad

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## Re: Ramey's Debris [was: Review of Pflock's

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Fwd Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 15:40:38 -0400  
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>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 14:21:04 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>From: Bill Hamilton <[skywatcher22@space.com](mailto:skywatcher22@space.com)>  
>>Date: 14 Aug 2001 07:21:45 -0700  
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>>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>>Date: Sun, 12 Aug 2001 12:18:16 -0700

><snip>

>>Hmmm... new theory.

>>Someone disposed of old Rawin targets on the Foster Ranch and  
>>paid him a fee for it. No balloons needed. How is that for  
>>imaginative skepticism?

>Bill,

>Now you're cookin'.

>Of course, applying Ocham's Razor suggests that everything being  
>equal, one of the balloon trains that are known to have been  
>launched, such as the one launched on June 4, with more than one  
>target attached, just happened to come down there.

A major problem here is that according to many newspapers on  
July 8 and July 9, the wreckage was found by Brazel "last week".

According to C.B. Moore, neoprene balloons would turn to dust  
within a short time in the NM sun.

The rancher had been in the area not long before his discovery.  
If he had found all that junk many weeks before, he would never  
have left it out for his sheep to eat and become sick from.

As noted in the last portion of the RDR [Roswell Daily Record]  
article for July 9 (which is the basis for all the Mogul balloon  
nonsense), Brazel was sure it wasn't a weather balloon.

He had found them before.

This sentence is, of course, left out of a long quote from the  
article by disinformation specialist Colonel Weaver. He also  
left out a key clause from the FBI memo which he quoted from.

The omission changes the sense by 180 degrees.

Remember his specialty was disinformation. He was good at it.  
The Mogul balloon explanation doesn't fit. We must acquit; as  
some lawyer said in another context.

This is detailed in my 27 page paper 'Roswell Incident, USAF,

Re: Ramey's Debris [was: Review of Pflock's

and the NY Times'.

I think this is one place where Kevin and I agree.

Stan Friedman

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## Stan Friedman's New Web Site

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Fwd Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 15:42:58 -0400  
Subject: Stan Friedman's New Web Site

Greetings EBK Fellow UpDates members:

I'm very pleased to invite you to see Stan Friedman's newly designed home web site:

<http://www.v-j-enterprises.com/sfhome.html>

Peter Blinn volunteered to do the redesign which we are very proud to display as part of the VJ Enterprises home site. Peter work is excellent. If you agree let him know.

Dave Vetterick

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## 'Extraterrestrial Visitations' - A Review

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Fwd Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 15:51:07 -0400  
Subject: 'Extraterrestrial Visitations' - A Review

'Extraterrestrial Visitations: True Accounts of Contact'  
by  
Preston Dennett  
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Reviewed by Katharina Wilson

'Extraterrestrial Visitations: True Accounts of Contact' is Preston Dennett's fourth book about the UFO phenomenon. It is based on ten case histories and includes personal testimonies from the following: a medical doctor, a therapist, an airplane mechanic, a housewife, a military person, an office worker, a factory employee, an actor, a waitress, and a store manager. In other words, people we see in our everyday lives.

Preston carefully chose these ten cases because they all have something important to contribute to our understanding of the phenomenon. They all have similarities to other cases, but they also have important differences and contain new information. Preston interjects his thoughtful insights about the phenomenon in each chapter, but it is done so in a gentle, logical manner allowing the witnesses to describe their own experiences and draw their own conclusions. There is no doubt Preston does draw conclusions, but it is from years of investigating and interviewing witnesses, and the reader will quickly see that he is very familiar with the subject.

When hypnosis is used by a competent hypnotist or physician it can be a useful tool. However, conscious memories are very important and accurate and this book shows this very well. "Extraterrestrial Visitations" contains first person accounts from the witnesses and it does not rely heavily on the use of hypnosis. These cases cover sightings to close encounters to the reason UFOs are here in the first place:

Interaction with human beings.

Even after all of the books I have read and, to use an old cliché, "having been there and experienced that," I still found this book to be an informative read and I came across extraterrestrial-related experiences that I had not previously read about or had experienced myself.

Some highlights of the book include a sighting described in great detail and witnessed by hundreds of people. There are different ways and reasons a person may remember their experience and this may involve "triggers" for incredible spontaneous memories, and a six-hour abduction is described as well as a multiple witness sighting of a cigar-shaped craft.

Also discussed is a case involving physical contact with a beam from a craft that changes the life of the witness forever. There is also a case where the witness was rescued by extraterrestrials. Without knowing it until I reached the end of the book, one of the cases is that of Melinda Leslie, a well-documented and well-known abductee. I don't want to give too much away because there are many details to each case and each case deserves to be read.

There is a lot to like about this book. It has an attractive cover, it was easy to order and it has a great price. It also has an index, which we unfortunately do not always see in UFO books. Another nice feature about this book is Preston's "Suggested Reading List." Besides listing books by the top researchers, Preston includes almost all of the books written by abductees thereby standing by his belief that, "[He has] always felt that the persons most qualified to speak on the subject of extraterrestrial contact are the people who have had the experiences."

It is so refreshing to see credit being given to the abductees who have risked it all by going public and writing and/or publishing their own books. With the exception of "UFOs and Abductions" (edited by David M. Jacobs) I have not seen such a thorough list of books written by (and sometimes published by) the experiencers of this phenomenon.

It is of great interest, as well as being extremely important for the public to hear directly from the experiencers of this phenomenon. A "special thanks" goes to Preston for making that happen. I know I speak for a lot of abductees who went public in the 1980s and 1990s - some of whom are no longer with us - when I say to the people who participated in this book: "Thank you all for going public, for telling the truth and for keeping the flame burning. We need you."

# # #

Preston Dennett is a field investigator for the Mutual UFO Network and is also the author of 'UFO Healings', 'One in Forty: The UFO Epidemic' and 'UFOs Over Topanga Canyon' as well as over 70 articles.

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Thanks Everyone -- K. Wilson

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>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'

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>>From: Bruce Maccabee <[brumac@compuserve.com](mailto:brumac@compuserve.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

>>>>by Karl Pflock

>>>>reviewed by Mac Tonnies

>>>May I add a personal comment, along the same line as Durant.  
>>>There is another key witnesses: the man who spent the all day on  
>>>the debris field with Marcel: Captain Sheridan Cavitt. When  
>>>interviewed by Colonel Weaver for the Air Force in 1994, (the 30  
>>>pages interview is in the AF Roswell Report), Cavitt stuck to  
>>>the first "explanation", the one of an ordinary weather balloon.

>>>If the purpose had been, in 1947, to protect the top-secret  
>>>Mogul balloons, in 1994 Cavitt did not have to do that any more!  
>>>If that's what he had found, he should have said to Weaver: "Oh  
>>>yes, I remember now, the cluster of balloons, radar targets  
>>>reinforced with flower decorated tape, instruments etc." But  
>>>no, he did not find that, only a miserable weather balloon.>

>>>If only Cavitt had been willing to vouch for the Mogul story,  
>>>that would have probably put an end to the Roswell case. Instead  
>>>of that, when Weaver asked him his opinion of Karl Pflock, he  
>>>replied: "He's our chief debunker. I lean toward him".

>>For an analysis of the Cavitt testimony see Did Sheridan Cavitt  
>>Visit the Same Crash Site or CAVITT EMPYOR at:

>><http://brumac.8k.com>

>Ok, Bruce, I read it all. Very interesting, but your footnote  
>concludes that Cavitt lied in his testimony to Weaver. Do you  
>still stand behind that conclusion? And, have you seen anything  
>that further substantiates this conclusion?

Either Cavitt was mixing up the Roswell retrieval with something  
else or he outright lied.

I believe he lied.

I have seen no evidence to convince me otherwise.

Hence I say that Cavitt is one of the strongest witnesses for  
the Roswell event being anomalous.

Amusing. :-)



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## Turkish Pilots & UFO

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Subject: Turkish Pilots & UFO

Enjoy the below info.

Hakan

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Name of Turkish Air Force Pilot: Second Lieutenant Ilker Dincer  
Name of Second Turkish Air Force Pilot: n.a.  
Type of the aircraft: T-37 Training Jet (122nd Squadron)  
Date: 6 August 2001  
Time: 12:30 hours Turkish time  
Place: Izmir, Candarli, Turkey  
Duration of Encounter: 30 minutes

Dincer: "We are facing an unusual situation. We see an object shaped like a cross between a cone and a disc, with support legs, extremely luminous and high speed".

Dincer reports the incident both to the Ground Control and to the Combat Operations Center (COC) and asks for radar confirmation.

COC: "Negative. We detect a high rate of maneuvering in your aircraft but no detection of a second object around."

Dincer moves the T-37 closer towards the object and according to Dincer, the object also moves closer towards the T-37.

Dincer: "The object is now coming closer to my wings, now it's behind us, I'll get it in front of myself, now it's in front of us, hey this is certainly going for a dog fight with us".

The object gyrated around the T-37 for about a half hour. The object and the T-37 maneuvered around each other during the encounter until the object disappeared at an incredibly high speed.

The incident is under investigation by the Turkish Air Force and there is a great deal of concern and shock among the Air Force officials.

The incident will be reported to the relevant international institutions, especially NASA.

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Morris

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>Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 14:07:59 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
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>>From: Bill Hamilton <[skywatcher22@space.com](mailto:skywatcher22@space.com)>  
>>Date: 14 Aug 2001 06:42:06 -0700  
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>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'

>>I believe, specifically, that the debris on the floor in Ramey's  
>>office is mostly that of a Rawin radar target (possibly the  
>>ML-307B) used not just by Project Mogul, but hung from weather  
>>balloons.

>>It appears to be aluminum foil laminated to paper and supported  
>>by balsa wood struts. As retired General Thomas DuBose said in  
>>interviews it was a cover story.

>Bill:

>I agree.

>Marcel also claimed this, although he did say that one picture  
>was the actual debris and the other (s?) part of the cover. I  
>think this later claim of his was refuted by an examination of  
>the entire pixs frames in the roll of film, as pointed out by  
>Mark Rodeghier years ago in an article in IUR.

Bob,

This quote comes from an early interview with Bill Moore and is referred to in "The Roswell Incident", I don't have the book to hand but in essence Marcel states that in the one photograph in which he appears some of the original debris he brought from Roswell is shown.

We know now that Bond Johnson actually took 2 consecutive shots of Marcel on 1 double sided 5x4 sheet film holder not a roll, (standard practice at the time to take 2 shots in case one was a dud). No other photograph of Marcel has ever turned up in the record other than those 2 taken by JBJ of that one pose and researchers like David Rudiak have studied hundreds of news titles from that period, can we then say that the photo pose Marcel was making reference to in that Moore interview was likely that taken by JBJ?. I believe the one Marcel had seen was one of JBJ's published news photographs. If that is the case then we also have to accept that the debris seen in the rest of his photographs, all of which were taken at the same photoshoot, also show, as I think Marcel is quoted as saying, some of the "less interesting" debris they brought from Roswell.

The debris seen in all JBJ's photo's is essentially the same, though it can be seen to have been moved around a little from picture to picture, it can also be seen that some of the same debris is used in the Irving Newton picture that appeared on the news wires later in the evening of the 8th July 1947 but was not taken by Bond Johnson. In that picture much of the obviously

\_non\_ reflector/balloon debris has been removed.

>I think that Ed reveals his lack of reliability as a photo  
>interpreter by not noticing the resemblance. His fascination  
>with the phony Alien Autopsy film doesn't add much confidence,  
>either.

Ed didn't find the connection, I did. It is curious, but the fact is 4 symbol shapes identified in sequence on the same single beam section from the AA "debris footage" happen to match closely, symbol shapes seen in the Fort

Worth Photographs, the number of matches I find more than just coincidence.

>>There is no way the target was strewn out over 3/4 mile on the  
>>Foster Ranch.

>Well, it would depend upon how thinly spread out it was, or if  
>it was in pieces.

Jesse Marcel's site description works out at approx 777,500 sqft That dubious interview with Mack Brazel in the RDR of the 9th July quotes Mack as saying the site was 200 yards across that's approx 282,700 sqft. If Charles Moore's MOGUL did have 3 ML307 reflectors and if it did crash on the Foster Ranch it would only have

54 sq ft of foil. (90 sq ft if it had 5 ML307's attached)

To cover the above two site descriptions with 34 sqft of foil that's

0.0275 sq INCHES per sq ft for Mack's size

and

0.01 sq INCHES per sq ft for Jesse Marcel's size of debris field

And that is a mighty thin spread just to provide a uniform background cover.

To provide a noticable say 10% coverage of the above 2 areas you would need approx one tenth of each of the area's ie over 70,000 and 28,000 square feet of foil in each case.

And all that from the one Flight 4 MOGUL launch which only had at the very most 90sqft of foil and possibly didn't have any foil ML307's at all???

But even if it did have ML307's the numbers don't really add up do they?

Neil

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## Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Sparks

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>><snip>

>>>Despite Pflock quoting literally pages of witness testimony to  
>>>unusual material properties in the Roswell debris throughout his  
>>>book and repeatedly reciting it to the point of redundancy (AP  
>>>reporter Kellahin's description of the material is quoted twice  
>>>on the same page, p. 153), and presenting an extremely valuable  
>>>collection of 50 pages of witness interview transcripts and  
>>>affidavits,

>>I just purchased Pflock's "Roswell" yesterday and expected a  
>>\$26, typical debunking hack-job but was surprised to find an  
>>interesting, fact-filled, hack-job instead.

>I think you hit the nail on the head here, Ed.

>>And while you're correct that Karl has made an important  
>>contribution to Roswell research, his conclusions are dead wrong  
>>and dumb. (find an identifiable piece of the mogul on the floor  
>>of Gen. Ramey's office) This it is not the fault of the  
>>information that Pflock has gathered together, but his own spin  
>>on the details.

>Agreed. Marcel's large field-size estimate is a vital factor as  
>well as descriptions of the material found by those who handled  
>it and that does not logically lead to Pflock's conclusion.

>The field-size was estimated to be about 4,000 ft long (3/4  
>mile) by about 250 feet wide. That is about 1,000,000 square  
>feet.

>Assuming that to be a maximum and assuming the debris field to  
>be uneven in shape, we can still estimate that the ground was  
>covered by about 6,000 square feet of material.

>Assuming half this size and about 3,000 square feet of thin  
>metallic material (no identifiable remnants of neoprene balloons  
>seemed to have been mentioned), then how do we reconcile this  
>with Rawin targets which had a total of 54 square feet of  
>surface area. Lets see now - that would be around 55 Rawin  
>targets.

>Hmmm... new theory.

>Someone disposed of old Rawin targets on the Foster Ranch and  
>paid him a fee for it. No balloons needed. How is that for  
>imaginative skepticism?

Bill,

You know better than this. No witness to the debris field ever specified - or could ever be reliable enough to specify - the density of debris fragments constituting this field, especially from memory 30-50 years later. I notice you don't mention Brazel's contemporaneous July 8, 1947, estimate of the size of the debris field of rubber as about "two hundred yards" (600 feet) - almost exactly the size of a 657-foot Mogul balloon train of 23 rubber balloons. (Roswell Daily Record, July 9, 1947) Nor do you mention Bessie Brazel's 300-foot estimate ("about the size of a football field"). She said the debris was "scattered sparsely" and that the wind might have blown it farther than that. (Pflock p. 277) Can you translate "sparsely" into a material density such as square inches of material per square yard of ground? I can't.

The main reason this is ridiculous is because of the human tendency to simplify complex situations. If one or two foil pieces were found 1,000 feet away or 4,000 feet away does that make the entire debris field 1,000 or 4,000 feet in size? How many pieces does it take to make a "debris field" Bill? What if the wind blew a few pieces 1,000 feet or more right while you're standing there trying to make sense of the more immediate collection of dozens or hundreds of pieces closer at hand. Does that mean the debris field is considered 1,000+ feet in size or what???? Didn't Brazel collect some of the debris and stash it till he came back with Marcel, and if so, how does that removal affect the area of the debris field after he returned? Can you tell me whether your answer today in 2001 would even apply or be understood by any of the witnesses back in 1947 on site trying to make sense of it???

Every person might have a different notion of what constitutes a "debris field" and some might not even think of articulating or formulating such a concept in the first place - why should they? Are ranchers supposed to be aircraft accident investigators???? Was Marcel even an accident investigator? You're pushing far beyond the reasonable limits of witness perception and comprehension here. Some witnesses might think the only thing relevant is what was at their feet, maybe a few dozen yards across. Some might think it's the densest collection that they can see, ignoring all the rest that are scattered as being deemed insignificant. Some might ignore the sun-browned rubber fragments from the 23 balloons in the Mogul Flight 4 array because they'd blend in more with the brown background and be harder to spot than the eye-catching, sun-glinting shiny foil pieces. Some might have tried to be more careful and consider all of the unusual material they saw. Some might have misunderstood the questions put to them or the questions might have been narrower or broader than they realized. Some might not be very good at estimating distances. Some might simply not have walked as far around as others.

These simple logical considerations help provide an entirely different explanation for Marcel's large size estimate made 30+ years after the fact, and then there is the additional (or related) factor of a reported second site and how far away that might have been, and whether there was or was not any debris in between and whether or not such debris might have simply been coincidentally blown around by the wind filling in the gap between sites, and whether or not there was any confusion (deliberate or unintentional) in deciding whether it was two sites or just one very large site. Did you ever think of that latter possibility? (Or any of these I've just mentioned?) Bessie Brazel states in her affidavit (p. 277), "There may have been additional material spread out more widely by the wind, which was blowing quite strongly."

Geez man you guys in general have had 23 years to think about such obvious logical issues and no one has ever to my knowledge brought this up before, the one-site/two-site boundary dilemma. And I notice neither you or Ed dares to engage in discussion of my full posting of 784 lines' length but are just content to blot out all but 16 lines or so, that's about 98% deleted or should I say suppressed. This is worse than what the

Moguloids (or pelicanists) do in conveniently sidestepping unanswerable facts and argument. See my Aug 11 post at:

<http://www.aliensonearth.com/ufo/updates/2001/aug/m11-007.shtml>

Speaking of my post, I made a mistake that Karl Pflock kindly pointed out to me privately which is that he did cite the testimony of a Thermos-like object being found (pp. 36, 121) but he failed to mention this pro-Mogul point where it belongs, in his comparison of witness descriptions of the debris against a Mogul array (pp. 159-165). Once again Karl fails to be the consummate pro-Mogul debunker he is portrayed to be. The resemblance of this "Thermos-like" metal cylinder to the Mogul sonobuoy cylinder is uncanny.

However, let me balance this pro-Mogul mistake with another, an anti-Mogul point when corrected: I thought from Karl's presentation that CIC/OSI agent Lewis Rickett was the only witness to the 2-foot piece of thin metal. But another witness to what he described as a rigid metal sheet 18 x 24 inches was Robert Shirkey, then the Asst Flight Safety Officer at Roswell. (Pflock p. 29)

Karl also corrected me that LaPaz's July 10, 1947, sighting has a location given as Ft. Sumner, NM, in Bloecher (which I don't have available so I don't know how Bloecher got it, but perhaps it was many years later, or in AF files, when LaPaz felt freer). This still doesn't explain why LaPaz couldn't simply have told LIFE magazine in 1952 it happened near Ft. Sumner, it would have been a lot simpler than awkwardly saying he was driving from Clovis to Cline Corners, separated by more than 150 miles, and not give the relevant fact of his actual location. It still puts LaPaz on the road right past the turnoff to Corona, just two days after the Roswell case broke the news and after reporters tracked LaPaz down in Oklahoma (or he contacted them; either way, he surely found out about the Roswell case). It still doesn't eliminate the possibility he took a detour through Roswell, though it seems less likely now.

As for what LaPaz might have learned had he investigated Roswell for purposes of orbit calculation and possible impact tracing, had he investigated the Wilmots' sighting, as I mentioned before he might have found the radiant or origin near the ecliptic plane of the earth's orbit (and most planets) around the sun, near the constellation Capricorn around 21h RA, -30° Dec. This might be consistent with an asteroidal meteor as well as a possible interplanetary spacecraft orbit (though today we might doubt that because we look to interstellar trajectories).

But I also discovered something else interesting about the Wilmots' sighting in reading Pflock's book (pp. 22-23), which LaPaz might have discovered back in 1947: The Wilmots reported the speed of the luminous double-saucer as 400-500 mph and altitude about 1,500 feet as it passed over Roswell headed northwest toward Corona. The individual values of such speed and altitude figures may not be accurate because the distance isn't known without known reference points, but the ratio of these numbers is an observable quantity and might be valid and accurate. The ratio is the angular velocity and it comes out about 25° per second, which is extremely fast, meteoric in fact. If it was a meteor about, say, 40 miles overhead then its velocity would be about 17 miles per second, which is nominal for a meteor. If it was a reentering or entering spacecraft at 7 mi/sec then it would be at a height of about 16 miles or 85,000 feet which seems reasonable. Thus the numbers given by the Wilmots when scaled up are reasonable - for either a meteor or a spaceship - which is interesting.

Brad

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## UFOs And Classified Aircraft

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[Non-Subscriber Post]

Thought you would find this new story of mine of interest

[http://space.com/business/technology/classified\\_aircraft\\_010815-1.html](http://space.com/business/technology/classified_aircraft_010815-1.html)

Leonard

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>>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>>>Subject: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - Day 16

>>>Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - Day 16

>>Hello All,

>>Due to a death in my family I have been away from the List for  
>>several weeks. Like Michael Corleone, no matter how hard I try  
>>to stay away, "they drag me back in!" ; ) I am writing because  
>>this is one I cannot allow to pass without comment.

<snip>

>>What will most likely happen if Lara persists is that her body  
>>and health will begin to deteriorate (dangerously) at some  
>>point, and unless she is in tip-top physical condition, she will  
>>suffer/pay the consequences.

>>Instead of "encouraging" her we should all be pleading with her  
>>to put an end to this folly before harmful or irreversible  
>>effects from her hunger strike are visited upon her person.

>>Lara: Please, reconsider this (personally) dangerous course of  
>>action you have taken. I am ready and willing to support you in  
>>any way in order to get the presidents attention. But as I have  
>>already stated, I cannot in good conscience support anything  
>>that is going to endanger your life or your continued well  
>>being.

>>As for the rest of her alleged "supporters": If anything bad  
>>happens to Lara because of your encouragement, may it burn a  
>>hole in your thoughtless (for Lara) heads for the rest of your  
>>natural lives.

>John,

>Condolences on your loss. I, for one, am very glad to have the  
>return of your "voice of sanity".

>Non-bonkers in Brentwood,

>Dick

In the first place, Mr. Hall, to the ubiquitous mainstream  
you're a capering mad-man, an aging beatnik, and a left leaning

question-asker (pinko-radical) likely just to the good side of the 'Unabomber'. Your "non-bonkers in Brentwood" is taken, therefore, with the endless flats at Bonneville... <g>.

Mr. Velez, on the other hand, has been abducted by aliens, and so he is removed from the equational question, out of hand. I mean, even a display of reasonable compassion is suspect from one of those people. I've got it on good authority that John has licked the dry lake bed at Area 51, so he's got enough salt for everybody. <g>.

Neither of you would be able to hold down a teaching job, for sure. <no little grinny things>

As regards our striker. In the first place we are talking about a grown woman here that has rationally demonstrated some egalitarian sense and rational seriousness in the past, a cursory look seems to show. Allusions to "bonkers" might be a little premature, needlessly distracting, and an otherwise inaccurate splash of well meaning, but point-missing, paint...

Additionally, pronouncing conclusions that there is life threatening potentiality is sensationalistic and largely judgmental. To this point Ms. Johnstone eloquently demonstrates, only, that her life is made OTHERWISE uncomfortable by a golf playing president with a resting heart rate of 43, his easy obfuscation, blithe indifference to promises he has made, and his GENERAL lack of forthcomingness. The discomfort of her (hopefully) intelligently undertaken fast is that discomfort made more poignantly real in this non-violent, time honored, and traditional way.

An intelligent fast is actually a healthy thing, to a point; John likely knows that. There is no mal nutrition in a healthy fast, there is only an 'under' nutrition that most people in the western hemisphere could have a couple of helpings of anyway... I've got a whole paper in the spring-loaded, ready to go position, so we can dicker that point if you want to. The human body evolved on the savanna where a fast was a continuing aspect of reality. Feast or famine. Our bodies evolved to make use of that periodic fast more than to be inconvenienced by it. An intelligent fast is a healing fast. Regular meals are just an invention of the last hundred years, anyway. Our savanna digestion system is actually discommoded by regular meals. It did not evolve to have food in it all the time... but I digress.

A quick look indicates that she is executing her fast in an intelligent manner with the associated hydration, juice ingestion, electrolytes, and what have you. I would encourage her to if she was not. But I wouldn't insist or even suggest that she stop, that's not my damn business. If you could push a button and make her stop would you do it? Pardners, I sincerely hope not. I'd be damned if you would be pushing similar buttons on me! That's part of the problem that our personal autonomy is being made less and less.

I wish her well. I hope she is not being made too uncomfortable. I hope that she does not have to suffer any life threatening attributes of this ultimately extreme enterprise she has undertaken... Moreover, I'll be the first to plead with her to stop if it looks like she's really going to hurt herself, but I'm not going to denigrate her gesture now with admonitions that it is crazy, ill-founded, or a waste of her time and effort.

A forthcoming collection of cultural institutions not presently in evidence are what motivates her! She seems to feel that there is a threat to her existence outside the threat in a loss of a few burgers and baked potatoes. She's concerned that there is so much graft and corruption in the elected and non-elected institutions above her that she is under a threat similar to, if not greater than the loss of several thousand calories of food!

...And what will be my feelings if Lara should ultimately take ill and die as a result of her extreme exertions? I'll tell you exactly! They'll be the exact same feelings I had when I saw that infamous film of a Buddhist monk dousing himself with petrol and setting himself afire in protest at the continued war in Viet Nam... What did YOU feel?

Some things are just bigger than one life. Twenty thousand plus kids starve to death on this planet every day, where is similar concern for them? Don't focus on her strike, rather, focus on what brought her strike on. She's not the problem! The problem is the problem!

No - if this woman wants to stake her conviction on an act like this, more power to her. With a dollop more guts I'd join her. What she's talking about is that important. Hell, I've risked life and limb for a hell of a lot less than what she's about, flying helicopters into hot landing zones in support of specious and unethical wars. This was the war, incidentally, precipitating self-barbecuing Buddhists at its tragic denouement!

Besides, I think a portrait of the boned headed and obfuscating Mr. Bush is too righteously complimented by the needless suffering of one woman with valid conviction. It's a very instructive picture. It's a valid picture. It's an accurate picture. It's a picture that I would paint... but with a little less courage and conviction that our Ms. Johnstone, I admit with no small embarrassment.

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## Filer's Files #33 - 2001

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Filer's Files #33 MUFON Skywatch Investigations  
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UFOs reported in Pennsylvania, Virginia, Florida, Ohio, Illinois, Wisconsin, Canada, Australia, England, Turkey and Belorussia. Cattle mutilations in Texas and Montana.

AIR SAFETY -- Several of these reports again reflect on the safety of aircraft around the world. UFOs are being observed by ground and airborne witnesses and confirmed by radar. Near misses and other high speed maneuvers conducted by UFOs in approach corridors to our airports represent a potential safety hazard. UFOs may also cause electromagnetic troubles in aircraft that affect navigation, guidance, and flight control systems. Crews report ducking down in the cockpit and taking evasive action could result in aircraft losses. China and Mexico have reported actual airborne collisions with UFOs. A sudden dive by aircraft possibly avoiding a collision like Egypt Air Flight 900 should be examined in relation to these UFO reports.

### NEW JERSEY CARTERET CASE INVESTIGATION CONTINUES

CARTERET -- A new witness claims to have observed the structure of a large Flying Triangle near Sayerville heading for Carteret. Witnesses further south along the New Jersey Turnpike saw aircraft on the normal approach to Newark Airport apparently being diverted because of the presence of UFOs in the early morning hours of July 15, 2001. It is normal FAA procedure to divert aircraft away from potential danger without confirming the presence of UFOs to the aircrews. Unconfirmed reports indicate that radar's in the New York area picked up a series of anomalous targets on the night of July 15, 2001, between 12:25 to 12:55 AM. These targets roughly match the ground witnesses testimony of seeing lights over the New Jersey Turnpike. Dozens of cars came to a stop on the Turnpike to watch the lights as they passed overhead. Carteret is a very significant case because it occurred the day after the successful US antimissile test in the Pacific, the so-called son of Star Wars. We ! can speculate the multiple UFOs were a response to this test. Russia is strongly opposed to the development of this Missile Defense System and their involvement cannot be ruled out at this time.

Carteret is only ten miles from New York City the home of most major television networks. Numerous police and fireman were witnesses and took video of the event, that was shown on many television broadcasts. New York radar operators indicate that dozens of anomalous targets were racing around the area. There are wide variations in speed, altitude, and size. Anomalous targets are those that are not using transponders that are required for all normal commercial traffic and identify the aircraft. The anomalous radar returns were flying too slow or too fast to be normal aircraft and remain unidentified. So far to my knowledge the government has not denied the sighting and no military maneuvers have been acknowledged.

MUFON investigator Bob Durant reports, "In the short time the lights were displayed on screen, it was obvious that they were moving right to left at a slow but deliberate angular velocity. There was no relative movement among the lights. The top of a house or building, and possibly a chimney on a house, is visible beneath the lights and offer a reference for their movement. No stars were visible in the video scene. There were a total of ten lights, arranged in three groups. Beginning from the left on the screen, which corresponds with the foremost lights, we see five lights, then a space, then four lights, a much longer space, and a single light which brings up the rear of the moving set. There is no obvious symmetry to either the groups of five and four lights, or to the entire group of lights. The lights depicted in the video are large, steady and white, though there is some slight but perceivable variation in diameter among them. One of the lights momentarily nearly! "goes out," diminishing to a tiny point, then resuming its original size." Thanks to Bob Durant.

#### PENNSYLVANIA TRUCK SIZE CIGAR SHAPED UFOs

PHILADELPHIA -- Truck size cigar shape object over the Blue Route 476 in the western suburbs. The witness reports, "On August 10, 2001, at 11:47 AM I was driving to work and directly ahead of me, a half of a mile or so, I saw an object that resembled a cigar shape, quickly, zooming over the highway. It flew over the trees and it disappeared. The craft looked as though it was about the size of a truck. It seemed to reflect the sky on the top, and more dark on the bottom half. It was not high at all, as far as my view, a half mile ahead. It looked like it was maybe a hundred feet over the highway. If I were to hold out my arm and clench my fist, the object would be about half the size of my fist. No one else, as far as I could see, saw the object. But, because I love looking into the sky, I am more alert to the stranger objects than most people. This was not a plane, not a bird, not a helicopter. The object kind of teetered back and forth as it passed, almost out of control. Last year, another UFO flew by within a hundred feet from the ground. Thanks to Peter Davenport at the National Reporting Center [www.ufocenter.com](http://www.ufocenter.com)

MCCONNELLSBURG -- "While many people saw the huge fireball streak across the sky last Monday evening many others are also reporting seeing a black object with a tail in the western sky Saturday evening July 29, 2001. Bleachers full of people saw the object while attending the Grease, Steam and Rust Association's truck pull at the fairgrounds.

Jane and Bob Lamison of Cooper Lane also saw the object from their porch Saturday evening at about dusk. They described it as a large black object with a tail and blinking lights hovering in the clouds. The object stayed in the same area for about a half hour. Although not officially identified police officials said it was probably a surveillance aircraft that the residents were seeing." The Fulton County News," on August 2, 2001: Thanks to Jon Baughman [btbull@pennswoods.net](mailto:btbull@pennswoods.net)

#### VIRGINIA PULSATING LIGHTS

ALEXANDRIA - RESTON -- Dennis C. who wrote, "On July 30, 2001, between 1:00 and 1:20 AM, I sighted something in the western sky that was pulsating or strobing in 3 to 4 colors. This object was definitely not an aircraft because it remained stationary. I attempted to view it using binoculars and a telescope but was not able to discern a specific shape or distinctive features. Any visible white light in tiny objects gets refracted ever so slightly by a possibly damaged telescope. The strobing appeared as if the object was in rotation. The colors appeared to include red, green, blue and yellow, even when viewed with the unaided eye. My wife could see three colors and she has rather poor night vision, so this also leads me to believe it was not an aircraft. We both watched this object for at least 10 minutes until it was fully obscured by the clouds so it could not have been the International Space Station. Thanks to Dennis C. and Larry Bryant

#### FLORIDA UFOs AND FIGHTERS OBSERVED

ST. PETERSBURG -- ISUR reports that. At about 11:30PM on August 10, 2001, the witness, his son and a friend observed a bright

white colored light/object hovering in the sky over St. Petersburg. The object moved, then reversed it's direction 180 degrees, turned at sharp angles, and zig-zagged in an incredible manner. At times the object would stop, then move forward in short pulse like bursts of speed, then hover for long periods. After about 15 minutes, several jet fighter type aircraft appeared, believed by the witness to be from nearby McDill AFB which is about 5 miles east across Tampa Bay. Witness stated that these jet aircraft appeared to travel a course to the southeast as if trying to locate something because they repeated this two more times, but at a higher altitude. The light/object remained stationary while the jets flew this pattern. Eventually, it begin to "drift" and then smaller lights/objects appeared from all directions, they too drifting, but toward ! the primary object, then all finally became motionless. These activities continued for over an hour. Thanks to Tom Sheets, ISUR Board-State Director MUFONGA and D.

#### OHIO SMOOTH, ROUNDED, SILENT, FLYING TRIANGLE

BLANCHESTER -- On July 31, 2001, at 11:50 PM, the witness relates, "I was driving southeast on Route 123, when I saw a Flying Triangular shaped object. The tips of it were very smooth and round. There was a white light in each corner and a bright red light in the middle. It hovered there for about 30 seconds. As I came closer it shot over to the north and came to a complete dead stop. It didn't start slow or slow down to stop. It stopped as fast as it went. It just sat there in the sky perfectly still. It stayed there for about 1 1/2 minutes. I then turned onto my street and could not see it for a minute because of trees. Then I saw it hovering over a house. It took me two minutes to reach my driveway. I couldn't see it anymore until it shot across the sky tremendously fast. Faster than any aircraft and be completely silent. It shot over my house, flew two houses north of mine, and hovered in my neighbor's field. It wasn't very far from their house. It just sat! there hovering with no movement or sound, like it was watching me. I sat in my car for two minutes and watched. I was stunned but ran into my house to get my video camera, but I had forgotten to recharge the battery. I was in my house for about a minute and ran back outside and it was still there. We looked at each other for about 50-60 seconds and it was gone. It was so smooth and graceful and never changed altitude or shape. It was larger than a full moon. Peter Davenport felt she was an excellent and credible witness.

FRANKLIN -- MUFON OHIO State Director Bill Jones received word of a sighting that occurred on August 3, 2001, from MUFON's Scott Arnette in Louisiana. The UFO witness, Mr. Greg Banks of Franklin, reported he was awakened around 2:00 AM, when a bright light flashed through his window. He then heard a "thunder like" sound. Scott Arnette said that Mr. Banks claimed that no thunderstorms were in the area. The hair on his arm seemed to stand up. Mr. Banks went outside on the porch and saw a bright white light or sphere in the sky. An aspirin tablet held at arm's length would not cover this light. It was traveling slowly. Then it stopped over a wood line to the east at about two miles. The light bobbed up and down when a smaller white light came out from underneath it and bobbed around like a cork in the water. It also moved around the parent object for a time, but mostly stayed underneath it. The moon was visible to the south. He tried to take a picture of the light. G! reg notified MUFON while this hour long event was going on. Scott Arnette called the Springboro police but was unable to get confirmation of the sighting. He asked the police to call him back, but they never did.

INVESTIGATION -- Investigator Kenny Young reports he contacted the witness who sounded alert and explained that he had never seen anything like this before and was not medicated and had been sober during the event. He asserted his inability to explain the sighting. His mother, who he said is extremely religious, also saw the object after he awakened her. She said, it was "something very unusual." The witness recounted the same details as he told Bill Jones, and added it was over Springboro. Interestingly, Greg informs that the sound of helicopters were heard several minutes into the event while he was standing in the yard and talking on the phone with Scott in Louisiana. Greg states that he could not visually see helicopters or ascertain the source of the helicopter noise. He was not familiar with any recent UFO sightings. His sighting



has similarities to the recent nearby Waynesville police/UFO sighting in that the object first appeared near to the witness and then receded into the distance over a brief period of time. This location is 25 miles south of Wright Patterson Air Force Base. The Springboro Police Department advised they had no relevant UFO sightings. Banks was a friendly and cooperative witness. Thanks to Scott Arnette, Bill Jones, KENNY YOUNG U F O R e s e a r c h <http://home.fuse.net/ufo/>

## ILLINOIS UFOs ENDANGER AIR TRAFFIC

DOWNERS GROVE -- A glowing, gold/orange cylinder-shaped object was observed on August 1, 2001, flying northeast toward Chicago at 8:15 PM. The area of observation is near O'Hare and Midway airports, and several jet aircraft were in the area flying in normal traffic patterns. We noticed the object was flying nearly at the same altitude of the jet aircraft, but much faster. The object all at once slowed down as a B-757 aircraft departed Midway airport, westbound and flew past our position. We were amazed at this behavior, as if the object was observing the jet. The object then accelerated to the northeast and disappeared in a wink as a B-727 came into view from the east. The 727 entered the O'Hare inbound traffic pattern, flying downrange and turning 180 degrees to begin a final approach. We stood in disbelief to what we just witnessed. It seemed that object was right on top of the 727 and then just vanished. Based upon my 25 years in the airline industry, knowing aircraft performance, physical characteristics, and traffic patterns flown by commercial aircraft in this area, I have never seen such a strange object or vehicle in this area. I am quite certain the object was not a military or commercial aircraft. Based upon the following observations: 1) Aircraft operating in the area were distinguished by familiar physical characteristics, dark in appearance with wings, landing lights and anti-collision lights easily seen and flying in a pattern. 2) The object was a glowing, gold/orange cylinder with NO wings and NO tail section; it changed speeds, and immediately vanished. I have witnessed UFO's hovering near the ground, and flying at altitude in the western US I have never seen an object or UFO enter controlled airspace until this incident, and frankly, the episode was chilling. I am very concerned about the possibility of these vehicles colliding with commercial aircraft. Peter Davenport spoke at length with this witness, and we found him to be quite credible with considerable experience in the aviation/airline industry.

EVANSTON -- On August 7, 2001, I looked up at 10:20 PM and saw a streak of light and then it slowed down. I couldn't tell the exact distance but I would estimate 200 to 300 yards away. It was traveling very slowly like it was looking for something. I noticed that there were lights all around the side of the ship. It was kind of like a Flying Triangle with a broad side in the front going to a point in the back. The two front tips seemed to have two brighter lights than the rest. It moved real slow for about 15-20 seconds, and then streaked off to the north. All lights on the Triangle were bright hazy white.

WHEATON -- On August 6, 2001, while standing in the backyard of my sister's home around 4:00 PM, playing with my three year old nephew, I happened to glance up and saw a round whitish-silvery circle. It looked about the size of a pinhead from where I stood, motionless in a clear blue sky. It seemed to be as high as a commercial jet. I watched for about a minute, and then it shot upwards at a rapid speed, which caught me off guard, causing me to sort of startle, until I could no longer see it.

CHICAGO -- The witness reports, "Ten of my friends were sitting outside on a patio at 3:15 AM, on August 9, 2001. Twenty minutes after some of us saw a very bright meteor overhead we saw an object in the southeast heading northwest at a constant rate of speed. As it grew closer it appeared to be diamond shaped and orange in color. It flew directly overhead and at its closest appeared possibly 3/4 the disk of a full moon. There was a near full moon this night and I saw it pass in front of a bright star which confirmed to me that it was indeed a solid object. It appeared to be luminescent in some fashion, but the moon was very bright. Several people in the group described several small points of light, "like the ends of a fiber optic cable" said one friend (number varies between 6 and 7) offset but surrounding the diamond shape. I very clearly saw the orange body of the object and it made no noise. Minutes

after the object disappeared from sight an airplane took off heading east over our heads from O'Hare airport. The comparison to a low flying commercial airplane was easily dismissed as we observed blinking navlights on the wing tips of the plane, take off lights and an audible engine noise. The observed craft had neither of these. A girl in the group grabbed her 35 mm camera and took two photographs the UFO as it departed. The group of witnesses were 24 to 30 years of age working in fields from business to art. Peter Davenport interviewed this witness, and found him to be an excellent observer and reporter of the facts.

Editor's Note: Radar controllers have been reporting unidentified flying objects in the approach area to Chicago airports. Aircraft have been diverted and the radar anomalies were blamed. I suggest our ground reports from reliable witnesses indicate UFOs are regularly flying in the area.

#### WISCONSIN 500 REPORT UFOs

WAUSAU -- MUFON John Schuessler reports that some 300 people called WIFC-FM (95.5) local radio personality Tony Brueske claiming they had witnessed a mysterious green or blue light floating over Wausau. WIFC Program Director Danny Wright has provided MUFON with a CD of calls indicating nearly 500 calls. They all saw a green or blue light moving north really low in the sky." "Hi, this is Tina in Antigo," one caller said. "I saw it, too at 11:20 PM moving north. When I first saw it, it was almost white, then it was bluish-green." No one can explain why 500 people from Stevens Point to Minocqua, phoned a radio station to report the light. "I'd say it was probably the International Space Station (ISS)," said Arnie Nelson, former director of the planetarium at Wausau West High School. "I didn't see it, but that's about the timing it would be, and the brightness." The ISS orbits 250 miles above the Earth, and its brightness varies with its path and weather conditions. According to [www.heavens-above.com](http://www.heavens-above.com), the ISS passed over Wausau moving northeast at about 10:30 PM. Thanks to State Director Chad Lewis and Nicholas D. Roesler Assistant State Director and "WAUSAU Daily Herald" (8/3/01 By Peter J. Wasson

#### CANADA HOVERING DISK SHAPED OBJECT AND MANY OTHER UFOs

KELOWNA, BC -- The witness states, "At 11:30 PM, I observed a disk shaped object hovering silently 500 feet above Dillworth Mountain on August 7, 2001. The disk had a large red and white ball of light in the center. The color of the disk appeared black against the night sky and produced no sound. The object turned down the illumination of the center red and white ball of light like a dimmer switch.

VICTORIA, BC -- Peter Davenport phoned me to report on the August 12, 2001, sighting of a group of UFOs flying in formation above the city. While going outside for a smoke at 12:15 AM, I noticed five people at the wedding reception pointing at the sky. Just as we finished discussing the shooting star, which I had just witnessed, one of the people in the group yelled, "What is that?" and pointed above us looking east in the night sky. It was a group of about 6-7 oval shaped objects traveling in a straight-line formation. They didn't seem to be lit up by their own luminescence but since they were traveling over Victoria near the city center it looked as though the city lights lighted them up. The objects appeared to be a grayish in color. To my shock there was about 6 or 7 stars in a hexagonal pattern, but the stars were moving like they were doing a show. They were in a semicircle and the circle sort of broke a bit. Then one by one they started to move farther away and ! sped off at a high rate of speed. The wedding videographer was able to tape some of the event as we pointed to the UFOs. The objects continued a slow climb in the square shape formation. They got smaller and disappeared. Thanks to Peter Davenport.

#### TEXAS AND MONTANA REPORT CATTLE MUTILATIONS

CALDWELL -- Jim Henderson of the "Houston Chronicle" 7/31 reports that prize bull mutilations leave Texas ranchers guessing at the cause. Similar cattle mutilations are reported in Montana and the West. The prize bulls of Burleson County are dying. The troubling questions are how and, more importantly, why. Some ranchers talk of a cult that drains the blood of the

animals for use in satanic rituals. The sheriff believes most of the animals are dying of natural causes but admits he is perplexed by some of the circumstances. An investigator for a cattlemen's association chalks up some of the deaths to thieves stealing body parts, rather than meat. Cattle have been turning up dead under what ranchers consider "mysterious" circumstances at almost predictable intervals -- once or twice a year, around the time of Halloween or Easter -- for nearly a decade. "I don't know what it is," said Johnny Lyon, who lost a valuable Charolais bull last Easter. "It could be a prankster, ! but if it is the other (a cult) it could be pretty dangerous." Rarely is there evidence to back them up. Nevertheless, ranchers in Burleson County believe there is something more than storytelling going on there. When Lyon found his bull at the rear of a 300-acre pasture, its abdomen had been split open and its genitals removed. He said that has been a consistent pattern in previous incidents. There were no signs -- claw or teeth marks -- to suggest that his cow had been killed by a coyote or other predator and "there was not a drop of blood on the body or the ground," the rancher said. The cause of death was not apparent; body organs and, sometimes, tongues were removed while the valuable meat was untouched. In most cases, the genitals were removed. And, Lyon said, it appeared in each case that the blood had been drained from the bodies. The latest deaths have attracted little attention, except among ranchers. "I haven't heard any talk about it," said Caldwell Police Chief Virgil Hurt. <http://www.rense.com>.

#### AUSTRALIA ORANGE BALLS OF LIGHT

ROCKINGHAM -- On July 28, 2001, Brian Richard's phone rang off the hook for two hours as scores of witnesses reported seeing five bright orange lights travel slowly over Waikiki and Warnboro, south of Perth at 8:00 PM. They headed south with one in front. Three were in a straight horizontal line. The lights seemed to pulse in unison and faded out beyond Warnboro. They were observed for some 15 minutes. At 8:30 PM a single orange light appeared from the north and performed a series of aerial maneuvers, zigzagging about and moving up and down, side to side before fading out. At 9:10 PM two more appeared traveling southeast. One of the callers related his dog was barking excessively and running around. This doesn't sound like pranksters setting off hot air balloons made from orange garbage bags and paraffin-wax firelighters suspended underneath. Not one witness out of the twenty I spoke to believed these were hot air balloons. Thanks to Brian Richards's [brianr@cleo.murdoch.edu.au](mailto:brianr@cleo.murdoch.edu.au)

#### ENGLAND GLOWING OBJECT

TYNESIDE -- UFOzone witness report: I was out walking my dog on August 11, 2001, around twenty to Twelve at night when I saw something strange suddenly appear to the right of where I was walking. I was on Station Road walking with Ralf, my Dog. The object was strangely glowing. I stood and watched for a few minutes wondering what it was when I saw a larger object, which had the same kind of glow to it, come out of no where and seemingly disappear when it came into contact with the smaller object. Its not surprising so many people witnessed the event. The object from what I could make out hovered for some time, and looked kind of round, but it seemed to change shape every so often, and move at high speeds up and around the sky. UPDATE -- Two witnesses reported that the UFO returned, on August 11, and could be seen over the sea near Tyneside. Witnesses watched the light for an hour and fifteen minutes and again moving in a triangular range of motion covering "four fists" ! measured as the reporter held his arm aloft. Thanks to Dan [editor@ufozone.co.uk](mailto:editor@ufozone.co.uk)

#### TURKEY PILOTS CHASE UFO

AEGEAN SEA -- Two Turkish pilots from the 122nd Squadron while on a routine training flight in a U.S.-made T-37 off the coastal town of Candarli notified their home base control tower that a bright object had approached their plane at high speed and reportedly gyrated around them for about a half hour on August 6, 2001. The Turkish newspaper "Hurriyet" quoted their call: "Object approaching the wings. Now it's behind the plane, now it's in front of us." They told their controller and the regional war alert center of the Turkish army that the apparent Unidentified Flying Object had an unusual shape. 1/Lt. Dincer,

the pilot radioed, "We are facing an unusual situation. We see an object shaped like a cross between a cone and a disc, with support legs, extremely luminous and high speed". Later, the Turkish Air Force announced that the UFO was a weather balloon. The quakes in the Caspian Sea several months back, were also accompanied by UFO sightings. Thanks to Cinde Costello ! SSD, MUFON-  
[http://abcnews.go.com/sections/world/DailyNews/turkey010808\\_ufo.html](http://abcnews.go.com/sections/world/DailyNews/turkey010808_ufo.html)

Editor's Note: It was not explained how the pilots could chase a balloon with support legs for a half hour without being able to identify it correctly.

#### BELORUSSIAN FLYING TRIANGLE UFO

MINSK (BELARUS') -- On July 19, 2001, at 11:20 PM, Michael Goldencov, a journalist, and his girlfriend Olga Korotkina, a student of Minsk State University noticed a triangle object high in the night sky of Minsk, Belorussian capital. The guys walked opposite the Lithuanian Embassy when Michael saw strange sparkling lights that he first considered to be an aircraft's signal lights. The object flew making square turns. The shape of it was triangle with like a police car sparkling big lights in each corner. Michael and Olga watched the sparkling lights for two minutes. Michael Goldencov said, "I think that it was scanning the city and filming it. I am sure that somebody else had to see it because the object was pretty slow and stayed above the city. No doubt the police and militaries saw this object." Thanks to Vadim Deruzhinsky, Editor-in-Chief of the Secret Researches Analytic Journal [vd@gtp.by](mailto:vd@gtp.by)

#### SINGAPORE UFO SIGHTING

On Sunday night July 29, 2001, at about 11:45 PM, my two daughters and I witnessed a UFO hovering over the air base in the north of Singapore. The moon was shining very brightly and the UFO appeared as an egg or like that of a hamburger bun. The UFO was silver in color and 25 feet high and about 70 feet wide. It had 4 huge portholes on its side. The UFO had five lights spread over the side of the space ship and the lights were situated between the 4 portholes. The first, third and fifth lights were small round white lights while the second and fourth were orange lights. AT the back of UFO was a big red flashing red light. On the top of the UFO, somewhere mid-ship is a semi-flat white light that did not flash. The UFO was hovering about 120 to 160 feet above the ground over the air base helicopter squadron. The speed of the hovering craft is estimated at or between 2 to 10 miles per hour. I have 12 years of naval service and have not seen an air plane capable of doing! such acts. Thanks to LOOKIN4ET.

Dr. Robert Trundle's "UFOs: POLITICS, GOD AND SCIENCE" (European Press, 320 pages) is praised by Harvard Medical School's Dr. John Mack and NASA's Dr. Richard Haines. Dr. Mack stated, "Only a philosopher could have written [and defended]... that it is not correct to say that 'descriptions of a UFO are necessarily wrong because they violate our scientific theories'." Dr. Haines said "You are about to be treated to a most interesting journey into... the mysteries that swirl about the subject of UFO phenomena." By examining current science, with inclusion of scientists at the US Air Force Academy, the case for nonhumans visiting earth is that current science cannot exclude it and that reliable witnesses affirm the visitation. Besides including witness reports, Dr. Trundle also sheds new light on science and religion: A religious and scientific belief system may well be shared at some level by humans and extraterrestrials in virtue of the physical nature of the universe. Thi! s suggests that many alien species are not only more "friend" than "foe" but biologically similar to humans. Nevertheless, all of these points are resisted strenuously by most university professors-those most protected to pursue truth because of the tenure system. Dr. Trundle, with humor, quotes scathing comments of his work just because it seriously considers UFOs. He reveals how a trendy political correctness poses the greatest obstacle to intelligent investigations of, what would be, the most astonishing event in human history: the visitation of nonhumans to earth. This is the first UFO book by a university philosopher. It can be ordered by e-mail from the distributor Casalini (<http://www.casalini.it>), The Book Place

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>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'

>Neil,

>I give you numbers you give me doubletalk. It is text of a  
>message, not an image of a bird, an eagle!

>Do we only get pelicanism out of the UK these days?

>I gave you specific quantitative measurements of the angles of  
>orientation of the paper - which you totally ignore because you  
>can't refute them - and you respond by pointing to irrelevant  
>minor ripples or deviations from a flat surface.

Brad,

Sorry for the delay in response, real life intervened plus it  
took me longer to get a couple of images I want to reference in  
the following onto my website.

But to continue re the above...

You give one all encompassing angle of 15 degrees, I think  
this is an over generalisation of the situation. That upper  
section of the message is both folded and curved and though some  
points might present a 15 degree profile to the camera, others  
undoubtedly don't.

You have continuously changing angles of presentation to the  
camera above and below a mean, caused by those "insignificant",  
as you call them, ripples in the paper.

>You overlay an "eagle seal" over the Ramey message that is about  
>45° off horizontal whereas the Ramey paper is itself at about  
>15° in that top-left corner.

That top left corner itself is curving, check it's illumination.

>Your seal overlay is therefore  
>grossly improperly positioned by a factor of three, an error of  
>300%, a few degrees' deviation for ripples or curves makes no  
>dent in the size of the overall error, of 300%. How can there  
>possibly be any dispute over this? Is it because angles are  
>involved? Is it because numbers are involved? Do people just  
>tune out as soon as they see a number or a concept they think is  
>too intricate? Why is this so hard? This problem would make a  
>laughingstock in any university math or physics department in  
>the world.

But because of the curvatures in the sheet, it is possible for  
a seal/stamp located where I claim to see it to be visible as

it's seen in the image. A practical real\_world demonstration shows this to be the case.

>Your "demo" seal is properly oriented at the 15° angle -

I would even dispute this, as I believe the "seal" area is on a rising curved surface...see later.

>it's  
>your overlay seal that is grossly in error. The difference is  
>obvious. In effect, your overlay seal is standing up off the  
>plane of the paper, yet you claim it represents images on the  
>paper amounting to a U.S. official seal like the Defense  
>Department seal (which did not exist for more than 2 more years,  
>when the NME became the DoD in Aug 1949).

The "overlay" image was created purely as an aid in comprehending the overall image of the seal as I see it in the photograph, it is an illustrative tool only.

And I do not claim the seal is that of the DoD, again the 3 shown on the site merely illustrate the form of seals in use around the time. You may not be aware but I would hazard a guess many people outside the US like myself would not be too familiar with the distinct double rim form US Govt/Military all seem to take.

>If your "eagle seal" actually existed it would have to float  
>nearly 1 inch above and away from the surface of the Ramey  
>message, in the top-left corner. Thus, it is a physical  
>impossibility. What you are imagining is unreal.

The demo paper challenges this assumption, do the experiment.

>(The trigonometry on this is high-school level. Let me spell it  
>out in words so the numbers and trig functions don't paralyze  
>the mind: The difference between the inclination angle of your  
>overlay seal and the Ramey paper top-left corner is thirty  
>degrees. So it's the sine of thirty degrees times the one and a  
>half inch diameter of the seal, or three-fourths inch height  
>above the paper of the far edge of the seal. Round off to one  
>then overlying and comparing the image blob-by-blob with the  
>real thing. You have not done the overlay of a seal at 15° (your  
>overlay is at 45°). You have not done the point-by-point  
>comparison - and you cannot because they don't compare and it  
>is glaringly obvious. Your demo eagle is correctly shown as so  
>flattened due to the angle that you cannot compare wing to wing,  
>talon to talon, head to head with the real Ramey message image  
>-- if there had really been an eagle on the Ramey message it  
>would be so flattened by the angle of the paper it wouldn't even  
>be recognizable as such.

>My best estimate of the size of your eagle inside the seal is  
>about 8 millimeters high by about double that in width, when  
>laid full on to view. If this is tilted to 15° in the vertical  
>then the eagle shrinks to only 2 millimeters in height, but  
>retaining the same width. How on earth can you see any shapes of  
>>wings, head, talons, in an image only 2 mm tall, under ordinary  
>viewing conditions, perhaps projected on a computer screen?

>You can't do an overlay comparison because in fact what you  
>see as an "eagle" inside a double-circle "seal" is in reality  
>scattered blobs of text stretching across about the entire top  
>2-3 inches of the Ramey paper from the center fold upward. It's  
>like seeing faces in a tortilla or a cloud.

>You do not seem to even grasp that the issue here is one of  
>vertical distortion. Your eagle when laid flat is a little  
>over a quarter-inch high, about 0.3 inch, which is roughly 10%  
>of the height of the top half of the Ramey message. If overlaid  
>onto text your eagle from top to bottom would cover about the  
>separation of 1 line of text, in height (the message has space  
>for about 10 lines of text in the bottom half, and 10% is  
>therefore 1, simple math, but also easily measured in the photos  
>on your website). When the eagle is tilted as in your demo it is  
>compressed in the vertical dimension but so is the paper and it  
>therefore still maintains the same fraction 10% of the height of  
>the top half of the paper.

>But what you interpret as an "eagle" in the Ramey Message  
>photo is so wildly distorted that it is comprised of blobs of

>text spread across about 30% of the height of the top half of  
>the paper, or 3 lines of text in height, and then merged in your  
>mind into the form of a supposed "eagle."

>Again, it is text of a message, not an image of a bird!

>Your 45° "eagle seal" is totally imaginary because it doesn't  
>lay flat on the plane of the Ramey paper. Indeed it would have  
>to be larger than the paper itself in order stretch sufficiently  
>so as to match the eagle shape to the blobs you have picked out  
>on the Ramey paper that are actually words - not eagle wings or  
>talons or whatever. This has nothing to do with whether a file  
>clerk misstamped a seal off the edge of the paper. I'm talking  
>about vertical distortion by 300% that is so great that when  
>\_you\_ - not some file clerk 47 years ago - overlaid the eagle  
>seal in a way that you thought matched the ink blots on the  
>Ramey message most closely, it ran off the page in the vertical  
>dimension. The issue is the amount of vertical distortion. If  
>250% vertical distortion of the purported "eagle" and round  
>"seal" came just to the edge of the paper and didn't run off, it  
>still would be a physical impossibility. Going off the edge just  
>makes it look more ridiculous. It is still a physical absurdity.

I fully understand your maths Brad, and it's quite valid on flat  
planes, unfortunately the message paper is not a flat plane,  
that very corner you use as reference for you maths is actually  
curving upwards so presenting as I've said, a far greater angle,  
take note of it's illumination. This gives a good direct  
indication of the angle of the paper presented to the camera as  
the illumination source was next to the camera.

You can see that the opposite corner, the right hand, of the  
message paper also shows lighter, indicating that it too is  
curling and presenting a steeper angle to the camera, I asked  
for your comments on the large underlined header seen there, the  
last letter being a visible "L" (this observed by a number of  
the researchers into the message) you failed to comment on this  
other than by decrying my use of the term "mechanism" to  
encompass the method allowing these letters to be visible and  
read (undistorted by significant vertical distortion?).

If that visible "L" remains relatively undistorted and readable  
via that "mechanism", why shouldn't details at the other side of  
the same page exhibit the same results under similar  
conditions?.

>>There was only 1 example sheet used in  
>>the demo images and you see it in one image fully opened, this  
>>same demo sheet produced IMHO a very convincing mock up of what  
>>is seen in the Ramey Message image. As for quibbles regarding  
>>seal sizes etc, I produced demo sheets with seals sized larger  
>>and smaller than the one finally used, all produced similar  
>>results, the one used seemed closest sizewise to the original,  
>>but producing an identical copy was not my aim in this exercise.>

>>>(I have to infer and estimate these dimensions because he does  
>>>not bother to give them to us on the webpage, a very incomplete  
>>>procedure to say the least.

>>If you give me the exact dimensions of the Ramey Message I'll  
>>re-run the experiment, as it is there is little scale reference

>This is called blowing smoke, Neil. You have at hand your own  
>piece of paper you photographed for the demo, which is what I  
>was talking about, don't force me to have to reprint the entire  
>posting just to prove from English language sentence structure  
>that that was what I was referring to. Give it to us instead of  
>engaging in irrelevant distractions about the Ramey message's  
>dimensions. Don't leave us having to guess whether you drew in a  
>1.5-inch seal or a 2-inch seal or whatever on your own piece of  
>paper. You know exactly the size or can measure it and tell us.  
>The same for the size of the paper you drew it on - is it 5 x 7  
>inches, 4 x 6 or what? This is just basic scientific procedure  
>in any experiment.

For what it's worth, the demo sheets I put together were 8.25" x  
6" (I believe now the ratio w/h was nearer 1:1 as now observed  
in the Bettmann image).

I produced 3 sheets each bearing a mockup seal who's outer rim  
was located 1/2" in from the top and left corner edges. Of the 3



sizes produced, 2 were based on actual seals in use between 1945 and 1950 by the US military, 1 3/4" used by USAAF Far East(hand stamp), 1 5/16" used by AFHQ Washington, the 3rd slightly smaller comparison was 1 1/4 " in diameter. In the website demo images the size used was that of the AFHQ Washington 1 5/16".

The mockup seal/stamp was placed square, eagle up, as the observed seal/stamp appears to be squarely placed, see image:

<http://www.thefortworthphotographs.freemove.co.uk/images/rlet-stamp3.jpg>

The eagle shape is placed within a darker square whose edges are observed to be (within a reasonable margin of error) placed parallel to the left edge of the message paper. In the image above, distances from the corners B and B' ie lines AB and A'B' are equal(+/-2pixels). Had the shape not been square on to the edge the distances would be unequal.

>>to be had within the FW pictures and to run complex 3d modeling  
>>software on the images that might give such sizes accurately  
>>it's required to know exact details of the camera/lens system  
>>used. As the Speed Graphic had interchangeable lens and was  
>>supplied with a range of "standard" lens, and as JBJ has no  
>>recollection of lens used (why should he) it would require  
>>finding a known scaled feature in the same plane as the message  
>>just to estimate sizes. Seals used around that time varied  
>>greatly in size, I've seen samples in use on period documents  
>>from 3/4" thro 2+", they could be part of a letter head and pre  
>>printed or in the form of a "hand stamp" or machine date/time  
>>stamp, all seem to have the familiar tram-lines inner and outer  
>>rim as seen on the message

>Gawd you make all this so damned hard! If you had done this  
>right you would have put on the webpage right from the outset a  
>clear statement of your experimental protocol something like: "I  
>do not have the exact dimensions of the Ramey paper. A close  
>estimate would be about 5 x 7 inches so therefore I took a piece  
>of paper of those dimensions [or whatever the exact numbers  
>\_YOU\_ have to fill it in] and folded and creased it in such a  
>way as to try to simulate the folds and curves of the Ramey  
>message, after drawing in an eagle seal of 1.5 inches diameter  
>[again \_YOU\_ put in the correct number for the diameter] located  
>1 inch [ditto] from the top and left margins in the to-left  
>corner." Is that so doggone hard???

>No wonder scientists won't touch Ufology - you have to fight  
>over basics and even the meaning of the English language just to  
>be understood on simple concepts. Forget it if it comes to more  
>complicated concepts!

>Do you know what the meaning of "is" is, Neil?

I didn't know you required a scientific paper on the subject.

Reviewing what I \_have\_ written at:

[www.rpit.org](http://www.rpit.org)

The experimental "demonstrations" are clearly indicated as just that and don't claim to be anything more, maybe it's their simplicity in demonstrating the point that upsets you?.

>>>So if I am a little off, and maybe  
>>>the "seal" is say only 1.25 inches across, all the other figures  
>>>should be scaled accordingly, and it has absolutely no effect on  
>>>my conclusions whatsoever which depend solely on the relative  
>>>scale or ratios between the various dimensions not on their  
>>>absolute values.)

>>Brad, I'd have no arguments if we were dealing with \_flat\_  
>>folded paper but we're not, the top left of that sheet curves up  
>>and presents itself at a far more favorable angle than you  
>>accept, but check out the way the paper is illuminated in the  
>>image. That left corner is bright compared to say the area just  
>>above the thumbnail, yes, how so?, if this was a flat surface  
>>the observed illumination would be uniform. The only way, seeing  
>>this image was illuminated from a point source close by the  
>>camera must be that the angle of the corner's surface is raised  
>>at a greater angle than that in the thumb area, as I say you  
>>cannot treat the message paper as a flat surface because it

>>isn't flat, the top half of the message isn't you're uniform 15  
>>degrees or otherwise to the observation plane because the  
>>observed illumination isn't uniform, it changes with the curves  
>>and folds of the paper.

>More smoke and mirrors. I have already refuted this above. Don't  
>make me have to repeat it all.

No you just repeated your "flat paper" conclusions when simple  
observations of the sheet show it isn't flat and your surface  
model calculations need to take into account this fact.

When I first thought I observed the seal feature I too thought  
it impossible for such a feature to be visible at such an acute  
angle to the camera, but I had to account for what I was seeing.  
Was it distorted text, as you offer?. But the curved "tramlines"  
of the rim are visible and they contain angled letters, if  
you care to look there is a very visible "A" correctly  
positioned/angled in relation to the inner and outer rim lines,  
this is not part of a horizontal line of text.

Look closely at the "emboss" filtered lower left image at:

<http://www.thefortworthphotographs.freeseerve.co.uk/images/rlet-stamp3.jpg>

the "tramlines are clearly seen at point "C" as is the regular  
squared shape in which the "eagle" sits, it's "wings" run  
parallel with this square's upper edge as indicated in the  
larger upper image.

You will also note that only part of the seal image is visible,  
the upper portion and lower portions are not visible, only a  
central band is seen.

In thinking of a feasible situation that could make this  
possible let's look at those "insignificant ripples in the  
paper", let's think about what actually happens as one of these  
curving planes rises from the mean observing angle, as the curve  
rises the angle it presents to the observer increases and  
distortions decrease, as the curve goes over it's peak  
visibility is again lost, if the curve is steep enough as I  
believe it is in this case, the peak of the curve in the paper  
can block sight of the rest of the paper behind, and creates the  
impression of an edge.

This scenario is just what can be observed with the seal, the  
lower section is lost in distortion, the central section in the  
favorable part of the curve and visible and the section you  
claim is off the page is, I believe, over the top of the curve  
and so blocked from view, the edge you see there is not I  
believe, the edge of the paper but the peak of the curve  
blocking sight of the real edge which is hidden behind it.

But don't take my word for this grab a sheet of paper preferably  
with lines of text or having a grid layout, put some ripples and  
curves in it and look at it at some acute angles, see just how  
those ripples and curves allow sections to pop up and be seen  
and read.

>>If you want to see just how curved the paper is take a close  
>>look at the paper as seen in the Bettmann Ramey Dubose image  
>>where the paper can be seen fully unfolded but text side away  
>>from the camera. If you look at the lower edge, though this is  
>>intersected by the main fold it's quite evident the paper is  
>>holding a distinct curve, in fact one could say this might  
>>support the premise the message had only recently been around  
>>the roller in a typewriter and supporting the thought it  
>>originated locally at FWAAF.

>Again more smoke and mirrors delving into irrelevancies in a  
>non-quantitative way about what in effect amounts to quibbles  
>over whether the paper is at a 13° angle or a 15° angle at  
>certain points in the top-left corner. Irrelevant!

>As for a typewriter, then what is all that teletype  
>tractor-feed-type ribbon coming off the left edge of the paper?  
>If Ramey had just sent the message don't you think he would keep  
>a file copy of the actual message not just a typewritten draft?

To my knowledge Teletypes back then as with the 1960's model in  
my loft didn't use tractor feed paper, just plane or multi

carbon rolls.

You might also note on Line 2 of the message towards the line end, a few line spacing mis-alignments of a nature almost impossible to reproduce on a printing teletype.

>>>He has his interpretation of the "seal" oriented so that the top  
>>>is at the natural 12 o'clock position on the computer screen  
>>>that one would expect. But if you look at the top edge of the  
>>>Ramey paper you must rotate your head about 30° to the right, to  
>>>the 1 o'clock position, to properly view the paper in the upper  
>>>left corner at the correct orientation. Thus his interpretation  
>>>of the alleged "seal" is actually rotated about 30° incorrectly.  
>>>(His paper simulation fails to correctly match the Ramey paper  
>>>on this point since it conveniently only rotates about 15° to  
>>>the right, hiding half the rotation error.)

>>If this was a handstamp the orientation could be way out  
>>depending on how the clerk that struck it slept the night  
>>before, but as I mention above the demo sheet was produced just  
>>to demo a point not as a detailed reproduction. I think deducing  
>>exact orientation of the seal is highly debatable considering  
>>the small amount of image data available but those twin seal rim  
>>tramtracks are there and visible.

>No they're not, you're seeing things. I have first generation  
>high-res prints directly from the negative done at varying  
>contrast levels from UTA archives and I see no such "twin seal  
>rim."

>Your imagination has run wild and you're connecting up the dots  
>of dust or dirt on the negative. The double-circle rim of your  
>supposed seal if it really existed would be floating an inch  
>above the paper.

Brad, I too have 1st generation prints from the UTA negatives, I also have copies of both sets of scans direct from the original UTA RameyDubose neg, the curved "tramlines" can be seen in all versions. Check the image noted above, that from my 1st gen 11x14 prints.

As regarding the seal orientation again check the image above, as I mention, the edge you take as the top edge I believe is debatable. If you take your reference from the left edge, the seal is set square on the paper.

<snip>

>>>I bring up these examples because here at least we can deal with  
>>>quantitative measurements about which there can be no real  
>>>doubt, and subject to easy independent calculation, just take a  
>>>ruler on your computer screen and all you have to know is a  
>>>little trigonometry. And it shows that his interpretations when  
>>>quantitatively checked are way off the mark, so much so that he  
>>>is misinterpreting lines of horizontal text as a graphic image  
>>>at a skewed angle.

>>And if you do place a ruler on the screen you'll get some idea  
>>just how curved these surfaces are, try putting your ruler under  
>>a line of text!.

>More red herrings (herrons? pelicans?) as distractions to avoid  
>connecting with the point I actually made. I said you're not  
>quantitative and you reply with no numbers, just irrelevancies.  
>We're not talking about the text of the bottom half of the  
>message, where one can put a ruler under the line of text and  
>see how wavy it is. We're talking about the top-left corner of  
>the top half of the Ramey message!

>If one spot in the top-left corner is at 13° and another at 15°  
>it doesn't at all come close to rescuing your totally imaginary  
>"eagle seal" at 45°!!!!

>>If you dispute the seal how do you explain the visibility of the  
>>large heading also made visible in the top right of the message  
>>paper and revealed by the self same mechanism I believe, as the  
>>seal?. I'm not the only researcher to attest to this feature.

>  
>What "self same mechanism"???? Do you have machines or  
>mechanisms that think for you now? It's your imagination that  
>sees an eagle seal at a 45° angle that is impossible because

>that would put the seal in the air floating above the surface of  
>the paper. The paper is at too steep an angle at 15° in the  
>top-left corner to be able to see any such "seal" if it really  
>was on the surface of the paper. I've given actual numbers for  
>this (above), not mere subjective opinion.

>>Brad, I did what I believe was the scientific thing to do here,  
>>I took my theory, produced a real world model from it and  
>>attempted to reproduce with that model the observed effects

>You didn't even give elementary scientific basics such as the  
>size of the seal and the size of the paper you used. You forced  
>me to have to waste time guessing - and possibly later having to  
>re-do calculations if and when you give me real numbers - when  
>you could just produce the figures.

>>within the image. Considering sizes etc had to be largely  
>>assumed I believe the resultant images from that simple  
>>experiment provide positive support for the theory they were  
>>based on. Try it yourself, all you need is a piece of paper, a  
>>marker pen and a reasonable copy of the Ramey Message pic so you  
>>can simulate (roughly) the way the message paper is curved and  
>>folded, then hold it at arms length in the same orientation as  
>>in the Ramey image, use one eye to simulate the camera lens.

>>>If when he can be checked quantitatively he  
>>>is so far off how can we then trust him on something that is so  
>>>subjective and non-quantitative as imagining "symbols" and  
>>>"Egyptian hieroglyphics" in amorphous images at the limits of  
>>>resolution of the photos of the Roswell debris?

>>Hell's bell's \_don't\_ just trust me!... that's the last thing I  
>>want. I report what \_I\_ see, go and look at these things for  
>>yourselves and then you can reach your own conclusions for or  
>>against. What I \_do\_ want people to do is to take a bit of time  
>>to look and then think hard about the origin of the anomalies,  
>>many of which are \_not\_ at the limits of image resolution.

>Rohrschach ink blots are reproducible and visible to people,  
>too, but the dragon and butterfly images are still imaginary,  
>even though people can "see it for themselves."

>Let me recap here: You've made a serious mistake about the  
>orientation of the paper in the top-left corner of the Ramey  
>message. It is a physical impossibility for an "eagle seal" at a  
>45° angle, as you've overlaid it over the Ramey message image,  
>to be on the surface of the paper, which is much flatter at a  
>15° angle, as it would float above the paper by nearly 1 inch.  
>You have the equivalent of a pelican outflying a civil aircraft.

Brad, you may be interested in the plot to be found at:

<http://www.thefortworthphotographs.freemove.co.uk/images/section.gif>

This demonstrates my objections to treating the Ramey message  
paper as a predominantly flat sheet.

The diagram shown represents a cross section through a paper  
sheet having a surface rippled and curved. For simplicity the  
cross section plot was created with a series of regular curves  
of fixed radius.

Before I go any further let me make it clear this image should  
\_not\_ be taken as anything more than an illustrative model.  
It's \_not\_ to be taken as a direct representation of the Ramey  
message paper, it's cross section is still unknown.

The marker bars placed along the plot are all drawn  
perpendicular to the surface at their placement points along the  
section. As can be seen they vary about the 0 vertical expected  
of a flat sheet, dependent on the slope of the curve at each of  
their locations. The black upper values record the surface angle  
variance found, a 0 value indicates that at that point the  
surface is parallel with the reference plane, the bottom line  
indicating the 15 degree angle.

If we now simulate viewing the surface of this model from your  
15 degree point we need to add in this additional angle (rotate  
the model anti clockwise) and so end up with the bottom set of  
figures in grey.

As you can see from these figures and from this very simple model, viewing from your 15 degree angle some areas of this surface are actually presented to the viewer at an angle of up to 45 degrees, and even small "ripples" can produce areas on it's surface presented to the "15 degree viewer" at an effective viewing angle of around 30 degrees, yet the approximate overall viewing angle remains 15.

The angles indicated were measured from the full scale cross section model drawing.

Neil

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>From: Joachim Koch <[AchimKoch@compuserve.com](mailto:AchimKoch@compuserve.com)>  
>Subject: New UFO-Flap In Turkey?  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

>Hi List,

>I've just heard it on the radio and it was on page one of the  
>Turkish newspaper "Hurriyet" on Aug. 8th:

>Two Turkish Air Force bomber pilots, Ilker Dincer and Arda  
>Gunyer, in their T-37 reported to the tower that they suddenly  
>saw a glowing disk-like UFO over the province of Izmir. It was  
>traveling with fast speed and they followed it. They were able  
>to lock on and had kind of a dog fight for some moments, then  
>the UFO buzzed out of sight.

>"Hurriyet" spent page number one for this report and printed  
>much of the conversation between the two pilots and the tower:  
>"the object comes close to the wings... it is behind us... now  
>it is in front of us...it is like a dogfight..."

>At the same time nothing was to be seen on the radar screens.  
>Some international news agencies such as AFP have picked up the  
>news.

>Since June this year there were some reports of unusual air  
>traffic and it is said that in one case it was videotaped.

>12 years ago Belgium - now Turkey...?

>Another reminder...?

>Best wishes

>Joachim Koch, Berlin

Hi Joachim,

I've been watching this thread for a couple of days. I note that the Cessna T-37 is being called a bomber which it might be in the Turkish AF. Usually it's a trainer - or was. Dubbed the Tweet or Tweety Bird by the USAF it's sports two seats, side by side so if the two Turkish jets intercepted or chased this UFO there were likely four witnesses to the event. It's top speed is about 360 mph. it can be configured with a couple of 250 pound bombs.

See: [http://www.af.mil/news/factsheets/T\\_37\\_Tweet.html](http://www.af.mil/news/factsheets/T_37_Tweet.html)

best,

Don

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Fwd Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 08:07:14 -0400  
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Dr. Greer is aware of this. Lara is very good at keeping the  
lines of communication open.

Some indirect contact has taken place with people who have been  
associated with the Disclosure Project. Whether this has Dr.  
Greer's direction I do not know.

There has been no direct contact between the two, and according  
to Lara it may be better if there isn't. Her concern is the  
honesty of George Bush. UFOs is only a small part of the overall  
secrecy she objects to.

Hope this helps,

Grant

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>busy playing golf. He is -not,- repeat, NOT) going to respond  
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John

It appears you are having a great deal of problem dealing with  
Lara's decision based on 'Methods'.

Lara has chosen to support the Disclosure Witnesses she saw on  
the Disclosure tape at the July 22nd event in San Fran., in the  
way that she deems most effective.

If you have a proven method to achieve Lara's goal of Disclosure  
on the UFO issue by George Bush, let me know. I will pass it on  
to Lara and I am sure she will consider shutting down her  
protest immediately.

I know Lara fairly well, and the last word that I would use in  
connection with her or any of her actions is "bonkers."

Better yet relate anything that you think will help her achieve  
goal to her directly: [bravehrt@concentric.net](mailto:bravehrt@concentric.net)

Talking to her through an E-mail list is not the best way to relate your concern.

Lara always keeps open the lines of communication, and I am sure would appreciate hearing from you about your plans and your concern for her well-being.

Grant

"Are you ready for the revolution?"

Lara Johnstone, a California woman who began a Hunger Strike for Disclosure on July 28th.

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## Re: Turkish Pilots & UFO - McCoy

From: GT McCoy <[gtmccoy@harborside.com](mailto:gtmccoy@harborside.com)>  
Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 14:29:43 -0700  
Fwd Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 08:14:21 -0400  
Subject: Re: Turkish Pilots & UFO - McCoy

>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>From: Hakan Konac" <[konac@ada.net.tr](mailto:konac@ada.net.tr)>  
>Subject: Turkish Pilots & UFO  
>Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 09:31:23 GMT

>Enjoy the below info.

>Hakan

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>Name of Turkish Air Force Pilot: Second Lieutenant Ilker Dincer  
>Name of Second Turkish Air Force Pilot: n.a.  
>Type of the aircraft: T-37 Training Jet (122nd Squadron)  
>Date: 6 August 2001  
>Time: 12:30 hours Turkish time  
>Place: Izmir, Candarli, Turkey  
>Duration of Encounter: 30 minutes

>Dincer: "We are facing an unusual situation. We see an object  
> shaped like a cross between a cone and a disc, with  
> support legs, extremely luminous and high speed".

Good Report, notice the detail. A trained, observant eye.

>Dincer reports the incident both to the Ground Control and to the  
>Combat Operations Center (COC) and asks for radar confirmation.  
>  
>COC: "Negative. We detect a high rate of maneuvering in your  
> aircraft but no detection of a second object around."

>Dincer moves the T-37 closer towards the object and according to  
>Dincer, the object also moves closer towards the T-37.

A Cessna T-37 is a primary jet trainer, known to the USAF as a "Tweet" it has two small (J-85's, I believe) pure jet engines which also give it the nickname: "Ten thousand pound dog whistle." this one might be a "Squadron hack"- used for proficiency and business.

>Dincer: "The object is now coming closer to my wings, now it's  
> behind us, I'll get it in front of myself, now it's in  
> front of us, hey this is certainly going for a dog fight  
> with us".

I wonder if we had a bored scout ship crew, a picking on a Tweet is like picking on a business jet. The Tweet is a little better (not much) built than say a Cessna Citation and is not a real dogfighter. As I said, its main function is to introduce a Pilot to jet flight, not tactics per se.

>The object gyrated around the T-37 for about a half hour. The  
>object and the T-37 maneuvered around each other during the  
>encounter until the object disappeared at an incredibly high  
>speed.

Since if the radar indicated that the Tweet was being trown all over the sky,-not something normally done in one, one thing it has a nasty stall/spin charateristic (this is from an old AF instructor I knew.) something to be avoided, however hard to avoid if you are trying to run away from something that wants to have it's way with you.

>The incident is under investigation by the Turkish Air Force and  
>there is a great deal of concern and shock among the Air Force  
>officials.

>The incident will be reported to the relevant international  
>institutions, especially NASA.

Well, if this is legit (and I think it might be) we may have something here, since it will be easy to check out the pilot's veracity.

GT McCoy

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## Re: Hunger Strike To Support UFO Disclosure - Velez

From: John Velez <[johnvelez.aic@verizon.net](mailto:johnvelez.aic@verizon.net)>  
Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 17:29:51 -0400  
Fwd Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 08:33:41 -0400  
Subject: Re: Hunger Strike To Support UFO Disclosure - Velez

>From: Alfred Lehmborg <[Lehmborg@snowhill.com](mailto:Lehmborg@snowhill.com)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike To Support UFO Disclosure  
>Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 07:30:40 -0500

>>From: Richard Hall <[hallrichard99@hotmail.com](mailto:hallrichard99@hotmail.com)>  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike To Support UFO Disclosure  
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>>>natural lives.

>>John,

>>Condolences on your loss. I, for one, am very glad to have the  
>>return of your "voice of sanity".

>>Non-bonkers in Brentwood,

>>Dick

Hi Alfred,

You wrote:

>In the first place, Mr. Hall, to the ubiquitous mainstream  
>you're a capering mad-man, an aging beatnik, and a left leaning  
>question-asker (pinko-radical) likely just to the good side of  
>the 'Unabomber'. Your "non-bonkers in Brentwood" is taken,  
>therefore, with the endless flats at Bonneville... <g>.

Geez, you're in 'rare form' Alfred. I hope you're taking full advantage of this visitation from your Muses and writing a few odes as well. ;)

>Mr. Velez, on the other hand, has been abducted by aliens, and  
>so he is removed from the equational question, out of hand. I  
>mean, even a display of reasonable compassion is suspect from  
>one of those people. I've got it on good authority that John  
>has licked the dry lake bed at Area 51, so he's got enough salt  
>for everybody. <g>.

>Neither of you would be able to hold down a teaching job, for  
>sure. <no little grinny things>

>As regards our striker. In the first place we are talking about  
>a grown woman here that has rationally demonstrated some  
>egalitarian sense and rational seriousness in the past, a  
>cursory look seems to show. Allusions to "bonkers" might be a  
>little premature, needlessly distracting, and an otherwise  
>inaccurate splash of well meaning, but point-missing, paint...

Misinterpretation Al. I was referring to those who were egging her on not to Lara. My first remark about her was that she "seemed to be" a sincere person. I am also not questioning her 'cause'. It is her 'methods' that I think are a bit extreme. See next response.

>An intelligent fast is actually a healthy thing, to a point;  
>John likely knows that. There is no mal nutrition in a healthy  
>fast, there is only an 'under' nutrition that most people in the  
>western hemisphere could have a couple of helpings of anyway...  
>I've got a whole paper in the spring-loaded, ready to go  
>position, so we can dicker that point if you want to.

No "dickering" at all. And yes, having studied and practiced contemplative as well as certain physical forms of Yoga (all of my adult life) I am familiar with, and have performed many healthy, cleansing fasts. Many of which are intended to last for only three to five days. Juice Fasts can go as long as a month without jeopardizing health. The point I was trying to make was that this fast that Lara is engaged in (due to its political nature) has no preset terminus. She intends to persist until George Dubya responds.

Between you, me, and the wall, that just ain't gonna happen.

So, what are we looking at? An extended fast that can only have deleterious effects (even on someone who fasts regularly) if it should approach or go beyond the thirty day range and a dolt of a President whose concern for humanity is second only to Goering. (Refer to Dubya's responses when asked about reprieves for death row inmates during his terms as Governor of Texas. This guy is no humanitarian!)

All that his tiny brain is capable of handling is keeping track of his golf scores as he makes the rounds of his favorite courses. (And I'll bet the farm that his caddy handles all the complicated math for him!) Lara and anybody else who thinks Bush is going to respond to a Hunger Strike For UFO Disclosure is simply deluding themselves big-time. This fast of hers could go much, much longer than her 'supporters' suspect.

Ergo, my concern for Lara's health and continued well-being.

>The human body evolved on the savanna where a fast was a  
>continuing aspect of reality.

I'm sure that Lara like many other Americans is used to eating regularly and fairly well. The beast you speak of may have

existed in bygone eras, and currently in many third world countries but, America is the Fat-ass Capitol of the world. I doubt that many second and third generation yankees have inherited the kind of wiry - used to long periods of hunger - body/genes that you reference here.

An extended fast of the kind that Lara has undertaken can only begin to debilitate her and effect her overall health at some point. Every principle that I was taught about fasting goes against prolonged (more than thirty days) fasting. I was merely stating that I cannot in good conscience support something that is potentially harmful to another. I never said she didn't have a right to do it, and I didn't question that right. Nor was I calling her bonkers. That was meant for the crowd gathered under the parapet she is standing on yelling, "Jump, jump!"

Warm regards,

John Velez

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>I Agree John, I wrote a long rant then erased it because I saw  
>that this is not Lara's doing, entirely.

>What really upset me was the biblical quote of John 15:3, when  
>the subject that Jesus Christ was talking about was giving your  
>life so others may live. Lay on the hand grenade, take the  
>bullet, get nailed to a Cross that sort of thing.

>When this is not a life or death matter, why damage yourself  
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Gentlemen, All, Errol;

I am a tad surprised at some of the response I've seen posted  
here relative to Lara's hunger strike. To wit, this is a grown  
up lady who is making a statement which I presume she feels  
sufficiently strong about, to undertake making it.

Further, this grown up lady is not exactly going hungry. She is,  
for the reports I've read, doing the right thing by herself.  
Taking the proper nutrition, electrolytes and juices with which  
to not merely sustain but further, to keep her strength up. A  
hunger strike is not a pleasant thing to undertake. Neither is  
it usually a life threatening event. In fact, it can be  
beneficial to both body and spirit. It can be dangerous as well,  
but that's where the statement is being made.

By a mature lady, with a passion for what she considers  
important, in the face of the President's golf game and in the  
face of our two cents worth of "Oh please, don't do this little  
girl, you might get hurt."

No, this is no little girl in need of our employment to "don't  
hurt yourself." She is too smart for that.

My words are, if she's listening (make that reading), "Knock 'em  
dead girl!" I should do the same but I am alas, way to Morte de  
Fam myself.

Morty

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From: Bruce Maccabee <[brumac@compuserve.com](mailto:brumac@compuserve.com)>  
Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 18:19:22 -0400  
Fwd Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 08:44:06 -0400  
Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell' - Maccabee

>From: Gildas Bourdais <[GBourdais@aol.com](mailto:GBourdais@aol.com)>  
>Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 17:51:09 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>From: Bill Hamilton <[skywatcher22@space.com](mailto:skywatcher22@space.com)>  
>>Date: 14 Aug 2001 07:21:45 -0700  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
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<snip>

>Now about the testimony of Sheridan Cavitt. In my last post, I  
>made extensive quotes of Cavitt, and I am not going to do it  
>again. In a nutshell, Cavitt repeated all the time, in the 30  
>pages interview of Colonel Weaver, that he had found a simple,  
>uninteresting weather balloon, or a "radio sonde". The debris  
>was small, "maybe as long as this room wide". He did not see any  
>tape decorated with flowers, etc. If he had recovered a huge  
>balloon train, twenty balloons or more, attached to a strong  
>nylon line, with radar reflectors and various instruments, he  
>should have at least vaguely remembered that, but he didn't.

>So, as Bob Durant puts it very well, it is no big surprise that  
>this is not quoted in the book. It is so damaging to the Mogul  
>theory! It is a serious flaw of the book. On the contrary, it  
>does not harm the ufo theory because, as you admit yourself,  
>Cavitt is lying all the time. He had no need to do that if he  
>had found a Mogul balloon train, but he needed to if he had  
>found a ufo.

I point out again that a detailed analysis of Cavitt's interview  
is at:

<http://brumac.8k.com>

There I have argued that either Cavitt had somehow mixed up the  
Roswell retrieval with some other event or else he was flat out  
lying.

I believe he was lying.

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Secrecy News -- 08/15/01

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SECURITY NEWS  
from the FAS Project on Government Secrecy  
August 15, 2001

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\*\*"IT'S NOT AN OFFICIAL SECRETS ACT"

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The Justice Department on Monday released two heavily censored chapters of the so-called "Bellows Report" on the investigation of alleged Chinese nuclear espionage at Los Alamos National Laboratory that purported to identify Wen Ho Lee as a suspected spy.

The report, authored by federal prosecutor Randy Bellows and submitted to Attorney General Reno in May 2000, is a case study in how not to conduct a counterintelligence investigation.

It describes, step by step, how initial indications of possible Chinese espionage led to a misdirected spy hunt that wasted "years investigating the wrong crime" (page 236).

The report found that DOE officials set things off on the wrong foot by mischaracterizing the alleged compromise of nuclear information, and then the FBI made them worse.

"To say that DOE misled the FBI as to the predicate, and to say that DOE improperly focused its conclusion only on Wen Ho Lee, is only to describe half the problem. The other half was the FBI's unfortunate and unwarranted acceptance of DOE's description of the predicate, and its unhesitating and unquestioning acceptance of DOE's identification of Lee as 'the most logical suspect'." (page 380)

"It is not that Wen Ho Lee should not have been \*a\* suspect. It was that Wen Ho Lee should not have been the \*only\* suspect. After all, the case against Wen Ho Lee could hardly be termed overwhelming" (page 376).

The Bellows report, which is generally scrupulous in its assessments, seems weak in its discussion of allegations of racial bias against Lee (pp. 381-88). Bellows does not appear to have interviewed those who have made such allegations, responding instead to second-hand reports in the press. If the accusers had any evidence to support their claims, Bellows apparently did not obtain it.

The scope of Bellows' inquiry is limited to the early investigative phase of the Lee case, ending in March 1999, when Wen Ho Lee was fired from Los Alamos. It does not encompass the decision to prosecute him nine months later, the manner of his confinement, or the government's conduct of his prosecution -- all matters of continuing controversy.

The full (declassified) text of Chapter 7 of the Bellows Report is posted here:

[http://www.fas.org/irp/ops/ci/bellows\\_chap7.html](http://www.fas.org/irp/ops/ci/bellows_chap7.html)

Excerpts from Chapter 6, which was censored to the point that portions of the remaining text are unintelligible, are posted here:

[http://www.fas.org/irp/ops/ci/bellows\\_chap6.html](http://www.fas.org/irp/ops/ci/bellows_chap6.html)

"IT'S NOT AN OFFICIAL SECRETS ACT"

One estimable reader objected to Secrecy News' (8/10/01) use of the term "official secrets act" to refer to the proposed legislation to criminalize unauthorized disclosures of classified information. Such legislation was vetoed last year by President Clinton and is again under consideration by the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence.

"The reference to an 'Official Secrets Act' clearly alludes to the long-time UK law that, in part, makes it a crime for anyone, including a journalist, to publish classified information," the reader wrote.

In contrast, he noted, "The legislation that President Clinton vetoed last year clearly could not be used to prosecute the uncleared receiver of classified information (such as a journalist). The legislation only targeted the cleared holder of classified information who, without authority, deliberately discloses such information to someone who is not authorized to have access to it. Even then, the legislation and other provisions of law provide safeguards and mechanisms for whistleblowers when it is believed that the information reveals violations of law, waste, fraud or abuse."

"Prosecuting someone who deliberately violates his/her agreed upon trust to safeguard classified information is a far cry from prosecuting journalists," the reader argued sensibly.

"Finally, we cannot legitimately purport to support the broadest possible implementation of declassification if we are unwilling to support the safeguarding of information that is still classified under existing provisions of law," he wrote.

But classified information can be, and long has been, effectively safeguarded without making any and all leaks a felony.

The "anti-leak" legislation was defeated last year not because of opposition to protecting classified information. Rather, opponents argued successfully that the measure would have a chilling effect on legitimate interactions between government officials and members of the public; that it would hinder diplomats and press officers in the performance of their duties; and that the executive branch's classification system should not be indiscriminately fortified with a felony statute.

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Sparks

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Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 19:19:51 EDT  
Fwd Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 08:48:33 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Sparks

>Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 10:58:08 +0100  
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>>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>>Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 14:07:59 EDT  
>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>>From: Bill Hamilton <[skywatcher22@space.com](mailto:skywatcher22@space.com)>  
>>>Date: 14 Aug 2001 06:42:06 -0700  
>>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
<snip>

>>>There is no way the target was strewn out over 3/4 mile on the  
>>>Foster Ranch.

>>Well, it would depend upon how thinly spread out it was, or if  
>>it was in pieces.

Neil, Bob, Bill, List,

See my post on this at:

<http://www.aliensonearth.com/ufo/updates/2001/aug/m15-015.shtml>

Where I say the following:

>No witness to the debris field ever  
>specified - or could ever be reliable enough to specify - the  
>density of debris fragments constituting this field, especially  
>from memory 30-50 years later. ...

>Bessie Brazel ... said the debris was  
>"scattered sparsely" and that the wind might have blown it  
>farther than that. (Pflock p. 277) ...

>The main reason this is ridiculous is because of the human  
>tendency to simplify complex situations. If one or two foil  
>pieces were found 1,000 feet away or 4,000 feet away does that  
>make the \_entire\_ debris field 1,000 or 4,000 feet in size? How  
>many pieces does it take to make a "debris field"...? What if  
>the wind blew a few pieces 1,000 feet or more right while you're  
>standing there trying to make sense of the more immediate  
>collection of dozens or hundreds of pieces closer at hand. Does  
>that mean the debris field is considered 1,000+ feet in size or  
>what???? Didn't Brazel collect some of the debris and stash it  
>till he came back with Marcel, and if so, how does that removal  
>affect the area of the debris field after he returned? Can you  
>tell me whether your answer today in 2001 would even apply or be  
>understood by \_any\_ of the witnesses back in 1947 on site trying  
>to make sense of it???

>Every person might have a different notion of what constitutes a  
>"debris field" and some might not even think of articulating or  
>formulating such a concept in the first place - why should



>they? Are ranchers supposed to be aircraft accident  
>investigators??? Was Marcel even an accident investigator?  
>You're pushing far beyond the reasonable limits of witness  
>perception and comprehension here. Some witnesses might think  
>the only thing relevant is what was at their feet, maybe a few  
>dozen yards across. Some might think it's the densest collection  
>that they can see, ignoring all the rest that are scattered as  
>being deemed insignificant. Some might ignore the sun-browned  
>rubber fragments from the 23 balloons in the Mogul Flight 4  
>array because they'd blend in more with the brown background and  
>be harder to spot than the eye-catching, sun-glinting shiny foil  
>pieces. Some might have tried to be more careful and consider  
>all of the unusual material they saw. Some might have  
>misunderstood the questions put to them or the questions might  
>have been narrower or broader than they realized. Some might not  
>be very good at estimating distances. Some might simply not have  
>walked as far around as others.

>Jesse Marcel's site description works out at approx 777,500 sqft  
>That dubious interview with Mack Brazel in the RDR of the 9th  
>July quotes Mack as saying the site was 200 yards across that's  
>approx 282,700 sqft.

How can you have 4 digits of precision on these numbers? There's  
no justification for it. It may look "good" for fooling  
laypeople into thinking they're "scientific" but they're  
meaningless. The areas should be rounded off to the same 1-digit  
precision of the size estimates given, i.e., rounded off to  
about 800,000 sq.ft. and 300,000 sq.ft. respectively.

>\_If\_ Charles Moore's MOGUL \_did\_ have 3  
>ML307 reflectors and \_if\_ it did crash on the Foster Ranch it  
>would only have  
  
>\_54\_ sq ft of foil. (90 sq ft if it had 5 ML307's attached)

What about the rubber balloon material?

>To cover the above two site descriptions with 34 sqft of foil  
>that's

>0.0275 sq INCHES per sq ft for Mack's size

>and

>0.01 sq INCHES per sq ft for Jesse Marcel's size of debris field

>And that is a \_mighty\_ thin spread \_just\_ to provide a uniform  
>background cover.

>To provide a \_noticeable\_ say 10% coverage of the above 2 areas  
>you would need approx one tenth of each of the area's ie over  
>70,000 and 28,000 square \_feet\_ of foil in each case.

Where do you \_get\_ these incredibly convenient numbers such as  
"10% coverage"??? This is called bootstrapping. Apply a  
"reasonable" number to something that you have no idea about,  
that may be all or nothing and isn't statistical and like magic  
you can bootstrap anything into existence.

And again, you ignore the rubber balloon material.

>And \_all\_ that from the \_one\_ Flight 4 MOGUL launch which only  
>had at the very most 90sqft of foil and possibly \_didn't\_ have  
>any foil ML307's at all???

>But even if it did have ML307's the numbers don't really add up  
>do they?

They do add up. If a shiny fragment of debris was spotted from a  
distance, or by walking over to it, then the "debris field"  
could be enormous. An aircraft accident investigation today  
wouldn't exclude a fragment just because it was too far away or  
more isolated than other fragments.

A set of three Mogul kite-like radar reflectors of about 50  
sq.ft. total area could be divided up into one-foot sized pieces  
and dispersed all over a 300- or 600-foot debris field. Suppose  
one-foot was an average dimension of a fragment, ordinarily we

might say that would be 50 fragments but that's simplistic as smaller pieces overwhelm the number distributions. Half the fragments would be smaller, half larger. Of the half consisting of the smaller pieces, half of that half (a quarter of the total area) would be the smallest. I recall 3 inches as the size given for a smaller piece (or 16 to one square foot), so suppose at the low end of the size distribution half of half, or about 12 sq.ft., are divided into fragments of that size, and the other half of half are say 6 inches in size (4 to a sq.ft.). That would yield 192 small pieces plus 48 of the larger six-inch pieces plus 12 one-foot pieces plus say 3 two-foot pieces, there's two square feet left over in this approximation so if they contribute to each category in the same proportions then we get a total of about 266 fragments, which we can round off to 300 (pieces smaller than three inches could easily inflate the numbers). That's a reasonable estimate of fragment size distribution, at least as a start. So approximately 50 square feet of foil reflector material could have broken up into something like 300 fragments of a spectrum of sizes ranging from perhaps 3 inches to 2 feet.

Bessie Brazel described a "football field" size debris field of double-sided foil-rubber fragments. If the 300 fragments were scattered across this approximately 70,000 sq.ft. area then each fragment might on the average be about 15 feet apart - though some might be bunched together and others more sparsely separated. That certainly seems plausible.

A whole football field covered with eye-catching sun-flashing foil-composite pieces, just from 50 square feet of material.

A few pieces could be blown out thousands of feet, extending the size of the area for those who cared to walk over, or who could spot a shiny piece flashing in the distance.

Do you have any witness testimony giving an average separation distance for the fragments in the debris field that would conflict with this estimate? I don't know of any witness who ever gave such a separation distance figure.

Brad

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Stacy

From: Dennis Stacy <[dstacy@texas.net](mailto:dstacy@texas.net)>  
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Fwd Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 08:52:28 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Stacy

>From: Stan Friedman <[fsphys@brunnet.net](mailto:fsphys@brunnet.net)>  
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>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 23:13:39 -0300

<snip>

>As noted in the last portion of the RDR [Roswell Daily Record]  
>article for July 9 (which is the basis for all the Mogul balloon  
>nonsense), Brazel was sure it wasn't a weather balloon.

>He had found them before.

Stan,

Think about what you're saying here.

Are you suggesting that single weather balloons were raining down on the Foster ranch to the extent that Brazel had come across several others before encountering whatever it was that he took into Roswell? That he was familiar with same?

Gadzooks, man, what is the likelihood of that?

But, if true, doesn't this suggest that the Foster ranch was in the "flight path" of balloon operations? Or was Brazel just lucky enough to have stumbled across one or two prior to his third encounter?

You can't have it both ways, no doubt as much as you would like to.

And speaking of having it both ways... have you encountered any recent news or revelations that might lead you to reconsider Gerald Anderson's veracity re claims to having been a SEAL?

If so, might we expect to see news of same on your new web site?

Curious minds would like to know.

Dennis Stacy

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>Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 21:52:59 EDT  
>Subject: Ramey's Debris [was: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell']  
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>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 15:43:36 -0700

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>To sum up: The Roswell witnesses describe Mogul-like debris  
>except for foil-cloth, a 2-foot section of a thin slightly  
>curved sheet metal, and a discrepancy in the width of the tape  
>used. The Ramey photos show a clean set of tattered Mogul-like  
>remains lacking any dirty raindrop pockmarks or any dirt at all,  
>as if the material was substituted perhaps to make a 'good show'  
>for the news media, except that no flower designs are visible on  
>the tape. The Roswell witness evidence suggests a Mogul balloon  
>array in the field was mixed with some other debris, either by  
>human agency, deliberately or unintentionally, or as a result of  
the anomaly/explosion event.>

Hmmmm..... I've got it!

The flying saucer became entangled in the Mogul balloon train  
and then the outer hull exploded with the curved metal/cloth  
pieces dragging the the Mogul balloon train to the ground where  
disk and Mogul randomly intermixed. No wonder Marcel was  
confused and Cavitt could get away claiming he saw wreckage of  
a weather balloon.

Hahahahaha

(The rain in Spain falls mainly in my brain.)  
(By George, I think he's got it!)

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>>I think that Ed reveals his lack of reliability as a photo  
>>interpreter by not noticing the resemblance. His fascination  
>>with the phony Alien Autopsy film doesn't add much confidence,  
>>either.

>Ed didn't find the connection, I did. It is curious, but the  
>fact is 4 symbol shapes identified in sequence on the same  
>single beam section from the AA "debris footage" happen to match  
>closely, symbol shapes seen in the Fort Worth Photographs,  
>the number of matches I find more than just coincidence.

Well, if one was going to fake the AA film, and was interested  
enough in details to include something which looked like the  
long-published picture from Fort Worth, then maybe they were  
careful enough to include details.

<snip>

>Jesse Marcel's site description works out at aprox 777,500 sqft

I wonder how Marcel got 777,500 square feet of anything in the  
trunk of his little old car?

>That dubious interview with Mack Brazel in the RDR of the 9th  
>July quotes Mack as saying the site was 200 yards across that's  
>aprox 282,700 sqft. If Charles Moore's MOGUL did have 3  
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>you would need aprox one tenth of each of the area's ie over  
>70,000 and 28,000 square feet of foil in each case.

What makes 10% coverage necessary to notice some shiny debris laying out on the desert? There is a mighty big assumption being made here.

Did Brazel ever say that the area was covered to this density?

>But even if it did have ML307's the numbers don't really add up  
>do they?

No, they don't and they sure don't add up to what was collected, according to the witnesses and the only known pictures. I suggest that these huge numbers are strictly in the imaginations of believers who are building castles in the air.

Clear skies,

Bob Young

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>>>>Despite Pflock quoting literally pages of witness testimony to  
>>>>unusual material properties in the Roswell debris throughout his  
>>>>book and repeatedly reciting it to the point of redundancy (AP  
>>>>reporter Kellahin's description of the material is quoted twice  
>>>>on the same page, p. 153), and presenting an extremely valuable  
>>>>collection of 50 pages of witness interview transcripts and  
>>>>affidavits,

>>>>I just purchased Pflock's "Roswell" yesterday and expected a  
>>>>\$26, typical debunking hack-job but was surprised to find an  
>>>>interesting, fact-filled, hack-job instead.

>>I think you hit the nail on the head here, Ed.

>>>And while you're correct that Karl has made an important  
>>>contribution to Roswell research, his conclusions are dead wrong  
>>>and dumb. (find an identifiable piece of the mogul on the floor  
>>>of Gen. Ramey's office) This it is not the fault of the  
>>>information that Pflock has gathered together, but his own spin  
>>>on the details.

>>Agreed. Marcel's large field-size estimate is a vital factor as  
>>well as descriptions of the material found by those who handled  
>>it and that does not logically lead to Pflock's conclusion.

>>The field-size was estimated to be about 4,000 ft long (3/4  
>>mile) by about 250 feet wide. That is about 1,000,000 square  
>>feet.

>>Assuming that to be a maximum and assuming the debris field to  
>>be uneven in shape, we can still estimate that the ground was  
>>covered by about 6,000 square feet of material.

>>Assuming half this size and about 3,000 square feet of thin  
>>metallic material (no identifiable remnants of neoprene balloons  
>>seemed to have been mentioned), then how do we reconcile this  
>>with Rawin targets which had a total of 54 square feet of



>>surface area. Lets see now - that would be around 55 Rawin  
>>targets.

>>Hmmm... new theory.

>>Someone disposed of old Rawin targets on the Foster Ranch and  
>>paid him a fee for it. No balloons needed. How is that for  
>>imaginative skepticism?

>You know better than this. No witness to the debris field ever  
>specified - or could ever be reliable enough to specify - the  
>density of debris fragments constituting this field, especially  
>from memory 30-50 years later. I notice you don't mention  
>Brazel's contemporaneous July 8, 1947, estimate of the size of  
>the debris field of rubber as about "two hundred yards" (600  
>feet) - almost exactly the size of a 657-foot Mogul balloon  
>train of 23 rubber balloons. (Roswell Daily Record, July 9,  
>1947) Nor do you mention Bessie Brazel's 300-foot estimate  
>("about the size of a football field"). She said the debris was  
>"scattered sparsely" and that the wind might have blown it  
>farther than that. (Pflock p. 277) Can you translate "sparsely"  
>into a material density such as square inches of material per  
>square yard of ground? I can't.

Marcel's estimate was 3/4 of a mile by about 250 ft wide. It is  
true the estimates will vary among witnesses.

Mac Brazel: The debris field was 3/4 of a mile long and 300 feet  
wide. It was oriented in a northwest to southeast direction.  
There was a gouge in the northwest side of the debris field that  
was 500 feet long and 10 feet wide. The debris on the field  
mostly consisted of I-beams and parchment like, paper thin  
pieces of metal material. The material was very light in weight,  
a dull gray in color, and most pieces were 6 to 7 inches in  
length. Some pieces that were even thinner than paper could not  
be broken in half, cut or burnt. Mac Brazel collected several  
pieces of the debris and went back to his ranch. So we have  
varying statements, the I-beams and thin pieces of metal vs  
rubber. If there was burnt neoprene balloon material, then why  
didn't Marcel easily identify it as a balloon? If the debris was  
strewn by a balloon, what made the gouge?

>The main reason this is ridiculous is because of the human  
>tendency to simplify complex situations. If one or two foil  
>pieces were found 1,000 feet away or 4,000 feet away does that  
>make the entire debris field 1,000 or 4,000 feet in size? How  
>many pieces does it take to make a "debris field" Bill? What if  
>the wind blew a few pieces 1,000 feet or more right while you're  
>standing there trying to make sense of the more immediate  
>collection of dozens or hundreds of pieces closer at hand. Does  
>that mean the debris field is considered 1,000+ feet in size or  
>what???? Didn't Brazel collect some of the debris and stash it  
>till he came back with Marcel, and if so, how does that removal  
>affect the area of the debris field after he returned? Can you  
>tell me whether your answer today in 2001 would even apply or be  
>understood by any of the witnesses back in 1947 on site trying  
>to make sense of it???

It's not ridiculous. It is just an estimate. Even if we estimate  
the debris field to be a mere 250 ft long parabolic spread it  
would require 10 of the rawin targets. The 250' long parabolic  
spread might be around 40,000 sq. ft (a square would be 62,500  
sq. ft.) and the laminated targets would comprise 540 sq. ft. of  
material so that an estimated density for the targets would be  
little more than 1% of the spreaded area. That is sparse  
alright, but if the debris field was closer to the larger  
estimate, then we would need far more rawins to account for the  
6" pieces. Oh, and where are these 6-7" pieces in the photos?

>Every person might have a different notion of what constitutes a  
>"debris field" and some might not even think of articulating or  
>formulating such a concept in the first place - why should  
>they? Are ranchers supposed to be aircraft accident  
>investigators??? Was Marcel even an accident investigator?  
>You're pushing far beyond the reasonable limits of witness  
>perception and comprehension here. Some witnesses might think  
>the only thing relevant is what was at their feet, maybe a few  
>dozen yards across. Some might think it's the densest collection  
>that they can see, ignoring all the rest that are scattered as  
>being deemed insignificant. Some might ignore the sun-browned  
>rubber fragments from the 23 balloons in the Mogul Flight 4

>array because they'd blend in more with the brown background and  
>be harder to spot than the eye-catching, sun-glinting shiny foil  
>pieces. Some might have tried to be more careful and consider  
>all of the unusual material they saw. Some might have  
>misunderstood the questions put to them or the questions might  
>have been narrower or broader than they realized. Some might not  
>be very good at estimating distances. Some might simply not have  
>walked as far around as others.

It gets pretty foggy at this point doesn't it? If any of the  
testimony about the unusual properties of the metal are correct,  
then rawin foil it is not.

>These simple logical considerations help provide an entirely  
>different explanation for Marcel's large size estimate made 30+  
>years after the fact, and then there is the additional (or  
>related) factor of a reported second site and how far away  
>that might have been, and whether there was or was not any  
>debris in between and whether or not such debris might have  
>simply been coincidentally blown around by the wind filling in  
>the gap between sites, and whether or not there was any  
>confusion (deliberate or unintentional) in deciding whether it  
>was two sites or just one very large site. Did you ever think of  
>that latter possibility? (Or any of these I've just mentioned?)  
>Bessie Brazel states in her affidavit (p. 277), "There may have  
>been additional material spread out more widely by the wind,  
>which was blowing quite strongly."

Ahhh... conjecture. We can also conjecture that testimony about  
an entire aerospace craft with strewn bodies may also be a  
possibility.

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Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 00:09:30 -0400  
Fwd Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 09:22:26 -0400  
Subject: Lexington UFO Video - Still Images

Folks;

In regards to the suspected UFO video from Lexington, Kentucky ABC affiliate Newschannel 36 WTVQ, a preliminary analysis is underway and still images from that video are now available online. I hope to receive some explanation for the object on the video and hopefully a more detailed assessment will follow shortly.

The link is:

<http://home.fuse.net/ufo/lexufo.html>

Thanks,

Kenny Young

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## [CANUFO] Nova Scotia Triangles

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Date: Wed Aug 15, 2001 1:55 pm  
Fwd Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 22:03:53 -0400  
Subject: [CANUFO] Nova Scotia Triangles

15.08.2001

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Just pondering and \_not\_ saying this is the answer!

Eugene Frison  
Nova Scotia MUFON

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Morris

From: Neil Morris <[neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk](mailto:neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk)>  
Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 16:54:11 +0100  
Fwd Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 22:33:09 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Morris

>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 19:19:51 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 10:58:08 +0100  
>>From: Neil Morris <[neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk](mailto:neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk)>  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris

>>Jesse Marcel's site description works out at aprox 777,500 sqft  
>>That dubious interview with Mack Brazel in the RDR of the 9th  
>>July quotes Mack as saying the site was 200 yards across that's  
>>aprox 282,700 sqft.

>How can you have 4 digits of precision on these numbers? There's  
>no justification for it. It may look "good" for fooling  
>laypeople into thinking they're "scientific" but they're  
>meaningless. The areas should be rounded off to the same 1-digit  
>precision of the size estimates given, i.e., rounded off to  
>about 800,000 sq.ft. and 300,000 sq.ft. respectively.

Brad,

I actually rounded the numbers down, they come from the following calculation.

Jesse Snr et al site discription:

3/4ml(3960ft) by 200-300 ft (aprox at 250ft) (elliptical footprint assumed)

area of ellipse (major-axis x minor-axis) x 0.7854

(3960 x 250) x 0.7854 = 777,546 sq ft

(ditto for Mack's site, but a circular footprint assumed.)

>>\_If\_ Charles Moore's MOGUL \_did\_ have 3  
>>ML307 reflectors and \_if\_ it did crash on the Foster Ranch it  
>>would only have

>>\_54\_ sq ft of foil. (90 sq ft if it had 5 ML307's attached)

>What about the rubber balloon material?

Yes what about the rubber?, it dosn't figure greatly in the very early reports they concentrate on the debris as foil material, like the 4'x3'x3' piece mentioned by Wilcox's deputies to the UP newsservice on the afternoon of the 8th. Mack Brazel is also quoted at that time as saying the debris mainly consisted of foil like material.

>>To cover the above two site descriptions with 34 sqft of foil  
>>that's

>>0.0275 sq INCHES per sq ft for Mack's size

>>and

>>0.01 sq INCHES per sq ft for Jesse Marcel's size of debris field

>>And that is a mighty thin spread just to provide a uniform  
>>background cover.

>>To provide a noticable say 10% coverage of the above 2 areas  
>>you would need aprox one tenth of each of the area's ie over  
>>70,000 and 28,000 square feet of foil in each case.

>Where do you get these incredibly convenient numbers such as  
>"10% coverage"??? This is called bootstrapping. Apply a  
>"reasonable" number to something that you have no idea about,  
>that may be all or nothing and isn't statistical and like magic  
>you can bootstrap anything into existence.

Brad what figure of percentage coverage would you be happy using?

you need a minimum amount of coverage in a fairly uniform spread  
to give the visual impression of a related area, a "debris field".

If you go down to 1% coverage the amount of material needed to  
what was available including the balloons, batteries, ballast  
containers radio package et al is seriously lacking, and we are  
assuming flight 4 was configured just like the other flights  
in the series, when we know the original flight 4 was cancelled  
due to weather conditions and the launch has no official record,  
only being noted in a team members diary as a test flight  
presumably because they were already assembling the train when  
the word came through to scrub the official launch. We only  
have Charles Moore's memory to go on and the brief notes in that  
diary to tell us how Flight 4 was actually configured, no  
drawings and no log entry.

>And again, you ignore the rubber balloon material.

The disparity is so large I think you can, and remember the  
brightly coloured ballast containers (labelled for recovery and  
hazard) and all those hundreds of feet of twine don't get a look  
in, the balloons were attached by the twine so were the ML307's  
where you find one you should have the other, nobody mentions  
any twine only some stuff like thin monofilament fishing line  
and that's not what was used on the balloon flights.

And you also have to take into account Mack Brazel was quite  
familiar with neoprene weather balloons he'd picked them up on  
the ranch previously.

>>And all that from the one Flight 4 MOGUL launch which only  
>>had at the very most 90sqft of foil and possibly didn't have  
>>any foil ML307's at all???

>>But even if it did have ML307's the numbers don't really add up  
>>do they?

>They do add up. If a shiny fragment of debris was spotted from a  
>distance, or by walking over to it, then the "debris field"  
>could be enormous. An aircraft accident investigation today  
>wouldn't exclude a fragment just because it was too far away or  
>more isolated than other fragments.

>A set of three Mogul kite-like radar reflectors of about 50  
>sq.ft. total area could be divided up into one-foot sized pieces  
>and dispersed all over a 300- or 600-foot debris field. Suppose  
>one-foot was an average dimension of a fragment, ordinarily we  
>might say that would be 50 fragments but that's simplistic as  
>smaller pieces overwhelm the number distributions. Half the  
>fragments would be smaller, half larger. Of the half consisting  
>of the smaller pieces, half of that half (a quarter of the total  
>area) would be the smallest. I recall 3 inches as the size given  
>for a smaller piece (or 16 to one square foot), so suppose at  
>the low end of the size distribution half of half, or about 12  
>sq.ft., are divided into fragments of that size, and the other  
>half of half are say 6 inches in size (4 to a sq.ft.). That  
>would yield 192 small pieces plus 48 of the larger six-inch  
>pieces plus 12 one-foot pieces plus say 3 two-foot pieces,  
>there's two square feet left over in this approximation so if  
>they contribute to each category in the same proportions then we  
>get a total of about 266 fragments, which we can round off to

>300 (pieces smaller than three inches could easily inflate the  
>numbers). That's a reasonable estimate of fragment size  
>distribution, at least as a start. So approximately 50 square  
>feet of foil reflector material could have broken up into  
>something like 300 fragments of a spectrum of sizes ranging from  
>perhaps 3 inches to 2 feet.

>Bessie Brazel described a "football field" size debris field of  
>double-sided foil-rubber fragments. If the 300 fragments were  
>scattered across this approximately 70,000 sq.ft. area then each  
>fragment might on the average be about 15 feet apart - though  
>some might be bunched together and others more sparsely  
>separated. That certainly seems plausible.

>A whole football field covered with eye-catching sun-flashing  
>foil-composite pieces, just from 50 square feet of material.

>A few pieces could be blown out thousands of feet, extending the  
>size of the area for those who cared to walk over, or who could  
>spot a shiny piece flashing in the distance.

I played about with some figures over this some time ago:

The average foil density distribution across both sites working with  
3x ML307C data is:

Site (1) 0.0275 Sq inches per sqft

Site (2) 0.01 Sq inches per sqft

To put these numbers into real world terms lets take an example  
piece of foil of size 6 sq inches, a piece this area could be 2"  
x 3" in size.

From the total foil available on Flt 4 you could get 1296 such  
pieces out of the 54 sq ft.

You need a basic minimum foil density to produce the visual  
effect of a "defined" debris field, this minimum level must have  
been reached to produce the descriptions given. To produce the  
effect of a "defined debris field" using the 2" x 3" pieces we  
would have to place them out on the desert as follows:

In case of Site (1) a lone piece of foil each at the centre of  
1296 squares 14.7 ft by 14.7 ft. In the case of site (2) the  
1296 squares would have to have sides of 24.5 ft x 25 ft.

And this would ONLY produce the "background" effect of the  
defined debris fields as described.

(Would either of these really be dense enough, seen as our  
witnesses were, on foot or from the back of a horse??.)

If you then wanted to produce "clumps" of debris, remember  
witnesses state the foil was of various sizes many "larger" than  
our 2"x3" test piece, you could only do this in the examples by  
sticking a number of your 2"x3" pieces together, because you  
only have 54sqft of material in 1296 pieces to work with, no  
more, no less, that's all the foil there is. Now you have some  
larger pieces, but oops! you now have a few large areas with  
no debris at all!!, because you had to use the pieces in those  
areas up to make your bigger pieces. The more and larger the  
concentrations on one place the thinner the distribution has  
to get in others. You only have the one cake, if one person  
decides to have a big piece somebody else either gets a smaller  
piece or none at all!, and this cake is a fixed 54 sqft.

And what about the amount of foil debris needed to produce that  
4'x3'x3' piece Mack talked about to the Roswell Police Dept?,  
thats got to come out of your total amount too.

>Do you have any witness testimony giving an average separation  
>distance for the fragments in the debris field that would  
>conflict with this estimate? I don't know of any witness who  
>ever gave such a separation distance figure.

No but we know from both Mack and Jesse Marcel the density was  
great enough to allow both to visually conclude the direction of  
flight of whatever it was that came appart over the ranch.



Neil

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Fwd Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 22:10:50 -0400  
Subject: Nova Scotia Triangles

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## Re: Roswell Debris Field - Young

From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 12:02:16 EDT  
Fwd Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 13:17:49 -0400  
Subject: Re: Roswell Debris Field - Young

>From: Bill Hamilton <[skywatcher22@space.com](mailto:skywatcher22@space.com)>  
>Date: 16 Aug 2001 06:10:44 -0700  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>Subject: Brazel & Roswell Debris [was: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell']

>>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>>Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 06:22:55 EDT  
>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

<snip>

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Bill:

I may have missed something, but could you please provide a  
citation for this quote from Mr. Brazel, in his lifetime?

<snip>

>Even if we estimate the debris field to be a mere 250 ft long  
>parabolic spread it would require 10 of the rawin targets.

Where did this "requirement" come from?

<snip>

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That's for sure, no matter what your point of view, here.

>If any of the testimony about the unusual properties of the  
>metal are correct, then rawin foil it is not.

If any of the testimony by people known to have been there in  
1947 is correct about "rawin" debris, and its striking  
resemblance to the stuff in the Fort Worth pictures, what does  
this say about the amazing properties of the "saucer debris"  
conjured up years later?

<snip>

>We can also conjecture that testimony about an entire  
>aerospace craft with strewn bodies may also be a possibility.

Not likely, if any of the 1947 testimony and pictures of rawin  
debris is real. Unless, of course, you subscribe to Dr.  
Maccabbe's hypothesis that the alien starship got tangled in the  
600 ft Mogul train and fell out of the sky. Actually, this  
hypothesis by Bruce is about as likely as any of the other  
crashed saucer tales coming from this event.

Clear skies,

Bob Young

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No testimony is sufficient to establish a miracle, unless the testimony be of such a kind that its falseness would be more miraculous than the fact which it endeavors to establish.

-- David Hume

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## Re: Lexington UFO Video - Still Images - Velez

From: John Velez <[johnvelez.aic@verizon.net](mailto:johnvelez.aic@verizon.net)>  
Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 12:45:28 -0400  
Fwd Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 13:20:02 -0400  
Subject: Re: Lexington UFO Video - Still Images - Velez

>Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 00:09:30 -0400  
>From: Kenny Young <[ufo@FUSE.NET](mailto:ufo@FUSE.NET)>  
>Subject: Lexington UFO Video - Still Images  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

>Folks;

>In regards to the suspected UFO video from Lexington, Kentucky  
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>online. I hope to receive some explanation for the object on the  
>video and hopefully a more detailed assessment will follow  
>shortly.

>The link is:

><http://home.fuse.net/ufo/lexufo.html>

Hi Kenny,

Thanx for the pix! That's one Hell of a balloon if that's what it is. The size of a van you say. It would have to be a 'one off' custom creation if it is a balloon. How many specialty balloon manufacturers can there be with the capability to produce such a complex creation? I would imagine only one or two of a handful of parade balloon manufacturers would be capable of making a balloon this size, and of this quality of detail. And no anchoring line? Surprising for what -must be- a terribly expensive balloon. (If that's what it is.)

If it is a balloon, they should get one for our annual Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade! Far out. I can hear one of the spectators now:

"Martha, get in the car and head for New Jersey! They've landed, they've landed!" ;)

Regards,

John Velez

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## Re: Hunger Strike To Support UFO Disclosure -

From: Lara Johnstone <[bravehrt@concentric.net](mailto:bravehrt@concentric.net)>  
Date: Tue, 09 Oct 2001 10:29:57 -0700  
Fwd Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 13:55:15 -0400  
Subject: Re: Hunger Strike To Support UFO Disclosure -

[Non-Subscriber Post]

Dear Mr. Velez and others:

>Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 17:29:51 -0400  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>From: John Velez <[johnvelez.aic@verizon.net](mailto:johnvelez.aic@verizon.net)>  
>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike To Support UFO Disclosure

>>From: Alfred Lehmborg <[Lehmborg@snowhill.com](mailto:Lehmborg@snowhill.com)>  
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>>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike To Support UFO Disclosure  
>>Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 07:30:40 -0500

>>As regards our striker. In the first place we are talking about  
>>a grown woman here that has rationally demonstrated some  
>>egalitarian sense and rational seriousness in the past, a  
>>cursory look seems to show. Allusions to "bonkers" might be a  
>>little premature, needlessly distracting, and an otherwise  
>>inaccurate splash of well meaning, but point-missing, paint...

>Misinterpretation Al. I was referring to those who were egging  
>her on not to Lara.

To, anyone concerned about my health, my request would be  
contact your senator or congressman, and ask them if the  
President got my letter. And if he has, what he is going to  
do about it. I mean if you are really concerned. If not - that  
is okay. ;-)

I guess I may have higher expectations from my President (Mbeki  
and Mandela), since every single time I have written them a  
letter, even if from another country, I have gotten a response.  
I have never had to go on a hunger strike to get thier  
attention. ;-) Twice my letter was both forwarded to the  
relevant department were somebody was ordered to get back to me  
with relevant information. For a Third World country going down  
the hill (thanks the World Bank etc, etc.) I consider that the  
way any Presidents office, who is interested in servng his/her  
country can do.

My suggestions to anyone with extra energy or charge on this  
issue - would be this:

Make a copy of my letter to President Bush, and write a letter  
similar to mine to your congressperson - see both at:

[www.amandla.org/ufo/](http://www.amandla.org/ufo/)

then take it to your Congress person and ask them  
for a response. You want a personal response regarding the  
Presidents response to me! When we come at them from all sides!  
And when we put directly daily or weekly visits to our congress  
persons - the pressure will be on. My congresswoman is working  
very hard at it! I think she deserves a bit of help! Let us make  
those halls of Congress sing with '\*&^% the people want some  
answers'! There are a few brave souls in there - who if they



know the people support them, would rise to the occasion. We need to give them some courage!;-)

>My first remark about her was that she  
>"seemed to be" a sincere person. I am also not questioning her  
>'cause'. It is her 'methods' that I think are a bit extreme. See  
>next response.

I agree, and I also think the situation is way beyond extreme, and anyone who hasn't noticed that, may think there is precious much more time! I on the contrary am not so sure, and don't see why I should wait till I am 60 (which I doubt I'll get to see with Colombian Vietnam on the way, chemtrails, toxic food, depopulations, viruses like AIDS and who knows what else?) to find out about travelling and visiting more enlightened beings from out of space! It has got to stop!

And this is the first time we have 450 direct insider witnesses who are prepared to testify! As well as a President who promised to tell the truth! That to me is a gift from God! And I will do whatever I can to support these men at this critical time! ;-)  
We can all benefit from some disclosure, in physical, emotional, psychological and so many other ways.... ;-)

>>An intelligent fast is actually a healthy thing, to a point;  
>>John likely knows that. There is no mal nutrition in a healthy  
>>fast, there is only an 'under' nutrition that most people in the  
>>western hemisphere could have a couple of helpings of anyway...  
>>I've got a whole paper in the spring-loaded, ready to go  
>>position, so we can dicker that point if you want to.

>No "dickering" at all. And yes, having studied and practiced  
>contemplative as well as certain physical forms of Yoga (all of  
>my adult life) I am familiar with, and have performed many  
>healthy, cleansing fasts. Many of which are intended to last for  
>only three to five days. Juice Fasts can go as long as a month  
>without jeopardizing health. The point I was trying to make was  
>that this fast that Lara is engaged in (due to its political  
>nature) has no preset terminus. She intends to persist until  
>George Dubya responds.

Exactly! ;-) So, lets get dubya to respond. After all he works for you! He is your employee as such! ;-) I know it is a little simplistic, but that is really what he is. And he is an employee who has through tiime forced his employer to pay him yearly taxes, which he squanders and uses to kill, and he has used his employers money to limit his employers rights and freedoms! I think such an employee either gets a kick under the butt, or is fired! But if we allow this to be done to us, it is only our fault! ;-)

I intend to persist until he responds, and I think he better know that! I would suggest and appreciate your energy directed at the problem of a president who makes agreements and does not keep them! I will gladly go away or stop my fast (and have some coffee gelato in heavenly bliss) if he directly responds!

>Between you, me, and the wall, that just ain't gonna happen.

what a sad thing to say about your President, and also that you are not driven to do anything about such a situation.

>So, what are we looking at? An extended fast that can only have  
>deleterious effects (even on someone who fasts regularly) if it  
>should approach or go beyond the thirty day range and a dolt of  
>a President whose concern for humanity is second only to  
>Goering. (Refer to Dubya's responses when asked about reprieves  
>for death row inmates during his terms as Governor of Texas.  
>This guy is no humanitarian!)

Exactly! However, he does like to think of himself as a southern man who honors agreements! Well, he made one with the american people (huffer's question) and I want him to keep it!

>All that his tiny brain is capable of handling is keeping track  
>of his golf scores as he makes the rounds of his favorite  
>courses. (And I'll bet the farm that his caddy handles all the  
>complicated math for him!) Lara and anybody else who thinks Bush  
>is going to respond to a Hunger Strike For UFO Disclosure is  
>simply deluding themselves big-time. This fast of hers could go  
>much, much longer than her 'supporters' suspect.

We shall see Mr. Velez.

>Ergo, my concern for Lara's health and continued well-being.

>>The human body evolved on the savanna where a fast was a  
>>continuing aspect of reality.

>I'm sure that Lara like many other Americans is used to eating  
>regularly and fairly well. The beast you speak of may have  
>existed in bygone eras, and currently in many third world  
>countries but, America is the Fat-ass Capitol of the world. I  
>doubt that many second and third generation yankees have  
>inherited the kind of wiry - used to long periods of hunger -  
>body/genes that you reference here.

>An extended fast of the kind that Lara has undertaken can only  
>begin to debilitate her and effect her overall health at some  
>point. Every principle that I was taught about fasting goes  
>against prolonged (more than thirty days) fasting. I was merely  
>stating that I cannot in good conscience support something that  
>is potentially harmful to another.

Mr. Velez, I appreciate you for your concern - again - for my  
well-being. The truth I want from Mr. Bush is also a truth if  
revealed may alter the state of world affairs. I would gladly  
put my white, healthy body at a bit of risk, which many billions  
of other yellow, brown and black bodies are subjected to all  
of their lives, so that American intelligence agencies can keep  
their little secrets and the american public don't do anything  
about hte effects these secrets have on the rest ofthe world.

Lets just take Iraq - 6000 children die every single month, from  
forced starvation, bad water etc! That the USA planned! And  
all the US govt is concerned about is 'managing the PR storm'..  
Well, for all those children, for all the children in Africa who  
have been vaccinated with free AIDS, for all the Colombian  
children being sprayed with some version of Agent Orange! For  
all of those, I want and will demand that when a president  
promises to tell the truth, I damn well hold him accountable!  
Even if it costs me a bit of discomfort! ;-)

I would appreciate your help in whichever way you deem fit, and  
imagine we will get more done if we keep our focus on him! ;-)

>I never said she didn't have  
>a right to do it, and I didn't question that right. Nor was I  
>calling her bonkers. That was meant for the crowd gathered  
>under the parapet she is standing on yelling, "Jump, jump!"

Thank you! ;-) I 'jumped' many years ago, when I heard the  
testimony of witnesses in the Truth and Reconciliation Hearings  
in South Africa. When I heard the truth about all the secrets of  
oppression, torture and degradation of the human soul. My soul  
wept and wept. I had known something was going on, but not what.  
I had believed the lies I was told, or at least did not demand  
their truth. I promised myself - never again! If someone was  
willing to stand up and tell the truth, I would support that  
person!

Also my own growth in learning to be honest with myself has led  
me to much healing of things I previously denied, but had  
constant pain and insecurity about. I no longer have any of  
that, just love, and a willingness to share with others taht 'it  
doesn't have to be this way' - we can live with truth, with  
integrity to ourselves and our fellow plants, animals and beings  
from wherever. ;-)

Sincerely,

Lara Johnstone

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| Hungerstrike Requesting President Bush to |
| honor his agreement to tell the American |
| people the truth, by supporting the |
| Disclosure Project witnesses to testify |
| about their extensive knowledge of UFO's: |
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| Bush/UFO Disclosure Request: |
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## Italian UFO Newsflash No. 322

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Contents:

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- Richard Haines's Book on the Valentich Case  
Finally Translated in Italian

Increase In Italian Sightings During July

Giuseppe Stilo has disseminated an initial list of reports on sightings received or gathered by the Italian Center for UFO Studies and relative to this past July: it covers 67 observation cases, which indicate not only a continuance but an increase in the ongoing, small summer UFO wave and this despite the fact that the number of incidents reported by the mass media have meanwhile been decreasing (55 newspaper clippings culled from the "Eco della Stampa" newsclipping service during the month of July, compared with 86 in June).

The sightings continue distributed throughout the Peninsula, and even though the northern regions are maintaining a slight lead, the central and southern areas are no longer that far behind in the statistics. As always, nocturnal lights prevail, but in July there occurred 11 daylight objects, 8 close encounters and 3 cases captured on videotape.

In the meantime, the list of reports for the month of June has been updated, with an increase in number from 54 to 62.

The first week of August, which has recorded 10 cases already, seems to indicate that the wave is continuing. Of these, that having had a major impact on the mass media has been the daytime film taken in Trapani on the afternoon of 6 August and broadcast on the Channel 5 newscast during the following evening.

[Reported by Giuseppe Stilo; CasiUfoList, 9 August;  
collaboration by Roberto Labanti.]

Hessdalen 2001: Mission Underway

Mission 2001 in Hessdalen has been underway for over two weeks. During this period, four Italian researchers (Massimo Teodorani, Simona Righini, Andrea Cremonini and Flavio Gori), with sponsorship by the Italian Project Hessdalen Committee, have provided continuity to EMBLA 2000, the Italian-Norwegian international project (International Council for Research and Ostfold University College) for the study and the gathering of data on luminous phenomena in the atmosphere over the Norwegian valley. To these next week will be added Star Montebugnoli and Jader Monari (CNR Institute of Radioastronomy and Radio

Observatory of Medicine).

The following week, the Italian researchers will participate with their peers in a seminar organized in Holtalen by Ostfold College, with the purpose of raising issues pertaining to 'Future Research Endeavors by the Hessdalen Project'.

[Press Release by CIPH, 10 August; collaboration by Renzo Cabassi.]

#### Haines' Book On The Valentich Case Finally Translated Into Italian

After a long wait, the Italian translation of Richard Haines's book has finally been published about the celebrated case of Frederick Valentich, the young Australian pilot who disappeared along with his airplane immediately after having reported his sighting of a UFO on 21 October 1978.

An optic physicist and an expert on aeronautic issues, Haines worked for the NASA and is the world's premier expert on UFO sightings made by pilots. The Italian edition of the book, published by the Italian Center for UFO Studies, contains an afterward by Marco Orlandi (Italian director of Project AirCat) concerning updates having taken place through last year.

The book is entitled "Delta Sierra Juliet Rispondi...", and is published by Edizioni UPIAR, with 292 pages and at a price of 32,000 Lire (27,000 Lire for CISU members). It may be ordered directly from the publisher or from the Italian Center for UFO Studies. First copies will be made available to the public at the UFO conclave organized on 11 August in Sassalbo (Massa Carrara).

[Reported by Gian Paolo Grassino.]

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## Re: New UFO-Flap In Turkey? - Hatch

From: **Larry Hatch** <[larryhat@jps.net](mailto:larryhat@jps.net)>  
Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 13:40:43 -0700  
Fwd Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 14:01:45 -0400  
Subject: Re: New UFO-Flap In Turkey? - Hatch

>Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 16:22:51 -0300  
>From: Don Ledger <[dledger@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:dledger@ns.sympatico.ca)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: New UFO-Flap In Turkey?

>>Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 16:26:36 -0400  
>>From: Joachim Koch <[AchimKoch@compuserve.com](mailto:AchimKoch@compuserve.com)>  
>>Subject: New UFO-Flap In Turkey?  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

>>Hi List,

>>I've just heard it on the radio and it was on page one of the  
>>Turkish newspaper "Hurriyet" on Aug. 8th:

>>Two Turkish Air Force bomber pilots, Ilker Dincer and Arda  
>>Gunyer, in their T-37 reported to the tower that they suddenly  
>>saw a glowing disk-like UFO over the province of Izmir. It was  
>>traveling with fast speed and they followed it. They were able  
>>to lock on and had kind of a dog fight for some moments, then  
>>the UFO buzzed out of sight.

>>"Hurriyet" spent page number one for this report and printed  
>>much of the conversation between the two pilots and the tower:  
>>"the object comes close to the wings... it is behind us... now  
>>it is in front of us...it is like a dogfight..."

>>At the same time nothing was to be seen on the radar screens.  
>>Some international news agencies such as AFP have picked up the  
>>news.

<snip>

>>Joachim Koch, Berlin

>Hi Joachim,

>I've been watching this thread for a couple of days. I note that  
>the Cessna T-37 is being called a bomber which it might be in  
>the Turkish AF. Usually it's a trainer - or was. Dubbed the  
>Tweet or Tweety Bird by the USAF it's sports two seats, side by  
>side so if the two Turkish jets intercepted or chased this UFO  
>there were likely four witnesses to the event. It's top speed is  
>about 360 mph. it can be configured with a couple of 250 pound  
>bombs.

>See: [http://www.af.mil/news/factsheets/T\\_37\\_Tweet.html](http://www.af.mil/news/factsheets/T_37_Tweet.html)

Hi Don:

Everything I think I read seems to indicate a single T-37  
trainer, with two men aboard.

Best

- Larry

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Friedman

From: Stan Friedman <[fsphys@brunnet.net](mailto:fsphys@brunnet.net)>  
Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 17:48:25 -0300  
Fwd Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 14:04:38 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Friedman

>From: Dennis Stacy <[dstacy@texas.net](mailto:dstacy@texas.net)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 22:12:23 -0500

>>From: Stan Friedman <[fsphys@brunnet.net](mailto:fsphys@brunnet.net)>  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 23:13:39 -0300

><snip>

>>As noted in the last portion of the RDR [Roswell Daily Record]  
>>article for July 9 (which is the basis for all the Mogul balloon  
>>nonsense), Brazel was sure it wasn't a weather balloon.

>>He had found them before.

>Stan,

>Think about what you're saying here.

>Are you suggesting that single weather balloons were raining  
>down on the Foster ranch to the extent that Brazel had come  
>across several others before encountering whatever it was that  
>he took into Roswell? That he was familiar with same?

>Gadzooks, man, what is the likelihood of that?

What a strange question. It has been known for more than 20 years that Brazel had found at least 2 weather balloons and been paid the rewards offered on the attached notices. (Instrument packages). The Ranch was at least 10,000 acres, not a half acre plot in a city. He had lived there a long time. Many balloons had been launched in New Mexico. It might be more amazing if he hadn't found any.

>But, if true, doesn't this suggest that the Foster ranch was in  
>the "flight path" of balloon operations? Or was Brazel just  
>lucky enough to have stumbled across one or two prior to his  
>third encounter?

Lucky or unlucky?? He had found balloons he stated unequivocally that what he had found wasn't any weather balloon.

>You can't have it both ways, no doubt as much as you would like  
>to.

What do you mean both ways?

Because he was familiar with weather balloons, he recognized that what he had found wasn't any weather balloon. The sherrif noted it as unusual. Marcel noted it as unusual and not a weather balloon. That is why Blanchard sent Marcel and Cavitt out there to look at the mess of stuff in the pasture.

Remember that there is no way a small bundle of stuff would have covered an area even 200 yards in diameter. If all he had found was a weather balloon as liar Cavitt claimed) taking up an area

only 20 feet square and easily fitting in to one vehicle, he would have brought it in in his pickup truck and there would have been nothing left behind and no reason for Marcel and Cavitt to trail him out in the boondocks. Remember that Marcel couldn't talk to the press and describe the area he had seen

>And speaking of having it both ways... have you encountered any  
>recent news or revelations that might lead you to reconsider  
>Gerald Anderson's veracity re claims to having been a SEAL?

>If so, might we expect to see news of same on your new web  
>site?

>Curious minds would like to know.

At least three of us including Kevin and myself have contacted individuals noted in the article you noted. All of us were informed that Gerald wasn't a SEAL according to the files they have..I have been trying to go the next step and find out if he was ever in the military at all. I have had two responses indicating that he was not listed on the lists they consulted. Both indicated that was not 100% certain. I do have a copy ( I saw the original) of a navy discharge document for Gerald Francis Anderson dated June 6,1969.His birthdate is October 4, 1941. People keep saying to try the Personnel records Center. I submitted a request, but everybody including the VA people say that it takes weeks or months to get a response. I don't have a serial number or social security number Anybody know a congressman who could have a quick search done?

When I know more I will inform the List.. One of the problems is that computerized files often treat middle names and initials differently.and have different sources For example, I was trying to get a zip code for someone for whom I had a phone number. The first two reverse look up files had no match. The third had the full address. In addition I can't use the 800 numbers, now given out for US government offices, from Canada. That is often the only number provided

Stan Friedman

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## Re: Ramey Message 'Eagle Seal' - Sparks

From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 16:45:22 EDT  
Fwd Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 15:15:54 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ramey Message 'Eagle Seal' - Sparks

>Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 17:09:41 +0100  
>From: Neil Morris <[neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk](mailto:neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk)>  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>Subject: Re: Ramey Message 'Eagle Seal'

>>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>>Date: Wed, 8 Aug 2001 21:35:57 EDT  
>>Fwd Date: Thu, 09 Aug 2001 10:00:55 -0400  
>>Subject: Ramey Message 'Eagle Seal' [was: Review of

>>>Date: Tue, 07 Aug 2001 17:30:01 +0100  
>>>From: Neil Morris <[neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk](mailto:neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk)>  
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'

>>Neil,

>>I give you numbers you give me doubletalk. It is text of a  
>>message, not an image of a bird, an eagle!

>>Do we only get pelicanism out of the UK these days?

>>I gave you specific quantitative measurements of the angles of  
>>orientation of the paper - which you totally ignore because you  
>>can't refute them - and you respond by pointing to irrelevant  
>>minor ripples or deviations from a flat surface.

>Brad,

<snip>

>You give one all encompassing angle of 15 degrees, I think  
>this is an over generalisation of the situation. That upper  
>section of the message is both folded and curved and though some  
>points might present a 15 degree profile to the camera, others  
>undoubtedly don't.

Neil,

You still don't give any numbers. You still have no  
quantitative evidence. You're still blowing smoke with idle  
speculation instead of facts. You still point to irrelevancies  
and distractions, apparently hoping it will all seem so  
technical to most people that no one will notice.

Let me give you FACTS in response to your baseless speculation  
and distractions:

FACT 1: About 84% of the total area of your imaginary "seal" is  
on a plateau portion of the Ramey paper that is in fact at  
about a steep 15° angle to the camera. (See detailed inventory  
below.)

Hence you continue to distract us with irrelevancies about paper  
angles that relate only to about 16% of the "seal." You ignore  
the fact that about 84% of the "seal" is in fact at the angle  
that I measured and that that 15° angle is enormously steeper  
than the 45° angle that you imagine for the "seal." There is no  
way out of this Neil.

>You have continuously changing angles of presentation to the  
>camera above and below a mean, caused by those "insignificant",  
>as you call them, ripples in the paper.

FACT 2: There are no "ripples" in the upper left corner of the Ramey Message. The only "ripples" or creases are located elsewhere on the paper and are caused by:

- (a) the folding into four rectangles,
- (b) the warping caused by General Ramey's fingers and thumb, which can easily be seen from the back on the Bettmann Archive photo, and there are no ripples in that far upper left corner.

One can see that Ramey is gripping and crinkling the paper in his fingers and those fingers are not touching the upper half of the paper at all.

>>You overlay an "eagle seal" over the Ramey message that is about >>45° off horizontal whereas the Ramey paper is itself at about >>15° in that top-left corner.

>That top left corner itself is curving, check it's illumination.

FACT 3: The upper left corner upturns sharply at the edge of and beyond the alleged rim of the "seal" but the main body of the alleged "seal" is on a flat plateau at about a 15° angle from edge-on horizontal. The upturn is obviously irrelevant to the flat plateau area where the supposed "eagle" is seen.

>>Your seal overlay is therefore  
>>grossly improperly positioned by a factor of three, an error of >>300%, a few degrees' deviation for ripples or curves makes no >>dent in the size of the overall error, of 300%. How can there >>possibly be any dispute over this? Is it because angles are >>involved? Is it because numbers are involved? Do people just >>tune out as soon as they see a number or a concept they think is >>too intricate? Why is this so hard? This problem would make a >>laughingstock in any university math or physics department in >>the world.

>But because of the curvatures in the sheet, it is possible for >a seal/stamp located where I claim to see it to be visible as >it's seen in the image. A practical real\_world demonstration >shows this to be the case.

Is it now only "possible"??? Either there is an eagle seal there or there isn't. Your "practical real\_world demonstration" of a seal that is quite properly angled at 15° shows this not to be the case but a physical impossibility since you are imagining a perfectly undistorted "seal" at an angle of 45° from the blobs on the Ramey Message. The two are radically different.

<snip>

>>Let me recap here: You've made a serious mistake about the >>orientation of the paper in the top-left corner of the Ramey >>message. It is a physical impossibility for an "eagle seal" at a >>45° angle, as you've overlaid it over the Ramey message image, >>to be on the surface of the paper, which is much flatter at a >>15° angle, as it would float above the paper by nearly 1 inch.

>>You have the equivalent of a pelican outflying a civil aircraft.

>Brad, you may be interested in the plot to be found at:

><http://www.thefortworthphotographs.freeseve.co.uk/images/section.gif>

I understand the concept of ripples so why do you present this diagram when you later admit (see below) this is hypothetical and illustrative and has nothing to do with the Ramey Message? This is irrelevant distraction!

>This demonstrates my objections to treating the Ramey message >paper as a predominantly flat sheet.

>The diagram shown represents a cross section through a paper

>sheet having a surface rippled and curved. For simplicity the  
>cross section plot was created with a series of regular curves  
>of fixed radius.

>Before I go any further let me make it clear this image should  
>\_not\_ be taken as anything more than an illustrative model.  
>It's \_not\_ to be taken as a direct representation of the Ramey  
>message paper, it's cross section is still unknown.

Irrelevant distraction! The cross-section of the Ramey Message  
\_is\_ known! Just look at the back of the paper in the Bettmann  
Archive photo. Just make some measurements on the actual Ramey  
Message photo instead of spouting off nonsense.

FACT 4: The alleged "seal" covers so much, vertically, of the  
upper 3 inches of the Ramey Message that it starts close to the  
edge of Ramey's thumb at the half-way fold and goes off the top  
edge of the paper. Yet it's only supposed to be about 1.3 inches  
wide. How can it be more than 3 inches tall? This is a physical  
impossibility.

Neil answer this crucial question: Do you or do you not "see"  
the top of the "seal" running off the top edge of the paper as  
well as the bottom edge of the "seal rim" nearly touching  
Ramey's thumb?

FACT 5: Your imaginary "seal" is too perfect in shape to fit  
the sloped paper. Far edges of the imagined "seal" do fall onto  
portions of the paper at a different angle than the 15° plateau  
on which the main body of the supposed "seal" rests -- yet there  
is none of the extreme distortion one would expect, in fact  
there is no distortion at all. It's as if your imagination has  
created a perfect "seal" that does not follow the real world  
orientation and distortion of the paper it is supposed to be on.  
The upper left portion of the supposed "rim" does extend over on  
to the upturned corner of the paper (which is at about 35°) on a  
small section of rim amounting to only about 2% of the total  
area of the "seal." Yet that part of the imagined circular  
double "rim" still remains perfectly circular and is not  
distorted. The bottom of the imagined "rim" extends so far down  
the paper that it actually reaches the center fold where the  
paper is close to 90° to the camera.

So while you continue to try to confuse us with nonsense about  
ripples and different angles that aren't relevant let me give  
quantitative facts:

FACT 5: Most of the imagined "seal," about 84% of it (see  
measurements below), is on a portion of the Ramey Message paper  
at 15° including a small portion extending off the paper but at  
the same angle (about 5%). Only small portions of the "seal"  
extend over onto portions of the paper at different angles,  
about 16% of the "seal." These portions are as follows:

Upper Left of "Seal's Rim": About 0.1 x 0.3 inch (2% of total  
area) at about 35°

Lower Portion "Seal & Rim": About 0.3 x 0.6 inch (14% of total  
area) slopes down from 15° portion to 45°-60° portion

TOTAL: About 16% of "Seal" on portions of paper sloped greater  
than 15°

About 84% of "seal" on the portion of paper at about 15°

My sad prediction is that you will continue to confuse us with  
distractions about the 16% portions of the seal that are at  
angles to the camera greater than the main body or 84% of the  
"seal" that is at 15° and continue to evade the implications of  
this shape distortion that is not seen in your imagined outline  
of the "seal" that is 100% angled at the entirely different 45°  
angle.

Brad

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>>Now about the testimony of Sheridan Cavitt. In my last post, I  
>>made extensive quotes of Cavitt, and I am not going to do it  
>>again. In a nutshell, Cavitt repeated all the time, in the 30  
>>pages interview of Colonel Weaver, that he had found a simple,  
>>uninteresting weather balloon, or a "radio sonde". The debris  
>>was small, "maybe as long as this room wide". He did not see any  
>>tape decorated with flowers, etc. If he had recovered a huge  
>>balloon train, twenty balloons or more, attached to a strong  
>>nylon line, with radar reflectors and various instruments, he  
>>should have at least vaguely remembered that, but he didn't.

>>So, as Bob Durant puts it very well, it is no big surprise that  
>>this is not quoted in the book. It is so damaging to the Mogul  
>>theory! It is a serious flaw of the book. On the contrary, it  
>>does not harm the ufo theory because, as you admit yourself,  
>>Cavitt is lying all the time. He had no need to do that if he  
>>had found a Mogul balloon train, but he needed to if he had  
>>found a ufo.

>I point out again that a detailed analysis of Cavitt's interview  
>is at:

><http://brumac.8k.com>

>There I have argued that either Cavitt had somehow mixed up the  
>Roswell retrieval with some other event or else he was flat out  
>lying.

>I believe he was lying.

Hi Bruce,

I re-read your analysis and I disagree. I agree that Cavitt lied  
about supposedly not recognizing that there was an ET  
implication to the "flying saucer" or UFO controversy -- he  
certainly could not have been that stupid. I also agree that  
Cavitt lied in maintaining it was a weather balloon and avoiding  
Mogul.

However you yourself pointed out the very real possibility that  
the discrepancies in Cavitt's story with respect to others'

testimonies may be due to the possibility that Cavitt went out only on the 2nd Trip to the Brazel site, by which time much of the debris had already been collected on the 1st Trip, so the area might have looked small to him when he saw it for the first time.

If this happened on Sunday July 6 at the end of a 4th of July holiday weekend, as the UP wire report states (Pflock pp. 90, 246), there might have been difficulty and delay in rounding up base personnel such as Cavitt immediately.

Brad

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>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>Subject: Brazel & Roswell Debris [was: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell']

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>>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>>>Date: Sun, 12 Aug 2001 12:18:16 -0700

>>>>>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>>>>>Date: Sat, 11 Aug 2001 09:48:29 EDT  
>>>>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>>>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

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>>>>>Despite Pflock quoting literally pages of witness testimony to  
>>>>>unusual material properties in the Roswell debris throughout his  
>>>>>book and repeatedly reciting it to the point of redundancy (AP  
>>>>>reporter Kellahin's description of the material is quoted twice  
>>>>>on the same page, p. 153), and presenting an extremely valuable  
>>>>>collection of 50 pages of witness interview transcripts and  
>>>>>affidavits,

>>>>>I just purchased Pflock's "Roswell" yesterday and expected a  
>>>>>\$26, typical debunking hack-job but was surprised to find an  
>>>>>interesting, fact-filled, hack-job instead.

>>>>>I think you hit the nail on the head here, Ed.

>>>>>And while you're correct that Karl has made an important  
>>>>>contribution to Roswell research, his conclusions are dead wrong  
>>>>>and dumb. (find an identifiable piece of the mogul on the floor  
>>>>>of Gen. Ramey's office) This it is not the fault of the  
>>>>>information that Pflock has gathered together, but his own spin  
>>>>>on the details.

>>>>>Agreed. Marcel's large field-size estimate is a vital factor as  
>>>>>well as descriptions of the material found by those who handled  
>>>>>it and that does not logically lead to Pflock's conclusion.

>>>>>The field-size was estimated to be about 4,000 ft long (3/4  
>>>>>mile) by about 250 feet wide. That is about 1,000,000 square  
>>>>>feet.

>>>>>Assuming that to be a maximum and assuming the debris field to  
>>>>>be uneven in shape, we can still estimate that the ground was

>>>covered by about 6,000 square feet of material.

>>>Assuming half this size and about 3,000 square feet of thin  
>>>metallic material (no identifiable remnants of neoprene balloons  
>>>seemed to have been mentioned), then how do we reconcile this  
>>>with Rawin targets which had a total of 54 square feet of  
>>>surface area. Lets see now - that would be around 55 Rawin  
>>>targets.

>>>Hmmm... new theory.

>>>Someone disposed of old Rawin targets on the Foster Ranch and  
>>>paid him a fee for it. No balloons needed. How is that for  
>>>imaginative skepticism?

>>You know better than this. No witness to the debris field ever  
>>specified - or could ever be reliable enough to specify - the  
>>density of debris fragments constituting this field, especially  
>>from memory 30-50 years later. I notice you don't mention  
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>was 500 feet long and 10 feet wide. The debris on the field  
>mostly consisted of I-beams and parchment like, paper thin  
>pieces of metal material.

Bill,

Where does this come from? I thought only Marcel Jr reported "I-beams."

>The material was very light in weight,  
>a dull gray in color, and most pieces were 6 to 7 inches in  
>length. Some pieces that were even thinner than paper could not  
>be broken in half, cut or burnt. Mac Brazel collected several  
>pieces of the debris and went back to his ranch. So we have  
>varying statements, the I-beams and thin pieces of metal vs  
>rubber. If there was burnt neoprene balloon material, then why  
>didn't Marcel easily identify it as a balloon? If the debris was  
>strewn by a balloon, what made the gouge?

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>>the wind blew a few pieces 1,000 feet or more right while you're  
>>standing there trying to make sense of the more immediate  
>>collection of dozens or hundreds of pieces closer at hand. Does  
>>that mean the debris field is considered 1,000+ feet in size or  
>>what???? Didn't Brazel collect some of the debris and stash it  
>>till he came back with Marcel, and if so, how does that removal  
>>affect the area of the debris field after he returned? Can you  
>>tell me whether your answer today in 2001 would even apply or be  
>>understood by any of the witnesses back in 1947 on site trying  
>>to make sense of it???

>It's not ridiculous. It is just an estimate. Even if we estimate  
>the debris field to be a mere 250 ft long parabolic spread it  
>>would require 10 of the rawin targets.

No it wouldn't. See my posting at the following link, I don't  
want to repeat myself:

<http://www.aliensonearth.com/ufo/updates/2001/aug/m16-011.shtml>

The 250' long parabolic

>spread might be around 40,000 sq. ft (a square would be 62,500  
>sq. ft.) and the laminated targets would comprise 540 sq. ft. of  
>material so that an estimated density for the targets would be  
>little more than 1% of the spreaded area. That is sparse  
>alright, but if the debris field was closer to the larger  
>estimate, then we would need far more rawins to account for the  
>6" pieces. Oh, and where are these 6-7" pieces in the photos?

>>Every person might have a different notion of what constitutes a  
>>"debris field" and some might not even think of articulating or  
>>formulating such a concept in the first place - why should  
>>they? Are ranchers supposed to be aircraft accident  
>>investigators??? Was Marcel even an accident investigator?  
>>You're pushing far beyond the reasonable limits of witness  
>>perception and comprehension here. Some witnesses might think  
>>the only thing relevant is what was at their feet, maybe a few  
>>dozen yards across. Some might think it's the densest collection  
>>that they can see, ignoring all the rest that are scattered as  
>>being deemed insignificant. Some might ignore the sun-browned  
>>rubber fragments from the 23 balloons in the Mogul Flight 4  
>>array because they'd blend in more with the brown background and  
>>be harder to spot than the eye-catching, sun-glinting shiny foil  
>>pieces. Some might have tried to be more careful and consider  
>>all of the unusual material they saw. Some might have  
>>misunderstood the questions put to them or the questions might  
>>have been narrower or broader than they realized. Some might not  
>>be very good at estimating distances. Some might simply not have  
>>walked as far around as others.

>It gets pretty foggy at this point doesn't it? If any of the  
>testimony about the unusual properties of the metal are correct,  
>then rawin foil it is not.

You're confusing properties with area - two different things.

Brad

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>>>Date: Mon, 13 Aug 2001 15:43:36 -0700

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>>To sum up: The Roswell witnesses describe Mogul-like debris  
>>except for foil-cloth, a 2-foot section of a thin slightly  
>>curved sheet metal, and a discrepancy in the width of the tape  
>>used. The Ramey photos show a clean set of tattered Mogul-like  
>>remains lacking any dirty raindrop pockmarks or any dirt at all,  
>>as if the material was substituted perhaps to make a 'good show'  
>>for the news media, except that no flower designs are visible on  
>>the tape. The Roswell witness evidence suggests a Mogul balloon  
>>array in the field was mixed with some other debris, either by  
>>human agency, deliberately or unintentionally, or as a result of  
>>the anomaly/explosion event.>

>Hmmm..... I've got it!

>The flying saucer became entangled in the Mogul balloon train  
>and then the outer hull exploded with the curved metal/cloth  
>pieces dragging the the Mogul balloon train to the ground where  
>disk and Mogul randomly intermixed. No wonder Marcel was  
>confused and Cavitt could get away claiming he saw wreckage of  
>a weather balloon.

>Hahahahaha

>(The rain in Spain falls mainly in my brain.)  
>(By George, I think he's got it!)

Bruce,

Maybe you can stop belly-laughing long enough to consider that  
UFOs have long made experimental balloon launches as well as  
rocket launches a target of attention, as witness numerous  
incidents reported by General Mills Skyhook project team  
members, including incidents at White Sands and elsewhere. I  
recall there was a balloon incident where it was claimed that a  
large hole was found in the balloon after the UFO encounter  
(1951? Jan Aldrich knows the details).

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>>collection of dozens or hundreds of pieces closer at hand. Does  
>>that mean the debris field is considered 1,000+ feet in size or  
>>what???? Didn't Brazel collect some of the debris and stash it  
>>till he came back with Marcel, and if so, how does that removal  
>>affect the area of the debris field after he returned? Can you  
>>tell me whether your answer today in 2001 would even apply or be  
>>understood by any of the witnesses back in 1947 on site trying

>>to make sense of it???

>It's not ridiculous. It is just an estimate. Even if we estimate  
>the debris field to be a mere 250 ft long parabolic spread it  
>would require 10 of the rawin targets. The 250' long parabolic  
>spread might be around 40,000 sq. ft (a square would be 62,500  
>sq. ft.) and the laminated targets would comprise 540 sq. ft. of  
>material so that an estimated density for the targets would be  
>little more than 1% of the spreaded area. That is sparse  
>alright, but if the debris field was closer to the larger  
>estimate, then we would need far more rawins to account for the  
>6" pieces. Oh, and where are these 6-7" pieces in the photos?>

<snip>

>>You're pushing far beyond the reasonable limits of witness  
>>perception and comprehension here. Some witnesses might think  
>>the only thing relevant is what was at their feet, maybe a few  
>>dozen yards across. Some might think it's the densest collection  
>>that they can see, ignoring all the rest that are scattered as  
>>being deemed insignificant. Some might ignore the sun-browned  
>>rubber fragments from the 23 balloons in the Mogul Flight 4  
>>array because they'd blend in more with the brown background and  
>>be harder to spot than the eye-catching, sun-glinting shiny foil  
>>pieces. Some might have tried to be more careful and consider  
>>all of the unusual material they saw. Some might have  
>>misunderstood the questions put to them or the questions might  
>>have been narrower or broader than they realized. Some might not  
>>be very good at estimating distances. Some might simply not have  
>>walked as far around as others.

>It gets pretty foggy at this point doesn't it? If any of the  
>testimony about the unusual properties of the metal are correct,  
>then rawin foil it is not.

Before everyone gets tightly wrapped around a spindle while  
trying to fathom the 'areal density' of scraps of material that  
would be necessary to legitimately say a field of debris was a  
certain size, let us not forget that there is another clue as  
to the amount of material, namely volume!.

As I recall, Marcell claimed he filled two vehicles with the  
material. He drove one and Cavitt the other. Then more military  
were sent to 'vacuum the desert' to get the rest of the  
material.

Now, how much volume is there to a Mogul balloon array if you try  
to pack it into a car? (see also Cavitt's 'testimony' at:

<http://brumac.8k.com>

Cavitt Emptor!)

And, incidently, what happened to all the cords/ropes/strings  
that tied the Mogul together? Did all the ropes blow away  
leaving the less dense/lighter weight paper-backed aluminum foil  
and sun-baked (fragile?) balloon material?

Another thing.....

Brazel's son claimed that weeks after the event he was talking  
about it in a bar and mentioned that he had found some more  
material and stored it in a shoe box. Subsequently the 'Men In  
Black' (military) showed up for the shoe box. And they weren't  
looking for shoes!

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## Re: Turkish Pilots & UFO - Sparks

From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 18:00:38 EDT  
Fwd Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 17:37:29 -0400  
Subject: Re: Turkish Pilots & UFO - Sparks

>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>>From: Hakan Konac" <[konac@ada.net.tr](mailto:konac@ada.net.tr)>  
>>Subject: Turkish Pilots & UFO  
>>Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 09:31:23 GMT

>>Enjoy the below info.

>>Hakan

>>Name of Turkish Air Force Pilot: Second Lieutenant Ilker Dincer  
>>Name of Second Turkish Air Force Pilot: n.a.  
>>Type of the aircraft: T-37 Training Jet (122nd Squadron)  
>>Date: 6 August 2001  
>>Time: 12:30 hours Turkish time  
>>Place: Izmir, Candarli, Turkey  
>>Duration of Encounter: 30 minutes

>>Dincer: "We are facing an unusual situation. We see an object  
>> shaped like a cross between a cone and a disc, with  
>> support legs, extremely luminous and high speed".

What "high speed"? Where was the T-37 headed? Where was it located exactly? What altitude? Where was the UFO located in the sky by angle? Altitude? Distance?

>>Dincer reports the incident both to the Ground Control and to the  
>>Combat Operations Center (COC) and asks for radar confirmation.

>>COC: "Negative. We detect a high rate of maneuvering in your  
>> aircraft but no detection of a second object around."

What was the speed of this supposed "high rate of maneuvering"?

>>Dincer moves the T-37 closer towards the object and according to  
>>Dincer, the object also moves closer towards the T-37.

No details, no estimated distances, no directions/headings, no times. Nothing.

>>Dincer: "The object is now coming closer to my wings, now itâ€™s  
>> behind us, Iâ€™ll get it in front of myself, now itâ€™s in  
>> front of us, hey this is certainly going for a dog fight  
>> with us".

No estimated distances, no headings or directions, no locations, no times, no details.

>>The object gyrated around the T-37 for about a half hour. The  
>>object and the T-37 maneuvered around each other during the  
>>encounter until the object disappeared at an incredibly high  
>>speed.

No estimated distances, no headings, no directions, no locations, no altitudes, no details.

>>The incident is under investigation by the Turkish Air Force and  
>>there is a great deal of concern and shock among the Air Force  
>>officials.

>>The incident will be reported to the relevant international  
>>institutions, especially NASA.

It sounds very suspicious to me, the extreme lack of any detail  
except what would sound exciting to a UFO nut.

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## E-SKEPTIC: Politically Incorrect

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Fwd Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 17:43:03 -0400  
Subject: E-SKEPTIC: Politically Incorrect

E-SKEPTIC: Politically Incorrect on UFOs, cloning and Global Warming

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POLITICALLY INCORRECT

First of all, allow me to apologize for not posting an e-Skeptic for over a month. I've been traveling to conferences and taking a much-needed family vacation on Lake Powell where I discovered a new meme--wake board skiing--that, like its counterpart on the snow in snowboards, have almost entirely displaced skiis. The learning curve is shorter (third time was a charm), but the crashes are spectacularly more painful.

I wanted to give everyone a heads up on an episode of Politically Incorrect that I am taping this afternoon that will run either tonight or tomorrow night, with myself, Marion Ross ("Mrs. Cunningham" from Happy Days), Kevin Nealon (Saturday Night Live), and Whitley Strieber, who has a new book out claiming startling new evidence for alien contact. I flipped through the book at a bookstore recently. It was the same ol' three categories of evidence the UFOlogists have always offered: blurry photographs, grainy videos, and lots and lots of anecdotes about things that go bump in the night in the bedroom and in Farmer Bob's field in Puckerbrush, Kansas.

Other subjects to cover in our 22 minutes are cloning and global warming. With this panel of genetic and climate experts I'm sure we'll properly debate these momentous subjects. Should be fun.

Michael Shermer

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Morris

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Fwd Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 17:57:10 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Morris

>Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 16:54:11 +0100  
>From: Neil Morris <[neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk](mailto:neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris

<snip>

>And you also have to take into account Mack Brazel was quite  
>familiar with neoprene weather balloons he'd picked them up on  
>the ranch previously.

<snip>

Neil,

No, we don't have to take into account the fact that Brazel was  
"quite familiar with neoprene weather balloons" as "he'd picked  
them up on the ranch previously."

Don't care if Brazel is quoted as saying same, don't care if  
someone else is quoted as saying same. Whoever said it was  
wrong, period.

Just consider the odds. What was there about the Foster ranch  
that made it an attraction for weather balloons, so much so that  
Brazel would have been "familiar" with same?

Ranches (and the real world) just don't work that way. If a  
neoprene weather balloon had previously landed on the Foster  
ranch, Brazel's chances of having encountered the remains of  
same would have been on the order of one in a million or more.  
His chances of encountering a second weather balloon would have  
been even more miniscule.

Metaphorically speaking, of course.

Still, this is the sort of statement that some people can accept  
even when it flies in the face of local, ground-zero logic.

I defy anyone to find a rancher who is "quite familiar  
with...weather balloons," now or then, having found them popping  
up like daisies on their land.

Any such balloons would have had to have landed in Brazel's  
front yard for him to have encountered same. That he would have  
stumbled across enough downed weather balloons to have  
familiarized himself with same is patently absurd. Ain't gonna  
happen that way.

And before you ask: yes, our family's got a ranch.

But ol' Brazel, he jes' wanderin' round. Oops, there be a  
weather balloon. Dang, there's another one! And a third! Now I  
know what they look like, won't be fooled again, even if them  
other suckers didn't have radar reflectors.

I'm sorry, but it's extremely unlikely that Brazel would have  
been familiar with downed weather balloons, whoever testified to  
same.

Dennis Stacy

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## Darn You Streiber - You Did Good

From: Jim Mortellaro <[Jsmortell@aol.com](mailto:Jsmortell@aol.com)>  
Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 00:28:59 EDT  
Fwd Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 18:04:20 -0400  
Subject: Darn You Streiber - You Did Good

You really did.

I expected Whitley to be creamed by Bill Mahr and the other guests, especially Shermer. Well, I and those of you who thought so as well, were wrong. Even Mahr was positively inclined and serious over the prospects of the "possibility" of the phenom.

And I would like to be the first to say that Shermer was the only person on that panel who looked like an idiot. It was blatantly obvious that he was determined to make Streiber look bad. Had his little speeches memorized. All prepared.

I would place a moniker on Mr. Shermer? The Shermer Smirk. Patently came to the show loaded for Streiber and overconfident.

Didn't work.

My congratulations to you, Whitley if you are watching. You did good for all of us. Thank you, Sir. From the bottom of my bleeding and probed body parts... Thank You Sir.

Jim Mortellaro

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Gates

From: Robert Gates <[RGates8254@aol.com](mailto:RGates8254@aol.com)>  
Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 02:11:47 EDT  
Fwd Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 18:07:30 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Gates

>From: Dennis Stacy <[dstacy@texas.net](mailto:dstacy@texas.net)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 22:12:23 -0500

>>From: Stan Friedman <[fsphys@brunnet.net](mailto:fsphys@brunnet.net)>  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 23:13:39 -0300

><snip>

>>As noted in the last portion of the RDR [Roswell Daily Record]  
>>article for July 9 (which is the basis for all the Mogul balloon  
>>nonsense), Brazel was sure it wasn't a weather balloon.

>>He had found them before.

>Stan,

>Think about what you're saying here.

>Are you suggesting that single weather balloons were raining  
>down on the Foster ranch to the extent that Brazel had come  
>across several others before encountering whatever it was that  
>he took into Roswell? That he was familiar with same?

>Gadzooks, man, what is the likelihood of that?

>But, if true, doesn't this suggest that the Foster ranch was in  
>the "flight path" of balloon operations? Or was Brazel just  
>lucky enough to have stumbled across one or two prior to his  
>third encounter?

Years ago I could go to an area where you could find Radiosonde  
instrument packages, some of them old, some of them new. Also  
saw remnants of balloons.

At the time I asked the weather people about that and they said  
that depending on where the "common" wind pattern was and the  
launch site you could stumble into an area with the instrument  
packages and balloon debris. In my case I happened to stumble  
into the area and find the balloon material. Over the years I  
had gone back to that area in Nevada and found even more.

I always regarded myself as lucky and fortunate to have stumbled  
into the area. Many people don't know, nor do they have any  
clue.

Even though I am not a 'weather balloon' expert of any kind I  
could tell the difference between balloon material and debris  
found at aircraft crash sites... there is a large difference.

Cheers,

Robert

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Gates

From: Robert Gates <[RGates8254@aol.com](mailto:RGates8254@aol.com)>  
Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 02:20:12 EDT  
Fwd Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 18:09:59 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Gates

>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 23:32:38 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 10:58:08 +0100  
>>From: Neil Morris <[neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk](mailto:neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk)>  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris

>>>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>>>Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 14:07:59 EDT  
>>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

><snip>

>>>I think that Ed reveals his lack of reliability as a photo  
>>>interpreter by not noticing the resemblance. His fascination  
>>>with the phony Alien Autopsy film doesn't add much confidence,  
>>>either.

>>Ed didn't find the connection, I did. It is curious, but the  
>>fact is 4 symbol shapes identified in sequence on the same  
>>single beam section from the AA "debris footage" happen to match  
>>closely, symbol shapes seen in the Fort Worth Photographs,  
>>the number of matches I find more than just coincidence.

>Well, if one was going to fake the AA film, and was interested  
>enough in details to include something which looked like the  
>long-published picture from Fort Worth, then maybe they were  
>careful enough to include details.

Agreed!

><snip>

>>Jesse Marcel's site description works out at aprox 777,500 sqft

>I wonder how Marcel got 777,500 square feet of anything in the  
>trunk of his little old car?

I don't think anybody has ever claimed that Marcel put all of  
the debris in his car. Apparently he just took some of it back  
to base and stopped by his house.

>>That dubious interview with Mack Brazel in the RDR of the 9th  
>>July quotes Mack as saying the site was 200 yards across that's  
>>aprox 282,700 sqft. If Charles Moore's MOGUL did have 3  
>>ML307 reflectors and if it did crash on the Foster Ranch it  
>>would only have

>>54 sq ft of foil. (90 sq ft if it had 5 ML307's attached)

>>To cover the above two site descriptions with 34 sqft of foil  
>>that's

>>0.0275 sq INCHES per sq ft for Mack's size

>>and

>>0.01 sq INCHES per sq ft for Jesse Marcel's size of debris field

>>And that is a mighty thin spread just to provide a uniform  
>>background cover.

>>To provide a noticable say 10% coverage of the above 2 areas  
>>you would need aprox one tenth of each of the area's ie over  
>>70,000 and 28,000 square feet of foil in each case.

>  
>What makes 10% coverage necessary to notice some shiny debris  
>laying out on the desert? There is a mighty big assumption  
>being made here.

>Did Brazel ever say that the area was covered to this density?

For all anybody knows the so called debris could have been hip  
deep, or it may have been sprinkled along the ground. I don't  
recall that this was ever established.

>>But even if it did have ML307's the numbers don't really add up  
>>do they?

>No, they don't and they sure don't add up to what was collected,  
>according to the witnesses and the only known pictures. I  
>suggest that these huge numbers are strictly in the imaginations  
>of believers who are building castles in the air.

But then again the assumption is made that all the debris  
recovered was both talked about and in the fort worth photos. As  
I recall General Dubois said their was two sites and the weather  
balloon was a cover story. Point being is that for the skeptics  
to be able to deal with the General's and other's testimony, we  
instantly have to find some way of discrediting the witness,  
otherwise the imaginations may be solid.

Cheers,

Robert

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## Streiber On Politically Incorrect

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Subject: Streiber On Politically Incorrect

Whitley Streiber's appearance on Politically Incorrect tonight, August 16.

Watching Dr. Michael Shermer do his usual shtick, it occurred to me that professional skeptics are like the water used in nuclear reactors to contain and control the fuel rods.

They serve the government agenda and a lazy news media by suffusing the powerful UFO/ET research with smarmy, unctuous, pretentious, arrogant smugness in an effort to contain the work and slow the impact.

With disclosure this smugness will drain away and the intense heat of revelation will turn these skeptic's legacy to ash.

Steve Bassett

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### MOD Rendlesham File Released

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Fwd Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 18:14:26 -0400  
Subject: MOD Rendlesham File Released

#### THE RENDLESHAM FILE

History in the making: British Government release UFO file on Britain's Most Famous UFO Incident

The official view is that no one at higher levels in the Air Force or government took the Rendlesham sightings at all seriously at the time and this book is not going to change the official views, despite what Bruni may hope. Ian Ridpath, Review of "You Can't Tell The People, The Skeptic, Volume 14 No 1.

The Rendlesham Forest incident, involving members of the USAF stationed at the twin RAF bases Bentwaters and Woodbridge in Suffolk, England, is Britain's most famous UFO case. Hard evidence to support that an incident did take place on the perimeter of RAF Woodbridge is now well documented. This includes an official USAF memorandum authored Deputy Base Commander, Lt Colonel Halt, his tape recording of the incident and more recently official USAF photographs taken of the landing site. But still the sceptics hang on to the theory that the UFO was nothing more than the beam from the local lighthouse.

Since January 2001, Admiral of the Fleet The Lord Hill Norton, has put a staggering 16 Questions to the House of Lords relating to the case as presented in my book You Can't Tell The People. As a result of these Questions and pressure put on Parliament and the Ministry of Defence to release information on this case, Lord Hill Norton and myself are now in possession of the Ministry of Defence's Rendlesham Forest file.

For twenty one years the Ministry of Defence has claimed that the only report in their file, was Colonel Halt's memorandum, that the incident was of no defence significance and that no UFO's were tracked on radar.

What does the file reveal?

- 1.Vital evidence, which backs up my book and proves that in spite of what the sceptics believe, those at higher levels in the Air Force and government did take the Rendlesham Forest incident seriously enough to begin an investigation.
- 2.That the Americans retrieved vital evidence that was not shared with Britain's Ministry of Defence.
- 3.That several departments in the Ministry of Defence and RAF were involved in an investigation, including Defence Intelligence Staff.
- 4.That problems arose with equipment at RAF Watton Eastern Radar during the incident.
- 5.That Defence Intelligence Staff considered the radiation readings to be significantly higher than normal (by a factor of about ten).
- 6.That the USAF did carry out an investigation.

7. That the Ministry of Defence considered sanitising Colonel Halt's memorandum prior to its release due to concern over intelligence and national security matters.

And much more...

Nick Pope: These revelations are sensational, and I'm sure there will be pressure for an inquiry into both the incident itself and the subsequent actions of both the MOD and the USAF.

Full Story in UFO Magazine (UK) on Sale 30 August 2001 Includes feedback from senior Air Force Staff

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I will be doing a full presentation of the facts, an update and further comments from witnesses and those involved, at the International Leeds Conference on 22 September 2001.

Georgina Bruni

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## Re: Hunger Strike To Support UFO Disclosure - Velez

From: John Velez <[johnvelez.aic@verizon.net](mailto:johnvelez.aic@verizon.net)>  
Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 15:53:16 -0400  
Fwd Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 18:19:23 -0400  
Subject: Re: Hunger Strike To Support UFO Disclosure - Velez

>Date: Tue, 09 Oct 2001 10:29:57 -0700  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>From: Lara Johnstone <[bravehrt@concentric.net](mailto:bravehrt@concentric.net)>  
>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike To Support UFO Disclosure

>[Non-Subscriber Post]

>Dear Mr. Velez and others:

>>Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 17:29:51 -0400  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>>From: John Velez <[johnvelez.aic@verizon.net](mailto:johnvelez.aic@verizon.net)>  
>>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike To Support UFO Disclosure

>>>From: Alfred Lehmborg <[Lehmborg@snowhill.com](mailto:Lehmborg@snowhill.com)>  
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike To Support UFO Disclosure  
>>>Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 07:30:40 -0500

>>>As regards our striker. In the first place we are talking about  
>>>a grown woman here that has rationally demonstrated some  
>>>egalitarian sense and rational seriousness in the past, a  
>>>cursory look seems to show. Allusions to "bonkers" might be a  
>>>little premature, needlessly distracting, and an otherwise  
>>>inaccurate splash of well meaning, but point-missing, paint...

>>Misinterpretation Al. I was referring to those who were egging  
>>her on not to Lara.

Hi Lara, hi All,

You wrote:

>To, anyone concerned about my health, my request would be  
>contact your senator or congressman, and ask them if the  
>President got my letter. And if he has, what he is going to  
>do about it. I mean if you are really concerned. If not - that  
>is okay. ;-)

I have been at this UFO business trying to raise public awareness and writing letters to my congressmen and women for many years. In fact, I have been one of the most active and vocal activists to come down the pike in many a moon. :)

Don't misread me. My concern for your health is genuine and not scientifically unfounded. There are many ways to approach this UFO disclosure problem -without- jeopardizing or compromising anybody's health or well being. You have adopted a course of action that is extreme and potentially dangerous to you personally. Because of its potential to harm you, I cannot in good conscience support your action. I do however support the 'cause' and I have done so for quite some time now.

>I guess I may have higher expectations from my President (Mbeki >and Mandela), since every single time I have written them a >letter, even if from another country, I have gotten a response. >I have never had to go on a hunger strike to get thier >attention. ;-) Twice my letter was both forwarded to the >relevant department were somebody was ordered to get back to me

>with relevant information. For a Third World country going down  
>the hill (thanks the World Bank etc, etc.) I consider that the  
>way any Presidents office, who is interested in serving his/her  
>country can do.

>My suggestions to anyone with extra energy or charge on this  
>issue - would be this:

>Make a copy of my letter to President Bush, and write a letter  
>similar to mine to your congressperson - see both at:

>[www.amandla.org/ufo/](http://www.amandla.org/ufo/)

>then take it to your Congress person and ask them  
>for a response. You want a personal response regarding the  
>Presidents response to me! When we come at them from all sides!  
>And when we put directly daily or weekly visits to our congress  
>persons - the pressure will be on. My congresswoman is working  
>very hard at it! I think she deserves a bit of help! Let us make  
>those halls of Congress sing with '\*&^%' the people want some  
>answers! There are a few brave souls in there - who if they  
>know the people support them, would rise to the occassion. We  
>need to give them some courage!;-)

Lara, Mr. Mandela and George W. Bush are two different people  
from (literally) two different 'worlds.' It is naive on your  
part to think, or to expect, a "formal" response from the likes  
of president Bush. You should know that it has been a long  
standing US policy not to respond to 'hunger strikes' and the  
like, (for any purpose) or to pressure, especially when it is  
being applied by a solitary individual or statistically small  
group. They will let you wither and die before they even  
acknowledge you. I know this sounds terribly cynical to you, but  
it is the reality of the situation.

>>My first remark about her was that she  
>>"seemed to be" a sincere person. I am also not questioning her  
>>'cause'. It is her 'methods' that I think are a bit extreme. See  
>>next response.

>I agree, and I also think the situation is way beyond extreme,  
>and anyone who hasn't noticed that, may think there is precious  
>much more time! I on the contrary am not so sure, and don't see  
>why I should wait till I am 60 (which I doubt I'll get to see  
>with Colombian Vietnam on the way, chemtrails, toxic food,  
>depopulations, viruses like AIDS and who knows what else?) to  
>find out about travelling and visiting more enlightened beings  
>from out of space! It has got to stop!

That's a big mouthful of assumptions Lara. Things like how much  
"time" we have, and "travelling to other worlds," not to mention  
your assumption that the visitors are "more enlightened beings"  
than we are is 'jumping the gun' more than just a little bit.

As far as the "Columbian Vietnam" is concerned you lost me there.

No one, and I mean no one, knows if any of the above is true or  
even applies. Taking risks with your health for these kinds of  
unfounded assumptions is simply not justified. Expecting that  
George Bush will formally respond to "pressure" and your hunger  
strike is, as I have already stated, just plain naive. It is  
-your- life Lara to do with as you wish. Speaking as someone who  
has been around the block a few times, I am only trying to  
counsel you that there are "other ways" to go about this that  
don't involve the risks or personal sacrifice that you have  
taken on.

You are also applying pressure to the wrong point/person. The  
"pressure" needs to be applied directly to our elected officials  
in Congress. It is they who make the laws and who decide which  
issues will be given public hearings. Not George Bush.

>And this is the first time we have 450 direct insider witnesses  
>who are prepared to testify! As well as a President who promised  
>to tell the truth! That to me is a gift from God! And I will do  
>whatever I can to support these men at this critical time! ;-)  
>We can all benefit from some disclosure, in physical, emotional,  
>psychological and so many other ways.... ;-)

Your idealism blinds you to the reality of the situation.

Alfred wrote:

>>>An intelligent fast is actually a healthy thing, to a point;  
>>>John likely knows that. There is no mal nutrition in a healthy  
>>>fast, there is only an 'under' nutrition that most people in the  
>>>western hemisphere could have a couple of helpings of anyway...  
>>>I've got a whole paper in the spring-loaded, ready to go  
>>>position, so we can dicker that point if you want to.

I responded:

>>No "dickering" at all. And yes, having studied and practiced  
>>contemplative as well as certain physical forms of Yoga (all of  
>>my adult life) I am familiar with, and have performed many  
>>healthy, cleansing fasts. Many of which are intended to last for  
>>only three to five days. Juice Fasts can go as long as a month  
>>without jeopardizing health. The point I was trying to make was  
>>that this fast that Lara is engaged in (due to its political  
>>nature) has no preset terminus. She intends to persist until  
>>George Dubya responds.

Lara responds:

>Exactly! ;- ) So, lets get dubya to respond. After all he works  
>for you! He is your employee as such! ;- ) I know it is a  
>little simplistic, but that is really what he is. And he is an  
>employee who has through tiime forced his employer to pay him  
>yearly taxes, which he squanders and uses to kill, and he has  
>used his employers money to limit his employers rights and  
>freedoms! I think such an employee either gets a kick under the  
>butt, or is fired! But if we allow this to be done to us, it is  
>only our fault! ;- )

All true but as you say yourself, "simplistic." Way too  
simplistic given the existing realities.

>I intend to persist until he responds, and I think he better  
>know that! I would suggest and appreciate your energy directed  
>at the problem of a president who makes agreements and does not  
>keep them! I will gladly go away or stop my fast (and have some  
>coffee gelato in heavenly bliss) if he directly responds!

I already stated my 'opinion' to Alfred on this one. I wrote:

>>Between you, me, and the wall, that just ain't gonna happen.

>what a sad thing to say about your President, and also that you  
>are not driven to do anything about such a situation.

It is a sad thing, but true nonetheless. And you "assume" that  
I haven't been "driven to do anything" about it. I have  
dedicated seven years of my life to "doing something" about  
it. Get to know me better before making such statements.

>>So, what are we looking at? An extended fast that can only have  
>>deleterious effects (even on someone who fasts regularly) if it  
>>should approach or go beyond the thirty day range and a dolt of  
>>a President whose concern for humanity is second only to  
>>Goering. (Refer to Dubya's responses when asked about reprieves  
>>for death row inmates during his terms as Governor of Texas.  
>>This guy is no humanitarian!)

>Exactly! However, he does like to think of himself as a southern  
>man who honors agreements! Well, he made one with the american  
>people (huffer's question) and I want him to keep it!

Yeah well, there's "ways" and then there's "ways" to get that  
done Lara. Risking your personal health and continued well being  
is not one of the more viable or acceptable ones. (to me  
personally.)

>>All that his tiny brain is capable of handling is keeping track  
>>of his golf scores as he makes the rounds of his favorite  
>>courses. (And I'll bet the farm that his caddy handles all the  
>>complicated math for him!) Lara and anybody else who thinks Bush  
>>is going to respond to a Hunger Strike For UFO Disclosure is  
>>simply deluding themselves big-time. This fast of hers could go  
>>much, much longer than her 'supporters' suspect.

>We shall see Mr. Velez.



Yes we shall. What I dread is the "price" that may be paid in order for us to "see." And, it is you who will be paying it. It's unnecessary for you to take such an extreme action in an attempt to force the hand of a man like George Bush. The 'windmill' you are attacking is made of stone. Your lance will break on contact.

>>Ergo, my concern for Lara's health and continued well-being.

>Mr. Velez, I appreciate you for your concern - again - for my >well-being.

I don't think you do Lara. You have set yourself on a course of action that can only do you more harm in the end than any good it will accomplish in the world of US politics. You need to rally large numbers of people to petition congress. Not slowly starve yourself to death to force it to happen. Win people over with intelligence and logic, don't try to 'force' their hand by setting ultimatums.

>The truth I want from Mr. Bush is also a truth if >revealed may alter the state of world affairs. I would gladly >put my white, healthy body at a bit of risk,

You already have. :(

>I would appreciate your help in whichever way you deem fit,

You have just gotten it.

>and I imagine we will get more done if we keep our focus on him! ;-)

That is where we disagree. Bush is the wrong 'target.'  
<u>Congress</u> is the place to put the pressure. And <u>not</u> by risking your health!

>>I never said she didn't have >>a right to do it, and I didn't question that right. Nor was I >>calling <u>her</u> bonkers. That was meant for the crowd gathered >>under the parapet she is standing on yelling, "Jump, jump!"

>Thank you! ;-) I 'jumped' many years ago, when I heard the >testimony of witnesses in the Truth and Reconciliation Hearings >in South Africa. When I heard the truth about all the secrets of >oppression, torture and degradation of the human soul. My soul >wept and wept. I had known something was going on, but not what. >I had believed the lies I was told, or at least did not demand >their truth. I promised myself - <u>never</u> again! If someone was >willing to stand up and tell the truth, I would support that >person!

So would I Lara. But <u>not</u> if that person was risking their own health or life to do it. My ethics are very Buddhist that way.

>Also my own growth in learning to be honest with myself has led >me to much healing of things I previously denied, but had >constant pain and insecurity about. I no longer have any of >that, just love, and a willingness to share with others taht 'it >doesn't have to be this way' - we can live with truth, with >integrity to ourselves and our fellow plants, animals and beings >from wherever. ;-)

You are very noble, caring, and idealistic person Lara. I hope that those same qualities do not bring you to personal harm because your fervor to -force the issue- blinds you to certain realities.

My best wishes for you, and best of luck in all your endeavors.

Most sincerely,

John Velez

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Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 21:13:21 +0100  
Fwd Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 18:20:56 -0400  
Subject: Re: Daniel Sheehan?

Hi List,

Does anyone know if Daniel Sheehan has email? Or how I can contact him?

Best regards,

Gary Anthony

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Murray

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Fwd Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 18:23:04 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Murray

>From: Stan Friedman <[fsphys@brunnet.net](mailto:fsphys@brunnet.net)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 17:48:25 -0300

>>From: Dennis Stacy <[dstacy@texas.net](mailto:dstacy@texas.net)>  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
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Howdy Stanton!

Thanks for remaining the voice of reason, and for sticking to  
the facts, in all of this. What was found out on the Brazel  
Ranch was NOT a weather balloon or any other kind of balloon.

Re: Ramey's Debris - Murray

End of story!

Take care,

Marty

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Sparks

From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
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Fwd Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 01:07:01 -0400  
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>had been launched in New Mexico. It might be more amazing if he  
>hadn't found any.

Hi Stan, Dennis,

I think it's a reasonable question. But with a little info we  
can do some back-of-the-envelope calculations. If the Foster  
Ranch was at least 10,000 acres then that is at least 15 square  
miles or a diameter of about 5 miles or so.

Weather stations that measure winds/temp/humidity aloft with  
radiosondes typically release such balloons once or twice a day  
at set times. Alamogordo was probably one such station. I wish  
people would publish the weather data for the Roswell incident  
time frame so we can know these things and not have to surmise.

That would be 365 or 730 balloons per year just from Alamogordo  
alone. Suppose balloons burst and fall within a 100 mile radius  
(after catching the jet stream which would preferentially carry

more balloons eastward, northeast and southeast). Northeast carries you to Foster Ranch at about the 100-mile range. Because balloons have a standard ascent rate of around 1,000 ft/min and burst at or below 100,000 feet they are aloft about 2 hours and the jet stream will carry them about say 100 miles. Again just very very rough numbers to do a simple calculation instead of factless numberless worthless speculation.

As you can see there is going to be a preferred landing zone for Alamogordo weather balloons along an arc of around 100 miles radius east of the base, stretching from say Carlsbad up through Roswell and to Corona, when the jet stream is active. (Applies to Mogul balloons too.)

But let's suppose first the balloons went in all directions for 100 miles before computing the eastern arc landing zone. The chances of hitting a 15+ sq.mi. Foster Ranch size area in that case is only 1 in 2,000. So if there were only once a day balloon launches from Alamogordo (it might have been double that but let's start conservative), in 6 years there would be 2,190 or so balloons launched and a good chance one would have landed on the Foster Ranch. But this requires a jet stream to carry them that far and the jet stream is not operative all year round in a given location.

Now let's figure the eastern arc from a jet stream and guess it is active say 1/4 of the year, so maybe 90 daily balloons from Alamogordo are caught in it or 180 if launched twice daily. Suppose a 50-mile wide arc about 200 miles long or roughly an area of 10,000 sq.mi. Chances of hitting the 15+ sq.mi. Foster Ranch are roughly 1 in 700. So the chances are good that in about 8 years for daily launches or in 4 years of twice daily launches, a balloon would come down on the Foster Ranch.

Sounds very plausible given these numbers.

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>What do you mean both ways?

>Because he was familiar with weather balloons, he recognized >that what he had found wasn't any weather balloon. The sherrif >noted it as unusual. Marcel noted it as unusual and not a >weather balloon. That is why Blanchard sent Marcel and Cavitt >out there to look at the mess of stuff in the pasture.

>Remember that there is no way a small bundle of stuff would have >covered an area even 200 yards in diameter. If all he had found >was a weather balloon as liar Cavitt claimed) taking up an area >only 20 feet square and easily fitting in to one vehicle, he >would have brought it in in his pickup truck and there would >have been nothing left behind and no reason for Marcel and >Cavitt to trail him out in the boondocks. Remember that Marcel >couldn't talk to the press and describe the area he had seen

I don't agree. See my recent post. A Mogul array of about 50 sq.ft. of foil-paper could cover a football field with 300 fragments ranging in size from 3 inches to 2 feet with an average spacing of 15 feet. Why no one, not one single eyewitness, not one hearsay witness, describes PAPER-foil fragments is a mystery Moguloids have yet to explain.

Brad

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Lara Error: I believe the number of witnesses (450) I mentioned  
is incorrect. The witnessess who have come forward are 99, and  
there are many more who have said they will come forward if  
hearings occur and they are released from their oaths of secret.

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| Disclosure Project witnesses to testify
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## Re: Ramey's Debris - van Gemert

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Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 00:15:13 +0200  
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>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Morris  
>Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 22:45:06 -0500

>I'm sorry, but it's extremely unlikely that Brazel would have  
>been familiar with downed weather balloons, whoever testified to  
>same.

Dennis,

That's backwards reasoning. Your true train of thought is that Brazel has to be unfamiliar with weather balloons because the Roswell debris must be a weather balloon in order to account for Brazel being truly surprised/dumbfounded at seeing one. Ergo, he had never seen one before.

You're stuck in a vicious circle, and apparently willing to dismiss testimony to the contrary with no good reason (if someone can indeed produce evidence that Brazel had in fact found weather balloons on his ranch before that is) just because it's not giving you the answer you're looking for.

And don't get me started on the case you presented above in favor of the impossibility of Brazel finding weather balloons on his ranch ("I never saw/found any, so no one else could have either.." cries Dennis. Double yawn! I'm surprised you've not fallen off that slippery slope yet, or have you?).

Jean

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## Re: E-SKEPTIC: Politically Incorrect - Hall

From: Richard Hall <[hallrichard99@hotmail.com](mailto:hallrichard99@hotmail.com)>  
Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 22:15:29 +0000  
Fwd Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 01:22:24 -0400  
Subject: Re: E-SKEPTIC: Politically Incorrect - Hall

>Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 18:40:40 -0400  
>From: Ron Cecchini <[Ron.Cecchini@GD-CS.COM](mailto:Ron.Cecchini@GD-CS.COM)>  
>Subject: E-SKEPTIC: Politically Incorrect  
>To: UFO UpDates <[UfoUpdates@Home.com](mailto:UfoUpdates@Home.com)>

>E-SKEPTIC: Politically Incorrect on UFOs, cloning and Global  
>Warming

>E-SKEPTIC FOR AUGUST 16, 2001  
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>POLITICALLY INCORRECT

>First of all, allow me to apologize for not posting an e-Skeptic  
>for over a month. I've been traveling to conferences and taking  
>a much-needed family vacation on Lake Powell where I discovered  
>a new meme--wake board skiing--that, like its counterpart on the  
>snow in snowboards, have almost entirely displaced skiis. The  
>learning curve is shorter (third time was a charm), but the  
>crashes are spectacularly more painful.

>I wanted to give everyone a heads up on an episode of  
>Politically Incorrect that I am taping this afternoon that will  
>run either tonight or tomorrow night, with myself, Marion Ross  
>("Mrs. Cunningham" from Happy Days), Kevin Nealon (Saturday  
>Night Live), and Whitley Strieber, who has a new book out  
>claiming startling new evidence for alien contact. I flipped  
>through the book at a bookstore recently. It was the same ol'  
>three categories of evidence the UFOlogists have always  
>offered: blurry photographs, grainy videos, and lots and lots of  
>anecdotes about things that go bump in the night in the bedroom  
>and in Farmer Bob's field in Puckerbrush, Kansas.

Michael,

Obviously you haven't read The UFO Evidence, Volume II, or any  
other moral equivalent thereof, or you wouldn't be  
simple-mindedly characterizing the case for UFOs as you have  
done here.

I'll debate you anywhere, anytime, including the egregiously  
biased pages of the Skeptical Inquirer. I know you will make  
excuses not to accept because you are considerably lacking in  
both gonadal and mental resources and are more into bluff and  
bluster.

Richard Hall

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## Re: Hunger Strike To Support UFO Disclosure -

From: Lara Johnstone <[bravehrt@concentric.net](mailto:bravehrt@concentric.net)>  
Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 15:39:25 -0700  
Fwd Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 01:25:51 -0400  
Subject: Re: Hunger Strike To Support UFO Disclosure -

>Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 15:53:16 -0400  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>From: John Velez <[johnvelez.aic@verizon.net](mailto:johnvelez.aic@verizon.net)>  
>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike To Support UFO Disclosure

>>Date: Tue, 09 Oct 2001 10:29:57 -0700  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>From: Lara Johnstone <[bravehrt@concentric.net](mailto:bravehrt@concentric.net)>  
>>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike To Support UFO Disclosure

Mr. Velez,

I appreciate and thank you for your comments. ;-)

1. You are correct, I do not know you or what you have done. I can only talk about now. What I see now, is someone who cares for my health and wishes me to stop. Thank you. And as you say - it is my health - and I can do with it what I want. I choose to do with it to give it up for truth. ;-) Yes that may sound 'naive' or 'extreme' or whichever adjective you wish to use. I wonder if we put the same energy to requesting people like me to stop, onto others who are prepared to die for 'country', for 'money', for 'drugs', for 'religion' or whatever for - if we would have peace! ;-) If we did, maybe there would be no need for me to put 'my life/health' at risk for truth. We can only have freedom to solve the problems we have if we are dealing with the truth, otherwise, we are living in an illusion! ie we are deluded! (my interpretation! ;-))

I thought long and hard about the issues you have raised - before I started, and since I started - my hungerstrike. I am still committed - if not more so! ;-)

RE: Pressure on my congresspersons. I agree. If you notice I have written a letter to Congresswoman Lee:

<http://www.amandla.org/ufo/>

I am also in the process of writing to Maya Angelou (my husband's great-aunt), Bishop Tutu, and Peggy Noonan (whom I used to work for), asking them to support Congresswoman Lee. I am visiting her office every day! She is working on it! ;-)

If you feel inclined, I'd request you write a letter to your congressperson, and you are welcome to attach my letter. Ask her/him for a personal response to you, regarding the presidents response to me! ie a copy! ;-) Not too much to ask your congressperson for - I don't think! (But then I've been told I am naive! ;-))

Either way, I am okay with us agreeing to disagree. ;-)

And, I hope you will not mind if I keep my focus for now, on my objective. My president in South Africa, my congresswoman in California, and others whom wish to actively do something to bring about the changes we wish.

If you have any suggestions, or would like to share what you are doing. I'd love to hear. If not - that's okay! ;-) We all have

to do what we have to do!

As for being around the block a bit! Sir, if you only knew - I have lived a life more exiting and fun, joyful and painful than many. I want that opportunity for every child. It starts with telling the truth! ;-)

I thank you for listening, and hope you don't mind, if I attempt to keep my focus. My dialogue with you has helped me to make things clearer for myself, and I appreciate you for helping me do that! Thank you,

Sincerely,

Lara Johnstone

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| Hungerstrike Requesting President Bush to |
| honor his agreement to tell the American |
| people the truth, by supporting the |
| Disclosure Project witnesses to testify |
| about their extensive knowledge of UFO's: |
+-----+
| Bush/UFO Disclosure Request: |
| http://www.amandla.org/ufo/ |
| Disclosure Project: |
| http://www.disclosureproject.org/ |
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## Re: E-SKEPTIC: Politically Incorrect - Tonnies

From: **Mac Tonnies** <[macbot@yahoo.com](mailto:macbot@yahoo.com)>  
Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 16:19:39 -0700 (PDT)  
Fwd Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 01:29:30 -0400  
Subject: Re: E-SKEPTIC: Politically Incorrect - Tonnies

>Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 18:40:40 -0400  
>From: Ron Cecchini <[Ron.Cecchini@GD-CS.COM](mailto:Ron.Cecchini@GD-CS.COM)>  
>Subject: E-SKEPTIC: Politically Incorrect  
>To: UFO UpDates <[UfoUpdates@Home.com](mailto:UfoUpdates@Home.com)>

<snip>

>I wanted to give everyone a heads up on an episode of  
>Politically Incorrect that I am taping this afternoon that will  
>run either tonight or tomorrow night, with myself, Marion Ross  
>("Mrs. Cunningham" from Happy Days), Kevin Nealon (Saturday  
>Night Live), and Whitley Strieber, who has a new book out  
>claiming startling new evidence for alien contact. I flipped  
>through the book at a bookstore recently. It was the same ol'  
>three categories of evidence the UFOlogists have always  
>offered: blurry photographs, grainy videos, and lots and lots of  
>anecdotes about things that go bump in the night in the bedroom  
>and in Farmer Bob's field in Puckerbrush, Kansas.

I don't like this guy's tone.

Firstly, the book isn't at all "new."

Secondly, he admits to not reading it, but rather having  
"flipped through it."

Thirdly, he regurgitates the obligatory stereotypes and cliches  
that, interestingly enough, are not dealt with in "Confirmation"  
(the book I'm assuming Shermer is addressing.)

He's going to be eaten alive if this is the schtick he plans on  
using on 'Politically Incorrect'.

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Stacy

From: **Dennis Stacy** <[dstacy@texas.net](mailto:dstacy@texas.net)>  
Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 18:47:46 -0500  
Fwd Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 01:30:41 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Stacy

>From: Stan Friedman <[fsphys@brunnet.net](mailto:fsphys@brunnet.net)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 17:48:25 -0300

<snip>

>What a strange question. It has been known for more than 20  
>years that Brazel had found at least 2 weather balloons and been  
>paid the rewards offered on the attached notices. (Instrument  
>packages). The Ranch was at least 10,000 acres, not a half acre  
>plot in a city. He had lived there a long time. Many balloons  
>had been launched in New Mexico. It might be more amazing if he  
>hadn't found any.

Stan,

Color me ignorant.

But from who or where does the above information come from?

Who said that Brazel had recovered at least two weather  
balloons, and when?

Thanks in advance!

Dennis

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## Re: Ramey's Debris

From: **Dennis Stacy** <[dstacy@texas.net](mailto:dstacy@texas.net)>  
Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 18:53:09 -0500  
Fwd Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 01:32:37 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris

>From: Robert Gates <[RGates8254@aol.com](mailto:RGates8254@aol.com)>  
>Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 02:11:47 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

<snip>

>Years ago I could go to an area where you could find Radiosonde  
>instrument packages, some of them old, some of them new. Also  
>saw remnants of balloons.

>At the time I asked the weather people about that and they said  
>that depending on where the "common" wind pattern was and the  
>launch site you could stumble into an area with the instrument  
>packages and balloon debris. In my case I happened to stumble  
>into the area and find the balloon material. Over the years I  
>had gone back to that area in Nevada and found even more.

>I always regarded myself as lucky and fortunate to have stumbled  
>into the area. Many people don't know, nor do they have any  
>clue.

>Even though I am not a 'weather balloon' expert of any kind I  
>could tell the difference between balloon material and debris  
>found at aircraft crash sites... there is a large difference.

Robert,

So what you're saying is that the Foster ranch was in an  
established "flight pattern"?

If so, then what does that say about the likelihood of a Mogul  
balloon array coming down on same?

Cheers,

Dennis

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## Re: MOD Rendlesham File Released - Sparks

From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 20:09:03 EDT  
Fwd Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 01:37:53 -0400  
Subject: Re: MOD Rendlesham File Released - Sparks

>From: Georgina Bruni <[georgina@easynet.co.uk](mailto:georgina@easynet.co.uk)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: MOD Rendlesham File Released  
>Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 13:16:46 +0100

>THE RENDLESHAM FILE

>History in the making: British Government release UFO file on  
>Britain's Most Famous UFO Incident

>The official view is that no one at higher levels in the Air  
>Force or government took the Rendlesham sightings at all  
>seriously at the time - and this book is not going to change the  
>official views, despite what Bruni may hope. Ian Ridpath,  
>Review of 'You Can't Tell The People', The Skeptic, Volume 14 No 1.

>The Rendlesham Forest incident, involving members of the USAF  
>stationed at the twin RAF bases Bentwaters and Woodbridge in  
>Suffolk, England, is Britain's most famous UFO case. Hard  
>evidence to support that an incident did take place on the  
>perimeter of RAF Woodbridge is now well documented. This  
>includes an official USAF memorandum authored Deputy Base  
>Commander, Lt Colonel Halt, his tape recording of the incident  
>and more recently official USAF photographs taken of the landing  
>site. But still the sceptics hang on to the theory that the UFO  
>was nothing more than the beam from the local lighthouse.

>Since January 2001, Admiral of the Fleet The Lord Hill Norton,  
>has put a staggering 16 Questions to the House of Lords relating  
>to the case as presented in my book You Can't Tell The People.

>As a result of these Questions and pressure put on Parliament  
>and the Ministry of Defence to release information on this case,  
>Lord Hill Norton and myself are now in possession of the  
>Ministry of Defence's Rendlesham Forest file.

>For twenty one years the Ministry of Defence has claimed that  
>the only report in their file, was Colonel Halt's memorandum,  
>that the incident was of no defence significance and that no  
>UFO's were tracked on radar.

>What does the file reveal?

>1.Vital evidence, which backs up my book and proves that in  
>spite of what the sceptics believe, those at higher levels in  
>the Air Force and government did take the Rendlesham Forest  
>incident seriously enough to begin an investigation.

>2.That the Americans retrieved vital evidence that was not  
>shared with Britain's Ministry of Defence.

>3.That several departments in the Ministry of Defence and RAF  
>were involved in an investigation, including Defence  
>Intelligence Staff.

>4.That problems arose with equipment at RAF Watton Eastern Radar  
>during the incident.

>5.That Defence Intelligence Staff considered the radiation  
>readings to be significantly higher than normal (by a factor of  
>about ten).

>6.That the USAF did carry out an investigation.

>7.That the Ministry of Defence considered sanitising Colonel  
>Halt's memorandum prior to its release due to concern over  
>intelligence and national security matters.

>And much more!

>Nick Pope: These revelations are sensational, and I'm sure there  
>will be pressure for an inquiry into both the incident itself  
>and the subsequent actions of both the MOD and the USAF.

>Full Story in UFO Magazine (UK) on Sale 30 August 2001 Includes  
>feedback from senior Air Force Staff

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>I will be doing a full presentation of the facts, an update and  
>further comments from witnesses and those involved, at the  
>International Leeds Conference on 22 September 2001.

>Georgina Bruni

>"You Can't Tell The People". The Definitive Account of the  
>Rendlesham Forest UFO Mystery by Georgina Bruni.  
>Published by Sidgwick & Jackson  
>Available on-line at: [www.amazon.co.uk](http://www.amazon.co.uk) and all good bookshops

Congratulations, Georgina!!!

Well done. This will definitely throw the pelicanist debunkers  
into a frightful panic. Lately they have been trying desperately  
to force other lighthouse/lightship beams to fit the sighting  
data but can never get the known terrain and measured compass  
directions to fit - either one or the other stops them cold.

So the MOD is proved to have been lying through its teeth  
claiming the only document in its files was the Halt memo.

Brad Sparks

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## Re: Lexington UFO Video - Still Images - Young

From: **Kenny Young** <[ufo@fuse.net](mailto:ufo@fuse.net)>  
Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 20:26:36 -0400  
Fwd Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 01:44:10 -0400  
Subject: Re: Lexington UFO Video - Still Images - Young

>Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 12:45:28 -0400  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>From: John Velez <[johnvelez.aic@verizon.net](mailto:johnvelez.aic@verizon.net)>  
>Subject: Re: Lexington UFO Video - Still Images

>>Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 00:09:30 -0400  
>>From: Kenny Young <[ufo@FUSE.NET](mailto:ufo@FUSE.NET)>  
>>Subject: Lexington UFO Video - Still Images  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

>>Folks;

>>In regards to the suspected UFO video from Lexington, Kentucky  
>>ABC affiliate Newschannel 36 WTVQ, a preliminary analysis is  
>>underway and still images from that video are now available  
>>online. I hope to receive some explanation for the object on the  
>>video and hopefully a more detailed assessment will follow  
>>shortly.

>>The link is:

>><http://home.fuse.net/ufo/lexufo.html>

>Hi Kenny,

>Thanx for the pix! That's one Hell of a balloon if that's what  
>it is. The size of a van you say. It would have to be a 'one  
>off' custom creation if it is a balloon. How many specialty  
>balloon manufacturers can there be with the capability to  
>produce such a complex creation? I would imagine only one or two  
>of a handful of parade balloon manufacturers would be capable of  
>making a balloon this size, and of this quality of detail. And  
>no anchoring line? Surprising for what -must be- a terribly  
>expensive balloon. (If that's what it is.)

>If it is a balloon, they should get one for our annual Macy's  
>Thanksgiving Day parade! Far out. I can hear one of the  
>spectators now:

>  
>"Martha, get in the car and head for New Jersey! They've landed,  
>they've landed!" ;)

Hi John;

So far the general reaction is "balloon" by far. Given the  
balloon-like appearance on the still images and videotape (with  
slight rotation and wobble while ascending upward) I can't  
fathom why this was reported as a UFO and has generated debate  
there in Lexington (acknowledging that some in the newsroom did  
advance the 'mylar balloon' theory to be sure).

But this was thought to be a UFO and of some importance. It  
seems this goes to show just how easily misperception (possibly  
combined with a little dose of agenda for flavoring) so easily  
causes some to be led astray.

Take care,

Kenny Young

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## Re: Streiber On Politically Incorrect - Sparks

From: **Brad Sparks** <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 20:49:44 EDT  
Fwd Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 01:47:05 -0400  
Subject: Re: Streiber On Politically Incorrect - Sparks

>From: Steve Bassett <[SGBList2@aol.com](mailto:SGBList2@aol.com)>  
>Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 02:20:13 EDT  
>Subject: Streiber On Politically Incorrect  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>Whitley Streiber's appearance on Politically Incorrect tonight,  
>August 16.

>Watching Dr. Michael Shermer do his usual shtick, it occurred to  
>me that professional skeptics are like the water used in nuclear  
>reactors to contain and control the fuel rods.

>They serve the government agenda and a lazy news media by  
>suffusing the powerful UFO/ET research with smarmy, unctuous,  
>pretentious, arrogant smugness in and effort to contain the work  
>and slow the impact.

>With disclosure this smugness will drain away and the intense  
>heat of revelation will turn these skeptic's legacy to ash.

>Steve Bassett

I totally disagree. The government has found a much more effective way of creating paralyzing chaos and confusion among the ranks of UFO researchers than by using boring "voice of reason" types.

Any psychological warfare expert can tell you it's the inflaming of emotions that clouds reason the best.

They leak wild stories and covertly assist crackpots with outlandish tales, and set ufologists and debunkers at each other's throats over such nonsense, as well as divide the UFO research community into warring camps.

It is obviously very successful - just look around at the results. This has been going on since around 1950 if not earlier and we still don't see it.

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Gates

From: Robert Gates <[RGates8254@aol.com](mailto:RGates8254@aol.com)>  
Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 22:44:02 EDT  
Fwd Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 02:36:00 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Gates

>From: Dennis Stacy <[dstacy@texas.net](mailto:dstacy@texas.net)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Morris  
>Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 22:45:06 -0500

>>Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 16:54:11 +0100  
>>From: Neil Morris <[neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk](mailto:neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk)>  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris

><snip>

>>And you also have to take into account Mack Brazel was quite  
>>familiar with neoprene weather balloons he'd picked them up on  
>>the ranch previously.

><snip>

>Neil,

>No, we don't have to take into account the fact that Brazel was  
>"quite familiar with neoprene weather balloons" as "he'd picked  
>them up on the ranch previously."

>Don't care if Brazel is quoted as saying same, don't care if  
>someone else is quoted as saying same. Whoever said it was  
>wrong, period.

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likely that Dennis has never, if at any time ever seen an actual  
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Depending on the wind patterns when the balloons were launched,  
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I know both ranchers and farmers that are all over their ground,  
and would pretty well instantly know if something crashed or  
landed. I know others that unless the object was driven to their  
driveway, or landed right in front of them, they wouldn't care  
nor give it much interest.

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Doesn't matter. The odds are you may never see a downed balloon  
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For a cash reward I have no doubt he would look at them. Course  
we live in a day and age where people go and dig up old outhouse  
for the old antique bottles to sell. Wonder what the odds are  
that people would dig up old outhouse locations for old bottles?

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Cheers,

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Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 00:59:49 -0400  
Fwd Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 03:15:03 -0400  
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>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 17:16:15 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 23:20:28 -0400  
>>From: Bruce Maccabee <[brumac@compuserve.com](mailto:brumac@compuserve.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
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>>The flying saucer became entangled in the Mogul balloon train  
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>>pieces dragging the the Mogul balloon train to the ground where  
>>disk and Mogul randomly intermixed. No\_wonder\_Marcel was  
>>\_confused\_ and Cavitt could get away claiming he saw wreckage of  
>>a weather balloon.

>>Hahahahaha

>>(The rain in Spain falls mainly in my brain.)  
>>(By George, I think he's got it!)

>Maybe you can stop belly-laughing long enough to consider that  
>UFOs have long made experimental balloon launches as well as  
>rocket launches a target of attention, as witness numerous  
>incidents reported by General Mills Skyhook project team  
>members, including incidents at White Sands and elsewhere. I  
>recall there was a balloon incident where it was claimed that a  
>large hole was found in the balloon after the UFO encounter  
>(1951? Jan Aldrich knows the details).

I certainly do recall the balloon scientist encounters and have mentioned them in The UFO FBI Connection and also in my new book Abduction In My Life.

I don't recall a hole-in-the-balloon incident... which does not mean there wasn't one.

As I recall in the Moore and Kaliszewski sightings the UFO was careful to avoid hitting the balloon.

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Fwd Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 03:17:21 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Sparks

>From: Dennis Stacy <[dstacy@texas.net](mailto:dstacy@texas.net)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Morris  
>Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 22:45:06 -0500

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>>From: Neil Morris <[neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk](mailto:neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk)>  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
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Dennis,

You're already refuted by my earlier post at:

<http://www.aliensonearth.com/ufo/updates/2001/aug/m18-001.shtml>

The chances of any one balloon just from Alamogordo alone - not including Roswell if there were daily balloon launches there - was roughly 1 in 2,000 to 3,000 or so. It would only take several years of daily or twice daily launches, i.e., 2,000 to 6,000 balloons, to have one or two land on the Foster Ranch.

And if Roswell was launching too, that increases the likelihood of balloons landing on the Foster Ranch.

If you dispute this then come up with better numbers not factless opinion.

Brad

Calculations:

If the Foster Ranch was at least 10,000 acres then that is at least 15 square miles or a diameter of about 5 miles or so.

Weather stations that measure winds/temp/humidity aloft with radiosondes typically release such balloons once or twice a day at set times. Alamogordo was probably one such station. I wish people would publish the weather data for the Roswell incident time frame so we can know these things and not have to surmise.

That would be 365 or 730 balloons per year just from Alamogordo alone. Suppose balloons burst and fall within a 100 mile radius (after catching the jet stream which would preferentially carry more balloons eastward, northeast and southeast). Northeast carries you to Foster Ranch at about the 100-mile range. Because balloons have a standard ascent rate of around 1,000 ft/min and burst at or below 100,000 feet they are aloft about 2 hours and the jet stream will carry them about say 100 miles. Again just very very rough numbers to do a simple calculation instead of factless numberless worthless speculation.

As you can see there is going to be a preferred landing zone for Alamogordo weather balloons along an arc of around 100 miles radius east of the base, stretching from say Carlsbad up through Roswell and to Corona, when the jet stream is active. (Applies to Mogul balloons too.)

But let's suppose first the balloons went in all directions for 100 miles before computing the eastern arc landing zone. The chances of hitting a 15+ sq.mi. Foster Ranch size area in that case is only 1 in 2,000. So if there were only once a day balloon launches from Alamogordo (it might have been double that but let's start conservative), in 6 years there would be 2,190 or so balloons launched and a good chance one would have landed on the Foster Ranch. But this requires a jet stream to carry them that far and the jet stream is not operative all year round in a given location.

Now let's figure the eastern arc from a jet stream and guess it is active say 1/4 of the year, so maybe 90 daily balloons from Alamogordo are caught in it or 180 if launched twice daily. Suppose a 50-mile wide arc about 200 miles long or roughly an area of 10,000 sq.mi. Chances of hitting the 15+ sq.mi. Foster Ranch are roughly 1 in 700. So the chances are good that in about 8 years for daily launches or in 4 years of twice daily launches, a balloon would come down on the Foster Ranch.

Sounds very plausible given these numbers.

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>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 18:53:09 -0500

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>>Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 02:11:47 EDT  
>>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

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>>At the time I asked the weather people about that and they said  
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>>into the area and find the balloon material. Over the years I  
>>had gone back to that area in Nevada and found even more.

>>I always regarded myself as lucky and fortunate to have stumbled  
>>into the area. Many people don't know, nor do they have any  
>>clue.

>>Even though I am not a 'weather balloon' expert of any kind I  
>>could tell the difference between balloon material and debris  
>>found at aircraft crash sites... there is a large difference.

>Robert,

>So what you're saying is that the Foster ranch was in an  
>established "flight pattern"?

>If so, then what does that say about the likelihood of a Mogul  
>balloon array coming down on same?

Dennis,

The weather balloons may have come from a different location  
than the infamous mogul balloon. Besides as I recall we truly  
have 0, nada, evidence that any mogul balloons went down within  
20 miles of the ranch. We do have evidence that over time Brazel  
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Cheers,

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If Rickett went out both trips then Brazel wouldn't be needed on the 2nd Trip to help Cavitt find the site. Of course, with aerial recon maybe finding aids weren't needed.

There just doesn't seem to be much to be gained for Cavitt to lie about the visits. However, if he was directing the security measures and the cordoning off of the site, with the base Provost Marshal, then he must be lying about that in denying it.

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More accurately, you don't want to take into account Brazel's statement that he had previously found two weather balloons on his property. You don't want to believe this because you find it inconvenient. First Brazel describes a balloon crash on his property, then at the end he denies it saying it wasn't anything like the other balloons he had found.

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Dennis Stacy knows better than the people who were there.

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Of course. Because non-metaphorically speaking your statement is utter BS.

Hint: New Mexico is 120,000 square miles. Although I don't know the precise figure, the Foster ranch is roughly 20 square miles

(maybe more). Even under the crude assumption that a weather balloon had equal odds of dropping anywhere in New Mexico, the odds of it dropping on the Foster Ranch are now down to 20 in 120,000 or one in 6000, non-metaphorically speaking.

If one takes into account that the property is downwind and relatively close to a weather station that regularly launches weather balloons, then the odds improve.

Albuquerque was the closest weather station that launched radiosonde balloons, the type that carried award tags and would be of value to ranchers. The weather bureau at Albuquerque sent up two a day like clockwork. Say Brazel had been working the ranch for three years. In three years that amounts to 2190 radiosonde balloons, non-metaphorically speaking.

The Foster Ranch was about 110 miles southeast of Albuquerque. Examining Mogul records, about 75% of the balloons had trajectories between the northeast and the southeast. If we extrapolate that to Albuquerque, that's about 1600+ balloons that would drop down in the 90 degree sector between NE and SE "downwind" from Albuquerque over 3 years.

Let's further assume that close to 100% of these dropped within 150 miles. The neoprene balloons were rapidly degraded by ultraviolet light and popped or deflated within a few hours of launch. The winds would have to be quite strong to blow a weather balloon further than this before it popped. (For comparison, for the 3 neoprene Moguls launched in June/July 1947 with known trajectories, one traveled about 30 miles, another 80, and the third 120 miles.)

Now some math. The downwind sector with radius 150 miles occupies an area of roughly 18000 square miles, of which the Foster Ranch occupies 20. Assuming equal probability of coming down inside this sector, the probability of dropping down on the Foster Ranch is now down to 20 in 18000 or 1 in 900, a far cry from one in a million, non-metaphorically speaking.

Since roughly 1600 balloons would drop in this area in a three year period and the odds are roughly 1 in 900 of falling on the Foster Ranch, then one would expect about two radiosonde balloons from Albuquerque to end up on the Foster Ranch in a three year period.

The calculation is rough, but it indicates that Brazel's statement is quite reasonable given the large number of weather balloons being launched in the area and the Foster Ranch being downwind and in the zone where the balloons would likely drop.

This calculation also ignores the even greater number of pilot balloons without instrument packages that were launched every day, not only from Albuquerque, but other places like Santa Fe, Alamogordo, Roswell, El Paso, and Orogrande (weather station for White Sands). With the exception of Albuquerque, prevailing winds would be less likely to take these balloons in the vicinity of the Foster Ranch.

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You mean Stacian debunker "logic", which is another animal entirely.

>I defy anyone to find a rancher who is "quite familiar  
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Not popping up like daisies - just dropping down on their land once every year or two, not a terribly common event, but not exactly "one in a million" either.

>Any such balloons would have had to have landed in Brazel's  
>front yard for him to have encountered same. That he would have  
>stumbled across enough downed weather balloons to have  
>familiarized himself with same is patently absurd. Ain't gonna  
>happen that way.

>And before you ask: yes, our family's got a ranch.

Is your ranch 20 square miles? Is it downwind from a weather

station that launches two balloons a day? With radar and weather satellites, weather balloons just aren't as common as they used to be 50 years ago.

Unless your family's ranch is in a situation similar to the Foster Ranch in size and location, then your personal experience vis-à-vis weather balloons falling on your property is meaningless. I bet nobody gets malaria on your family's ranch either. Does this mean that you can extrapolate that the odds of getting malaria on a ranch in Panama are "one in a million?"

>But ol' Brazel, he jes' wanderin' round. Oops, there be a  
>weather balloon. Dang, there's another one! And a third! Now I  
>know what they look like, won't be fooled again, even if them  
>other suckers didn't have radar reflectors.

>I'm sorry, but it's extremely unlikely that Brazel would have  
>been familiar with downed weather balloons, whoever testified to  
>same.

Dang, us city slickers really fell for that cowboy's line. It takes a regular cow paddy kicker, or should I say BS shoveler like yourself to set us straight.

David Rudiak

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>do with it to give it up for truth. ;-) Yes that may sound  
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>stop, onto others who are prepared to die for 'country', for  
>'money', for 'drugs', for 'religion' or whatever for - if we  
>would have peace! ;-) If we did, maybe there would be no need  
>for me to put 'my life/health' at risk for truth. We can only  
>have freedom to solve the problems we have if we are dealing  
>with the truth, otherwise, we are living in an illusion! ie we  
>are deluded! (my interpretation! ;-))

<snip>

I worked for a former Prime Minister of Canada for many years  
and can tell you how the process works here. Not sure about the  
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from the media point of view, if you do get coverage you can be  
sure that you will be considered mentally unbalanced. You'll be  
a one-day wonder. A dead one-day wonder.

On the other hand, with all the junk journalism in the states,  
and if you're a young, good looking woman, you might be able to  
get on some TV show and get your 15 minutes of fame.



Kelly

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## EW News: 08-18-01 Firmage - Engaging the Future

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Fwd Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 09:35:49 -0400  
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The Electric Warrior : News August 18, 2001  
<http://www.electricwarrior.com/news/ewNews0028.htm>

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> FIRMAGE - ENGAGING THE FUTURE  
science & technology news

From: Joseph P. Firmage  
Chairman  
Motion Sciences Organization  
<http://MotionSciences.org>

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After several years and millions of dollars invested in preparatory work, scientists in several research institutions across the United States have come together. The people and partners forming Motion Sciences believe that significant discoveries in physics may be made within 10 years, discoveries of great significance to the future of life on Earth. Explore with me a hypothetical future.

Imagine that we discover by 2005 a breakthrough in energy generation -- a device that can produce electricity with almost no fuel, cost, or waste. Imagine limitless conversion of seawater to fresh water by 2015. Imagine that by 2025 we no longer need an electricity grid. Imagine a pollution-free atmosphere by 2030. Imagine a permanent end to the growing snarls of freeway traffic by 2040. Imagine a society which recognizes a human right to move about as freely as the goods of its economy -- across any border, any time; or a reusable transportation vehicle that can take you into Space, driven by a field of force rather than ejection of propellant. Finally imagine a green Africa with a vibrant society of human and natural life in 2051.

Sounds like science fiction, doesn't it? In fact, the vision described above portrays precisely the kind of future emerging from the implications of some of the best physics research underway in the world today. A group of talented scientists and engineers began quiet collaboration a few years ago, and have now publicly joined forces in and with Motion Sciences, bringing essential collaboration to a very challenging set of research and development projects, a collaboration that we hope can soon extend to engage complementary teams around the world.

In the process of forming this particular organization, we considered for many months what kind of structure it should have. Should Motion Sciences be a commercial, venture-capital backed company? We tested this idea briefly, but more important in our considerations, however, is the principle of what this mission is all about, and it isn't about an IPO. Our mission is about the possibility of sharing with the world one day tools that could reverse environmental decline, end starvation and poverty, and make wars a horror of the past.

Our mission is about helping to enable a renewal of human

civilization, and Nature as a whole.

Our mission is about the possibility that we will someday be able to explore the Milky Way Galaxy in an interstellar spacecraft.

Our mission is about scientific knowledge that shouldn't be owned by a commercial corporation.

Motion Sciences Organization is therefore truly a public enterprise -- and if we're successful, the proceeds yielded from technologies sponsored by Motion Sciences will be given back to humanity through select philanthropies. As a not-for-profit 501(c)3, our success in these missions will be dependent upon the support of visionary institutional sponsors and citizens of Earth. People like you. We have a goal for the 2001 calendar year: engaging the support of 100,000 citizens of Earth, becoming members of the Motion Sciences Community.

On behalf of a rare and talented network of highly credentialed and rigorous scientists, engineers, and the teams assisting them, I invite you to join with the people and institutional partners of Motion Sciences in an historic attempt at a vital mission. I cannot imagine a better way for the physics of the 21st century to be pioneered, than for citizens from all nations to come together and make it so. Let's join hands around the planet!

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## Rendlesham - MOD Files Website

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Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 11:11:37 +0100  
Fwd Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 09:37:50 -0400  
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THE RENDLESHAM FOREST INCIDENT M.O.D. FILE

Why wait for a conference - read it here first!

For over 20 years speculation has surrounded the British Ministry of Defence's investigation of the spectacular UFO incidents reported in Rendlesham Forest, near the RAF Bentwaters-Woodbridge air base in Suffolk, England in 1980.

In May this year the MOD released the contents of their formerly secret file on the case to UFO historians David Clarke and Andy Roberts, with-holding just 2 documents on the grounds of national security and 3 on the grounds they contain confidential briefings to Government ministers.

The release of the file is a ground-breaking development in our understanding of what happened in Rendlesham Forest and is sure to set "alarm bells ringing" in high places!

The 155 page file contains evidence that the MOD \*did\* investigate the incident, explains why they decided it was "of no defence significance" and provides unique insights into the internal policy that underpinned the MOD's attitude towards the UFO problem in the 1980s.

You can now directly access the file contents, view samples of the documents and read exclusive commentaries provided by Rendlesham experts Jenny Randles and James Easton, by pointing your web browser at Clarke and Robert's new fully illustrated URL:

[www.flyingsaucery.com](http://www.flyingsaucery.com)

Our new site has been launched to showcase our ongoing, in-depth historical research into classic UFO incidents reported in Britain.

It will also be the home of a new, electronic version of the much-missed magazine UFO Brigantia.

Become the first UFOlogist in your solar system to read the full contents of the "Holy Grail" of the Rendlesham mystery.

When it comes to the latest news in British UFOlogy, Clarke and Roberts insist that 'We CAN Tell the People' !

Happy trails,

Dave Clarke & Andy Roberts

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Randle

From: Kevin Randle <[KRandle993@aol.com](mailto:KRandle993@aol.com)>  
Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 08:59:29 EDT  
Fwd Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 09:42:02 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Randle

>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 16:46:42 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>From: Stan Friedman <[fsphys@brunnet.net](mailto:fsphys@brunnet.net)>  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>>Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 17:48:25 -0300

>>>From: Dennis Stacy <[dstacy@texas.net](mailto:dstacy@texas.net)>  
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>>>Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 22:12:23 -0500

>>>>From: Stan Friedman <[fsphys@brunnet.net](mailto:fsphys@brunnet.net)>  
>>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>>>Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 23:13:39 -0300

>>><snip>

>>>>As noted in the last portion of the RDR [Roswell Daily Record]  
>>>>article for July 9 (which is the basis for all the Mogul balloon  
>>>>nonsense), Brazel was sure it wasn't a weather balloon.

>>>>He had found them before.

>>>>Stan,

>>>>Think about what you're saying here.

>>>>Are you suggesting that single weather balloons were raining  
>>>>down on the Foster ranch to the extent that Brazel had come  
>>>>across several others before encountering whatever it was that  
>>>>he took into Roswell? That he was familiar with same?

>>>>Gadzooks, man, what is the likelihood of that?

>>>>What a strange question. It has been known for more than 20  
>>>>years that Brazel had found at least 2 weather balloons and been  
>>>>paid the rewards offered on the attached notices. (Instrument  
>>>>packages). The Ranch was at least 10,000 acres, not a half acre  
>>>>plot in a city. He had lived there a long time. Many balloons  
>>>>had been launched in New Mexico. It might be more amazing if he  
>>>>hadn't found any.

Hi Stan, Dennis, Brad, all -

Nearly everyone I talked to who lived in that region, meaning around Corona, talked of finding weather balloons. One even mentioned that one balloon had a hundred dollar reward attached to it, so he bundled it all up and sent it off, as the card suggested, but never got the hundred dollars.

Another talked about a dried up, covered well in which they disposed of the balloons because the cattle, as they grazed,

would eat the neoprene or other components and it could kill them. For Dennis, yeah, the balloons were "raining" out of the sky.

>I think it's a reasonable question. But with a little info we  
>can do some back-of-the-envelope calculations. If the Foster  
>Ranch was at least 10,000 acres then that is at least 15 square  
>miles or a diameter of about 5 miles or so.

>Weather stations that measure winds/temp/humidity aloft with  
>radiosondes typically release such balloons once or twice a day  
>at set times. Alamogordo was probably one such station. I wish  
>people would publish the weather data for the Roswell incident  
>time frame so we can know these things and not have to surmise.

Okay, Brad, here is what I know, based on the winds aloft data that I got on two microfilms from the weather people in North Carolina. Believe it or not, the winds aloft data has been preserved, so that we can go back and check the records to find out which way the wind was blowing on those critical days.

But, to answer your question, the winds aloft data was collected four times a day. Balloons were launched from Tucson, AZ, Albuquerque, El Paso and Roswell. There were also other balloons launched from the middle of Arizona such as Phoenix that could have easily reached New Mexico. I mention only the stations west of Roswell (or south) because the winds generally blow from west to east, but looking at these data, I see that they do blow in the opposite direction. Interesting the winds at one level (say 10,000) might be blowing west, but the winds at 30,000 feet would be stronger and blowing to the east (which means, I suppose that with some UFO sightings, we could see a balloon that seems to move against the wind).

I supplied a great deal of this information to Charles Moore when he did his analysis of where the Flight No. 4 would have fallen. He concluded that it would have drifted toward the Brazel ranch, but that was supplemented by his belief that radar had tracked it to near Arabella, but there are no records to support this and Albert Crary's diary seems to argue that this balloon train had no radar targets on it.

I don't know what specific information is needed, but it all exists. I think that the claim, by Brazel, that he had found weather balloons on two separate occasions is not at all outrageous, given the nature of weather collection in New Mexico in 1947.

KRandle

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>The chances of any one balloon just from Alamogordo alone - not  
>including Roswell if there were daily balloon launches there -  
>was roughly 1 in 2,000 to 3,000 or so. It would only take  
>several years of daily or twice daily launches, i.e., 2,000 to  
>6,000 balloons, to have one or two land on the Foster Ranch.

>And if Roswell was launching too, that increases the likelihood  
>of balloons landing on the Foster Ranch.

Brad, Dennis, List:

This might be a low figure if there were other launching sites, such as the missile test sites at White Sands or any sites used by Reserve or regular artillery or air defense artillery. When firing, artillery units' Meteorological sections in their Target Acquisition Platoons launched regularly. I doubt that records for these launches exist, though.

Clear skies,

Bob Young

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Hi Kelly,

Thanx for chiming in on this one. ;) She's not listening to me, and my concern for her health is genuine. I'm not just flapping my lips to make a breeze. I hope she opens her eyes and sees the danger and futility in the course of action she has chosen.

The last thing you want to do when you want a response from an 'indifferent' party is to proffer an ultimatum. It (usually) only serves to entrench the other party in their position.

You're right about "how things work." It's the same here in the States only worse. I have been giving Lara the benefit of the doubt because she is not a US native. I'm sure she is not aware of the 'nature of the beast' she is offering ultimatums to.

I sincerely hope she suffers no personal harm. She seems hell-bent on seeing this thing through. Gotta admire her courage and determination though. Although I don't give her any Brownie points for taking advice from people who are expressing genuine concern for her. The ones who are 'egging her on' have about as much concern for her well-being as a farmer has for a barnyard chicken. Just another 'entertainment' for them to feed on until the next thing that makes them 'feel alive' comes along. They are hyping her and the situation, to the point where it will make it impossible for her to reconsider and back out before she hurts herself. I still hold out hope that she'll re-think her course of action before any of this takes a toll on her body or her health.

Good note, good timing. Maybe she'll listen to you. :)

Regards,

John Velez

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## Re: Rendlesham - MOD Files Website - Salvaille

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Fwd Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 12:02:32 -0400  
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<snip>

Nice site with great layout.

But I couldn't find the 155 page file from MOD.

Where is it?

Regards,

Serge Salvaille

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Morris

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Fwd Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 13:03:32 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Morris

>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
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>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
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>>Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 10:58:08 +0100  
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>>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris

>>>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>>>Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 14:07:59 EDT  
>>>Subject: Re: Review of Pflock's 'Roswell'  
>>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

><snip>

>>>I think that Ed reveals his lack of reliability as a photo  
>>>interpreter by not noticing the resemblance. His fascination  
>>>with the phony Alien Autopsy film doesn't add much confidence,  
>>>either.

>>Ed didn't find the connection, I did. It is curious, but the  
>>fact is 4 symbol shapes identified in sequence on the same  
>>single beam section from the AA "debris footage" happen to match  
>>closely, symbol shapes seen in the Fort Worth Photographs,  
>>the number of matches I find more than just coincidence.

>Well, if one was going to fake the AA film, and was interested  
>enough in details to include something which looked like the  
>long- published picture from Fort Worth, then maybe they were  
>careful enough to include details.

But just who would this be and more to the point when?. And  
that leads to a "what came first, the chicken or the egg" type  
situation if you claim the alleged Alien Autopsy hoaxer had  
prior knowledge of the symbols in the FW pictures.

And the AA symbols I'm talking about are not the publicised  
beam symbols that every one who has seen the AA are familiar  
with.

The symbols that match those seen in the FW pictures sit  
along a beam on one of the tables seen in the background of  
the "debris footage" and as far as I'm aware were totally  
un-noticed until I hit on them by chance, late in 1999, no one  
else has come forward to claim prior knowledge of these to date.

A similar point can be made for the FW pictures, has anyone  
before the RPIT claimed to have found symbols lurking within  
the debris on Ramey's floor potted them?, and at a date before  
the AA film surfaced in 1993?.

I don't know of anyone making that claim, and it's just another  
one of those researched points any potential hoaxer would have  
had to have gone into to have produced the AA film.

Now the FW pictures are proven historical documents and have a  
traceable history back to the day they were taken, I have copies

of the record cards from the Fort Worth Star Telegram morgue showing their original entries. What we see in them we can say with some confidence was there in Ramey's office on the afternoon of the 8th July 1947.

So another point to add to the difficulties of a would be hoaxer, is that one of the cross checked AA symbols from the FW images was not identified in the well known 4 UTA/ST images but in the very little known and much less seen Bettmann image, taken by JBJ but never used by the Star Telegram, no original negative or 1st generation print exists and I believe the copy negative held by the Bettmann was only discovered during the course of Kevin Randles researches.

><snip>

>>Jesse Marcel's site description works out at aprox 777,500 sqft

>I wonder how Marcel got 777,500 square feet of anything in the >trunk of his little old car?

Ah, but Cavitt had a "carry-all", see later.

>>That dubious interview with Mack Brazel in the RDR of the 9th >>July quotes Mack as saying the site was 200 yards across that's >>aprox 282,700 sqft. If Charles Moore's MOGUL did have 3 >>ML307 reflectors and if it did crash on the Foster Ranch it >>would only have

>>\_54\_ sq ft of foil. (90 sq ft if it had 5 ML307's attached)

>>To cover the above two site descriptions with 34 sqft of foil >>that's

>>0.0275 sq INCHES per sq ft for Mack's size

>>and

>>0.01 sq INCHES per sq ft for Jesse Marcel's size of debris field

>>And that is a mighty thin spread just to provide a uniform >>background cover.

>>To provide a noticable say 10% coverage of the above 2 areas >>you would need aprox one tenth of each of the area's ie over >>70,000 and 28,000 square feet of foil in each case.

>What makes 10% coverage necessary to notice some shiny debris >laying out on the desert? There is a mighty big assumption >being made here.

There's even bigger assumptions at large if you think you can spread MOGUL flight 4 over either of those areas with sufficient debris density to even worry sheep....see below.

>Did Brazel ever say that the area was covered to this density?

Nope, but if Tommy Tyree, the ranch hand who worked with Mack shortly after the event is to be believed, the density was such as to trouble Mack's sheep to the extent they wouldn't cross the debris field, and he had to drive them around it.

>>But even if it did have ML307's the numbers don't really add up >>do they?

>No, they don't and they sure don't add up to what was collected, >according to the witnesses and the only known pictures. I >suggest that these huge numbers are strictly in the imaginations >of believers who are building castles in the air.

Sorry Bob you've lost me here, the numbers used are directly from witness testimony, and pictures?, am I to assume you are referring to JBJ's FW pics (?so you agree the debris shown is some of that from Roswell? or do you know of some others?) which according to Jesse Marcel only show a small portion of what was transported to FWAAF aboard that B29's flight and that debris flight only held what he and Cavitt had recovered from the debris field. Most of the debris was still left behind out there on the ranch.

A short aside from above, Cavitt was said to have been driving a "jeep carryall", being a Brit and not familiar with the term "carryall" I was surprised to find out when I checked that's not the small "jeep" vehicle that pops up in most WWII action movies, but a much larger "station wagon" style vehicle, more than enough room inside one of those to recover a downed MOGUL in itself, so how come they filled the carryall and Marcel's Buick yet still left the larger part of the debris out there?.

Dodge's version of the Carryall:

[http://www.thefortworthphotographs.freeseerve.co.uk/images/dodge\\_carryall.jpg](http://www.thefortworthphotographs.freeseerve.co.uk/images/dodge_carryall.jpg)

Neil

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## Canadian Reports Increase

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Subject: Canadian Reports Increase

15 August 2001

Media note: 2001 A Banner Year For UFOs in Canada So Far

More than 75 UFO reports have been filed so far this year by Canadians. What's more, public interest in the subject is climbing as a result of some particularly interesting cases and the topic's prominence in the media.

"If the numbers keep up, we will be looking at an increase in UFO sightings in 2001 over the year 2000," says Chris Rutkowski, research coordinator for Ufology Research of Manitoba (UFOROM), based in Winnipeg. "It's partly that there have been some highly prominent sightings of objects, but also likely because of some increased media attention, bringing the subject to the forefront of everyone's mind."

Rutkowski works with statistician Geoff Dittman of Winnipeg and literally dozens of private UFO researchers and investigators across the country in an effort to compile and catalogue trends, patterns and characteristics of UFO reports. He says it's part of an ongoing project to help scientists and laypeople alike understand what it is that UFO witnesses are seeing and also to allow access to case data for research purposes.

2001 has seen several notable cases reported so far, such as:

- a 10-foot crater found in a field in Alberta, possibly connected to witnesses seeing a "fire tornado" in the sky;
- the re-entry of a Russian rocket booster during the peak of the Perseid meteor shower last weekend, seen at the same time as triangular formations of UFOs;
- an anonymous report from someone claiming to be an Ontario Provincial Police officer, noting that four people watched in amazement as five alien beings in white robes took soil samples in a wooded area near Fergus, Ontario;
- two people in Surrey, BC, saw a red ball of light drop material like "molten red wax" as it moved eastward;
- two objects seen for more than an hour moving slowly through the sky over Conception Bay, Newfoundland.

Rutkowski notes it's not just the UFO sightings themselves that bring attention. In August, Macleans magazine ran a feature on Canadian UFO investigators and witnesses. Space: The Imagination Station has been traveling across the country producing short segments on weird and wonderful places in Canada. And this coming October, a private group is organizing a "Disclosure Conference" to be held in Calgary to highlight alleged government cover-up of UFO information.

"Polls have shown that 10 per cent of Canadians have seen UFOs, and the recent Macleans poll found that 61 per cent of Canadians believe that aliens are visiting Earth," explains Rutkowski. "Public interest is running very high, and it would appear that

UFOs are going to remain a driving - or rather, flying - force in popular culture for a long time to come."

For more information on UFO reports and related research in Canada, and for information on how to contact a UFO researcher in your area, contact:

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Deardorff

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Fwd Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 14:57:56 -0400  
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>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 16:46:42 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>...  
>Weather stations that measure winds/temp/humidity aloft with  
>radiosondes typically release such balloons once or twice a day  
>at set times. Alamogordo was probably one such station. I wish  
>people would publish the weather data for the Roswell incident  
>time frame so we can know these things and not have to surmise.

>That would be 365 or 730 balloons per year just from Alamogordo  
>alone. Suppose balloons burst and fall within a 100 mile radius  
>(after catching the jet stream which would preferentially carry  
>more balloons eastward, northeast and southeast). Northeast  
>carries you to Foster Ranch at about the 100-mile range. Because  
>balloons have a standard ascent rate of around 1,000 ft/min and  
>burst at or below 100,000 feet they are aloft about 2 hours and  
>the jet stream will carry them about say 100 miles. Again just  
>very very rough numbers to do a simple calculation instead of  
>factless numberless worthless speculation.

>As you can see there is going to be a preferred landing zone for  
>Alamogordo weather balloons along an arc of around 100 miles  
>radius east of the base, stretching from say Carlsbad up through  
>Roswell and to Corona, when the jet stream is active. (Applies  
>to Mogul balloons too.)

>But let's suppose first the balloons went in all directions  
>for 100 miles before computing the eastern arc landing zone.  
>The chances of hitting a 15+ sq.mi. Foster Ranch size area in  
>that case is only 1 in 2,000. So if there were only once a day  
>balloon launches from Alamogordo (it might have been double that  
>but let's start conservative), in 6 years there would be 2,190  
>or so balloons launched and a good chance one would have landed  
>on the Foster Ranch. But this requires a jet stream to carry  
>them that far and the jet stream is not operative all year round  
>in a given location.

>Now let's figure the eastern arc from a jet stream and guess it  
>is active say 1/4 of the year, so maybe 90 daily balloons from  
>Alamogordo are caught in it or 180 if launched twice daily.  
>Suppose a 50-mile wide arc about 200 miles long or roughly an  
>area of 10,000 sq.mi. Chances of hitting the 15+ sq.mi. Foster  
>Ranch are roughly 1 in 700. So the chances are good that in  
>about 8 years for daily launches or in 4 years of twice daily  
>launches, a balloon would come down on the Foster Ranch.

>Sounds very plausible given these numbers.

Brad,

All that sounds right to me. Although you concentrated on Alamogordo, which probably launched weather balloons on its own aperiodic schedule, depending on their own operations, the closest NWS radiosonde stations frequently in an upwind direction from Roswell were (and are) Albuquerque, El Paso and Tucson; they launched twice a day. I should think that balloons

from any of those stations would occasionally have been coming down in the general vicinity of Roswell, as well as all over the larger area.

The rawinsonde network is different from the radiosonde network, but overlapping, I believe. Also pibals (pilot balloons) were sent up as frequently as every 6 hours from a somewhat denser network of stations (to measure winds only).

Out on the West coast, where I live, we have virtually no chance of ever seeing a downed weather balloon, due to no weather stations to the NW, W or SW of us, and due to all the trees around. Out in arid New Mexico one has a much greater chance of spotting a downed balloon.

Jim Deardorff

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Stacy

From: **Dennis Stacy** <[dstacy@texas.net](mailto:dstacy@texas.net)>  
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Fwd Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 15:01:25 -0400  
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>From: David Rudiak <[DRudiak@aol.com](mailto:DRudiak@aol.com)>  
>Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 03:28:34 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>Is your ranch 20 square miles? Is it downwind from a weather  
>station that launches two balloons a day? With radar and weather  
>satellites, weather balloons just aren't as common as they used  
>to be 50 years ago.

David, others,

Sorry to have put you to so much trouble - because I quite readily agree that I was wrong about the likelihood of Brazel encountering weather balloons, and you and other respondents were right.

The ranch I'm referring to is actually bigger... I'm embarrassed to say by how much. During WWII there was a large AAF training field that was about, oh, 40 to 50 miles west of the land. In fact, there's a downed plane somewhere on the ranch.

After I wrote my precipitous post, I realized that a couple of my unspoken assumptions were probably incorrect. For one thing, I was going by the amount of roadway on the ranch, from which you might be able to view, say, 5% of the actual landmass involved. Stumbling across a small weather balloon in such a vast area would indeed be equivalent to coming across the proverbial needle in the haystack.

I also overlooked the fact that all ranching back then was done on horseback. Nowadays, ranchers are more likely to use helicopters. From atop a horse, Brazel would have had a higher vantage point than you get from the driver's seat of a typical SUV today, and thus able to see more all around. Although you can cover a lot more ground in an average day in an SUV than you can on horseback!

I also no doubt incorrectly extrapolated our ground coverage (relatively dense) to the Foster ranch (probably relatively sparse), even though both ranches are in the same "general" neck of the woods.

So, yes, all in all, I accept that he could have arguably come across weather balloons. I hope you aren't too disappointed.

>Unless your family's ranch is in a situation similar to the  
>Foster Ranch in size and location, then your personal experience  
>vis-à-vis weather balloons falling on your property is  
>meaningless. I bet nobody gets malaria on your family's ranch  
>either. Does this mean that you can extrapolate that the odds of  
>getting malaria on a ranch in Panama are "one in a million?"

How about this one - in 1947, one of the world's rarest type of meteorites fell on the ranch. It was recovered because a couple of ranch hands just happened to see it hit. Otherwise, it would have gone unnoticed and unfound forever. It was one of those rocky things, not the iron-nickle type.

Lots of arrowheads, too, and the remains of at least one mammoth. I couldn't lead anybody back to the latter, though, if my life depended on it. But it's out there, "somewhere." I might be able to find it from a helicopter, which is how it was discovered in the first place.

Alas, no oil or gas deposits.

Dennis Stacy

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Friedman

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>>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>>Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 17:48:25 -0300

><snip>

>>What a strange question. It has been known for more than 20  
>>years that Brazel had found at least 2 weather balloons and been  
>>paid the rewards offered on the attached notices. (Instrument  
>>packages). The Ranch was at least 10,000 acres, not a half acre  
>>plot in a city. He had lived there a long time. Many balloons  
>>had been launched in New Mexico. It might be more amazing if he  
>>hadn't found any.

>  
>Stan,

>Color me ignorant.

>But from who or where does the above information come from?

>Who said that Brazel had recovered at least two weather  
>balloons, and when?

The first source that came to hand 'The Roswell Incident' (1980)  
pp 90,91 from Bill Brazel:

"We've picked up balloons all over this country and any  
time we found one we always turned it in because there was  
sometimes a reward for them. This was no balloon, although  
I once asked Dad if he ever found anything like an  
instrument package connected with this stuff. He said no,  
there was no instrument package."

Stan Friedman

Note: the interview was done long before Roswell became a  
household name.

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## Magonia Supplement No.36

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Subject: Magonia Supplement No.36

This is the latest edition of Magonia Supplement, edited by John Harney

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### EDITORIAL

We said it many years ago and we are saying it again. In August 1973 we published an editorial titled "Serious research or juvenile entertainment" (MUFOB, Vol. 6, No. 2) in response to pleas, in BUFORA Journal, for researchers to concentrate on "genuine extraterrestrial hardware" (which still seems to be unavailable) instead of all those boring psychological theories or detailed reports of objective investigations of UFO reports.

In those days, it seems, popular ufology was aimed at "starstruck teenagers", whereas now it is aimed at those who never grow up. When veteran ufologist Richard Hall recently submitted one of his regular columns to MUFON UFO Journal, it was rejected by the Editor, because of Hall's critical comments about some of the speakers booked for the forthcoming MUFON conference. Hall resigned from MUFON in protest. Having looked at the list of speakers, your Editor found only one who seems likely to make a sensible and worthwhile contribution to any topic in UFO studies. The others have obviously been chosen for their entertainment value. However, it seems that this policy of entertaining the immature, the cranks and the feeble minded is not succeeding; MUFON membership is reported to be on the decline. In its present state, its eventual demise would be no great loss.

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CHILES-WHITTED:

Burn, Baby, Burn

Martin S. Kottmeyer

In the early morning hours of 24 July, 1948, a DC-3 piloted by Captain Clarence S. Chiles is being overtaken by something. Captain Chiles nudges his co-pilot, John B. Whitted: "Look, here comes a new Army jet job." (1)

His official statement reads: "At 2:45 a.m., we were cruising at 5,000 feet when there came what looked like a jet-type aircraft to our right and slightly above meeting us. It was a clear moonlit night with the visibility excellent; therefore, we were able to view the ship as it passed for a period of about ten seconds. It was clear there were no wings present, that it was powered by some jet or other type of power shooting flame from the rear some fifty feet. There were two rows of windows, which indicated an upper and lower deck, from inside these windows, a very bright light was glowing. Underneath the ship there was a glow of blue light. After it passed it pulled up into some light broken clouds and was lost from view. There was no prop wash or rough air felt as it passed." In a 2 November 1948 interrogation, Chiles added that it made a departure using an

"excellent, well-coordinated gentle climbing turn into clouds before disappearance". Blue Book files indicate Chiles also apparently thought "the flame flared out from a nozzle in the rear which he thought he perceived. The flame extended some 30-50 feet behind the object and became deeper in intensity and increased in length as the object pulled up into a cloud."

The co-pilot confirmed this for the most part: "We were at 5,000 feet and our position was 25 miles southwest of Montgomery, Alabama. The strange object had a stream of red fire coming from its tail. I assumed it was a jet type airplane of the Army or Navy but as it came nearer I could see it was much larger than any Army or navy jet I have seen or read about. It passed us on the right side of our DC-3. I would estimate its speed in the neighborhood of 700 mph but this is purely a rough estimate. We were holding a compass heading of 50 degrees and the object passed us going in the opposite direction. To me, the object seemed about a half-mile from us, flying straight and level. I could see no wings supporting the object. The object was cigar-shaped and seemed about a hundred feet in length. The fuselage appeared to be about three times the circumference of a B-29 fuselage. It had two rows of windows, an upper and lower. The windows were very large and seemed square. They were white with light that seemed to be caused by some kind of combustion. I estimate that we watched the object at least 5 seconds and not more than 10 seconds. We heard no noise nor did we feel any turbulence from the object. It seemed to be at about 5,500 feet." Whitted added that he didn't perceive the nozzle Chiles saw, but confirmed "the increased length of the flame as the object 'pulled up'".

After the pilots recovered from their initial surprise, they found one passenger awake and got him to see the thing, but by then there was "no physical shape -- only a streak of flame moving in a straight line". Newspaper reports painted the encounter in more lurid terms: "It flashed down and we veered to the left and it veered to its left, and passed us about 700 feet to our right and about 700 feet above us. Then as if the pilot has seen us and wanted to avoid us, it pulled up with a tremendous burst of flame out of its rear and zoomed up into the clouds. Its prop-wash or jet-wash rocked our DC-3." The pilots denied the presence of felt turbulence both in their interviews with Air Force investigators and, later, ufologist James McDonald.

Ruppelt indicates that old-timers at ATIC were shook up by this case worse than the Mantell incident. "This was the first time two reliable sources had been really close to a UFO to get a good look and live to tell about it.

A few days after the DC-3 was buzzed, the people at ATIC decided that the time had arrived to make an Estimate of the Situation. The situation was the UFOs; the estimate was that it was interplanetary!"(2) Menzel indicates the case "went far to establish in the minds of the general public as well as of Air Force investigators that the saucers were solid objects and some sort of flying craft, humanly manned." He reports that "a widely-circulated story claimed a high-speed rocket had broken loose from White Sands" and caused the encounter. Menzel laughed this explanation off as completely fantastic with no foundation in truth.(3) Hynek felt the case was an undoubted meteor in his report to ATIC of 30 April 1949. Menzel concurred and argued it was part of either the Aquarid or Perseid meteor streams, based mainly on the date.(4) This has been generally accepted among sceptics.(5)

Loren Gross felt that the weakest point in this idea is the fact that both pilots indicated the object changed course and they were not fuzzy on the point. Most recently, Kevin Randle in Scientific Ufology has offered a long attack on the meteor explanation that focuses on the detail reported by both pilots that square windows were visible. Noting that Hynek said psychological research would be needed to decide the issue if people would see square windows in a meteor's ion trail, Randle did an experiment to settle the issue. The results: "People do not normally create, in their minds, square windows on a streak of light."(6) I suspect the thought that forms in most sceptics' minds is that this experiment comes a couple decades too late. There is no general presumption of portholes or windows in saucers anymore. Randle also notes that the fact that Chiles first suggested the craft was a jet job and that should have

skewed the interpretation into something closer to normal jets and they don't have double rows of windows.(7) He avers: "There is no solution for this case. That does not mean Chiles and Whitted saw a craft built on another planet."(8) Randle does not discuss why he does not think it is surely extraterrestrial if it is unsolved, but it is easy enough to fill in the blanks.

Who believes alien spacecraft travel by means of jets or rocket exhaust anymore? Those flames are inconsistent with how more thoroughly alien spacecraft are held up, i.e. forces like magnetism, anti-gravity, static electricity, dimensional drives, or ultra-energy.(9) The craft was not a classical saucer, but was described as "one of those fantastic Flash Gordon rocket ships in the funny papers". For the record, Flash and Dr. Zarkov's rocket did have lighted square windows, but did not have a double-decker configuration.(10) The rockets in Buck Rogers preferred a single row of round portholes.

The meteor explanation may well be wrong. The radiant of the Delta Aquarids was off towards due south and sounds wrong for an object that appears ahead and to the right of a plane bearing a 50 degree compass heading. The radiant of the Perseids is better placed, but the 24 July date seems too early - borderline at best. Jay Pasachoff's Contemporary Astronomy puts the limits at 25 July-18 August which, if it does not absolutely forbid a meteor solution, renders the effort to tie the meteor to a shower dubious.(11)

The fact that both pilots agreed the craft displayed longer flames when it 'pulled up' certainly sounds like a jet to me. It has been rumoured that Navy pilots would sometimes practice intercepting enemy bombers in the dark by using unsuspecting airliners as mock targets. When in a playful mood they would turn off the external lights and come up real close. They'd turn on the afterburner, creating a long rocket-like plume, and the airliner would be left in the dust. The next day, they'd enjoy the mystery UFO they created.(12) Without external lights, the wings may have been hard to discern or, maybe, the roll angle was such that the wings were not apparent. The windows might have been reflections of light of the exhaust off surfaces along the side of the plane. Who knows? I'm merely guessing here and I am sure ufologists will offer a raft of reasons why this is impossible.

It is easy enough to think of a dozen probable objections. Frankly, if they want to argue it is a complete and total mystery to them, so be it. The only points worth caring about: 1) Do you have a better explanation? 2) Do you think the case really helps the ETH? Unless ufologists are prepared to give an unequivocal 'Yes' to both questions and actually provide reasons why their specific explanation is better, don't expect solutions for the alleged problems. If you're half as smart as I think you are, you can work out the answers yourselves. Really, folks, are you impressed these days with alien craft spouting flames like jets and rockets? Another mystery - yawn - we're so in awe - zzzzzzz.

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#### UFO CRASHES: AN EMERGENT PATTERN

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I have come to doubt whether it is possible to draw any conclusions from individual UFO reports. It may be, however, that a group of reports considered collectively can reveal something significant. As briefly as possible, I shall try to show this with the example of UFO crash stories.

It was on 14 June 1947 that William Brazel, a farmer near Roswell, New Mexico, found a lot of silvery wreckage on his land.(1) At first he did nothing, but on 8 July, following news reports of flying saucers in the area, it occurred to him that this might be one of them, and he reported it to the sheriff, who passed it on to the Air Force, who told the press that the mystery of the flying discs would now be solved. According to the official report, however, when they got there it proved to be merely a balloon. This they declared at a press conference, and the incident was totally forgotten for over thirty years. Their initial announcement suggests that, if they had captured an alien spacecraft, they would have said so.

Nonetheless, persistent rumour, at least in California, had it that a saucer had indeed crashed and that the Air Force were busily learning the secrets of its technology: a 1949 memo by Meade Layne of the Borderland Sciences Research Foundation (an organisation mainly devoted to recording channelled messages from "The Etherians", as they called the ufonauts) reported that two scientists, one of them "Dr Weisberg, a physics professor from a California university" had seen a crashed disc with six dead occupants.

The source of Layne's information is unclear, but soon people started to talk. In February 1950 Barney Barnett of Socorro, New Mexico, told some visiting friends that when working near Magdalena, New Mexico (nowhere near Roswell) he had chanced across a crashed metallic disc, 25 to 30 feet across, with dead bodies of small humanoids around it. Some archaeologists also saw it. Then the military turned up and ordered them all away.(2) This sequence of events was the template for many subsequent stories.

On 8 March 1950 a lecture was given to students at the University of Denver, Colorado, by a mysterious man who claimed that a saucer had crashed at Aztec, New Mexico (hundreds of miles from both Roswell and Socorro), in the spring of 1948. The man was later identified as Silas Newton, and his testimony was used as the basis for one of the first UFO books, Behind the Flying Saucers, by Frank Scully. Silas Newton was a partner with one "Dr Gee", who claimed that later two other saucers had crashed in Arizona, and that he had been privileged to examine all three. The first two both had a (dead) crew of sixteen, the third only two. He believed they came from Venus. Dr Gee claimed to be a magnetic scientist, though what he said on the subject ("there are 1,257 magnetic lines of force to the square centimetre"(3)) was utter drivel.

Scully also described how Gee and Newton had developed a magnetic device which could detect underground oil deposits. Two years later, this led to their arrest on a charge of fraud. They had been trying to sell their device for \$800,000, but according to police it was "a worthless piece of war surplus equipment" that they had bought for \$4.50.(4)

In the spring of 1952 one Bill Devlin was told by a soldier he

met on a train from Philadelphia to Washington that he had been one of three drivers who took the remains of a saucer, along with "sixteen or so" small bodies, from Aztec, New Mexico, to Fort Riley, Kansas.(5) This is the other main type of crash story, the military man who was there after the civilians were cleared away, and who is sworn to secrecy by frightful penalties, though willing to violate it to casual acquaintances. His story of a saucer at Aztec with sixteen small bodies is consistent with that in Scully's book, though since this had become a bestseller, it is hardly independent confirmation.

In February 1954 President Eisenhower went on a golfing holiday in Palm Springs, California. On 20 February he went off leaving his entourage behind, and the press corps started speculating wildly as to where he might have gone. In the evening a press secretary explained that he had had to make an emergency trip to a dentist. This did not satisfy the rumour mongers, who quickly put it about that that the President had secretly gone to Edwards Air Force Base to view a crashed flying saucer. Sure enough, three months later Meade Layne received a letter from a man named Gerald Light, who claimed to have visited the base himself and seen no fewer than five different alien craft that the Air Force was studying.(6)

Badly piloted UFOs kept on crashing, so it was said, in among other places Arizona, California, Montana, Pennsylvania, British Heligoland, Spitzbergen, Mexico, Sweden and Brazil. Invariably the local military picked up the pieces, except in the case of a four-foot saucer that fell on Silpho Moor near Scarborough, Yorkshire, which was bought from the finder by a civilian and put on display in a local fish and chip shop.(7) Though such stories went out of fashion in the sixties, in the seventies Leonard Stringfield renamed them "retrievals of the third kind", and, having thus put the subject on a scientific basis, began a collection of anecdotes: he learned for instance of a room in the Museum of Science and Industry in Chicago, "in which several small humanoids were preserved in a glass case"; two disc-shaped craft at Wright-Patterson, with four small bodies preserved in chemicals; and the 1953 crash of an oval object near Kingman, Arizona, in which was a dead four-foot tall alien.(8) By the end of the decade he had accumulated nineteen retrieval stories, all different.

According to one tale, in the late 1940s, the photographer Nicholas von Poppen (d. 1975) had been flown to "Los Alamos" airfield, where he was paid to photograph a flying saucer, 30 feet in diameter, which still had four dead aliens, dressed in shiny black one-piece outfits, in their seats in front of a control board. The only problem is that there was no air base at Los Alamos; obviously, he was told that was where he was as part of the cover-up.(9)

The problem, for the rigidly scientific ufologist, was that the witnesses did not fully confirm each other's stories. In general terms they agreed that alien spacecraft had crashed and come into the possession of the military; but the crash sites were all different, the bodies (varying in number from one up to sixteen) and the wreckage were supposed to be stored in a variety of Air Force bases and other places, and where dates were given they did not match up. Yet soon this was to change.

Jesse Marcel, one of the officers who had picked up the wreckage from Brazel's farm, used to talk about the incident, stating that he believed that the object had indeed been an extraterrestrial spacecraft. When Stanton T. Friedman was interviewed on TV in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on 21 February 1978, to promote his lecture tour "Flying Saucers Are Real", a friend of Marcel's who worked there mentioned him. Friedman often heard "Stories of acquaintances who claimed to know someone who worked with a guy who said he knows where the bodies of a 'flying saucer' crew are stored", but was always unable to follow them up.(10) This was different, a real man who had handled the wreckage.

Later that year Friedman also heard about Barney Barnett. He passed both stories on to William Moore, who then needed a subject to form a sequel to the bestseller he had co-written with Charles Berlitz, *The Philadelphia Experiment*. A crashed UFO was suitably sensational. Asked in an interview by Gray Barker if he was investigating saucer crashes, Moore was reticent, but said: "If I were working on this, I would take one particular

rumor, one of the more persistent ones, and devote all my investigative efforts to that one case."(11)

Though the original newspaper reports, and an interview with Marcel, were not nearly enough to fill a book, they were padded out with crashed saucer rumours generally, glossing over the discrepancies with regard to dates and places. They were able to bring in Barney Barnett's claims by suggesting that the saucer had exploded over Roswell, leaving the wreckage that was found on Brazel's farm, but that most of it travelled another 125 miles to crash near Socorro. (Or perhaps, in a variant of the urban legend, there were at that time only two UFOs in the whole of the New Mexico airspace, and they collided with each other.) Eisenhower's 1954 disappearance could have been to view the Roswell saucer, they suggested, failing to explain why it was seven years before the President took an interest.

The Roswell Incident was indeed a bestseller, so much so that the subject has dominated ufology ever since. Suddenly, lots more witnesses (and people who had heard the confessions of witnesses since deceased) came forward with their Roswell, 1947, stories, which none of them had ever felt the need to tell before, enabling the publication of a whole series of subsequent books. Frankie Rowe said her fireman father told her he had been on the way back from a fire when he came across the crash, and saw "two little corpses and one person running around". Iris Foster, of Taco, New Mexico, said one "Cactus Jack" had told her of seeing a round object and four little bodies. More than one archaeologist, who had been out looking for evidence of early American settlements, testified: "I was there and saw everything." Jim Ragsdale, who was there with his girlfriend, saw the craft and several small beings, but, "While observing the scene, we watched as a military convoy arrived and secured the scene. As a result of the convoy's appearance we quickly fled the area." So did the others.(12)

If all these people are telling the truth, then we have to assume that a flying saucer crashed in a semi-desert region, and for four weeks no one chanced to go near it but the farmer on whose land it was. Then, suddenly, a whole crowd of people, who were in the vicinity for a variety of reasons, archaeologists, courting couples and so on, all happened to converge on the wreckage by pure accident. Just then the army arrived, preventing them from getting any proof. Such synchronicity would be a remarkable anomalous phenomenon in itself.

In 1979 Sergeant (as he had been in 1947) Melvin E. Brown read the Daily Mirror's review of The Roswell Incident, and told his family - he had married an Englishwoman and lived in the UK - "I was there. Everything in the article is true."(13) This would be rather more compelling if he had told his family the story before it had appeared in a national newspaper. It will have been observed that, whilst no pattern emerges if one takes the alleged dates of these crashes, there is a definite pattern if one takes the dates on which the various stories are first known to have been told.

The different accounts still do not agree: most say that the craft was a disc, but Frank Kaufmann (who claimed to have detected the crash on radar from White Sands) claimed it was wedge shaped, and that there were four corpses and one living being - others say three corpses, two corpses and one alive, three corpses and one living, and so on and so forth.

Space does not permit me to deal with the claims of Philip Corso and others to have been employed to "back engineer" the wreckage, but I have often wondered at a technology that enables the Greys to navigate safely across nine trillion miles of void from Zeta Reticuli, only to smash into the ground on arrival. Perhaps at this very moment American saucers, built in Area 51, are crashlanding near military bases on the aliens' home planet.

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#### LITERARY CRITICISM

Review by Christopher D. Allan

Michael David Hall and Wendy Ann Connors. Captain Edward J. Ruppelt: The Summer of the Saucers - 1952, Rose Press International, Albuquerque, New Mexico, 2000

For those who enjoy UFO history this is a superb account of the early 1950s period (particularly 1952) in the USA, focusing on the life and work of Edward J. Ruppelt, who was chief of Project Blue Book from 1951-53 and whose book The Report on UFOs (1956) became an early classic and is still often cited by believers and sceptics alike.

The authors have, for the first time, published many useful titbits gleaned from Ruppelt's private files and notebooks (which run to some 700 pages) and have spoken to members of his family and to many of his former colleagues, both military and civilian. The result is a book which will interest any UFO student of whatever persuasion. The only drawback is its inevitable American bias, there being very little on UK or foreign ufology.

There are many examples of letters to or from Ruppelt, pages of discussions of the logistics of USAF organisation from 1947 onwards, accounts of top-level meetings on such topics as UFOs, the Cold War, atomic energy, and atmospheric phenomena; plus several new UFO case studies, as well as some old ones with fresh updates. One of interest is the Kinross F-89 radar case, which John Harney wrote about in Magonia ETH Bulletin No. 9, under the heading "Disappearing Planes". The authors reveal, through an aviation historian, that the Kinross tragedy had nothing to do with UFOs, but much more to do with the fact that the F-89 was a disastrous, unreliable aircraft. (It was scrapped soon afterwards.)

We get new insights into the workings of the Battelle Institute study, the CIA sponsored Robertson Panel, and the aftermath of the famous Washington radar sightings. For the first time a complete transcript is given of General Samford's press conference of 29 July 1952.

It may not be generally known, for instance, that the Battelle study and report (quoted by certain UFO proponents as proof of UFO reality) had been completed in September 1953 but was not released until October 1955, and even then it was dressed up as Blue Book Special Report No. 14. The name "Battelle" was deliberately suppressed at the time. When Ruppelt was asked about the report after his own book came out he said he had discarded the Battelle study as worthless in 1953. Similarly, it seems Ruppelt was kept in the dark over the conclusions of the

Robertson Panel, although he participated during some of its meetings. He was never shown its written findings while at Blue Book, although its report was written in January 1953. The first inkling of any written report was not until April 1958 when a brief summary was released. The complete report, by Frederick C. Durant (an associate member of the panel) did not appear until 1966. Ruppelt had carefully omitted in his book any mention of the CIA who, as is now well known, was the instigator of the Robertson Panel in the first place.

One curiosity is the "Lubbock Lights" case of autumn 1951, involving repeated sightings of strange night lights over Lubbock, Texas by four science professors, plus many other people. The case did not publicly come to light until an account appeared in Life magazine in April 1952. Ruppelt had investigated the case at length but officially the lights were left as unexplained. However, in his book he tells how a certain scientist had later, privately, resolved the case but that he (Ruppelt) could not divulge the details as the man had sworn him to secrecy. In the revised edition of Ruppelt's book, however, he reveals that the lights were identified as moths reflecting a row of street lights.

Hall and Connors reveal that the scientist in question was none other than one of the original professors (W.L. Ducker) who had, after lot of experimentation, finally identified the lights as a flight of plover. However, when he told Ruppelt of this he asked for his identity to be kept secret. The irony was that Ruppelt had first suggested to the professors, in 1951, that the objects might be birds but they flatly rejected this idea! It was only after repeated sightings of these lights (which reappeared during 1952 and after) that Ducker proved Ruppelt was right in the first place but, presumably, did not want his colleagues to know this. The puzzling aspect is that Ruppelt gave a false explanation in his revised book. Why? The authors cannot say, and admit it is not a satisfactory ending to the story. However, we can surmise that Ruppelt was still modestly trying to avoid giving the impression that he was correct all along and still wanted to credit an anonymous scientist with solving the case. To divulge the true solution would give the show away. Hence the false "solution". Unfortunately, Ruppelt's notes shed no further light on how the "moths" explanation came about.

There is an interesting new story of Donald Menzel which the authors describe as "a shocking story of security violations by Menzel", where he obtained Blue Book files by unauthorised means after first being refused them. It does not paint Menzel in a favourable light.

Also included are incidents from the post-Ruppelt era, NICAP's rise to fame in the late 1950s and the early attempts at congressional hearings. As letters make clear, Ruppelt strongly disapproved of Congress wasting its time over UFOs; he had a few exchanges with Donald Keyhoe over this.

Finally, the authors prove conclusively, through documents and Ruppelt's personal notes, that there was no official pressure brought to bear on him either during the writing of his book or its later revision. At no time did the USAF, the CIA or anyone else seek to make him change his mind, reverse his views or censor his book in any way, although he did, of course, submit it for clearance. Indeed his letters show that he was always sceptical of UFO reality, even when serving with Blue Book.

In early 1956 the vice-president of engineering at Northrop Aircraft (Ruppelt's employer) even issued an internal memo to staff praising, and giving publicity to, his book. This memo is printed in full.

Unfortunately Ruppelt's health declined in the late 1950s and, after two heart attacks, he died in September 1960 aged only 37.

Do not read this book expecting any "smoking gun" revelations. There are no crashed saucers, no abductions and no underground bases. Just a straightforward narrative with many interesting quotes and insights into the early American UFO era. Strongly recommended for all UFO historians.

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LETTER



My esteemed associate Hilary Evans's missive in Magonia Supplement No. 34 is curious indeed. There is a good bit in it with which I agree, causing me to dither a while before deciding to take issue with the rest, which truly is curious.

I refer not to the gentle, benign, fin de siecle-like condescension we colonials have with exasperated amusement come to expect from your side of the Atlantic (did the Romans have to suffer the Classical World equivalent from faded Athenians?). Nor do I refer to Hilary's apparent confusion of the "feasts" and "shows" of science fiction conventions (wherever staged) with the stale doughnuts (if one is lucky) and unintended comedy of many speakers at American UFO gatherings.

Nay, what I have in mind is his, on the one hand, taking to task American ufologists for including cartoons in their works (thus proving their lack of seriousness) and, on the other, crying out for "even one major American UFO author who could stand back and see the UFO phenomenon steadily and whole, for the extraordinary mixture of sense and nonsense that it is!" - citing John Keel as having come closest to this ideal. More confusion, to say the least.

This confusion is distilled in Hilary's observation about "the different tones of voice in the letters section of Jim Moseley's Saucer Smear. If it's Chris Allan, or Tim Good [!], or Jenny, then the subject is likely to be something at least halfway serious: whereas the majority of the American letters are not about UFOs but about personalities, calling names, slinging mud, using d\*rtty w\*rds." Clearly, Hilary and, perhaps, his compatriots don't understand that Smear most often has nothing to do with UFOs and bloody well nigh everything to do with ufology/ufoology/UFOdumb, whereas our American nonsubscribers most definitely do. Curious.

But take heart. There's a book coming next spring that just might answer Hilary's prayer: Shockingly Close to the Truth! by Jim Moseley and Yours Truly. We promise you at the very least an "extraordinary mixture of sense and nonsense".

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NOTES AND NEWS  
from Nigel Watson

Weird Weekend

The new US Star Wars project is being created to fight the secret war against the aliens. That's the reason given by controversial ufologist, Tim Matthews, at a recent and rare public appearance.

Speaking at the Weird Weekend held in Exeter by the Centre for Fortean Zoology, on 16 June, Matthews didn't give much credit to ufologists as they are mainly fixated on the ET hypothesis. As for ufological sceptics, armchair theorists and Fortean Times readers they are worse than Martian swamp scum.

He thinks that ufology focuses too much on individuals rather than on the evidence itself, and as a consequence he would rather not be associated with the subject (I'm sure the feeling is mutual). He's gone as far as selling his expensive collection of UFO aeronautical/military books at a car boot for £50. As a kind of swan song to his UFO days he provided us with a story that he believes is true:

Through a casual conversation unrelated to ufology, a widow of a US four star General told him that one night many years ago her late husband was called out to an 'incident' in Canada. The General's behaviour, once happy-go-lucky, became morose after he returned from investigating the incident. He never said much about it except that he had been to a remote village where all the graves had been opened up. He said that on his death he wanted to be buried 12 feet deep. Is this a case of grave robbing aliens? Do they feast on our dead bodies? Is someone's imagination working at warp speed?

Matthews, despite disliking ETH believers does accept the ET hypothesis. He is equally contradictory about some poltergeist activity plaguing his home at the moment. Since a man died in the house years ago he thinks any psychic investigators would link it with his spirit. He thinks they, like ufologists, are closed minded. Of course he's so open minded he'll believe everything he tells himself.

#### Rumours

Remember Zigmund Adamski, who was found dead on a coal tip in Todmorden in 1980? At the Exeter conference one of the attendees had one explanation for it. Apparently some of Adamski's former work mates discovered he had been responsible for atrocities during World War Two; to scare him they locked him up (in a mine-related building?). When he tried escaping he fell over and killed himself. To cover their prank that back-fired, they dumped his body and kept silent. Like most rumours this needs to be taken at more than face value but it does sound more reasonable than a botched alien abduction.

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Fwd Date: Sun, 19 Aug 2001 11:41:12 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Morris

>From: Robert Gates <[RGates8254@aol.com](mailto:RGates8254@aol.com)>  
>Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 02:20:12 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>>Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 23:32:38 EDT  
>>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>><snip>

>>>Jesse Marcel's site description works out at aprox 777,500 sqft

>>I wonder how Marcel got 777,500 square feet of anything in the  
>>trunk of his little old car?

>I don't think anybody has ever claimed that Marcel put all of  
>the debris in his car. Apparently he just took some of it back  
>to base and stopped by his house.

<snip>

Robert,

True, the bulk of their recovered debris Marcel recounts being  
returned in Cavitt's vehicle. Dr Marcel Jnr recalls just a  
couple of boxes of debris in the back of his father's Buick with  
some other (poss larger) pieces being left in the trunk.

>>>But even if it did have ML307's the numbers don't really add up  
>>>do they?

>>No, they don't and they sure don't add up to what was collected,  
>>according to the witnesses and the only known pictures. I  
>>suggest that these huge numbers are strictly in the imaginations  
>>of believers who are building castles in the air.

>But then again the assumption is made that all the debris  
>recovered was both talked about and in the fort worth photos. As  
>I recall General Dubois said their was two sites and the weather  
>balloon was a cover story. Point being is that for the skeptics  
>to be able to deal with the General's and other's testimony, we  
>instantly have to find some way of discrediting the witness,  
>otherwise the imaginations may be solid.

Gen DuBose has given a variety of statements some of which are  
contradictory but he seems to have been consistent in his  
statements that the balloon story was a cover up ordered  
directly by Gen McMullen. And now thanks to the efforts of  
Canadian RPIT member Andrew Lavoie we seem to have direct proof  
of this cover up in action in information released from Fort  
Worth Army Air Field during that afternoon.

At 5:30 pm on the 8th, The Dallas Morning News spoke with Maj  
Edwin Kirton an Intelligence Officer at FWAAF, they received  
from Kirton the firm, un-qualified weather balloon story.

At 6:17 pm the Dallas office of the FBI forwarded a teletype to

FBI headquarters regarding the debris found at Roswell, in some examples of this FOIA release it can be seen that the contact at FWAAF was this same Maj Kirton (though his name in the teletype is spelt phonetically as Curtan). The tale he tells the FBI is somewhat different from that given to the Dallas paper. Though saying the debris resembles that of a weather balloon he goes on to relate that even after consultation with the Air Force's technical people at Wright Field the weather balloon theory had not been "bourne out". The debris was being forwarded to Wright Field.

Here we have a noticeable duplicity of statements, one story given to the press, "it's a weather balloon", but another story given to a Govt Agency, the FBI, "we thought it might be a weather balloon but after checking with our technical people, it doesn't seem to be".

And what has now come to light is that between the first AP wire that broke the Roswell story to the world at 3:26pm Fort Worth time, and 5:30pm when Kirton was giving out the firm balloon story we now have a direct quote from Gen Ramey that gives that same qualified story, but with a few more details than those given to the FBI. In effect here we have the story possibly before the cover up, given for press consumption, was set in place.

In essence Ramey statement say's that he and the staff of FWAAF cannot identify the debris brought from Roswell.

At some time between 3.26pm and 5.30pm when we know for sure the cover story was being issued, a reporter from the Reuters news agency got through by phone to Maj Edwin Kirton (yes the same one) and was given a direct statement from Gen Ramey regarding the debris.

Here is part of the Reuters article as printed on the 10th July in a Canadian provincial paper.

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The object examined by the army authorities at Fort Worth was stated to have been discovered last week by a rancher who stored it until it was recovered by the 509th bomb intelligence men stationed at Rowsell(original typo). Before Brigadier General Rameys broadcast Major Edwin Kirtan, duty officer at Eighth Air Force headquarters at Fort Worth, quoted him as saying:

"it looks like a hexagonal object covered with tinfoil or other shining material suspended from a balloon of about twenty feet diameter. It is possibly a weather balloon flown at the highest altitude but none of the army men at this base recognize it as an army type balloon."

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The article then goes on to relate Irving Newtons later ID of the debris as a "ray wind target"

We have a few points to glean from the above statement, FWAAF could not positively identify the metallic foil as "tinfoil" they qualify it's description with "or other shining material". There is also no mention of any the foil's paper backing if it had have been an ML307 target.

We then have the statement, "but none of the army men at this base recognize it as an army type balloon."

This is quite all encompassing statement "...but none of the army men at this base...".

This is obviously said before the 5:30pm call by the Dallas Morning News as they got short shrift and the firm statement that it was just a weather balloon. And it also indicates Ramey had been investigating the debris with his own resources at FWAAF prior to the Reuters call, and wouldn't that of course include the weather staff on duty that afternoon? After all with suspicions it could be some type of weather device I would have thought the weather staff on duty at that time would have been the first through the doors to check out the debris!. It would have been the first line to eliminate in any investigation.

So... why did it take Irving Newton, who didn't come on duty until some 3hrs later, and so unaware possibly of all the earlier investigation and fuss, to twig it was a Raywin???

Other than for public consumption, that is, remember Maj Kirton was issuing the balloon story long before Newton ever came on shift.

Neil

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## Re: MOD Rendlesham File Released - Bruni

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>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 20:09:03 EDT  
>Subject: Re: MOD Rendlesham File Released  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>THE RENDLESHAM FILE

>>History in the making: British Government release UFO file on  
>>Britain's Most Famous UFO Incident

>Congratulations, Georgina!!!

>Well done. This will definitely throw the pelicanist debunkers  
>into a frightful panic. Lately they have been trying desperately  
>to force other lighthouse/lightship beams to fit the sighting  
>data but can never get the known terrain and measured compass  
>directions to fit - either one or the other stops them cold.

Dear Brad and List Members

Unfortunately, even these important files have been somewhat  
misread, as only sceptics can do.

I was interested to see the post from Dave Clarke. This of  
course was in response to my earlier post, and from the rather  
sarcastic comments, I suspect I've upset him by breaking the  
story first.

I've now seen Clarke et al's website, and to be fair, they have  
made a decent stab at summarising some of the material in the  
file. But once they move from summarisation to speculation,  
things rapidly begin to go off track, especially in the analyses  
by Jenny Randles and James Easton.

But all those involved in this new sceptical website have  
misunderstood some of the material and have been selective in  
their interpretation of other parts. There's much selective  
quoting and several blatant errors. On occasion the data looks  
as if its been massaged to fit their own pet theories, perhaps  
to portray certain researchers in a favourable light and others  
less favourably, while airbrushing others out of the story  
altogether. This is a pity because this sort of point scoring  
detracts from the real story.

To pick an example of sloppy research, much is made of Jenny  
Randles' anonymous source (who gave second or third hand  
information) at RAF Watton, while the testimony of ex radar  
operator Nigel Kerr (see pages 39-40 of You Can't Tell The  
People) is ignored. Jenny has made numerous errors, which is  
strange considering all this updated information is in my book.  
The next edition of UFO Magazine (UK) will contain what list  
members will find to be a more open minded summary and analysis  
of the data (approximately 6,000 words)

Unfortunately, one major error is where Jenny Randles states  
that DS8 acted as a "shop window". In fact the MOD file clearly  
shows that DS8 worked alongside other departments, and were  
privy to certain information that was not shared with senior RAF

and USAF personnel, or Members of Parliament. The fact that certain matters appear not to have been followed up is open for debate. We could speculate that those who held the job at the time were not as proactive as their predecessors or those who followed them. But we must also consider that the file refers to certain telephone conversations between DS8 and other departments, and although there are clues as to what was discussed during these calls, we do not have all the facts.

James Easton makes similar mistakes, although as with Randles' comments, an unstated aim seems to be an attempt to downplay the role and views of Nick Pope. It is in their interest to do this because Pope has consistently offered an insiders perspective on ufology that contradicts the views of debunkers. The comments from Randles and Easton are surely based on a brief skim through the file from which most (but not all) of the documents have been released. But Nick Pope worked on the entire file (and numerous others) for three years and has confirmed to me that in many respects Randles and Easton (and indeed Clarke and others associated with this report) have simply misunderstood the way in which the military and government work. On this I have to agree.

As well as the internal documents, there are other revelations in the file. List members might be interested to know that it contains much public correspondence. Some of this is very revealing, as certain researchers try to ingratiate themselves with the MOD by stressing their scepticism and criticising those who take a different view. Dave Clarke refers to one hilarious letter from somebody who claimed to be in touch with a Sub Dwarf civilisation, who intended to abduct senior Air Force personnel from the bases, but he fails to mention an equally amusing letter (dated 1983) from one of the researchers quoted on his sceptical website. Giving an opinion of the Rendlesham Forest case, this ufologist writes:

".....an indigenous intelligence to planet earth which in fact is way beyond us in terms of most capacities and therefore represent the real rulers of the world."

If you were seeking some answers, is this the kind of letter that you would write to the MOD? And further more, if this is the considered view of one of the people involved with this site, I leave it to list members to draw their own conclusions about the overall quality of the research and analysis that these ufologists have carried out.

Of course, the real star of this story (not credited on this new website) is former Chief of the Defence Staff, Lord Hill Norton. I briefed him last year on my own research into the Rendlesham Forest case, which involved interviews with MOD, RAF and USAF sources. Based on this material, which was subsequently presented in my book, Lord Hill Norton tabled a staggering sixteen questions in parliament. (Check out the House of Lords website, Hansard records for Written Questions and Answers from January 2001 to April 2001). It is this pressure, coupled with some internal MOD politics that I must keep private, that led to the MOD decision to allow release of most (but not all) of the file. Also worth mentioning is that the front cover of the file reveals the date when it was recalled from the archives. This was 1st November 2000, the same time that the MOD requested a preview copy of my book for the attention of Defence Ministers and senior MOD staff.

I'm sure that ufologists will appreciate the hard struggle undertaken to get this file released.

And as I mentioned earlier, for a more open minded and accurate analysis of the Rendlesham Forest file, may I urge you to read my article in the September issue UFO Magazine (UK), which will include feedback from senior Air Force personnel based at RAF Bentwaters and Woodbridge at the time.

Georgina

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Skavhaug

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Fwd Date: Sun, 19 Aug 2001 11:46:09 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Skavhaug

>From: Neil Morris <[neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk](mailto:neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk)>  
>Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 17:47:39 +0100  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Fwd Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 13:03:32 -0400

>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Morris

<snip>

>A short aside from above, Cavitt was said to have been driving a  
>"jeep carryall", being a Brit and not familiar with the term  
>"carryall" I was surprised to find out when I checked that's not  
>the small "jeep" vehicle that pops up in most WWII action  
>movies, but a much larger "station wagon" style vehicle, more  
>than enough room inside one of those to recover a downed MOGUL  
>in itself, so how come they filled the carryall and Marcel's  
>Buick yet still left the larger part of the debris out there?.

>Dodge's version of the Carryall:

[http://www.thefortworthphotographs.freemove.co.uk/images/dodge\\_carryall.jpg](http://www.thefortworthphotographs.freemove.co.uk/images/dodge_carryall.jpg)

>Neil

Neil & List:

I've been studying the photos at this site:

<http://www.thefortworthphotographs.freemove.co.uk/ftw-pics/index.htm>

i.e.:

- The 4 surviving UTA Images:

Top row (denoted photo A and B by myself):

Major Jesse A. Marcel holds the debris in Gen Ramey's office at  
8th Air Force HQ Fort Worth Texas on the afternoon of July 8th  
1947.

Bottom Row (photo C and D):

Gen Rodger Ramey, Gen Rodger Ramey and Col Thomas DuBose.

and,

- Bettmann/The Lost Ramey (photo E and F):

The other 2 images taken by Bond Johnson that afternoon:

A copy negative of the 2nd Ramey/Dubose "Grim pose" exists in  
the Bettmann Archive in NY and though the negative is missing,  
the 2nd RameyAlone "pose" was published in the July 10th edition  
of The Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

- FWAAF Warrant Officer Irving Newton with the debris (photo G):

with the following excerpt:

"(...)It must be assumed that this photograph was taken soon

after Johnson took his set as if you look at the base of the radiator beneath the window behind Newton you can see a paper wrapped package, Johnson states that these were the packages the debris was wrapped in. If you check in the Marcel images taken by Johnson this self same package is there and in the Newton Image has not moved or been disturbed from it's position in the earlier shot. There are a number of missing articles from the Newton image, the military cap and tie (thought to be Jesse Marcel's) that are seen on top of the radiator in Johnson's pictures are gone and more significantly, a number of pieces of debris are no longer to be seen spread on the floor which were there in the Johnson photographs. Upon examination these "missing" debris items contained obvious markings or features very inconsistent with the "weather balloon" story adopted by the Air Force.(...)"

Thus, by studying these negatives \_myself\_ I have proposed the following, regarding the photo's \_chronological order\_:

1. Photo F is taken first, in Ramey's office, while Col. DuBose was properly dressed, with his jacket, cap and tie. He's also holding a piece of paper, looking similar to the "Ramey message". This can imply that he got/brought the message to the office, and maybe he read it first (or, maybe he wrote it, as a some sort of "quick report", to Gen. Ramey? I.e, the last line on the Ramey message (line 9) reads (hand written): DuBose....?). (The pieces of debris may have been located/arranged on the floor by Marcel, in advance.)

2. Photo E, the next photo; DuBose takes off his jacket, tie and cap, and puts the tie on the radiator, and the cap on the first chair. He then sits down on the third chair from left. Then he leaves the paper to Ramey - who's properly dressed "for the photographers" - and who sits down (before or after reading the message). (He won't sit down on the first chair, because of DuBose's cap...)

I also think that the "badge" on Ramey's upper arm should be worth studying more closely - under high magnification and enhancement. (Maybe some design similarity with the seal..?)

(But, why does DuBose undress \_in Ramey's office\_, removing tie, cap and jacket...in front of the photographers? Has he become 'distressed and unbalanced' after the events, after reading/writing the message....?)

3. Photo C or D are taken afterwards, as the two are getting more "relaxed". Is Ramey having a smoke? Is he having a smoke to relax/"calm down" after having read the message/report? (From DuBose....?)

4. Photo A or B are taken then; DuBose's tie is still on the radiator. Marcel is also not "properly dressed", though. (I have assumed that the cap and the tie are DuBose's.) He may be removing the debris for further examinations elsewhere; we can see that the foil/material he's holding is lacking some sort of a beam/stick, after (my suggestion) having been mounted in a tent-like fashion on the floor - by himself.

5. Then, later on, photo G is taken, after some of the pieces of debris have been removed by Marcel.

I have assumed/proposed here that DuBose brought the message to Ramey, i.e., from Colonel to General, maybe as a report.

(Maybe JB Johnson can verify some of these assumptions/speculations?)

Regards,

Asgeir

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## Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - McCoy

From: GT McCoy <[gtmccoy@harborside.com](mailto:gtmccoy@harborside.com)>  
Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 18:12:57 -0700  
Fwd Date: Sun, 19 Aug 2001 11:50:07 -0400  
Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - McCoy

>From: Grant Cameron <[sqquishy@altavista.com](mailto:sqquishy@altavista.com)>  
>Date: 15 Aug 2001 12:26:59 -0700  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
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>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure  
>>Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 18:55:54 -0700

>>>Date: Tue, 14 Aug 2001 07:48:35 -0400  
>>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>>>From: John Velez <[johnvelez.aic@verizon.net](mailto:johnvelez.aic@verizon.net)>  
>>>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure

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>>>>Date: 13 Aug 2001 14:06:22 -0700  
>>>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>>>>Subject: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - Day 16

><snip>

>>Tell me does Dr. Greer support this? has he heard about it? how  
>>about it Mr. Cameron?

>Dr. Greer is aware of this. Lara is very good at keeping the  
>lines of communication open.

If he is indeed aware has he a position on the possibility of  
the first UFO disclosure martyr?

>Some indirect contact has taken place with people who have been  
>associated with the Disclosure Project. Whether this has Dr.  
>Greer's direction I do not know.

Ok, fine, but why isn't Dr. Greer fully capable of taking the  
disclosure issue on himself without the need of useless, futile,  
acts of self-injury to prove what?

I agree with John and Kelly on this one (re; their previous  
posts to Lara.)

Years ago, I knew of a woman who went on a hunger strike to get  
James Watt out as Secretary of the Interior. She didn't know she  
was pregnant. She miscarried, and nearly died anyway. Ol'  
Clearcut didn't know or cared.

Point: No politician cares, not about something as immaterial to  
voting as the 'UFO Bloc' (more like soft sponge than Bloc I  
might add).

>There has been no direct contact between the two, and according  
>to Lara it may be better if there isn't. Her concern is the  
>honesty of George Bush. UFOs is only a small part of the overall  
>secrecy she objects to.

>Hope this helps,

Yes, it does, but if there isn't direct contact, how is the good Doctor indirectly aware that the lines of communication are open through his people that he is in indirect communication with and with his indirect direction?

Sorry I asked.

GT McCoy

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## Re: Canadian Reports Increase - Young

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Date: Sun, 19 Aug 2001 10:41:04 EDT  
Fwd Date: Sun, 19 Aug 2001 11:56:05 -0400  
Subject: Re: Canadian Reports Increase - Young

>From: Chris Rutkowski <[rutkows@cc.UManitoba.CA](mailto:rutkows@cc.UManitoba.CA)>  
>Subject: Canadian Reports Increase  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 12:40:28 -0500 (CDT)

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>2001 has seen several notable cases reported so far, such as:  
> - a 10-foot crater found in a field in Alberta, possibly  
connected to witnesses seeing a "fire tornado" in the sky;

Chris:

Any more details on this? Could this have been a meteor?

> - the re-entry of a Russian rocket booster during the peak of  
the Perseid meteor shower last weekend, seen at the same time  
as triangular formations of UFOs;

<snip>

> - two people in Surrey, BC, saw a red ball of light drop  
material like "molten red wax" as it moved eastward;

Any chance this could be a meteor fireball? Date, Time?

> - two objects seen for more than an hour moving slowly through  
the sky over Conception Bay, Newfoundland.

Any information on the date/time and direction of these?

Clear skies,

Bob Young

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Hi Chris, Errol, Everyone...

Sounds like you have had a very interesting year Chris.

Any chance of seeing a write up of the cases that you mentioned please?

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- > - a 10-foot crater found in a field in Alberta, possibly connected to witnesses seeing a "fire tornado" in the sky;
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Regards

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In an infinite universe, infinitely anything is possible.  
Sean Jones

<http://www.tedric.demon.co.uk/>

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>Date: 19 Aug 2001 10:19:23 -0700  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
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>>>Date: 15 Aug 2001 12:26:59 -0700  
>>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>>>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure

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>"Are you ready for the revolution?"

Dear Grant, List, Errol;

Excellent post and even more excellent logic, Grant.

This is a very opinionated place to live. No, not UpDates, but the UFO community. Those who are most vocal other than me, tend to set themselves up as spokesmen and spokeswomen for everyone. Sometimes we are treated like children... "Now, now... mustn't do that. Might ruin your health!" in one breath. In the other, "Go ahead, make a damned fool of yourself."

Depends more on how long you've been hanging around than on what the issue is. Been around a long time? You are anathema when you do something counter to opinion. When you've been around a short time, you are gently chided. But the chiding sets up who you are supposed to be and who the chiders are supposed to be. Kings and queens of the hill.

I mean it's not like you just doused yourself with gasoline and are attempting to light a match or anything. But common sense appears to elude us sometimes. So, in defense of Lara's common sense and decent sensibility, I applaud your efforts to make a statement that no one here would likely make. Put your entire self on the line.

Good show, lady. However these words need not be said for you, Lara. They need to be said for those who would do to you, what they do best in general. Control.

I wish you health and love. It's just that here, you will probably die ten thousand deaths on line before you croak of old age in about fifty years.

Rest in Pieces. I mean that. When it's all over, rest in Reese's Pieces. "And when it's all over, I'd just as soon be on my way, up to some paradise, where the trout streams flow and the air is nice. And ride a horse along the trail. But then they put him in a jail house. And tried to turn a man into a mouse."

Lady Hurrricane lover,

Jim Mortellaro

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Rudiak

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>Neil & List:

>I've been studying the photos at this site:

><http://www.thefortworthphotographs.freemove.co.uk/ftw-pics/index.htm>

>i.e.:

>- The 4 surviving UTA Images:

>Top row (denoted photo A and B by myself):  
>Major Jesse A. Marcel holds the debris in Gen Ramey's office at  
>8th Air Force HQ Fort Worth Texas on the afternoon of July 8th  
>1947.

>Bottom Row (photo C and D):  
>Gen Rodger Ramey, Gen Rodger Ramey and Col Thomas DuBose.

>and,

>- Bettmann/The Lost Ramey (photo E and F):

>The other 2 images taken by Bond Johnson that afternoon:

>A copy negative of the 2nd Ramey/Dubose "Grim pose" exists in  
>the Bettmann Archive in NY and though the negative is missing,  
>the 2nd RameyAlone "pose" was published in the July 10th edition  
>of The Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

>- FWAAF Warrant Officer Irving Newton with the debris (photo G):

<snip>

>Thus, by studying these negatives \_myself\_ I have proposed the  
>following, regarding the photo's \_chronological order\_:

>1. Photo F is taken first, in Ramey's office, while Col. DuBose  
>was properly dressed, with his jacket, cap and tie. He's also  
>holding a piece of paper, looking similar to the "Ramey  
>message". This can imply that he got/brought the message to the  
>office, and maybe he read it first (or, maybe he wrote it, as a  
>some sort of "quick report", to Gen. Ramey? I.e, the last line  
>on the Ramey message (line 9) reads (hand written):  
>DuBose....?). (The pieces of debris may have been  
>located/arranged on the floor by Marcel, in advance.)

You seem to be confusing Gen. Ramey with Col. Dubose. Dubose is never dressed up with his cap and tie and never holds the message. The man all dressed up and crouching down by the debris

and holding the message in his left hand is Gen. Ramey in photos C - F. It is not Col. Dubose in photo F -- it is Ramey.

The last line on the Ramey message (line 9) is not hand-written -- it is typed (though there is handwriting underneath that slants upward and crosses the end of the signature. The signature line is definitely not that of Dubose. I think it says "RAMEY" though others claim it says "TEMPLE".

>2. Photo E, the next photo; DuBose takes off his jacket, tie and >cap, and puts the tie on the radiator, and the cap on the first >chair. He then sits down on the third chair from left. Then he >leaves the paper to Ramey - who's properly dressed "for the >photographers" - and who sits down (before or after reading the >message). (He won't sit down on the first chair, because of >DuBose's cap...)

Yes, it is Dubose seated in photo E, just as he is in photo D, but the dressed-up man crouching down in photo F is Ramey, exactly the same as in photos C, D, and E. Dubose never takes off his jacket, tie, and cap, because he never has them on. I'm surprised you could get confused about this.

>I also think that the "badge" on Ramey's upper arm should be >worth studying more closely - under high magnification and >enhancement. (Maybe some design similarity with the seal..?)

Probably just a standard AAF arm patch. What do you think this would tell us?

>(But, why does DuBose undress in Ramey's office, removing tie, >cap and jacket...in front of the photographers? Has he become >'distressed and unbalanced' after the events, after >reading/writing the message....?)

No, because he never "undresses." You have confused the dressed-up Ramey in photo F with the "undressed" Dubose in photos D and E.

>3. Photo C or D are taken afterwards, as the two are getting >more "relaxed". Is Ramey having a smoke? Is he having a smoke to >relax/"calm down" after having read the message/report? (From >DuBose...?)

You draw some very odd conclusions from so little. Looks to me that Ramey just has his right hand in front of his face in photo C. Would the General sneak a smoke in the middle of a photo session with a civilian reporter?

>4. Photo A or B are taken then; DuBose's tie is still on the >radiator. Marcel is also not "properly dressed", though. (I have >assumed that the cap and the tie are DuBose's.) He may be >removing the debris for further examinations elsewhere; we can >see that the foil/material he's holding is lacking some sort of >a beam/stick, after (my suggestion) having been mounted in a >tent-like fashion on the floor - by himself.

>5. Then, later on, photo G is taken, after some of the pieces of >debris have been removed by Marcel.

How do you draw the conclusion that Marcel removed material?

>I have assumed/proposed here that DuBose brought the message to >Ramey, i.e., from Colonel to General, maybe as a report.  
>  
>(Maybe JB Johnson can verify some of these

Your assumption that Dubose brought Ramey the message is unwarranted, since Dubose is never pictured holding the message, as you propose. You have confused Gen. Ramey and Dubose in one of the photos.

David Rudiak

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## Johnstone Takes ET Hunger Strike To White House

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Lara Johnstone to take ET hunger strike to White House  
EcoNews Service, Vancouver, BC

By Alfred Webre

PORTLAND, OR - Lara Johnstone on July 28, 2001 began a hunger strike to request President George W. Bush to fulfill his campaign promise and make public the truth about UFOs and Extraterrestrials.

On August 18, 22 days into her hunger strike, Lara announced on the live Ground Zero show (1080KOTK - Portland) that she will take her Presidential hunger strike to Washington, D.C. and the White House, as a daily reminder to President Bush.

"I am asking President Bush to fulfill his campaign promise, and make public information on U.S. government involvement with Extraterrestrial craft, technologies, and civilizations by supporting the Disclosure witnesses who are ready to testify before the U.S. Congress about their extensive knowledge of the Extraterrestrial presence," says Johnstone.

Johnstone is referring to the approximately 100 military and corporate Disclosure witnesses who have volunteered videotaped testimony about UFOs and Extraterrestrials. Many of these witnesses are subject to security oaths, and would require Presidential or Congressional immunity to testify in public before the U.S. Congress.

According a letter Lara wrote to her Congresswoman, Congressional Black Caucus member Barbara Lee (D - Oakland, CA.), "These numerous recorded witnesses constitute only a small portion of a vast pool of identified present of former military, intelligence, corporate, aviator, flight control, law enforcement officers, scientists and other witnesses, who will come forward when subpoenaed to testify at Congressional Hearings. Without a grant of immunity releasing them from their security oaths, many such unimpeachable witnesses fear to speak out."

Ms. Johnstone used to work for Peggy Noonan, the former speechwriter to Presidents Ronald Reagan and George Bush, Sr. In writing President George W. Bush on July 26, she said, "I recall she wrote a speech for your father about a 'thousand points of light'. Can we shed a thousand points of light in this world? If so, we need to open up the dark secrets that keep us in fear from each other. It won't be easy, and will take a huge amount of courage, honesty, responsibility and forgiveness, from all six billion of us."

About George W. Bush, the 35 year-old Johnstone says, "Now, I am not particularly a fan of Mr. Bush, however, the more I think about what he said to Mr. Huffer (twice) I am convinced that he wants to tell the people the truth!"

"But if those who want him to tell the truth, they are now going to have to get off their armchairs and let him know!" Johnstone adds.

Johnstone is referring to statements by then Governor George Bush to former U.S. Army Security Agency member Charles Huffer during a 2000 presidential campaign stop. Huffer asked both Governor Bush and Dick Cheney, who was also present, as to whether they would release government secrets regarding UFOs and Extraterrestrials if elected. This reporter witnessed that exchange, as broadcast by CNN.

On July 28, 2000, Huffer approached Governor Bush and Mr. Cheney in Springdale, Ark. and asked Bush, "would [you] finally tell us what is going on with UFOs?" Governor Bush replied, "Sure I will." The question and Bush's answer were recorded by ABC NEWS and broadcast on Nightline and more completely on CNN the next day. On July 29, the Washington Post published part of an interview with Charles Huffer about the exchange.

On the videotape, Mr. Bush is clearly seen stating that release of the UFO information would be the first thing he would do, while pointing to Mr. Cheney. Later, when asked by Huffer if he would really release the UFO materials, Governor Bush replied, "Yes sir," a reply that Huffer states he also has on audiotape.

Neither Mr. Bush nor Mr. Cheney have responded directly to Mr. Huffer's follow-up on their campaign promise. In a letter to Charles Huffer dated July 16, 2001, Vice President Cheney's office stated they were referring all questions in the matter to NASA. NASA in turn responded to Mr. Huffer in an August 1, 2001 letter, stating, "NASA has no program for the investigation of UFOs, nor does the Agency have any factual evidence of the existence of the existence of intelligent extraterrestrial life."

Lara's hunger strike first began, reporter Grant Cameron writes, after " July 26, 2001, [when] Lara Johnstone wrote a letter to President George Bush in support of over 100 Extraterrestrial Disclosure Witnesses who had come forward to tell of their involvement in the cover-up of the UFO story by the government. Lara stated in her letter that she would support her request for disclosure with a hunger strike. Now, more than three weeks later there is still no reply from President Bush, or any one else at the White House. There is not even an acknowledgment that the letter arrived."

The non-profit Disclosure Project on May 9, 2001 held a National Press Club conference in Washington, DC to present live testimony from 20 high-level military and corporate witnesses to Extraterrestrial phenomena. According to the Disclosure Project, " The event was live webcast, and at 9 a.m. over 250,000 people were waiting on-line for the press conference to begin. The next biggest webcast event at the National Press Club was less than 25,000. The first hour of the conference was 'electronically jammed' according to the president of ConnectLive, the company that webcasts all National Press Club events."

On Monday, August 13, Lara took her hunger strike to the steps of the federal courthouse in Oakland, to petition her Congresswoman, Barbara Lee to write a letter to President Bush sharing Lara's request for Extraterrestrial Disclosure.

In her hand-delivered letter to Congresswoman Lee, Lara states, "As you know, the recorded testimony of scores of military, government and other witnesses to Unidentified Flying Objects and Extraterrestrial events and projects is strong evidence of the existence of an UFO/Extraterrestrial presence on and around Earth. This recorded testimony consists of dozens of first-hand, often top-secret witnesses to UFO and Extraterrestrial events, internal UFO-related government projects and covert activities, space-based weapons programs and covert, reverse-engineered energy and propulsion system projects. The technologies that are of an Extraterrestrial origin, when publicly released within a planned transition period, will provide solutions to global environmental and security challenges."

Johnstone requested Congresswoman Lee to support a ban on space-based weapons. "Our generation of voters and leaders are responsible for this once in a lifetime decision -- to ban space-based weapons so that we will be permitted to join the peaceful travelers in the universe," Lara wrote.

On July 26, Congressman Dennis J. Kucinich (D.-Cleveland) announced his intention to introduce legislation banning

space-based weapons. "The time has come to ban the further weaponization of space," Congressman Kucinich said. "We must work toward the elimination of all nuclear weapons, and an end to policies which cause this country to move toward the weaponization of space. I was pleased with the recent news from our neighbor to the north that Canada is ready to join an international effort to prohibit weapons in space. It is time for the United States to take the lead and end the weaponization of space."

Lara's letter to Congresswoman Lee continues, "The legislation to ban space-based weapons will prohibit acts of war against Extraterrestrial civilizations, which have proven to be concerned about nuclear and weapons industry, but also have proven they are not to be hostile. The comprehensive legislation will transform the terrestrial war industry into a world cooperative military (without space weapons), civil, and commercial space industry. This will provide unprecedented benefits and opportunities to all on Earth and in space."

Lara's involvement with the Extraterrestrial issue began, according to reporter Grant Cameron, on July 22, 2001, "when Dr. Steven Greer arrived in San Francisco to make a presentation of his traveling Disclosure Project. The event was held at the huge Masonic Auditorium. Among the 2,000 people in the audience was a woman by the name of Lara Johnstone.

"Lara was a bit skeptical of the whole extraterrestrial thing," writes Cameron. "She had no background in Ufology. She had never had a sighting. A friend sent her an e-mail about the local Disclosure Event. Lara visited the Disclosure web site on the Internet. After reading the objective she decided to attend. "I never before really 'believed'," Lara wrote to President George Bush, "in 'verifiable evidence' of extraterrestrial visits." The Disclosure event turned out to be a "reality check" for Lara.

"During the event the two hour Disclosure testimony videotape was shown," Cameron states, "This tape, produced by the Disclosure project, contains highlights of over 100 hours of testimony that had been collected from interviews with dozens of U.S. Government, industrial, and military witnesses to UFO and extraterrestrial events and secret 'black-ops' projects.

"Lara decided action was necessary," Cameron states. "She chose a form of protest that she was familiar with - a hunger strike. In late 2000 Lara had used this protest method successfully against the state of California. Lara described her first hunger strike protest, 'I went on a hunger strike was against the CA Department of Corrections and Gov. Gray Davis. After 25 days, they bowed, admitted -- in writing -- what I had alleged, and what they had 'said', but not in writing. Before the press conference, the department head of all of California's prisons came up to me and went ballistic. He started screaming 'Who do you think you are, 'How dare you?' and on and on! He did not like being called up by the South African media, asked to answer very difficult questions regarding how he runs his prisons!'" The 35 year-old Johnstone, who lives in Oakland, Ca. Is originally from South Africa.

Asked if the hunger strike had affected her medically, Johnstone stated during the KOTK program, "I am carrying out this hunger strike with an open mind, and on a day-to-day basis," Johnstone stated during the KOTK program, which included a public appeal for medical personnel to monitor her daily progress.

Lara Johnstone is clear that she wants to provide President George W. Bush with a clear choice about releasing UFO and Extraterrestrial information. " If we choose to fight, bicker, find blame and pre-judge, or whatever, well we will only get more of the same and get nowhere very fast!" she said. "We -- as George Bush does -- have a choice! We can take it screaming at him, and be sure he is not going to have the support to tell the truth, or we can support him, and be prepared to stand committed to be responsible for helping people understand!"

Asked when she would be arriving on her Presidential hunger strike to Washington, DC, Lara stated "I may arrive around the time of the anti-globalization protests at the International Monetary Fund (IMF) meetings starting September 28."

"On my way to the White House, I may stop where others feel I

can be if use," she adds. "In New York, I plan to sit in on hunger strike at the offices of President Bill Clinton in Harlem. He was very supportive of extraterrestrial Disclosure, but was blocked. I also will definitely take this hunger strike to the United Nations in New York."

On July 26, Canada's Foreign Minister John Manley stated that "Canada would be very happy...to launch an initiative to see an international convention preventing the weaponization of space." Canada's lead in initiating a United Nations treaty banning space-based weapons is a marked break with the Bush administration on the issue of preventing an arms race in space.

When asked about how her Presidential hunger strike would unfold in Washington, DC, Lara says, "Well, I am just starting to think about that. I may ask to join Proposition One in a vigil in front of the White House." Proposition One is a grassroots movement for disarmament of nuclear weapons and the conversion of nuclear and other arms industries to provide for human and environmental needs."

"My hunger strike is really about the truth - be that about the environment, or about extraterrestrial Disclosure. If there were high-level environmental witnesses coming forth to reveal testimony about ecological dangers, they would receive a great deal of public support, both within the environmental movement and with the public. The same degree to support should be given the Disclosure witnesses. I am grateful for all the work the Disclosure witnesses have done, the work everyone has done! "

This EcoNews story is based on reporting by Clyde Lewis, Holly Conley, Grant Cameron, Ernie Vega, and Alfred Webre.

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>>A short aside from above, Cavitt was said to have been driving a  
>>"jeep carryall", being a Brit and not familiar with the term  
>>"carryall" I was surprised to find out when I checked that's not  
>>the small "jeep" vehicle that pops up in most WWII action  
>>movies, but a much larger "station wagon" style vehicle, more  
>>than enough room inside one of those to recover a downed MOGUL  
>>in itself, so how come they filled the carryall and Marcel's  
>>Buick yet still left the larger part of the debris out there?.

>>Dodge's version of the Carryall:

[http://www.thefortworthphotographs.freemove.co.uk/images/dodge\\_carryall.jpg](http://www.thefortworthphotographs.freemove.co.uk/images/dodge_carryall.jpg)

>Neil & List:

>I've been studying the photos at this site:

><http://www.thefortworthphotographs.freemove.co.uk/ftw-pics/index.htm>

>i.e.:

>- The 4 surviving UTA Images:

>Top row (denoted photo A and B by myself):  
>Major Jesse A. Marcel holds the debris in Gen Ramey's office at  
>8th Air Force HQ Fort Worth Texas on the afternoon of July 8th  
>1947.

>Bottom Row (photo C and D):  
>Gen Rodger Ramey, Gen Rodger Ramey and Col Thomas DuBose.

>and,

>- Bettmann/The Lost Ramey (photo E and F):

>The other 2 images taken by Bond Johnson that afternoon:

>A copy negative of the 2nd Ramey/Dubose "Grim pose" exists in  
>the Bettmann Archive in NY and though the negative is missing,  
>the 2nd RameyAlone "pose" was published in the July 10th edition  
>of The Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

>- FWAAF Warrant Officer Irving Newton with the debris (photo G):

>with the following excerpt:

>"(...)It must be assumed that this photograph was taken soon  
>after Johnson took his set as if you look at the base of the  
>radiator beneath the window behind Newton you can see a paper  
>wrapped package, Johnson states that these were the packages the  
>debris was wrapped in. If you check in the Marcel images taken  
>by Johnson this self same package is there and in the Newton  
>Image has not moved or been disturbed from it's position in the  
>earlier shot. There are a number of missing articles from the  
>Newton image, the military cap and tie (thought to be Jesse  
>Marcel's) that are seen on top of the radiator in Johnson's  
>pictures are gone and more significantly, a number of pieces of  
>debris are no longer to be seen spread on the floor which were  
>there in the Johnson photographs. Upon examination these  
>"missing" debris items contained obvious markings or features  
>very inconsistent with the "weather balloon" story adopted by  
>the Air Force....)"

>Thus, by studying these negatives myself I have proposed the  
>following, regarding the photo's chronological order:

>1. Photo F is taken first, in Ramey's office, while Col. DuBose  
>was properly dressed, with his jacket, cap and tie. He's also  
>holding a piece of paper, looking similar to the "Ramey  
>message". This can imply that he got/brought the message to the  
>office, and maybe he read it first (or, maybe he wrote it, as a  
>some sort of "quick report", to Gen. Ramey? I.e, the last line  
>on the Ramey message (line 9) reads (hand written):  
>DuBose....?). (The pieces of debris may have been  
>located/arranged on the floor by Marcel, in advance.)

>2. Photo E, the next photo; DuBose takes off his jacket, tie and  
>cap, and puts the tie on the radiator, and the cap on the first  
>chair. He then sits down on the third chair from left. Then he  
>leaves the paper to Ramey - who's properly dressed "for the  
>photographers" - and who sits down (before or after reading the  
>message). (He won't sit down on the first chair, because of  
>DuBose's cap...)

>I also think that the "badge" on Ramey's upper arm should be  
>worth studying more closely - under high magnification and  
>enhancement. (Maybe some design similarity with the seal..?)

>(But, why does DuBose undress in Ramey's office, removing tie,  
>cap and jacket...in front of the photographers? Has he become  
>'distressed and unbalanced' after the events, after  
>reading/writing the message....?)

>3. Photo C or D are taken afterwards, as the two are getting  
>more "relaxed". Is Ramey having a smoke? Is he having a smoke to  
>relax/"calm down" after having read the message/report? (From  
>DuBose....?)

>4. Photo A or B are taken then; DuBose's tie is still on the  
>radiator. Marcel is also not "properly dressed", though. (I have  
>assumed that the cap and the tie are DuBose's.) He may be  
>removing the debris for further examinations elsewhere; we can  
>see that the foil/material he's holding is lacking some sort of  
>a beam/stick, after (my suggestion) having been mounted in a  
>tent-like fashion on the floor - by himself.

>5. Then, later on, photo G is taken, after some of the pieces of  
>debris have been removed by Marcel.

>I have assumed/proposed here that DuBose brought the message to  
>Ramey, i.e., from Colonel to General, maybe as a report.

>(Maybe JB Johnson can verify some of these  
>assumptions/speculations?)

Hello Asgeir,

Interesting attempt to make sense of the sequence of the  
photographs! Just a little too much analysis here:

Fort Worth, Texas in the summer before air conditioning. Give me  
a break, of course, coats and ties are a little much.

In this era people smoked everywhere and all the time. Let's not  
get melodramatic here about Ramey trying to calm down.

It is not proper for military to wear covers indoors unless under arms. The caps in the pictures are for effect. Wearing cover indoors, in fact, is "improperly dressed." However, for photographs that is another matter.

Since the pictures are of the Roswell debris, it is assumed that the message in Ramey's hand is about Roswell. I am unconvinced by what people are trying to read on the paper. It could be anything, including after action comments about General Van's visit to 8th AF area a few days before.

Of course, for the last 50 years everything breathe any Air Force office takes involves UFOs, so all the other paperwork is turned out by gnomes in the Pentagon to cover up what is really going on.

Ramey like any general officer had 50 items on his calendar everyday.

Jan Aldrich

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Young

From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
Date: Sun, 19 Aug 2001 21:59:34 EDT  
Fwd Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 10:13:51 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Young

>Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 17:47:39 +0100  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>From: Neil Morris <[neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk](mailto:neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk)>  
>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris

>>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>>Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 23:32:38 EDT  
>>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

<snip>

>>Well, if one was going to fake the AA film, and was interested  
>>enough in details to include something which looked like the  
>>long-published picture from Fort Worth, then maybe they were  
>>careful enough to include details.

>But just who would this be and more to the point when?

Who? Whomever faked the AA film.

When? Probably sometime between 1980 when the Roswell tale resurfaced in published picture form and 1993, or whenever the AA film surfaced.

<snip>

>And the AA symbols I'm talking about are not the publicised  
>beam symbols that every one who has seen the AA are familiar  
>with.

>The symbols that match those seen in the FW pictures sit  
>along a beam on one of the tables seen in the background of  
>the "debris footage" and as far as I'm aware were totally  
>un-noticed until I hit on them by chance, late in 1999, no one  
>else has come forward to claim prior knowledge of these to date.

Now let me get it straight. The hoaxer would have had to publicly announce the existence of the little details he or she had noticed in the Fort Worth pictures and had decided to duplicate to make the fake debris look better?

>A similar point can be made for the FW pictures, has anyone  
>before the RPIT claimed to have found symbols lurking within  
>the debris on Ramey's floor potted them?, and at a date before  
>the AA film surfaced in 1993?.

The problem with your argument is that in order for it to be true, there would have to be no one on this Earth who is either as observant or as smart as you.

You obviously think that that is extremely unlikely.

This seems like it could be a fatal flaw in your hypothesis, Neil.

>>I wonder how Marcel got 777,500 square feet of anything in the  
>>trunk of his little old car?

>Ah, but Cavitt had a "carry-all", see later.

See above..

<snip>

>>What makes 10% coverage necessary to notice some shiny debris  
>>laying out on the desert? There is a mighty big assumption  
>>being made here.

>>Did Brazel ever say that the area was covered to this density?

>Nope, but if Tommy Tyree, the ranch hand who worked with Mack shortly  
>after the event is to be believed, the density was such as to  
>trouble Mack's sheep to the extent they wouldn't cross the debris  
>field, and he had to drive them around it.

You've interviewed the sheep, Neil, and they agree that it was  
10% coverage?

>Sorry Bob you've lost me here, the numbers used are directly  
>from witness testimony

1947 witness testimony?

>and pictures?, am I to assume you are  
>referring to JBJ's FW pics (?so you agree the debris shown is  
>some of that from Roswell? or do you know of some others?)

Yes.

>which according to Jesse Marcel only show a small portion of  
>what was transported to FWAAF aboard that B29's flight and  
>that debris flight only held what he and Cavitt had recovered  
>from the debris field. Most of the debris was still left behind  
>out there on the ranch.

What is the date and citation for this 1947 quotation, please.

<snip>

>so how come they filled the carryall and Marcel's Buick yet  
>still left the larger part of the debris out there?.

Please provide a citation and date for the eyewitness testimony  
that they filled the carryall and Buick with debris, yet still  
left most behind?

Clear skies,

Bob Young

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## CCCRN News: 2000 Formation Report - Handsworth,

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Fwd Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 11:02:31 -0400  
Subject: CCCRN News: 2000 Formation Report - Handsworth,

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ANOTHER 2000 FORMATION REPORT - HANDSWORTH, SASKATCHEWAN

Preliminary Report - August 20, 2001

Handsworth, Saskatchewan October 1, 2000

Another late report, not received until August of 2001. Reported by Robert Leslie. Single circle in wheat, about 60 feet diameter, with clockwise lay. Found by farmer (name withheld for time being) while swathing the field at the beginning of October in 2000. The circle is still there as the field was swathed around it at the time, and it was subsequently left untouched. CCCRN will therefore still be able to do at least a basic ground inspection of this formation for Crop Watch 2001 within the next couple weeks. Handsworth is a short distance northeast of the Midale / Estevan region, which has seen an abundance of circle reports over the years, as well as the whole southern area of Saskatchewan in general.

Another case illustrating the possibility that a significant number of formations, in particular single or small groups of circles, may go unreported at least initially, especially in more remote locations, which some of these fields are in. We do know now from experience that this is the case with at least a small percentage of reports, and possibly more.

Ground report, images to follow.

This makes thirteen known reports for 2000.

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## Cydonian Imperative: 08-19-01 - Evidence of

From: **Mac Tonnies** <[macbot@yahoo.com](mailto:macbot@yahoo.com)>  
Date: Sun, 19 Aug 2001 22:02:32 -0700 (PDT)  
Fwd Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 11:05:09 -0400  
Subject: Cydonian Imperative: 08-19-01 - Evidence of

The Cydonian Imperative  
8-20-01

Evidence of Martian "Explosion"  
by Mac Tonnies

See:

<http://www.geocities.com/macbot/cydonia.html>

Image sleuth Keith Laney has discovered interesting radial "blast" markings on the Martian surface that look suspiciously like something you might find on a driveway on July 4th. Are the streaks caused by water, such as the seeps catalogued by Efrain Palermo and Jill England (cited on The Enterprise Mission's new "Tides of Mars" paper)? Palermo has volunteered that the apparent "explosion" looks somewhat like the aftermath of the 1908 Tunguska explosion in Siberia, an airburst thought to have been caused by a disintegrating comet fragment.

The markings in the Mars image look as though something detonated, but it's unclear whether the detonation occurred above or below the ground. I don't see how this could have been the work of a conventional meteorite, as there's no evidence of an impact crater or ejecta. And the peculiar "scorch" marks, (if that's what they are) are absent from known examples of impact events.

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## Re: Turkish Pilots & UFO - Konac

From: Hakan Konac <[konac@ada.net.tr](mailto:konac@ada.net.tr)>  
Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 07:12:13 GMT  
Fwd Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 11:13:15 -0400  
Subject: Re: Turkish Pilots & UFO - Konac

>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 18:00:38 EDT  
>Fwd Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 17:37:29 -0400  
>Subject: Re: Turkish Pilots & UFO - Sparks

>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>>From: Hakan Konac" <[konac@ada.net.tr](mailto:konac@ada.net.tr)>  
>>Subject: Turkish Pilots & UFO  
>>Date: Wed, 15 Aug 2001 09:31:23 GMT

>>Enjoy the below info.

>>Hakan

>>Name of Turkish Air Force Pilot: Second Lieutenant Ilker Dincer  
>>Name of Second Turkish Air Force Pilot: n.a.  
>>Type of the aircraft: T-37 Training Jet (122nd Squadron)  
>>Date: 6 August 2001  
>>Time: 12:30 hours Turkish time  
>>Place: Izmir, Candarli, Turkey  
>>Duration of Encounter: 30 minutes

>>Dincer: "We are facing an unusual situation. We see an object  
>> shaped like a cross between a cone and a disc, with  
>> support legs, extremely luminous and high speed".

>>What "high speed"? Where was the T-37 headed? Where was it  
>>located exactly? What altitude? Where was the UFO located in the  
>>sky by angle? Altitude? Distance?

>>Dincer reports the incident both to the Ground Control and to the  
>>Combat Operations Center (COC) and asks for radar confirmation.

>>COC: "Negative. We detect a high rate of maneuvering in your  
>> aircraft but no detection of a second object around."

>>What was the speed of this supposed "high rate of maneuvering"?

>>Dincer moves the T-37 closer towards the object and according to  
>>Dincer, the object also moves closer towards the T-37.

>>No details, no estimated distances, no directions/headings, no  
>>times. Nothing.

>>Dincer: "The object is now coming closer to my wings, now it's  
>> behind us, I'll get it in front of myself, now it's in  
>> front of us, hey this is certainly going for a dog fight  
>> with us".

>>No estimated distances, no headings or directions, no locations,  
>>no times, no details.

>>The object gyrated around the T-37 for about a half hour. The  
>>object and the T-37 maneuvered around each other during the  
>>encounter until the object disappeared at an incredibly high  
>>speed.

>>No estimated distances, no headings, no directions, no

>locations, no altitudes, no deatils.

>>The incident is under investigation by the Turkish Air Force and  
>>there is a great deal of concern and shock among the Air Force  
>>officials.

>>The incident will be reported to the relevant international  
>>institutions, especially NASA.

>It sounds very suspicious to me, the extreme lack of any detail  
>except what would sound exciting to a UFO nut.

Dear Brad and List members,

Here are some answers to possible questions:

Q: What "high speed"? Where was the T-37 headed? Where was it located exactly? What altitude? Where was the UFO located in the sky by angle? Altitude? Distance? What was the speed of this supposed "high rate of maneuvering"? No details, no estimated distances, no directions/headings, no times. Nothing. No estimated distances, no haedings, no directions, no locations, no altitudes, no deatils.

A: The statement came from only one source: Turkish press (that includes newspapers, TV news, radio stations). According to the press, however, the source is the Turkish Air Force (TUAF) itself. Only the TUAF has the answers to the above questions, but they simply don't want to talk about it. The pilots are probably under orders to keep their mouths shut.

On the other hand, Mr. Haktan Akdogan, Chairman of the Sirius UFO and Space Sciences Research Center says he talked to some folks at the Air Force Command and learned from them that the incident was under serious investigation and that they might have some radar output - something that is in contrast with the earlier news which stated that there was no radar confirmation. Of course, if this is an incorrect statement, Mr. Akdogan is the one to put the blame on. He added that this incident was not the only one faced by the Turkish Air Force (TUAF) Pilots.

Apparently, TUAF has several reports from the past but is not disclosing any information on any alleged incidents. Governments are governments everywhere. Too many questions and just a few publicly known answers!

Q: One can ask the question why would the Turkish Air Force contact NASA since NASA has publicly disavowed any knowledge or interest in UFOs?

A: Well, I can think of two answers:

1. TUAF is not aware of NASA's statement disavowing any interest in UFOs.
2. If TUAF really has an unusual radar output and does not have sufficient means to thoroughly analyse it, they might want to send the radar output to NASA and request info on it, notwithstanding that the incident is a UFO-related one. Perhaps, they will not even tell NASA about the UFO side of the story, but only ask them what they can make of the radar output. A simple request that can be addressed to an ally institution, right?

If I hear more on this, I'll let you know.

Regards,

E. Hakan Konac

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## Re: MOD Rendlesham File Released - Roberts

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Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 11:34:42 +0100  
Fwd Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 11:17:17 -0400  
Subject: Re: MOD Rendlesham File Released - Roberts

>From: Georgina Bruni <[georgina@easynet.co.uk](mailto:georgina@easynet.co.uk)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: MOD Rendlesham File Released  
>Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 23:28:15 +0100

Pilgrims,

Georgina's post, reeking of sour grapes as it does, is highly amusing.

Unfortunately we're too busy with proper UFO research to discuss phone calls which may or may not have happened, single radar operator 'sightings' which occupy one paragraph of her book, and other irrelevancies. But, it's a lovely sunny afternoon in the South Pennines, we've just been for a jolly walk and are prepared to have a little fun with Georgina.....

Georgina wrote:

>I was interested to see the post from Dave Clarke. This of  
>course was in response to my earlier post, and from the rather  
>sarcastic comments, I suspect I've upset him by breaking the  
>story first.

Ho, and indeed ho. We have had the Rendlesham file since May 2001. Our website was primed and ready to go, waiting to see how Georgina (who only received the files recently) chose to present the material.

We weren't disappointed.

Instead of choosing to 'tell the people', it's more a case of telling the people to 'buy the magazine'. Georgina's announcement has more to do with puffing up magazine sales than any real desire for you, the ufological public, to read the facts. Mrs Thatcher would be proud of her entrepreneurial acumen!

Whereas Dave Clarke has chosen to contextualise and analyse the documents Georgina has chosen merely to advertise them.

Georgina's nonsense about us 'distorting' the case can be shown for the tripe it is if you look at [flyingsaucery.com](http://flyingsaucery.com). Decide for yourself just how much is 'comment' and how much is presentation of the file itself. The 'comments' by James Easton and Jenny Randles are totally distinct from the Rendlesham File and Dave's commentary. Their views are not necessarily shared by either Dave or myself but both have been major players in the Rendlesham investigation and should be carefully listened to.

So, visit [flyingsaucery.com](http://flyingsaucery.com) where you can read selected documents (for free!), the accompanying comment and analysis (for free) and make your own minds up.

Despite Georgina's witterings, we have offered her the space to put her side of the story on our site and she has accepted. Once, of course it's been sold to you, along with the tea towel, personalised handbag, and video, via UFO Magazine!

Buy now whilst belief lasts!

The 7000 people plus who've hit the site in the last 48 hours haven't had to spend any money to see these vital documents. Nor do they have to wade through a lot of hot air and nonsense. The facts are there for all to see.

Naturally we are previewing our book on the site. But before it comes out next May we will be freely releasing some absolutely amazing UK ufological material to 'the people'.

We rest our valise!

Happy Trails

Dave and Andy

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## Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - Velez

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Fwd Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 11:20:29 -0400  
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>From: Jim Mortellaro <[Jsmortell@aol.com](mailto:Jsmortell@aol.com)>  
>Date: Sun, 19 Aug 2001 14:19:36 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>From: Grant Cameron <[sgquishy@altavista.com](mailto:sgquishy@altavista.com)>  
>>Date: 19 Aug 2001 10:19:23 -0700  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure

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>>>>Date: 15 Aug 2001 12:26:59 -0700  
>>>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>>>>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure

>>>><snip>

>>>>Some indirect contact has taken place with people who have been  
>>>>associated with the Disclosure Project. Whether this has Dr.  
>>>>Greer's direction I do not know.

>>>>Ok, fine, but why isn't Dr. Greer fully capable of taking the  
>>>>disclosure issue on himself without the need of useless, futile,  
>>>>acts of self-injury to prove what?

>>>>Why do you assume Greer is not capable of taking on disclosure  
>>>>without Lara?

>>>>I agree with John and Kelly on this one (re; their previous  
>>>>posts to Lara.)

>>>>Years ago, I knew of a woman who went on a hunger strike to get  
>>>>James Watt out as Secretary of the Interior. She didn't know she  
>>>>was pregnant. She miscarried, and nearly died anyway. Ol'  
>>>>Clearcut didn't know or cared.

>>>>Point: No politician cares, not about something as immaterial to  
>>>>voting as the 'UFO Bloc' (more like soft sponge than Bloc I  
>>>>might add).

>>>>100 years ago no politician cared about the female vote, or the  
>>>>black vote. 25 years ago no politician cared about the gay vote.  
>>>>So what is the point you are struggling to make?

>>>>>There has been no direct contact between the two, and according  
>>>>>to Lara it may be better if there isn't. Her concern is the  
>>>>>honesty of George Bush. UFOs is only a small part of the overall  
>>>>>secrecy she objects to.

>>>>>Hope this helps,

>>>>>Yes, it does, but if there isn't direct contact, how is the good  
>>>>>Doctor indirectly aware that the lines of communication are open  
>>>>>through his people that he is in indirect communication with and

>>>with his indirect direction?

>>What do you propose Dr. Greer do? 1) break into her house in the  
>>middle of her night and force feed her? 2) lock her in her room  
>>till she eats? 3) Have her arrested? 4) Have her killed? 5)  
>>Phone her and order her to stop immediately?

>>Last time I checked the United States was still a free country  
>>where people can do as they please.

>>Lara does not have to feel the scolding of Greer to stop. She  
>>gets enough of it from the UFO community. Despite my warning  
>>about this when she started she expressed on a radio show last  
>>night, shock at how people are treated in this community.

>>Some people associated with the Disclosure Project have  
>>approached Lara with offers to help. As far as I know no one in  
>>the Disclosure Project has attacked her for her actions.

>>Grant

>>"Are you ready for the revolution?"

>Dear Grant, List, Errol;

>Excellent post and even more excellent logic, Grant.

>This is a very opinionated place to live. No, not UpDates, but  
>the UFO community. Those who are most vocal other than me, tend  
>to set themselves up as spokesmen and spokeswomen for everyone.  
>Sometimes we are treated like children... "Now, now... mustn't  
>do that. Might ruin your health!" in one breath. In the other,  
>"Go ahead, make a damned fool of yourself."

>Depends more on how long you've been hanging around than on what  
>the issue is. Benn around a long time? You are anathema when you  
>do something counter to opinion. When you've been around a short  
>time, you are gently chided. But the chiding sets up who you are  
>supposed to be and who the chiders are supposed to be. Kings and  
>queens of the hill.

>I mean it's not like you just doused yourself with gasoline and  
>are attempting to light a match or anything. But common sense  
>appears to elude us sometimes. So, in defense of Lara's common  
>sense and decent sensibility, I applaud your efforts to make a  
>statement that no one here would likely make. Put your entire  
>self on the line.

>Good show, lady. However these words need not be said for you,  
>Lara. They need to be said for those who would do to you, what  
>they do best in general. Control.

>I wish you health and love. It's just that here, you will  
>probably die ten thousand deaths on line before you croak of old  
>age in about fifty years.

>Rest in Pieces. I mean that. When it's all over, rest in Reese's  
>Pieces. "And when it's all over, I'd just as soon be on my way,  
>up to some paradise, where the trout streams flow and the air is  
>nice. And ride a horse along the trail. But then they put him in  
>a jail house. And tried to turn a man into a mouse."

>Lady Hurricaine lover,

>Jim Mortellaro

Hello All,

Wow!

It simply amazes me how; what was originally a simple expression  
of concern for the well being of a fellow human being, has been  
twisted into this maelstrom of contentious debate. How my  
expression of genuine concern for Lara has been tortuously  
interpreted as an attempt to "control" I'll never know. My mind  
just isn't that convoluted so I can't even follow the thought  
processes involved that would permit anyone to derive such a  
sick meaning from my posts to Lara. Must be 'somebody'  
interpreting things the way they want to interpret them regardless  
of actual content or intent. A form of "prejudice" if you will.

Just to clarify this for anyone who may be laboring under delusions or misinterpretations; my legitimate concerns for Lara stem from the following:

1. Lara is engaged in a long term fast with no set terminus. (She plans to fast until George Bush caves and responds to her ultimatum.)
2. Fasts which extend beyond thirty days are physically harmful to the individual that is fasting.
3. Her fast is being supervised by an 'herbologist' not a physician. (A physician can monitor her blood chemistry and provide her with sound medical advice should any changes that are hazardous to her health transpire. She can then adjust her nutrient intake accordingly in order to protect her health.)
4. Lara, for all her admirable character attributes is just a human being with all the limitations and physical shortcomings that we are all prone to.

Those of you who find it 'easy' to egg her on and encourage her without ever once mentioning the potential hazard to her well being are doing her a tremendous disservice. Honestly, I get tired of 'windbags' that have nothing better to do than to hop onto every bandwagon that rolls into town without once taking the time to think it through or to conduct a critical evaluation as to its value.

Worse yet, some will take the good intentions of others and twist and cajole it into their own very sick and twisted interpretations. I trust that the more intelligent among the assembled are able to see the (self serving) interpretations of these individuals for what it is. Empty lip-service. (Talking just to hear the lilting sound of ones own voice.)

I'd have a lot more respect for some of her supporters if they had the cojones to join her in her fast rather than taking the easy (and cowardly) route of twisting the meaning of, and verbally castigating and criticizing others who are expressing genuine concern for Lara's well being.

All I have done is express my concern for Lara. It is 'others' who are (once again) trying hard to turn it all into an adversarial (we/they) situation. The finger pointer's are the ones who continually expend energy to keep the UFO community divided. They are not only the instigators and culprits of it, they are the ones who are guilty of the divisiveness they so easily and thoughtlessly 'blame' on others.

For them I will paraphrase the words of a Great teacher:

"Remove the log from thine own eye before pointing out the splinter in the eye of another!"

John Velez

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### Foot & Mouth Reduced Crop Circle Sightings

From: Adam Lowe <[nicap@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:nicap@blueyonder.co.uk)>  
Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 16:47:03 +0100  
Fwd Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 02:22:26 -0400  
Subject: Foot & Mouth Reduced Crop Circle Sightings

Hi Everyone,

If I remember correctly someone earlier this year asked if the foot and mouth disease would affect the amount crop circles. I spotted this earlier so I thought I'd pass it on.

[http://news.bbc.co.uk/hi/english/sci/tech/newsid\\_1496000/1496296.stm](http://news.bbc.co.uk/hi/english/sci/tech/newsid_1496000/1496296.stm)

Foot and mouth disease reduced crop circle sightings.

Foot-and-mouth disease seems to have affected the number of mysterious crop circles appearing through the summer, according to a Wiltshire farmer.

Tim Carson had only one new circle appear on his land this year - until rural access restrictions were lifted a month ago.

He said: "I had a phone call to ask if the footpaths were open round our way.

"I said 'Yes', and that night a crop circle appeared. Read into that what you will."

Researchers trying to explain the phenomenon say it may be caused by the Earth's magnetic field - but they admit many circles are hoaxes.

Elaborate patterns are man-made, say experts.

The high number appearing in Wiltshire has been linked with the presence of ancient remains such as Stonehenge, Avebury and Silbury Hill.

The circles are a familiar sight on Mr Carson's land at Manor Farm in Alton Barnes, near Marlborough.

He knows that at least two of this year's circles were not created by alien beings.

He said: "We had one circle during the restrictions and then the footpaths were reopened and we have had six since then.

Disney film.

"Two of them I know about because someone was making a film, and he asked me if he could make them.

"It's a love story and it's got crop circles in it."

Simple circles may not be fakes, say experts

Mr Carson could give no details, but said the director hoped to release it after another movie hits the big screen, probably next year.

The Disney film, Signs, is about circles appearing on a family farm in Philadelphia.

Scientist Colin Andrews, who has spent 18 years researching the

strange manifestations, says about 80% are man-made.

Mr Carson is not amused by the fakes. "It's a waste of crops, trespass and criminal damage," he said.

Massive circle.

But he admitted to being intrigued.

He said: "My neighbour's just had one that's absolutely massive.

Circles are common in Wiltshire

"If you work it out, it's not dark for that many hours in summer, and this consists of about 300 separate circles.

"There must have been a circle made every 30 seconds.

"It would have taken an army to do that, and there's no way an army could have gone undetected.

"It's something that defies belief."

There is no mystery about what makes the circles disappear - the annual harvest.

"We've removed two already and the other five won't stay much longer," said Mr Carson.

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## National UFO Conference Update

From: **SMiles Lewis** <[smiles@elfis.net](mailto:smiles@elfis.net)>  
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Robert Anton Wilson, Jenny Randles, Constance Clear, Patrick Huyghe, Karl Pflock, Kenn Thomas, Greg Bishop, Eugenia Macer-Story, James Arthur, David Perkins, James Moseley, Mack White, Russ Dowden, Tom Deuley, Loren Coleman, Diana Hoyt, Pamela Stonebrooke, Bruce Wright, Ed Conroy, Erik Stearns, Dennis Stacy, Don Webb, Miles Lewis, Tim Brigham, Steve Mizrach, Jim Beal.

-Kenn Thomas-

Kenn Thomas is founder, publisher and editor of Steamshovel Press, one of the world's most respected alternative media publications. He is also one of America's best known conspiracy writers and the author of seven published books on a variety of topics.

Thomas lectures widely and appears regularly on television and radio programs, including Fox News Full Nelson, Rob McConnell's X-Zone, Sightings on the Radio, Strange Daze and Coast To Coast AM with Art Bell.

Books By Kenn Thomas include: Maury Island UFO, Inside the Gemstone File, Flying Saucers over Los Angeles, Mind Control, Oswald and JFK, NASA, Nazis and JFK, The Octopus, Popular Alienation.

Kenn is presenting "The ParaPolitics of UFOs/Maury Island & the Crisman Conspiracy" Sunday afternoon. He will also be participating in several panel discussions.

For more information about Kenn Thomas...

<http://www.nufoc.net/thomas.htm>  
<http://www.steamshovelpress.com>

Check out pages from the Maury Island comic book...

<http://www.seattleartbellchatclub.com/Maury.html>



-Constance Clear-

Abduction therapist & author of Reaching for Reality. Constance hosts the nightly radio show/webcast Clear Talk. Lecturer and psychotherapist Clear has a Master of Arts degree in psychology from Trinity University and a Master of Social Work degree from Our Lady of the Lake University. She has been in private practice since 1976, working with individuals, couples, and families. After fifteen years of facilitating a support group for bereaved parents, Constance began to study the UFO phenomena, which led to her working with abductees and culminated in the creation of this book. Her credentials include: L.M.S.W.-A.C.P., L.M.F.T., A.C.S.W., and B.C.D.

For more information about Constance Clear...

<http://www.nufoc.net/clear.htm>

<http://www.reachingforreality.com>

-Patrick Huyghe-

Patrick Huyghe is presently the editor-in-chief of Paraview Press in New York, and the editor of a twice-yearly journal on the mysteries of science, history, and nature called The Anomalist. Under the company name JustDuckie, he also maintains several web sites, which he created, including the online version of The Anomalist and Small Comets, the news site for information on the discovery of small comets.

Huyghe holds a BA in social psychology from the University of Virginia and an MS in journalism from Syracuse University. After two years of editing and writing on the staffs of Us and Newsweek magazines, he turned freelance in 1980. Since then he has written for dozens of magazines, from The New York Times Magazine and Discover, to Psychology Today and Reader's Digest, Health and Omni, Audubon and The Sciences, and many others. During his two decades as a science writer he also served stints as contributing editor to both Science Digest and Omni.

Huyghe has also contributed to Time-Life, Reader's Digest, and Scribner's book series, taught science writing at the college level, produced public TV documentaries for WGBH-Boston and WNET- New York, and written exhibit text and interactive scripts for the Liberty Science Center in New Jersey, the Petrosains Discovery Center in Malaysia, and Monsanto's "Beautiful Science" exhibit at EPCOT.

Huyghe has authored three books. His latest is titled, Swamp Gas Times: My Two Decades on the UFO Beat.

For more information about Patrick Huyghe...

<http://www.nufoc.net/huyghe.htm>

<http://www.PatrickHuyghe.com>

<http://www.Anomalist.com>

<http://www.ParaView.com>

-Diana Palmer Hoyt-

Diana has written her masters thesis on the academic ridicule of the UFO subject: UFOs, Social Intelligence and the Condon Committee. Diana is currently employed by NASA.

Diana is presenting Friday afternoon on "UFOs as Forbidden Science". She will also be participating in the Friday afternoon panel discussion "Best Future Research/Gaining Legitimacy".

For more information about Diana Hoyt...

<http://www.nufoc.net/hoyt.htm>

<http://www.policy.nasa.gov/hoyt.html>

-Ed Conroy-

Author of Report on Communion: An Independent Investigation of and Commentary on Whitley Strieber's Communion. Ed Conroy was a free-lance writer for the San Antonio (TX) Express-News and other publications, specializing in arts and entertainment. He is a graduate of the California Institute of the Arts' School of Critical Studies, and lives in San Antonio.

His independent investigation of Whitley Strieber's nonfiction book Communion is every bit as eye-opening as Communion itself. As the first in-depth report that attempts to verify experiences

related by Strieber in that work, Report on Communion studies the 'visitor' and UFO 'abduction' phenomena. Ed Conroy presents the story behind the book and the media uproar it created in order to allow the reader to make up his or her own mind about the most compelling and widely read account of an apparent UFO "abduction."

With Strieber's full cooperation, Conroy has interviewed figures important to Strieber's childhood, the writing of Communion and Transformation, his writing career in general, and the making of the film of the book. Conroy has conducted original research on similar 'visitor' experiences in the vicinity of Strieber's boyhood home in San Antonio, Texas, cross-verified facts presented in order to approach rationally the UFO phenomenon; and records his own experiences for the reader to interpret.

Conroy also discusses Communion within the larger context of the myths, folklore, and reality of our world, including the possible relationship between the 'visitors' and the fairies and leprechauns of legend. He explores Communion's place in the American UFO community and includes an exclusive interview that gives Strieber's own thoughts on the identity of the 'visitors.' But perhaps the most important question addressed in Report on Communion is 'If Strieber is telling the truth, and humanity is actually entering into a new relationship with entities who are intervening dramatically in our most personal affairs, then what kind of relationship are we to establish with them?'

Ed Conroy will be presenting Sunday afternoon. His talk is titled "From UFO Researcher to Cabalist: Conroy's Transformation After His Journey Through Communion". He will also be participating in the Sunday afternoon panel discussion "Balancing Experienter Therapy & Event Investigations".

For more information about Ed Conroy...

<http://www.nufoc.net/conroy.htm>

-Greg Bishop-

Editor of The Excluded Middle magazine and researcher into UFOs and Alien Writing and their interconnections with altered states of consciousness and shamanism. His articles have graced the pages of Fortean Times, Magickal Blend and others.

In his article "ET Play Ball," written for The Konformist, Greg looks at connections between the infamous Roswell incident and inter-racial developments in sport.

<http://www.konformist.com/1999/etplayball.htm>

"The Great Rock Convention," co-written with conspiriologist Kenn Thomas for Fortean Times magazine, is an outstanding article on one of Greg's favorite subjects; early UFO contactees and the Giant Rock gatherings. Gain some insight into the beginnings of a contemporary New Religious Movement.

<http://www.forteantimes.com/artic/118/rock.html>

Greg will be presenting Saturday afternoon on "Psychedelics, Alien Abductions, Shamanism and Alien Writing". He will also be participating in several panel discussions.

For more information about Greg Bishop...

<http://www.nufoc.net/bishop.htm>

Check out the official web site for The Excluded Middle, one of the most interesting conspiriology and weird culture zines, founded in 1993. The archived articles are a stimulating read, ranging from familiar topics such as UFOlogy and Nikola Tesla to Cabbalistic interpretations of Dr. Seuss tales. A must-read site! <http://www.excludedmiddle.com>

There you can read famous interviews by Greg Bishop of... William "Bill" Moore, Karla Turner, Keith Thompson, Richard Boylan, James Moseley, Dean Radin, Ira Einhorn

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Each full day of this year's National UFO Conference has a theme. There are many important facets to unraveling the ufo mystery so we've chosen to focus each days presentations towards

certain key components of the phenomenon.

Friday's focus: "The Future of UFOlogy"

What does the future hold for the scientific investigation of the UFO phenomenon? Despite all the ridicule and lack of official scientific inquiry, many dedicated researchers have led the way investigating everything from UFO landing traces to the stories of contact described by the witnesses themselves. Much has been accomplished over the years and there is still much work to do.

Hard at work behind the scenes, this day's lineup of presenters will educate you about where we have been and where we are going in the scientific quest for understanding of Earth's greatest mysteries.

Is there any evidence for the claims of Government suppressed crashed saucer retrievals such as the El Indio and, more famous, Roswell New Mexico crash of 1947? How might we use the latest technologies to aid us in our search for answers to the ufo enigma? What can we learn from Academia's ridicule of the ufo subject? How can we use that knowledge to turn the tide of derision and begin anew to ask the right questions?

Saturday's focus: "Alternate Paradigms for the UFO Phenomenon"

There has always been a tendency to "escalate hypotheses" while grappling with the "ufo problem." When the modern era of flying saucers began it was easy to speculate about their possible origins; advanced aircraft of an enemy nation was usually the first idea put forth. Misperceived natural phenomena was another popular explanation which still seems valid for weeding out the 80-95% "haystack" of IFOs (Identified Flying Objects) that dilute the true UFO reports. But it was the ExtraTerrestrial Hypothesis that quickly emerged as the main contender for the modern public's ideas about the origins of UFOs.

Despite the extraterrestrial hypothesis' popularity and surface level viability as the best explanation for UFO sightings and close encounters, many researchers began looking elsewhere for new hypotheses to better account for all the ufo data. In the 1970s a number of new theories emerged to explain ufos and related phenomena. The Paranormal Hypothesis became popular among those fluent in parapsychological research as well as those identifying their interests in the strange with the monikers of Fortean, Parapsychology and Anomalistics.

With subjects as diverse as consciousness and dream research, apparition reports and ghost stories, cattle mutilations and crop circles, psychedelics and perception, unknown animals and paranormal beings, astral travel and out of body experiences, shamanism and spiritual transformation... Saturday's speakers will shatter your preconceptions about the Paradigms you believe in and live by.

Sunday's focus: "Integrating the Anomalous"

The focus of the final conference day is the "bottom line" of these strange phenomena; how do we integrate the anomalous into our lives? Sunday's speakers are well equipped to help us individually and as a society to navigate the ambiguous multiple paradigms inherent in UFO related phenomena..

While science has tried to quantify the UFO phenomena through its various instruments of investigation such as radar, magnetometers, chemical analyzers, photographic devices etc., the most important aspect of the strange events and encounters is the person who witnesses and experiences these Unassimilated Fantastic Observations. Some people have a religious response (the Contactees old and new), others are incensed by the violating aspects of these encounters. For some the encounters are liberating transcendent spiritual experiences while others are beset by a variety of debilitating problems ranging from sleep disturbances, radiation sickness or even PTSD (Post Traumatic Stress Disorder). "Something" is experienced by these people and it can have life changing effects upon them.

What do we know about the people who witness these phenomena? How can we balance our investigations into these events while protecting the rights and well-being of the experiencers of such bizarre phenomena?

How have the various researchers and experiencers grappled with these phenomena over the years? What drives those who've not had the experience to often voraciously pursue the answers to the riddles posed by the phenomena? Why do others react with ridicule and fear? These questions and much more will be explored during both the Sunday Day Session and the Sunday Night Session.

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#### LIVE MUSIC

This year's conference will be unlike any other UFO event. Each night there will be UFO researchers and a panel discussion just like during the day but after dark there will be live ParaUFO music, Flying Saucer Film Festival and Psychotronic Entertainment.

Music is an amazingly mind altering technology. With simple beats and rhythms a person's heart rate and brainwave activity can be 'entrained' to a specific frequency. Music can change your mood. It can put you on the edge of your seat in suspenseful anticipation and it can exalt the very fabric of your soul.

Some people have suggested that the creative artistic types often seem to be experiencers of paranormal and contact phenomena. Many a musician has wrestled with the various issues associated with UFOs, aliens and the paranormal. Austin has played host to a number of such artists like Roky Erickson of the 13th Floor Elevators and Jon Sanchez of the Flying Saucers. There are tons of UFO songs out there in the ether.

Good examples of intuitive psychics and/or experiencers are scheduled presenters Eugenia Macer-Story and Pamela Stonebrooke. Besides giving their ufo lectures both Eugenia and Pamela will be gracing us with their own musical stylings. Eugenia plays guitar and rights songs for the numerous plays she has written. She will be performing her own style of "Interdimensional Music" Friday evening before that night's film festival. Then on Sunday night Pamela Stonebrooke, an accomplished jazz singer, will belt out several of her own tunes. (Keep an eye out for the next Conference UpDate that will feature more information on both of these multi-talented presenters.)

At the end of each night we will be featuring a taste of Austin's own anomalous music community; first on Friday night with veteran Austin rockers PONG then Saturday night with ethereal feedback artists Experimental Aircraft and finally Sunday night with garageband rockers SciBorg Sam & the Automatons.

See what others are saying about these awesome Austin musicians:

#### PONG!

"The name fits the retro-futuristic kind of mood we're in," explains guitarist and vocalist Gary Chester.

Joining Chester are Jason Craig (guitar, vocals), Lyman Hardy (drums), Shane Shelton (keyboards, vocals), and Larry Strub (bass, vocals). Craig and Shelton have spent time in local punk rock bands Pocket FishRmen and Moist Fist, respectively. The remaining three created one of Austin's most important post-punk bands, the mighty modernist rock trio Ed Hall.

After releasing a handful of albums and touring the U.S. and Europe, Ed Hall -- like their last label, Trance Syndicate -- called it quits in 1996. Personality clashes didn't break up the band, but rather the familiar story of years of hard work with less-than- desired rewards. Bassist Strub moved to Thailand for a few years and taught English. Chester stayed in town, playing with Moist Fist and fashioning Gold, the band that became Pong.

Checking out the band's rough mixes prove the point.

"Incapacitated" is a toe-tapping disco-rock jam that announces "aliens have landed at the White House, California has fallen into the ocean," that last word delivered in a fatalistic falsetto drop. "Foot Foot" begins with Stonesy "whooh-hooo" harmonies mixed with Warm Jets-era Eno vocals and an upbeat rhythm. The flowing, flowering intro of "Bubble Jungle" morphs into a cavernous shuffle groove, full of melodic stalactites and weird vocal stalagmites. Pong songs are often like Dali paintings, at once organized, inviting, and scary."

[http://www.auschron.com/issues/dispatch/2000-03-03/music\\_feature3.html](http://www.auschron.com/issues/dispatch/2000-03-03/music_feature3.html)

"Dramatically switching gears, Austin's Pong sludges up on stage. For those of you who were fans of Ed Hall, Pong is all three members of this former seminal Austin band, along with two other chaps adding keyboards and another guitar into the mix. These veterans not only put on a stellar show, but have some great material to go along with their antics."

<http://www.splendidezine.com/features/sxsw2k/wednesday.html>

#### EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT

<http://www.experimentalaircraft.com/>

"Another chance to lay back and drift easy as Austin, Texas' EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT put the shimmer on and start glistening. Ten tracks of blissy and sonic pop and rock combinations driven by fuzzed guitars, lush female vocals, and an occasional Moog/synth sound. Dynamic, jam-ready, and spaced." -Unknown

"Dreamy, narcotic, trance-inducing, space landscape of sound. T.J. O'Leary, guitar and vocals; Rachel Staggs, guitar and vocals; Mark Smith, bass; and Jason Ferguson, drums." -Unknown

"These Austin-nauts drift through the ether with beautifully fuzzy guitars and lush girl vocals. The odd Moog and organ slinks through as spaced-out hooks expand into Sonic Youth-style jams. Shimmering moments of quiet provide valleys to match the band's loudest peaks." -Williamette Week

"With neutron stars in their eyes and a new self-titled EP in hand, Experimental Aircraft phases their brand of ballsy bliss-rock into an Austin landscape woefully short on shoegazerdom. References to drone masters Baiter Space might be more apt, but when the band hits its stride, they're evocative of the seemingly Precambrian days when My Bloody Valentine walked the earth." - Michael Chamy, The Austin Chronicle

[http://www.auschron.com/issues/dispatch/2000-11-24/music\\_recviews17.html](http://www.auschron.com/issues/dispatch/2000-11-24/music_recviews17.html)

<sup>3</sup>Shoegazers and noise enthusiasts Experimental Aircraft weave through Indie Rock signatures with alarming dexterity. From Their Sonic Youth-inspired string noise and two-note dissonance to Swervedriver's hollow, NASA-approved screech (<sup>3</sup>Sci-Flyer<sup>2</sup>, <sup>3</sup>Son of Mustang Ford<sup>2</sup>), and finally Lush/MBV, Doppler-effected grooves, it's obvious they've done their homework. While an ability to mirror and medley some of 90s Alt-Rock's greatest moments deserves some respect, it's Experimental Aircraft's own style and kinetic flair that remains most impressive.<sup>2</sup>  
-Listen.com

"And lo, a great deal of drinking then took place at Opal's. A whole lot. There were discussions of camping and Mississippi and the feared "Zachsquatch". And over all of this debauchery spun the gorgeous music of Experimental Aircraft, another Devil in the Woods band. Their self-titled album is simultaneously a tribute to the our shoegazing past and a hint at some sort of blissed-out sonic future. Sure, there are traces of My Bloody Valentine and Slowdive and Chapterhouse, (how couldn't there be?), but Ex-Air have moved past the early 90's hip-hopped percussion and focused more exclusively on guitars and what distortion does to them. Lead singer Rachel's dreamy vocals and lyrics remind you that music is safe when the world isn't. Theirs is beautifully controlled noise that can pretty much insulate you from whatever attacks. It hasn't left Squid's discman since she left Austin. There's really never been a more perfect end to an evening."

<http://www.playinginfog.com/reviews/sxswmix.html>

An Interview with Experimental Aircraft at AustinLive.Com

<http://www.austinlive.com/sxsw2000/interviews/experimentalaircraft.htm>

SCIBORG SAM & THE AUTOMATONS

<http://www.SciBorg-Gear.com/>

"Alexander Uriostegui, the leader of SciBorg Sam & The Automatons, is both musician and author. His book SciBorg Sam & The Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence is 'a journey of nonstop action, adventure, mystery, chaos, corruption, gratuitous violence, controversial issues, eroticism, and sick humor.'

SciBorg Sam designs cyborg outfits for his band and is totally into UFOs and Extraterrestrial Intelligences."

Read an excerpt from the book:

<http://www.sciborg-gear.com/journ.htm>

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## Review: Faster Than Light

From: Joe McGonagle <[joem\\_cgonagle@yahoo.com](mailto:joem_cgonagle@yahoo.com)>  
Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 18:34:46 +0100  
Fwd Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 02:31:07 -0400  
Subject: Review: Faster Than Light

The following is a review of "Faster than Light" magazine, reviewed by Paul Hunter, official reviewer for ufologyinuk. If anyone produces a publication which they would like to be reviewed by Paul, please get in touch with me.

Joe McGonagle  
Administrator, ufologyinuk

Title: Faster Than Light  
Author: Christopher Evers  
Date of Review: 19th August 2001  
Reviewer: Paul Hunter

I received two copies of the A5 sized FTL edited by Chris Evers of Hull. Unfortunately I can't say precisely which editions they are because this information does not seem to be included anywhere in either copy. Judging by the content I'd say that they are late 2000 and early 2001. One edition was clearly written in late 2000, which it says is FTL's fourth anniversary but somewhat confusingly this clashes with the statement on the other issue that the "...bi-monthly [six copies per year] publication was founded in 1994...".

Faster Than Light is essentially a generous round up of UFO related items found on the internet, (it also includes other things such as ghosts and the paranormal); this interspersed with Chris Evers own UFO investigations. If the first part of this equation sounds easy, I can assure you it isn't. Anyone who has for any reason (e.g., webmaster) tried to keep up with the copious amount of UFO related information on the internet, especially after the 1995 explosion, has a hard job indeed. Considerable publishing work (and sheer selectivity) goes into each FTL, so if you are not on the internet, or are but can't keep up with all the news, or would simply prefer hard-copy printout with colour pictures, this is a good buy indeed. Significant UFO related events of all kinds are featured:

- \* Moon anomalies;
- \* UFOs and volcano's (ref: a name that English news-readers dislike:- Popocatepetl), including colour photos;
- \* UFOs and 'black programmes' (here Chris evidently takes a personal interest with a special essay or synopsis authored by him);
- \* The Malmstrom 'UFOs and Minutemen' incident. (A report by Robert Salas - one of the May 9th CSETI 'UFO Disclosure' witnesses);
- \* Roswell updates;
- \* New York Flying Triangle sightings;
- \* 'Nazi UFOs'. There's no author or URL reference on this one, but it relates to the Horton designed planes which any student of this UFO sub topic will be familiar with;

- \* The 'COMETA' or 'IHEDN' report by Gildas Bourdais;
- \* The Derbyshire UFO flap (sourced from the 'Farshores' website, which in turn gleans much of the info from the Matlock Mercury);
- \* 'Angels or Aliens?' by Scott Corrales.

You should be able to tell from the above list, that Chris tends to source from somewhat 'pro ETH' leanings (Corrales, Salas). I could go on, (this isn't even the contents of one issue of a 40 page FTL) but I think you can see there is a wide selection here. One small improvement

- in view of the copious content - would be an index page Chris! I was fascinated to read of an investigation by Chris Evers and Gary Anthony of a local (to me) Grimsby UFO flap. Here, Chris and Gary deserve recognition for essentially proving what a slack initial job the local Grimsby Evening Telegraph did in 'investigating' the flap. What a thankless task it must be to go round unpicking the true reporting from the journalistic invention - and all on no pay! For completely non-ufological reasons (to do with politics actually) I reached exactly the same conclusions regarding the Grimsby Evening Telegraph in 1997: essentially, I believe they cannot take anything important seriously. Gary and Chris rightly chastise the 'GET' for a lack of integrity - one reporter even claimed ('bragged'?) that he invented a UFO sighting and actually received reports of the same from the general public! However, can we really believe a liar? As well as this, the 'GET' editor supposedly ordered a clampdown on the issue. From the FTL interviews with witnesses and one alleged abductee, I gained an overwhelming impression of witness sincerity, as well as justifiably cynical attitudes regarding the Grimsby Evening Telegraph ability to report things accurately.

It is a great shame that Grimsbarians are so ill-served by their local paper (Pat Otter must have left?), and what a contrast with the Matlock Mercury, whose editor seems a moral man, and whose investigating zeal encompasses both the political and for want of a better word, the 'paranormal'. Together with original colour photos of the witnesses, this piece would not be out of place in any UFO based magazine or book. Although I was familiar with all the internet sourced news items, this article made the entire issue invaluable to me. One hopes that Chris can find the time to expand on 'original content' like this! This article also shows an attitude of discernment and detachment which I think probably informs the way the rest of the non-original material is chosen and put together.

#### Conclusion

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Because the mainstay of FTL are reports from the wire services and both major and minor media sourced websites on the internet, it's hard for me to say what the format is likely to be in future issues. Really, if it's an interesting or important news item on the web, it will probably find it's way into Faster Than Light.

'This-is-not-an-advert-honestly!':-

I operate a somewhat similar service on the web, currently parked at this URL:

<http://www.orion-web-maintenance.com/iufod/index.html>

Partly because of a health related problem I am running this service down, so by the end of the year it will feature only occasional updates. I think after that, I may well take out a subscription to FTL!

I know for a fact that there is a small market for a printed resumé of internet sourced UFO news (I do know for certain that some UFO researchers who are too busy writing books or doing investigations require this). I can recommend Faster Than Light for all those who appreciate what the internet has to offer but who for whatever reason cannot keep up with it all. I also suggest that FTL will get even better if more original investigations can be mounted.

This is a good service.



For those who are not interested in, or who actively dislike the internet, or do not want to read from somewhat 'pro-ETH' sources, this may not appeal - though if this is the case, I suggest you give it a try anyway! Send you enquiries to:

Chris Evers  
24 Chesnut Avenue  
Queens Road  
Hull  
England  
HU5 2RH

For £12 you will receive six copies; overseas customers should send £20; there are discounts for introducing a friend  
Paul Hunter

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## Review: Northern UFO News

From: Joe McGonagle <[joem\\_cgonagle@yahoo.com](mailto:joem_cgonagle@yahoo.com)>  
Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 18:36:36 +0100  
Fwd Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 02:34:11 -0400  
Subject: Review: Northern UFO News

The following is a review of "Northern UFO News" newsletter, reviewed by Paul Hunter, official reviewer for ufologyinuk. If anyone produces a publication which they would like to be reviewed by Paul, please get in touch with me.

Joe McGonagle  
Administrator, ufologyinuk

Title: Northern UFO News  
Author: Jenny Randles  
Date of Review: 19th August 2001  
Reviewer: Paul Hunter

I received two issues of the A5 sized Northern UFO News to review: No's 185 and 186, or Winter 2000 and Summer 2001 respectively. In this review I'll try to give an overall impression of what to expect from Northern UFO News - insofar as I can tell from just two issues. Each issue has eleven pages of closely written information.

Northern UFO News seems to follow a set pattern: Editorial, UFO researcher obituary, General UFO related news, Reading recommendations/reviews, and Investigations.

There aren't many professional Ufologists in Britain, and Jenny is perhaps foremost among these, (26 years as editor of Northern UFO News alone!) so her words should be read carefully by serious readers of the UFO subject. What you receive for £6 is five issues per year (or five issues spread out over time if the editor is too busy with other projects), with discounts for loyal readers. Each issue consists of Jenny Randles' observations, thoughts, gut instincts, case investigations and book reviews - in other words it's nearly 'all Jenny', or nearly all 'original content': she is never fanciful, speculation where given is concise, she strains to be factual where possible.

Editorial  
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Issue 185 starts with a complaint against the state of modern ufology, comparing what she feels is the sewage of many internet discussions with a 'new breed' of Ufologists, represented by UFOIN.

Some UFO readers may feel that UFOIN are (or is that was?) really sceptics in believers clothing, but Jenny thinks otherwise saying that UFOIN has 25 of the best minds in the UK. Essentially she chastises wishful thinking in Ufology, and yet retains a certain distance from the bulk of UFOIN characterising may of them as 'neo-sceptics'.

The later edition (186) relays to her readers the media-hyped Dennis Plunkett affair, with Jenny arguing that this story was as much a media concoction as an accurate reflection of the number of UFO sightings world-wide. (I would also add that Dennis substantially retracted his earlier statements during an interview with ITV on Tuesday 15th May).

General UFO related news  
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Fans of Jenny's books, who accept that she tries to pursue a basically objective line, will probably appreciate her insights and descriptions of UFO related items in her 'general news' section where she summarises recent trends in a succinct way. For example in issue 186, among many other research items, there is news about project Hessalden, and a report on a John Moor's University recent finding in psychology that may have a bearing on the so-called 'Oz' factor, a term I believe Jenny coined herself. (This latter relates to how people of different ages perceive time differently, especially if under stress).

I was particularly interested to read an article in issue 185: "Can Radar Waves Down Aircraft?". I was aware of the book by the Harvard History (I thought it was English?) Professor, Elaine Scarry who offended many in the US major media by writing a book that countered received wisdom on several recent US air disasters. But Northern UFO New (uniquely?) relates this to some UFO cases (including Rendlesham). Although I was aware of a radar link to alleged UFO crashes, the Elaine Scarry angle was new to me. If there is only one unique insight per five annual issues, some would say £6 is a small price to pay...

However there are also signs of prejudging the issue, or cynicism: some more 'pro-ETH' UFO readers may not always like what they read. Why do I say that? Because in an essay on a Colin Wilson article for the Daily Mail about crop circles, (issue 185) she mentions "...some hilarious stuff about circles representing musical ratios...". So if you're the kind of person whose response to crop circles is 'tosh!', and 'stuff and nonsense' you will probably not question this. But if Wilson and Randles are referring to the astronomer Gerald Hawkins' (Ph.D.) idea that crop circles reflect a '5th theorem in geometry (apparently to do with diatonic ratios - i.e., musical scales), then I think the issue can't be dismissed with laughter. Jenny rightly opposes wishful thinking in Ufology, but is this not an inverted type of wishful thinking?

Reading recommendations/reviews  
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Each issue contains a useful book or newsletter review section - clearly, Jenny Randles is a voluminous reader on the UFO topic. There are reviews of the little-known publications such as the respected 'Bulletin of Anomalous Experience', or some of the many self-published UFO newsletters: if you publish the latter I strongly recommend you send a copy soon to:

Northern UFO News  
1 Hallsteads Close  
Dove Holes  
Buxton  
Derbyshire  
SK17 8BS

However, one book review which I know has not been well received by everyone is Northern UFO News' review of Georgina Bruni's "You Can't Tell The People".

I get the impression that Jenny doesn't like the where the 'ideology' of this book is coming from, (she prefers that an 'ideology' more akin to James Easton's I gather), and Georgina is even criticised for not having enough 'tenancy' in Ufology to write a major UFO book. Oops, in these terms, I'm probably a 'squatter'...

I also know that to some her review even came across as being inspired by professional jealousy (internet discussions) - an entirely unfounded impression I am sure - but to the neo-sceptic camp the new Rendlesham book is superficial.

Jenny reflects this view - although to be fair she also recommends the book as a quite good general background guide to the case. Most of her other reviews are short and less contentious, and this section is highly useful for all readers of the ufological spectrum.

Investigations  
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I am not a UFO researcher and cannot comment too much on the

large sprinkling of new and ongoing cases reviewed in each issue. But suffice it to say, as you would expect from Jenny Randles, the approach is down-to-earth and rational, and where possible her research section is rarely inconclusive. She has faith that the UFO mystery can be solved by rational enquiry. Jenny either receives reports from a variety of researchers or does the research herself. For example in issue 186 Jenny provides a synopsis of the Snafell 'sky fall' incident of January 14th 2001 using raw reports from Gloria Dixon, David Clarke and Chris Rolfe. Reports are sometimes supplemented by small line drawings (not in colour). One case that I know people are familiar with, is the Bonsall UFO footage taken on October 5th 2000 - you know the one worth £20,000 to the Fox network of America! Here Jenny provides an exercise in judgment rather than research inasmuch as she provisionally reckons the image is the video camera's internal lens disfiguring 'something', and she implies that Fox do not really care if the image is 'real' or not - just as long as big bucks are made. (If you think back to the infamous 'alien autopsy' footage, which Bob Kiviat bought for the same network, this seems a reasonable conclusion, given that the footage was first touted as 'real' evidence for aliens, then later, as 'real' evidence for faking!).

Clearly she does not like loose ends, and many of the cases I read, seemed to round-off with a witness misperception conclusion. Clearly, if 'them pesky aleens' choose to invade us, they'd be well advised to choose a night when Venus is visible - almost no-one will believe the witnesses!

#### Conclusion

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I'd recommend Northern UFO News to all those UFO readers who prefer a somewhat neo-sceptic, (or as they might prefer it, 'new objectivity') viewpoint: if you like James Easton, Andy Roberts, David Clarke, Kevin McLure etc this is probably for you.

I'd also recommend Northern UFO News to faithful readers of Jenny Randles books, as well as readers who are undecided on the UFO issue. While I feel that some 'pro-ETH' readers will from time to time find something objectionable in Northern UFO News, if you don't subscribe you'll may well also miss out on Jenny Randles often unique insights into UFO research and useful book and newsletter reviews, which can often bridge the apparent divide between 'sceptics' and 'believers'. Paul Hunter

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## New Research Center In Portugal

From: **Joaquim Fernandes** <[j.fernan@netcabo.pt](mailto:j.fernan@netcabo.pt)>  
Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 20:04:28 +0100  
Fwd Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 02:36:52 -0400  
Subject: New Research Center In Portugal

Dear friends,

We proudly announce that at the University Fernando Pessoa was approved and installed this year the Center for Transdisciplinary Studies on Consciousness (CTEC), the first of its kind within the Portuguese academy and also pioneer among its counterparts in Europe.

He received institutional and scientific framing, with a Council composed by scholars and researchers from the most respected portuguese universities and it has credit from the Ministry of Science as a research unity with regular support.

Its main goals is the study and theoretical and experimental analysis of the so-caled "extraordinary haman experiences", such as the abductional syndrome and para-religious experiences, the ASC's and similar states, and the mind-body connection alleged concerned with new therapies.

Lectures, seminars and simposia will be the external activities of the CTEC and a scientific Journal as well.

We invite all the serious and open-minded scientists and researchers to cooperate with us.

Any question can be sent to:

[ctec.simposio@ufp.pt](mailto:ctec.simposio@ufp.pt)  
or [jfernan@ufp.pt](mailto:jfernan@ufp.pt)  
and see the [www.ufp.pt](http://www.ufp.pt)

Greetings,

Joaquim Fernandes

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Sparks

From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 15:15:37 EDT  
Fwd Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 02:39:10 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Sparks

>From: Jan Aldrich <[jan@cyberzone.net](mailto:jan@cyberzone.net)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>Date: Sun, 19 Aug 2001 20:29:01 -0400

>>From: Asgeir W. Skavhaug <[asge-s@online.no](mailto:asge-s@online.no)>  
>>To: <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>>Date: Sun, 19 Aug 2001 01:27:26 +0200

>>>From: Neil Morris <[neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk](mailto:neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk)>  
>>>Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 17:47:39 +0100  
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>>Fwd Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 13:03:32 -0400

<snip>

>Hello Asgeir,

<snip>

>Since the pictures are of the Roswell debris, it is assumed that  
>the message in Ramey's hand is about Roswell. I am unconvinced  
>by what people are trying to read on the paper. It could be  
>anything, including after action comments about General Van's  
>visit to 8th AF area a few days before.

>Of course, for the last 50 years everything breathe any Air  
>Force office takes involves UFOs, so all the other paperwork is  
>turned out by gnomes in the Pentagon to cover up what is really  
>going on.

>Ramey like any general officer had 50 items on his calendar  
>everyday.

Hi Jan,

What on earth are you talking about? This is just plain silly  
talk and well below your normal very high standards! Are you  
overworked or something?

It is an indisputable fact that the easiest words to read on  
the entire Ramey Message are "FORT WORTH, TEX." on Line 3 and  
"WEATHER BALLOONS" on Line 7. I read them 16 years ago when I  
borrowed a high res enlargement that Bill Moore had obtained.  
This tells me, by the way, that they already knew about the  
Project MOGUL balloon arrays consisting of multiple weather  
balloons since the reference is to plural "WEATHER BALLOONS."  
The rest of the text as I read it makes this very clear, i.e.,  
that the weather balloons had been found near Roswell.

Most researchers agree that it is "ROSWELL" or "ROSWELL, NMEX."  
on Line 5. And I agree that it is signed "RRAMEY" on Line 9.

That pretty much covers most of the visible message and it is  
flatout undeniable that it all relates to the Roswell  
incident. With the rest of the text filled in as I have been

able to do, including text hidden under Ramey's thumb, it is of course blatantly obvious it all relates to the Roswell case.

Regards,

Brad

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## UFO Sightings OZ Files 21-08-2001

From: Diane Harrison <[auforne@ehome.net.au](mailto:auforne@ehome.net.au)>  
Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 06:22:00 +1000  
Fwd Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 02:44:07 -0400  
Subject: UFO Sightings OZ Files 21-08-2001

UFO Sightings OZ Files 21-08-2001

Follow up 1800 Callin Code: 01614 15.07.01 NSW

Date: 15/07/01  
Day: Sunday  
Time Reported: 9.36 pm  
Location: Bathurst, NSW  
Reportee: Kimberley  
Report Referred to: Veronica

The reportee was watching television on Sunday night, when a very bright light shining through the window, caught her eye. It was much bigger than a, star and was moving slowly west. She watched the light for approximately a minute when she decided to call her mother and niece. The three of them ran outside where they continued to watch it for about 30 seconds. It was a cloudless night, no wind and a quarter moon. Kimberley heard no sound from the light as it continued to travel west. It then abruptly stopped and went out like a light bulb. She immediately felt she had to tell someone and called Telstra to inquire about a number for such things. The Telstra line made a remark that they had received a similar report from Goulburn and referred her to the 1800 number.

Kimberley's mother informed her that a bright light had followed their car many years before, along the highway between Orange and Bathurst. Her mum had never mentioned it before Sunday night.

End Report

Regards Veronica INFODIG NSW

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Follow up 1800 Callin Code: 01630 22.07.01 SA

Date: 22.07.01  
Day: Monday  
Time: 7.07 pm  
Location: South Australia  
Reportee: Michael S  
Location: Morphett Vale  
Witnesses: 2  
Conditions: Clear sky - just after sunset  
Referred: Charmaine

Report:

Michael phoned the Hotline number to report that he and his wife had seen 2 bright lights in the sky on Sunday 22/07/01 around 6.30pm.

Michael was outside in his backyard when he noticed 2 bright lights in the sky. They were in a SE direction and with one being smaller than the other. He called out for his wife to come and join him and also to verify that she could also see these 2

lights.....which she did.

They watched them for about 2-4 mins, during which time, the 2 lights had been travelling together, and they were travelling at approx the speed of a plane. They then noticed that the larger light started to fade out, whilst the smaller light, suddenly shot straight across the sky, basically covering it from horizon to horizon in a short time, in the direction of Victor Harbour, which is in a southerly direction.

End Report  
Charmaine Ballam  
AUFORN State Director - South Australia  
[Australian UFO Research Network]

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Follow up 1800 Callin Code: 01638 25.07.01 S.A.

Date: 25.07.01  
Day: Wednesday  
Time: 5.45 pm  
Location: S.A.  
Reportee: Michelle  
Referred: Charmaine

Report:

Michelle is a student who lives in the Flinders Ranges. As part of her school work she is currently doing a project on the Paranormal. During her research she met a man who stated that he had taken a photo of a 'light in the sky - ufo' and has given Michelle the photo for her project.

Michelle then contacted the Hotline for help in getting someone to look at the photo as well as help for her project.

Michelle will be scanning the photo and emailing it to me tomorrow from school. I will then take a look at it, and may also send it onto a couple of people for their opinions on it, if I feel it looks 'legit'.

End Report  
Charmaine Ballam  
AUFORN State Director - South Australia  
[Australian UFO Research Network]

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Follow up 1800 Callin Code: 01638 26.07.01 S.A.

Date: 26.07.01
Day: Thursday
Time: 4:52 pm
Location: SA
Reportee: 'J'
Referred: Charmaine

'J' rang the UFO Hotline with a few questions on certain events that have been happening to her, recently and during her life. I spoke with 'J' for some time on various issues, from abduction to paranormal happenings to ufo sightings.

She seemed to feel better after speaking with me and was appreciative that she was able to speak to someone who could discuss these things with her, without making fun or thinking she was 'nuts'.

'J' receives the AUFORN list, so that is why she decided to phone the Hotline to get some answers to some of these questions she has had for some time. She also informed me, that she too had seen the UFO that was reported by many Mt Gambier/Millicent/Pt McDonald residents in March 2001. Upon describing it to me, I realised that YES! it was the exact object that had been sighted as well as photo'd back then. 'J' also let me know that this was not the first time she had seen a ufo.

As 'J' lives in Millicent, I have given her my email address, so

she can email me, as well as phone me, when she feels she would like to discuss more, on things that have happened in her life and other questions she may have in confidence and privacy.

End Report

Regards,
Charmaine Ballam
AUFORN State Director - South Australia
[Australian UFO Research Network]

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Follow up 1800 Callin Code: 01646 30.7.01 NSW
Date: 30.7.01
Day: Monday
Location: Lankays Creek, South NSW
Reportee: Anne

Anne and Roger were travelling along Jingellic Road at 8:31 pm 29/07/01. This road for the most part runs alongside the Murray River, this area is located on the NSW/Victorian border. They were travelling from East to West towards Holbrook when they noticed a bright white light in the Southern Sky over the National Park. Roger and Anne estimated it was above 6,000 feet off the ground when they first noticed it and was moving at a 45 degree angle towards the ground. Roger stated it was going faster than a comet. The object apparently turned red, then exploded. It then turned green, then a beautiful bright blue and then disappeared or went out. What is interesting is the statement that it did not have a tail or leave a trail at all.

Anne who was driving was temporarily vision impaired during the explosion, her vision was dim, she could not see her own headlight beams in front of her. Anne stated the following day that Helicopters were seen flying near the area the following morning, but states she has seen helicopters flying near the area before, so it could be a coincidence.

Both of them thought they should report it. They stated they thought there may be debris from it and that Investigators may be able to gain access via the 'Human Hovel Walking Track', which runs along the side of the mountain.

Karen Burden
AUFORN Investigator - NSW

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Follow Up Callin Codes 1800 01681- 01682 SA
12/08/01 + 13/08/01

Time Reported: 8.45 pm
Location: Semaphore Park SA
Reportee: Liz K
Nearest State Director: Charmaine Ballam
Shape: Disc shaped - approx 8" round
Colour: Orange
Noise: Nil
Direction: travelling from North-westerly to due South
Duration: approx 2 mins
Conditions: Clear night sky - few scattered clouds

Report:

Liz was sitting outside on Saturday 11/08/01 having a cigarette around 8.30pm, when she first spotted an orange light in the sky. Whilst she continued to watch it, the one light became three.

Liz states that the 3 orange disc shaped lights where travelling in a straight line formation - horizontal eg: ' * * * ' and thinks most probably the reason she originally saw one light was that the line at that time was face on, as it moved passed her, slowly, that is when she noticed three lights.

During the couple of minutes Liz saw these lights she heard no sound from them, even though they were close enough to have heard it if it was a light plane, which Liz originally thought it was. She changed her mind, when she saw the other 2 lights

and the fact that they were flying in such a straight line formation and that all their colour was orange, not the blue/red/white of a light aircraft.

When I asked her, how she knew that this were 'disc shaped' objects, she told me it was because they were so close overhead that she could discern the shape clearly.

Liz then states that lights just disappeared, as quickly as they had appeared.

End Report

Regards,
Charmaine Ballam
AUFORN State Director - South Australia
[Australian UFO Research Network]

Follow Up Callin Code: 1800 01683 SA - 18/08/01

Date: 13/08/01
Day: Monday
Time Reported: 8.35 pm
Location: Kangarilla SA
Reportee: Neil
Nearest State Director: Charmaine Ballam
Object: One, Flashing white light
Sound: Nil
Duration: approx 60 - 90 secs
Conditions: clear sky - a few scattered clouds
Direction: travelling from south [possibly Kangaroo Island direction] to due north

Report:

Neil was outside at around 7.04pm on Saturday night. The night sky was clear expect for a few scattered clouds, when he noticed a bright pulsating light approx 85 degrees overhead, travelling in a leisurely fashion but up high. What made him really take notice of this light is the way that it 'flashed'.

It would flash once, for approx 8 secs, stop, then flash again for approx 3 secs, stop, then again 8 secs, stop, 3 secs, stop etc. It did that for approx 60 - 90 secs, before just disappearing.

Neil said, he had good knowledge of the local aircraft that flew from Kangaroo Island to Adelaide Airport on Saturday nights, as he had lived in the Kangarilla area for years. Also the Kangarilla area being in the southern foothills of Adelaide is well away from city light and noise, that is another reason that made it stand out in the clear sky... the brightness of it, and also the lack of sound from it.

He said he had been skywatching for many years, and certainly knew what a satellite looked like and as stated before a light aircraft, this he said, was not like anything he had every seen in all his years [he was an older gentleman] and that is what made him contact the UFO Hotline. He stressed that if he had felt even the remote possibility that it could have been a satellite or plane or even a weather balloon he would not have rang the hotline.

End Report
Regards,
Charmaine Ballam
AUFORN State Director - South Australia
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<http://www.powerup.com.au/~tkbnetw>

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Follow-up 1800 Callin Code: 01690 14/08/01 QLD

Date: 14/08/01  
Day: Tuesday  
Duration: 20 seconds  
Size: 5 cent piece  
Colour: Bright white



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## Re: Lexington UFO Video - Still Images - Henry

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Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 15:30:56 -0500  
Fwd Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 02:46:15 -0400  
Subject: Re: Lexington UFO Video - Still Images - Henry

>Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 12:45:28 -0400  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>From: John Velez <[johnvelez.aic@verizon.net](mailto:johnvelez.aic@verizon.net)>  
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>>Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 00:09:30 -0400  
>>From: Kenny Young <[ufo@FUSE.NET](mailto:ufo@FUSE.NET)>  
>>Subject: Lexington UFO Video - Still Images  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

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>making a balloon this size, and of this quality of detail. And  
>no anchoring line? Surprising for what -must be- a terribly  
>expensive balloon. (If that's what it is.)

>If it is a balloon, they should get one for our annual Macy's  
>Thanksgiving Day parade! Far out. I can hear one of the  
>spectators now:

>"Martha, get in the car and head for New Jersey! They've landed,  
>they've landed!" ;)

It looks like Gamara the flying turtle to me.

Joel Henry

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Source: The Philadelphia Inquirer

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Sunday, August 19, 2001

Ex-pilot keeps watching the skies

George Filer saw his first UFO in '62 while flying an Air Force tanker over England. He now edits an online UFO newsletter.

SURF CITY, N.J. - Around 4 p.m., George Filer 3d took his plastic deck chair, put it just under the shade of the gazebo, and began to scan the ocean sky.

"I'm looking for anything interesting in the sky, like a glint, a reflection off a shiny surface," said the retired Air Force major, sitting in his aviator glasses, sipping a Coke. He and his wife rent a house here for the summer, and every weekend afternoon he perches here.

He looked at the sky above Long Beach Island on this Sunday afternoon - deep blue, dotted with white clouds. A glint appeared far to the South, above the beach - an airplane pulling a Miller Lite banner.

Filer's granddaughter Nicole, 8, in bathing suit and Backstreet Boys T-shirt, walked past on her way to the ocean. He stopped her. "About a year ago you told me you saw a UFO," he said. "Were you just pulling my leg?"

"I saw a shooting star," she said, and skipped away.

George Filer, 65, saw his first UFO in 1962. He was flying a tanker plane for the Air Force, refueling fighters over England. The control tower sent his plane to investigate a UFO on the radar, near Stonehenge. His plane dove from 33,000 feet to 1,000 feet to find it.

"I picked it up on radar - like a ship, a huge aircraft carrier in the air," he recalled, still excited nearly 40 years later. "This was the biggest return [image] I'd ever seen on a radar screen." As his plane approached, the object vanished. "If you've ever seen the night launch at Cape Canaveral, it just kind of lit up and took off like that."

His second encounter came a few years ago, from the bedroom of his Medford Lakes home, which faces Briarwood Lake. "I woke at 4 a.m.," he said. "The bedroom was filled with light pouring in from out the window. I saw a UFO surfacing. It looked like a submarine coming out of the water, a blue ionization." His wife slept through it.



Filer spent 20 years in the Air Force, logging over 5,000 hours in the air. Most of his career he was an intelligence officer. He even briefed generals in Vietnam, where "a lot of times we'd get UFO reports over the DMZ [demilitarized zone]."

After the Air Force, he worked many jobs, including teaching high school students aerospace science at Cherry Hill West. He taught about UFOs, among other things: "The kids seemed to like it. The school didn't." When he retired in 1997, he devoted himself to finding UFOs.

"For me," he said, it's "like Copernicus, and proving that the Earth wasn't the center of the solar system. I believe UFOs exist. I believe we are visited by aliens. I want to change people's viewpoints. This may be [mankind's] most important endeavor."

His son, George 4th, 38, an estimator for a construction company, brought a tray of crackers with crab dip to the gazebo.

"When I was 16, I did see something unusual at summer camp," the son said, "so I kind of believe they're out there."

Like his mother and two sisters, the son can't quite relate to his father's zeal. "First couple of years, it was all he wanted to talk about," the son said. "I guess he's still obsessed about it, but now he brings other subjects to the table."

Like sports-talk radio. "A lot of them make less sense than UFO people," Filer said.

Since he retired, Filer has become East Coast director of the Mutual UFO Network, the nation's largest UFO organization. From his home office he edits a weekly Internet newsletter known as Filer's Files.

Two hundred to 400 e-mails pour in monthly of sightings. He compiles the best ones into Filer's Files ([www.filersfiles.com](http://www.filersfiles.com)) and e-mails the report to 3,000 UFO enthusiasts, as well as to Congress and the President. He isn't certain the President is reading his files, but he believes congressional staffers are.

In May, he spoke at the National Press Club in Washington along with 20 other UFO experts - a session that was barely mentioned in the media.

Which he can't understand. Popular culture has embraced the notion of UFOs. Just consider the movie Independence Day. Or E.T. "People say they're more likely to see a UFO than a Social Security check," he said.

Beside him on the gazebo railing was his Sony Handycam, with the 700X zoom - just in case he spotted an alien ship. He believes the right photograph or video of a UFO could bring up to \$1 million.

Before he got into UFOs, he used to look for Spanish doubloons on the beach. "I feel I'm much more likely to find a UFO," he said.

This afternoon he saw beer planes. Seagulls. A styrofoam rocket shot into the air with a rubber strap by a little kid next door.

No UFOs.

He watched until his family called him for dinner - burgers and dogs on the grill.

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SECRECY NEWS  
from the FAS Project on Government Secrecy  
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If Aldrich Ames had not pleaded guilty to espionage in 1994 and if his case had proceeded to trial, a court might have suppressed much of the evidence against him because it was collected without a criminal warrant, thereby placing his conviction in doubt, according to some Justice Department officials.

Though counterintelligence information has never been excluded from the prosecution of a suspected spy in this way, the process of converting a counterintelligence investigation into a criminal case is a delicate one that is fraught with procedural uncertainties.

The General Accounting Office provides a rare glimpse into the ambivalent relations between spymasters and prosecutors in a report released last week entitled "FBI Intelligence Investigations: Coordination Within Justice on Counterintelligence Criminal Matters is Limited." The text of the report (a 500 kB PDF file) may be found here:

<http://www.fas.org/irp/gao/d01780.pdf>

PUBLICATION OF CHINA NUKE BOOK STILL BLOCKED

A 500 page manuscript describing China's nuclear weapons program by former Los Alamos official Danny B. Stillman is still being withheld from publication 19 months after it was submitted to the government for pre-publication review to identify information that might be classified.

In briefs filed on Friday, Stillman's attorney Mark S. Zaid argued that the continuing delay in resolving the matter is "an unconstitutional prior restraint" on Stillman's free speech. Mr. Zaid asked the DC District Court to convene a public evidentiary hearing in which the government would be obliged to justify its classification decisions under cross examination.

Following the initial filing of Stillman's lawsuit in June of this year, government reviewers narrowed their opposition to publication substantially. Within two weeks, they released 85% of the text. The remainder is still in contention.

Mr. Stillman's obligation to submit his work for prepublication review stems from the secrecy agreement he signed to gain a security clearance for access to intelligence information as part of his job at Los Alamos. What makes this case rather novel, however, is that most of the information in his manuscript was gathered outside of his employment in private

visits to China. The government's attempts to suppress this information therefore represent a significant expansion of its censorship function.

Mr. Zaid's August 17 brief on behalf of Mr. Stillman presents the facts of the case followed by a vigorous argument against the government's open-ended "review." See:

[http://www.fas.org/sqp/news/2001/08/stillman\\_memo.html](http://www.fas.org/sqp/news/2001/08/stillman_memo.html)

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## Re: Lexington UFO Video - Still Images - Ledger

From: Don Ledger <[dledger@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:dledger@ns.sympatico.ca)>  
Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 17:49:07 -0300  
Fwd Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 03:10:12 -0400  
Subject: Re: Lexington UFO Video - Still Images - Ledger

>Date: Fri, 17 Aug 2001 20:26:36 -0400  
>From: Kenny Young <[ufo@fuse.net](mailto:ufo@fuse.net)>  
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>Hi John;

>So far the general reaction is "balloon" by far. Given the  
>balloon-like appearance on the still images and videotape (with  
>slight rotation and wobble while ascending upward) I can't  
>fathom why this was reported as a UFO and has generated debate  
>there in Lexington (acknowledging that some in the newsroom did  
>advance the 'mylar balloon' theory to be sure).

>But this was thought to be a UFO and of some importance. It  
>seems this goes to show just how easily misperception (possibly  
>combined with a little dose of agenda for flavoring) so easily  
>causes some to be led astray.

Hi Kenny,

Have you checked the winds for that day and location?

Don Ledger

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Morris

From: Neil Morris <[neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk](mailto:neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk)>  
Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 21:47:52 +0100  
Fwd Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 03:56:39 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Morris

>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
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>>the AA film surfaced in 1993?.

>The problem with your argument is that in order for it to be  
>>true, there would have to be no one on this Earth who is either  
>as observant or as smart as you.

>You obviously think that that is extremely unlikely.

>This seems like it could be a fatal flaw in your hypothesis,  
>Neil.

I think it is increasingly unlikely yes.

True it is possible somebody could have done some very in depth  
research (in addition to all the other highly technical research  
required to fabricate the AA if a hoax) if only the well known  
UTA images alone were involved. But what I find compelling is  
that the cross match of symbols includes the rare Bettmann image  
and the symbol found in the Bettmann only appears in the  
Bettmann not any of the UTA images.

So what?, you might say.

I think it's true to say the UTA images have been public  
knowledge, other than after their initial press publication, due  
to their use in Roswell publications from 1980 onwards. But as  
far as I'm aware none of the main stream works makes mention or  
reproduces the Bettmann image, I have one work only in my  
collection that uses the Bettmann, but that was published in

1995, after the AA appeared some 2 years before. (Ray Santilli first saw the film in 1993, other people claim to have seen it in the 60's)

I believe it was Kevin Randle who traced this image but I'm unaware just when and if he has ever used it in reproduction in any of his works, he hasn't in the ones I have, perhaps he can comment on this, I'd be interested to know.

So if our hoaxers put together the AA with hidden FW pic details in the 80's as you suggest, are they going to re-invent the wheel and do a national archive picture search for the Fort Worth images or the sensible thing and pinch other peoples published research and then hit the UTA for a set of prints?. If I were doing it I would go with the flow and assume the likes of Randle, Schmitt, Friedman Beliner and Moore had done their homework, why go hunting for more images when you know the UTA had 4 originals??.

Another problem are those witnesses who claim to have seen the AA film back in the 60's and 70's before even the UTA prints were known about.

>>>I wonder how Marcel got 777,500 square feet of anything in the >>>trunk of his little old car?

>>Ah, but Cavitt had a "carry-all", see later.

>See above..

><snip>

>>>What makes 10% coverage necessary to notice some shiny debris >>>laying out on the desert? There is a mighty big assumption >>>being made here.

>>>Did Brazel ever say that the area was covered to this density?

>>Nope, but if Tommy Tyree, the ranch hand who worked with Mack shortly >>after the event is to be believed, the density was such as to >>trouble Mack's sheep to the extent they wouldn't cross the debris >>field, and he had to drive them around it.

>You've interviewed the sheep, Neil, and they agree that it was >10% coverage?

>>Sorry Bob you've lost me here, the numbers used are directly >>from witness testimony

>1947 witness testimony?

Which?

Or are you thinking about Cavitt's description?.

>>and pictures?, am I to assume you are >>referring to JBJ's FW pics (?so you agree the debris shown is >>some of that from Roswell? or do you know of some others?)

>Yes.

Which?

>>which according to Jesse Marcel only show a small portion of >>what was transported to FWAAF aboard that B29's flight and >>that debris flight only held what he and Cavitt had recovered >>from the debris field. Most of the debris was still left behind >>out there on the ranch.

>What is the date and citation for this 1947 quotation, please.

><snip>

>>so how come they filled the carryall and Marcel's Buick yet >>still left the larger part of the debris out there?.

>Please provide a citation and date for the eyewitness testimony >that they filled the carryall and Buick with debris, yet still >left most behind?

Jesse Marcel "The Roswell Incident" my copy P69, interviewed in



1979.

"We collected all the debris we could handle. When we had filled the Carry-all, I began to fill the trunk and back seat of the Buick."

And I guess you'll class it as hearsay but..

Jesse Marcel Jnr page 73 same book.

"He had a 1942 Buick and a Carry-all trailer, and both were loaded with this material which was only a small fraction of the total material."

Neil

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>Clear skies,

>Bob Young

Bob, Neil & List:

According to an interview with Mac Brazel in Roswell Daily  
Chronicle, July 9, 1947,

<http://www.grassyhill.com/Roswell/Witnesses/brazel.htm>

they were observing this (excerpts):

"(...)When the debris was gathered up the tinfoil, paper, tape,  
and sticks made a bundle about three feet long and 7 or 8 inches  
thick, while the rubber made a bundle about 18 or 20 inches long  
and about 8 inches thick. In all, he estimated, the entire lot  
would have weighed maybe five pounds.

There was no sign of any metal in the area which might have been

used for an engine and no sign of any propellers of any kind, although at least one paper fin had been glued onto some of the tinfoil.

There were no words to be found anywhere on the instrument, although there were letters on some of the parts. Considerable scotch tape and some tape with flowers printed upon it had been used in the construction...."

The "letters" could be anything, i.e., letters from our alphabet, Arabic, etc., and with some fantasy from the AA makers, they could create "hieroglyphic letters" or symbols of almost any kind, some of them even resembling those from the Ramey office.

However, I don't know whether Brazel's stuff really was identical to the material in Ramey's office.

However, I do agree with Neil that "some symbols" could possibly be identified/observed on the Ramey office photos.

In any case, using "scotch tape" and no metallic materials (however, today, light weight composite materials could do some of the "metallic job"), Brazel's debris -- alone -- sure seemed to be of the flimsy type, and not really designed for a high speed, upper atmosphere penetration, and possibly coming from outer space...

Regards,

Asgeir

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## Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure -

From: Grant Cameron <[sgquishy@altavista.com](mailto:sgquishy@altavista.com)>  
Date: 20 Aug 2001 14:51:01 -0700  
Fwd Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 04:11:50 -0400  
Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure -

>Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 10:55:08 -0400  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>From: John Velez <[johnvelez.aic@verizon.net](mailto:johnvelez.aic@verizon.net)>  
>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure

>Wow!

>It simply amazes me how; what was originally a simple expression  
>of concern for the well being of a fellow human being, has been  
>twisted into this maelstrom of contentious debate.

Have you written a letter to her Congress woman telling her that  
after 30 days Lara is in serious trouble as you believe, and  
pleading with her to do what she can while time remains. Posting  
on this board does nothing to help Lara.

>How my  
>expression of genuine concern for Lara has been tortuously  
>interpreted as an attempt to "control" I'll never know. My mind  
>just isn't that convoluted so I can't even follow the thought  
>processes involved that would permit anyone to derive such a  
>sick meaning from my posts to Lara. Must be 'somebody'  
>interpreting things the way they want to interpret them regardless  
>of actual content or intent. A form of "prejudice" if you will.

>Just to clarify this for anyone who may be laboring under delusions  
>or misinterpretations; my legitimate concerns for Lara stem  
>from the following:

>1. Lara is engaged in a long term fast with no set terminus. (She  
>plans to fast until George Bush caves and responds to her ultimatum.)

You don't know this for sure. If there was a terminus it sure  
would not be made public for Bush to read.

>2. Fasts which extend beyond thirty days are physically harmful  
>to the individual that is fasting.

A medical reference for this please.

>3. Her fast is being supervised by an 'herbologist' not a physician.  
>(A physician can monitor her blood chemistry and provide her with  
>sound medical advice should any changes that are hazardous to her  
>health transpire. She can then adjust her nutrient intake accordingly  
>in order to protect her health.)

Old info. Ernie Vega is arranging for a western pill giving  
witch doctor to supervise.

>4. Lara, for all her admirable character attributes is just a human  
>being with all the limitations and physical shortcomings that we  
>are all prone to.

Did someone say she wasn't?

>Those of you who find it 'easy' to egg her on and encourage her  
>without ever once mentioning the potential hazard to her well  
>being are doing her a tremendous disservice. Honestly, I get  
>tired of 'windbags' that have nothing better to do than to hop

>onto every bandwagon that rolls into town without once taking  
>the time to think it through or to conduct a critical evaluation  
>as to its value.

You are claiming those who are involved have not mentioned to her the downside of things?

>Worse yet, some will take the good intentions of others and twist  
>and cajole it into their own very sick and twisted interpretations.

I totally agree.

>I trust that the more intelligent among the assembled are able to  
>see the (self serving) interpretations of these individuals for what  
>it is. Empty lip-service. (Talking just to hear the lilting sound of  
>ones own voice.)

I agree again.

>I'd have a lot more respect for some of her supporters if they  
>had the cojones to join her in her fast rather than taking the  
>easy (and cowardly) route of twisting the meaning of, and verbally  
>castigating and criticizing others who are expressing \_genuine\_  
>concern for Lara's well being.

Talk is cheap. Do something for Lara to really help her. Write her congress woman who can actually do something to stop the fast.

>All I have done is express my concern for Lara. It is 'others'  
>who are (once again) trying hard to turn it all into an adversarial  
>(we/they) situation. The finger pointer's are the ones who  
>continually expend energy to keep the UFO community divided.  
>They are not only the instigators and culprits of it, they are  
>the ones who are guilty of the divisiveness they so easily and  
>thoughtlessly 'blame' on others.

Speaking for myself, I wrote up the story of what Lara had done.

Grant

"Are you ready for the revolution?"

Lara Johnstone, a California woman who began a Hunger Strike for Disclosure on July 28th.

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Skavhaug

From: **Asgeir W. Skavhaug** <[asge-s@online.no](mailto:asge-s@online.no)>  
Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 01:21:01 +0200  
Fwd Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 04:14:21 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Skavhaug

>From: David Rudiak <[DRudiak@aol.com](mailto:DRudiak@aol.com)>  
>Date: Sun, 19 Aug 2001 15:03:51 EDT  
>To: <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Rudiak

>>From: Asgeir W. Skavhaug <[asge-s@online.no](mailto:asge-s@online.no)>  
>>To: <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>>Date: Sun, 19 Aug 2001 01:27:26 +0200

>>>From: Neil Morris <[neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk](mailto:neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk)>  
>>>Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 17:47:39 +0100  
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>>Fwd Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 13:03:32 -0400

>>Neil & List:

>>I've been studying the photos at this site:

>><http://www.thefortworthphotographs.freemove.co.uk/ftw-pics/index.htm>

<snip>

>>1. Photo F is taken first, in Ramey's office, while Col. DuBose  
>>was properly dressed, with his jacket, cap and tie. He's also  
>>holding a piece of paper, looking similar to the "Ramey  
>>message". This can imply that he got/brought the message to the  
>>office, and maybe he read it first (or, maybe he wrote it, as a  
>>some sort of "quick report", to Gen. Ramey? I.e, the last line  
>>on the Ramey message (line 9) reads (hand written):  
>>DuBose....?). (The pieces of debris may have been  
>>located/arranged on the floor by Marcel, in advance.)

>>You seem to be confusing Gen. Ramey with Col. Dubose. Dubose is  
>>never dressed up with his cap and tie and never holds the  
>>message. The man all dressed up and crouching down by the debris  
>>and holding the message in his left hand is Gen. Ramey in photos  
>>C - F. It is not Col. Dubose in photo F -- it is Ramey.

>>The last line on the Ramey message (line 9) is not hand-written  
>>-- it is typed (though there is handwriting underneath that  
>>slants upward and crosses the end of the signature. The  
>>signature line is definitely not that of Dubose. I think it says  
>>"RAMEY" though others claim it says "TEMPLE".

>>2. Photo E, the next photo; DuBose takes off his jacket, tie and  
>>cap, and puts the tie on the radiator, and the cap on the first  
>>chair. He then sits down on the third chair from left. Then he  
>>leaves the paper to Ramey - who's properly dressed "for the  
>>photographers" - and who sits down (before or after reading the  
>>message). (He won't sit down on the first chair, because of  
>>DuBose's cap...)

>>Yes, it is Dubose seated in photo E, just as he is in photo D,  
>>but the dressed-up man crouching down in photo F is Ramey,  
>>exactly the same as in photos C, D, and E. Dubose never takes  
>>off his jacket, tie, and cap, because he never has them on. I'm  
>>surprised you could get confused about this.

>>I also think that the "badge" on Ramey's upper arm should be  
>>worth studying more closely - under high magnification and  
>>enhancement. (Maybe some design similarity with the seal..?)

>Probably just a standard AAF arm patch. What do you think this  
>would tell us?

>>(But, why does DuBose undress \_in Ramey's office\_, removing tie,  
>>cap and jacket...in front of the photographers? Has he become  
>>'distressed and unbalanced' after the events, after  
>>reading/writing the message....?)

>No, because he never "undresses." You have confused the  
>dressed-up Ramey in photo F with the "undressed" Dubose in  
>photos D and E.

>>3. Photo C or D are taken afterwards, as the two are getting  
>>more "relaxed". Is Ramey having a smoke? Is he having a smoke to  
>>relax/"calm down" after having read the message/report? (From  
>>DuBose...?)

>You draw some very odd conclusions from so little. Looks to me  
>that Ramey just has his right hand in front of his face in photo  
>C. Would the General sneak a smoke in the middle of a photo  
>session with a civilian reporter?

<snip>

>How do you draw the conclusion that Marcel removed material?

>>I have assumed/proposed here that DuBose brought the message to  
>>Ramey, i.e., from Colonel to General, maybe as a report.

>>  
>>(Maybe JB Johnson can verify some of these

>Your assumption that Dubose brought Ramey the message is  
>unwarranted, since Dubose is never pictured holding the message,  
>as you propose. You have confused Gen. Ramey and Dubose in one  
>of the photos.

>David Rudiak

David & List:

The 'standard' arm patch could possibly be fairly identical in  
design, as the message seal, or letter head. At least, there  
might be \_some\_ design features in common (if this really means  
anything).

Further, maybe Neil, through high magnification and enhancement,  
can tell us if Ramey has actually sneaked a smoke here...?

Marcel was supposed to have brought with him the real debris  
(or maybe it was "the other" debris...),

<http://www.grassyhill.com/Roswell/Witnesses/ColDubose.htm>

and, most likely, he also removed the material from Ramey's office,  
which he, most likely, also had put there himself.

Also note that Marcel mentioned \_metallic debris\_ on the floor.

<http://www.grassyhill.com/Roswell/Witnesses/MarcelMyths.htm>

"(...)General Ramey allowed some members of the press in to take  
a picture of the stuff. They took one picture of me on the floor  
holding up some of the less-interesting \_metallic\_ debris. The  
press was allowed to photograph this, but were not allowed far  
enough into the room to touch it. The stuff in that photo was  
pieces of the actual stuff we found (...)."

but Brazel did not:

<http://www.grassyhill.com/Roswell/Witnesses/brazel.htm>

"(...)There was no sign of any metal in the area which might  
have been used for an engine and no sign of any propellers of  
any kind, although at least one paper fin had been glued onto  
some of the tinfoil(...)."

Apparently, it seems that the stuff found by Brazel and the material in Ramey's office is to be the same:

<http://www.grassyhill.com/Roswell/Articles/PressReports.htm#9>

"(...) According to information released by the department, over authority of Maj. J. A. Marcel, intelligence officer, the disk was recovered on a ranch in the Roswell vicinity, after an unidentified rancher had notified Sheriff Geo. Wilcox here, that he had found the instrument on his premises.

Major Marcel and a detail from his department went to the ranch and recovered the disk, it was stated.

After the intelligence officer here had inspected the instrument it was flown to higher headquarters.(...)

General Roger Ramey, Commander of the Eighth Air Force with headquarters at Fort Worth Texas, received the object from Roswell Army Air Base (Marcel, personally, couriered from Roswell to Fort Worth on orders of General Ramey). It is being shipped by air to the Army Air Force Research Centre at Wright Field, Ohio.(...)"

So, the Ramey office debris, apparently, followed the path: Brazel's ranch ---> Marcel @ RAAB ----> (couriered by Marcel) by air to 'higher headquarters' and Ramey's office, @ EAF, FW, Texas (where JBJ takes his 6 photos of Marcel, DuBose and Ramey) ---> by air to AAFRC @ WF, Ohio.

Further, it could be that 'metallic debris' and 'tinfoil' is taken as being the same thing...

By the way, how can it be that "(...)the RPIT is now working with a theory that the markings that are barely visible in the Johnson photos may be glyphs from 1000BC Egypt!?" I.e.:

<http://www.grassyhill.com/Roswell/Witnesses/bjohnson.htm>

Can it be that the debris comes from an "archaeological site", where it was brought to in ancient times, or blown all the way from Egypt in ancient times, and settled on Brazel's farm?

Further, I did see the text saying it was Ramey on 'photo F'. However, by comparing DuBose's face on "photo E" with the face on "photo F", I think the man on 'photo F' looks more like 'a properly dressed' DuBose...(Though, we can see something 'under his nose' which surely might look like a moustache -- something which Ramey 'has got -- but it may also be 'some shadow' created by the flash, or by the newspaper printing; I do -- personally -- think so. We can also see that the white message/paper shown in his hands is actually smaller in size in 'photo F', than in the hands of Ramey in 'photo E' (the size in photo E is almost twice the size), something which indicates that the paper has been significantly altered (e.g., read) between those two photos.

This, all together, makes me believe it's actually DuBose as 'Ramey alone', or 'lost Ramey', in 'photo F'. (Did JBJ prepare the text under the photo?)

But, all this doesn't necessarily mean that much; it's just some independent observations, and subjective analyses.

Regards,

Asgeir

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## Motion Sciences Organization Press Release

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From: Tony Young  
Director of Communications  
Motion Sciences Organization  
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MOTION SCIENCES LAUNCHES INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION AMONG  
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21st Century Nonprofit Research and Development Enterprise  
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Discoveries for Breakthrough Propulsion, Energy, and Materials  
Technologies

PALO ALTO, CALIFORNIA - August 20, 2001 - The Motion Sciences Organization (<http://motionsciences.org>) was launched August 13, 2001 as a 21st century advanced physics research and development organization supporting an international network of individuals, institutions, and businesses, pioneering together breakthrough technologies for 21st century life. Motion Sciences is conducting fundamental theoretical and experimental research relevant to the discovery of physical principles that might enable breakthroughs in propulsion and energy generation technologies. Scientists have joined Motion Sciences from NASA, Lockheed-Martin, MIT, Stanford Linear Accelerator Center, Enrico Fermi Institute at the University of Chicago, the University of Maryland, and Princeton University, and are now actively conducting research in advanced electrodynamics, quantum theory, and materials sciences.

"Over the past decade, research in several domains of physics is suggesting that new insights into the nature of mass, the origin of inertia and the mechanism of gravitation may be achieved in coming years," said Dr. Bernard Haisch, Director of the California Institute for Physics and Astrophysics, one of the institutions forming Motion Sciences. "The organization of Motion Sciences represents a milestone for this field of study, enabling a new level of focus and collaboration among the many scientists and institutions exploring key unanswered questions in physics," he added.

Motion Sciences Organization (MSO) connects, informs, sponsors, and assists in the prioritization of collaborative research among Associates of the Motion Sciences Research and Development Network, enabling theoretical and experimental studies to advance beyond the limits imposed by severely fragmented explorations of these domains. Through the Research and Development Network, MSO and its Associates are able to fulfill contract research and development of technological innovations for productization in alliance with government and industry

partners and independent innovators. The alliance is expected to accelerate the emergence of products and services for urgent and unaddressed near-, mid-, and long-term human needs in advanced propulsion, renewable energy, electromagnetic and acoustic sensing, infrastructure construction and protection, navigation instrumentation, and testing and analysis systems.

"The organizations coming together in alliance within the Motion Sciences Research and Development Network represent capabilities beyond theoretical research alone. We are actively conducting several key experimental programs at this time, and are now equipped to take successful concepts all the way to applied technology prototypes," said Creon Levit, Director of Experimental Research for Motion Sciences.

Motion Sciences Organization has been formed by the combination of the California Institute for Physics and Astrophysics (<http://www.calphysics.org>) and the International Space Sciences Organization (ISSO), founded in 1999 by information technology pioneer Joseph P. Firmage. Initial Associates within the Motion Sciences Research and Development Network include:

Scientific Applications and Research Associates, Inc. (<http://www.sara.com/>), a world-class physics engineering company providing services to the U.S. Army, Air Force, Navy and Marines, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, the U.S. Department of Energy, the British Defense Evaluation Research Agency, the U.S. Defense Threat Reduction Agency, the U.S. Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, Northrop Grumman Corp., Boeing Corp., and TRW.

Institute for Advanced Studies in Austin (<http://www.earthtech.org/ias.htm>), a privately funded theoretical and experimental research organization in Austin, Texas, was established in 1985 to explore advanced concepts in forefront scientific areas. Its research activities range from theoretical studies of such fundamental issues as gravitation, inertia, and cosmology, to laboratory studies of innovative approaches to energy generation. The expertise of IAS is regularly sought by both corporate and government entities, and its personnel regularly serve various corporations, foundations, government agencies, the Executive Branch, and Congress as consultants on leading-edge technologies and future technology trends.

The research at Boston University under the direction of Prof. Daniel Cole (<http://www.bu.edu/mfg/faculty/homepages/cole.html>) involves detailed exploration of Casimir cavities. This research attempts to combine basic theoretical work with applied technological innovation. Cole's group has developed large simulation programs that have been used in the microelectronics industry for guiding semiconductor technology developments. Cole also teaches a graduate level course in engineering on the creation, protection, and commercialization of intellectual property.

"Our scientists and those of our institutional associates have been collaborating for several years in the exploration of these domains of physics. After much preparatory work we have reached a critical mass, and are ready to move to the next stage. We've formed a new structure to enable tighter collaboration, better prioritization, larger-scale programs, and a common vehicle for open public engagement and financial sponsorship," said Mr. Firmage, Chairman of Motion Sciences Organization.

#### SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

Motion Sciences Theoretical and Experimental Studies Team (TEST) is comprised of thoroughly credentialed theorists and experimentalists in domains central to Motion Sciences' mission. TEST most resembles a distributed academic institute with strong experimental research capabilities. Through TEST, Motion Sciences sponsors focused research internally, at top universities, and otherwise throughout the Motion Sciences Research and Development Network.

The theoretical group within Motion Sciences has operated for two years as the California Institute for Physics and Astrophysics (CIPA), and is led by Dr. Bernard Haisch, formerly of Lockheed-Martin, whose work in this field is an outgrowth of NASA Research Contract NASW-5050, "Inertia and Gravitation in

the Zero-Point Field Model" (1996-2000) awarded to the Lockheed Martin Advanced Technology Center. This contract in turn resulted from a seminal paper published in 1994 in the journal Physical Review A entitled: "Inertia as a zero-point field Lorentz force" by B. Haisch, A. Rueda and H. E. Puthoff. Based on work carried out at California State University at Long Beach, the Lockheed Palo Alto Research Lab, and the Max Planck Institute für extraterrestrische Physik in Germany, a significantly new insight into the nature of mass was proposed in that paper. Thereafter, work under the NASA contract published in subsequent papers confirmed and indeed strengthened the proposed connection between inertial mass and the quantum vacuum. In recent years, the explorations of the relation between mass and the quantum vacuum have been extended with possibly significant insights into the nature of gravitation. Possible implications of this and of a rapidly widening body of work in the domain of quantum vacuum physics are that:

1. It may be possible to generate propulsive forces without the ejection of material propellant or reaction masses.
2. It may be possible to extract energy from the quantum vacuum.
3. Both inertial mass and gravitational mass may be electromagnetic phenomena, which would open the door to the possibility of manipulating inertia and/or gravitation.

The theoretical concepts underlying these possibilities are based on an extensive array of peer-reviewed publications in mainstream physics journals.

Dr. Haisch's team is presently conducting studies in the areas of quantum theory, electrodynamics, general relativity and other theories of gravitation and inertia, superstring and M-theory and plasma physics, as well as certain areas of astrophysics and laser physics. Through funded contracts, TEST-CIPA additionally retains expertise in photonics, quantum computation, and numerical simulation. As a way to broaden open scientific collaboration and to tap into high-level expertise at other institutions, external research grants have been made to faculty and researchers at half a dozen other university departments in the U.S. and abroad. The Scientific Advisory Board for the TEST-CIPA theoretical group is chaired by world-renowned theoretician Prof. Paul Wesson.

The experimental group within TEST has operated for two years as the International Space Sciences Organization, and is led by Creon Levit, a 19-year veteran of NASA Ames, where he specialized in fluid hydrodynamics, quantum chemistry, molecular dynamics, computational visualizations thereof, and founded NASA's molecular nanotechnology laboratory. Employing considerable caution, collaborative discernment, and careful pruning, Levit's team and the Associates he regularly engages have mapped many mistaken paths of independent research. Resulting from the first two years of this effort, extremely valuable experience has been developed in a sometimes slippery, frequently tangled domain. The results of this approach appear promising: a few paths of exploration have indeed resulted in experiments now underway, early data from which indicate that further research is justified. Meanwhile, TEST's experimental group continues the process of examining the field of ideas through active collaboration with Associates in the Motion Sciences R&D Network.

#### NONPROFIT OPERATING MODEL TO APPROACH PUBLIC FOR SUPPORT

Motion Sciences has engaged a public fundraising campaign, seeking support from the broad number of individuals and institutions worldwide with an interest in advancing physics research relevant to solutions for the significant environmental and social challenges faced by human civilization. Individuals may support the research by joining the Motion Sciences Community, obtaining regular updates and materials on progress underway within Motion Sciences and across the general fields under study.

Motion Sciences has also established a Development Office to partner with major philanthropies whose focus intersects the long-term humanitarian benefits Motion Sciences seeks to help catalyze.

ABOUT MOTION SCIENCES ORGANIZATION

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The Organization operates facilities in Palo Alto, San Francisco, and Alameda, California, and can be reached at <http://motionsciences.org> and (650) 617-8969.

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-Kenn Thomas-

Kenn Thomas is founder, publisher and editor of Steamshovel Press, one of the world's most respected alternative media publications. He is also one of America's best known conspiracy writers and the author of seven published books on a variety of topics.

Thomas lectures widely and appears regularly on television and radio programs, including Fox News Full Nelson, Rob McConnell's X-Zone, Sightings on the Radio, Strange Daze and Coast To Coast AM with Art Bell.

Books By Kenn Thomas include: Maury Island UFO, Inside the Gemstone File, Flying Saucers over Los Angeles, Mind Control, Oswald and JFK, NASA, Nazis and JFK, The Octopus, Popular Alienation.

Kenn is presenting "The ParaPolitics of UFOs/Maury Island & the Crisman Conspiracy" Sunday afternoon. He will also be participating in several panel discussions.

For more information about Kenn Thomas...

<http://www.nufoc.net/thomas.htm>  
<http://www.steamshovelpress.com>

Check out pages from the Maury Island comic book...

<http://www.seattleartbellchatclub.com/Maury.html>

-Constance Clear-

Abduction therapist & author of Reaching for Reality. Constance hosts the nightly radio show/webcast Clear Talk. Lecturer and psychotherapist Clear has a Master of Arts degree in psychology from Trinity University and a Master of Social Work degree from Our Lady of the Lake University. She has been in private practice since 1976, working with individuals, couples, and families. After fifteen years of facilitating a support group for bereaved parents, Constance began to study the UFO phenomena, which led to her working with abductees and culminated in the creation of this book. Her credentials include: L.M.S.W.-A.C.P., L.M.F.T., A.C.S.W., and B.C.D.

For more information about Constance Clear...

<http://www.nufoc.net/clear.htm>  
<http://www.reachingforreality.com>

-Patrick Huyghe-

Patrick Huyghe is presently the editor-in-chief of Paraview Press in New York, and the editor of a twice-yearly journal on the mysteries of science, history, and nature called The Anomalist. Under the company name JustDuckie, he also maintains several web sites, which he created, including the online version of The Anomalist and Small Comets, the news site for information on the discovery of small comets.

Huyghe holds a BA in social psychology from the University of Virginia and an MS in journalism from Syracuse University. After two years of editing and writing on the staffs of Us and Newsweek magazines, he turned freelance in 1980. Since then he has written for dozens of magazines, from The New York Times Magazine and Discover, to Psychology Today and Reader's Digest, Health and Omni, Audubon and The Sciences, and many others. During his two decades as a science writer he also served stints as contributing editor to both Science Digest and Omni.

Huyghe has also contributed to Time-Life, Reader's Digest, and Scribner's book series, taught science writing at the college level, produced public TV documentaries for WGBH-Boston and WNET-New York, and written exhibit text and interactive scripts for the Liberty Science Center in New Jersey, the Petrosains Discovery Center in Malaysia, and Monsanto's "Beautiful Science" exhibit at EPCOT.

Huyghe has authored three books. His latest is titled, Swamp Gas Times: My Two Decades on the UFO Beat.

For more information about Patrick Huyghe...

<http://www.nufoc.net/huyghe.htm>  
<http://www.PatrickHuyghe.com>  
<http://www.Anomalist.com>  
<http://www.ParaView.com>

-Diana Palmer Hoyt-

Diana has written her masters thesis on the academic ridicule of the UFO subject: UFOs, Social Intelligence and the Condon Committee. Diana is currently employed by NASA.

Diana is presenting Friday afternoon on "UFOs as Forbidden Science". She will also be participating in the Friday afternoon panel discussion "Best Future Research/Gaining Legitimacy".

For more information about Diana Hoyt...

<http://www.nufoc.net/hoyt.htm>  
<http://www.policy.nasa.gov/hoyt.html>

-Ed Conroy-

Author of Report on Communion: An Independent Investigation of and Commentary on Whitley Strieber's Communion. Ed Conroy was a free-lance writer for the San Antonio (TX) Express-News and other publications, specializing in arts and entertainment. He is a graduate of the California Institute of the Arts' School of Critical Studies, and lives in San Antonio.

His independent investigation of Whitley Strieber's nonfiction book Communion is every bit as eye-opening as Communion itself. As the first in-depth report that attempts to verify experiences related by

Strieber in that work, Report on Communion studies the 'visitor' and UFO 'abduction' phenomena. Ed Conroy presents the story behind the book and the media uproar it created in order to allow the reader to make up his or her own mind about the most compelling and widely read account of an apparent UFO "abduction."

With Strieber's full cooperation, Conroy has interviewed figures important to Strieber's childhood, the writing of Communion and Transformation, his writing career in general, and the making of the film of the book. Conroy has conducted original research on similar 'visitor' experiences in the vicinity of Strieber's boyhood home in San Antonio, Texas, cross-verified facts presented in order to approach rationally the UFO phenomenon; and records his own experiences for the reader to interpret.

Conroy also discusses Communion within the larger context of the myths, folklore, and reality of our world, including the possible relationship between the 'visitors' and the fairies and leprechauns of legend. He explores Communion's place in the American UFO community and includes an exclusive interview that gives Strieber's own thoughts on the identity of the 'visitors.' But perhaps the most important question addressed in Report on Communion is 'If Strieber is telling the truth, and humanity is actually entering into a new relationship with entities who are intervening dramatically in our most personal affairs, then what kind of relationship are we to establish with them?'

Ed Conroy will be presenting Sunday afternoon. His talk is titled "From UFO Researcher to Cabalist: Conroy's Transformation After His Journey Through Communion". He will also be participating in the Sunday afternoon panel discussion "Balancing Experienter Therapy & Event Investigations".

For more information about Ed Conroy...  
<http://www.nufoc.net/conroy.htm>

-Greg Bishop-  
Editor of The Excluded Middle magazine and researcher into UFOs and Alien Writing and their interconnections with altered states of consciousness and shamanism. His articles have graced the pages of Fortean Times, Magickal Blend and others.

In his article "ET Play Ball," written for The Konformist, Greg looks at connections between the infamous Roswell incident and inter-racial developments in sport.  
<http://www.konformist.com/1999/etplayball.htm>

"The Great Rock Convention," co-written with conspiriologist Kenn Thomas for Fortean Times magazine, is an outstanding article on one of Greg's favorite subjects; early UFO contactees and the Giant Rock gatherings. Gain some insight into the beginnings of a contemporary New Religious Movement.  
<http://www.forteantimes.com/artic/118/rock.html>

Greg will be presenting Saturday afternoon on "Psychedelics, Alien Abductions, Shamanism and Alien Writing". He will also be participating in several panel discussions.

For more information about Greg Bishop...  
<http://www.nufoc.net/bishop.htm>

Check out the official web site for The Excluded Middle, one of the most interesting conspiriology and weird culture zines, founded in 1993. The archived articles are a stimulating read, ranging from familiar topics such as UFOlogy and Nikola Tesla to Cabbalistic interpretations of Dr. Seuss tales. A must-read site!  
<http://www.excludedmiddle.com>

There you can read famous interviews by Greg Bishop of... William "Bill" Moore, Karla Turner, Keith Thompson, Richard Boylan, James Moseley, Dean Radin, Ira Einhorn

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Each full day of this year's National UFO Conference has a theme. There are many important facets to unraveling the ufo mystery so we've chosen to focus each days presentations towards certain key components of the phenomenon.



Friday's focus: "The Future of UFOlogy"

What does the future hold for the scientific investigation of the UFO phenomenon? Despite all the ridicule and lack of official scientific inquiry, many dedicated researchers have led the way investigating everything from UFO landing traces to the stories of contact described by the witnesses themselves. Much has been accomplished over the years and there is still much work to do.

Hard at work behind the scenes, this day's lineup of presenters will educate you about where we have been and where we are going in the scientific quest for understanding of Earth's greatest mysteries.

Is there any evidence for the claims of Government suppressed crashed saucer retrievals such as the El Indio and, more famous, Roswell New Mexico crash of 1947? How might we use the latest technologies to aid us in our search for answers to the ufo enigma? What can we learn from Academia's ridicule of the ufo subject? How can we use that knowledge to turn the tide of derision and begin anew to ask the right questions?

Saturday's focus: "Alternate Paradigms for the UFO Phenomenon"

There has always been a tendency to "escalate hypotheses" while grappling with the "ufo problem." When the modern era of flying saucers began it was easy to speculate about their possible origins; advanced aircraft of an enemy nation was usually the first idea put forth. Misperceived natural phenomena was another popular explanation which still seems valid for weeding out the 80-95% "haystack" of IFOs (Identified Flying Objects) that dilute the true UFO reports. But it was the ExtraTerrestrial Hypothesis that quickly emerged as the main contender for the modern public's ideas about the origins of UFOs.

Despite the extraterrestrial hypothesis' popularity and surface level viability as the best explanation for UFO sightings and close encounters, many researchers began looking elsewhere for new hypotheses to better account for all the ufo data. In the 1970s a number of new theories emerged to explain ufos and related phenomena. The Paranormal Hypothesis became popular among those fluent in parapsychological research as well as those identifying their interests in the strange with the monikers of Forteana, Parapsychology and Anomalistics.

With subjects as diverse as consciousness and dream research, apparition reports and ghost stories, cattle mutilations and crop circles, psychedelics and perception, unknown animals and paranormal beings, astral travel and out of body experiences, shamanism and spiritual transformation... Saturday's speakers will shatter your preconceptions about the Paradigms you believe in and live by.

Sunday's focus: "Integrating the Anomalous"

The focus of the final conference day is the "bottom line" of these strange phenomena; how do we integrate the anomalous into our lives? Sunday's speakers are well equipped to help us individually and as a society to navigate the ambiguous multiple paradigms inherent in UFO related phenomena..

While science has tried to quantify the UFO phenomena through its various instruments of investigation such as radar, magnetometers, chemical analyzers, photographic devices etc., the most important aspect of the strange events and encounters is the person who witnesses and experiences these Unassimilated Fantastic Observations. Some people have a religious response (the Contactees old and new), others are incensed by the violating aspects of there encounters. For some the encounters are liberating transcendant spiritual experiences while others are beset by a variety of debilitating problems ranging from sleep disturbances, radiation sickness or even PTSD (Post Traumatic Stress Disorder). "Something" is experienced by these people and it can have life changing effects upon them.

What do we know about the people who witness these phenomena?  
How can we balance our investigations into these events while protecting the rights and well-being of the experiencers of such bizarre phenomena?

How have the various researchers and experiencers grappled with these phenomena over the years? What drives those who've not had the experience to often voraciously pursue the answers to the riddles posed by the phenomena? Why do others react with ridicule and fear? These questions and much more will be explored during both the Sunday Day Session and the Sunday Night Session.

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#### LIVE MUSIC

This year's conference will be unlike any other UFO event. Each night there will be UFO researchers and a panel discussion just like during the day but after dark there will be live ParaUFO music, Flying Saucer Film Festival and Psychotronic Entertainment.

Music is an amazingly mind altering technology. With simple beats and rhythms a person's heart rate and brainwave activity can be 'entrained' to a specific frequency. Music can change your mood. It can put you on the edge of your seat in suspenseful anticipation and it can exalt the very fabric of your soul.

Some people have suggested that the creative artistic types often seem to be experiencers of paranormal and contact phenomena. Many a musician has wrestled with the various issues associated with UFOs, aliens and the paranormal. Austin has played host to a number of such artists like Roky Erickson of the 13th Floor Elevators and Jon Sanchez of the Flying Saucers. There are tons of UFO songs out there in the ether.

Good examples of intuitive psychics and/or experiencers are scheduled presenters Eugenia Macer-Story and Pamela Stonebrooke. Besides giving their ufo lectures both Eugenia and Pamela will be gracing us with their own musical stylings. Eugenia plays guitar and rights songs for the numerous plays she has written. She will be performing her own style of "Interdimensional Music" Friday evening before that night's film festival. Then on Sunday night Pamela Stonebrooke, an accomplished jazz singer, will belt out several of her own tunes. (Keep an eye out for the next Conference UpDate that will feature more information on both of these multi-talented presenters.)

At the end of each night we will be featuring a taste of Austin's own anomalous music community; first on Friday night with veteran Austin rockers PONG then Saturday night with ethereal feedback artists Experimental Aircraft and finally Sunday night with garageband rockers SciBorg Sam & the Automatons.

See what others are saying about these awesome Austin musicians:

#### PONG!

"The name fits the retro-futuristic kind of mood we're in," explains guitarist and vocalist Gary Chester.

Joining Chester are Jason Craig (guitar, vocals), Lyman Hardy (drums), Shane Shelton (keyboards, vocals), and Larry Strub (bass, vocals). Craig and Shelton have spent time in local punk rock bands Pocket FishRmen and Moist Fist, respectively. The remaining three created one of Austin's most important post-punk bands, the mighty modernist rock trio Ed Hall.

After releasing a handful of albums and touring the U.S. and Europe, Ed Hall -- like their last label, Trance Syndicate -- called it quits in 1996. Personality clashes didn't break up the band, but rather the familiar story of years of hard work with less-than-desired rewards. Bassist Strub moved to Thailand for a few years and taught English. Chester stayed in town, playing with Moist Fist and fashioning Gold, the band that became Pong.

Checking out the band's rough mixes prove the point. "Incapacitated" is a toe-tapping disco-rock jam that announces

"aliens have landed at the White House, California has fallen into the ocean," that last word delivered in a fatalistic falsetto drop. "Foot Foot" begins with Stonesy "whooo-hooo" harmonies mixed with Warm Jets-era Eno vocals and an upbeat rhythm. The flowing, flowering intro of "Bubble Jungle" morphs into a cavernous shuffle groove, full of melodic stalactites and weird vocal stalagmites. Pong songs are often like Dali paintings, at once organized, inviting, and scary."

[http://www.auschron.com/issues/dispatch/2000-03-03/music\\_feature3.html](http://www.auschron.com/issues/dispatch/2000-03-03/music_feature3.html)

"Dramatically switching gears, Austin's Pong sludges up on stage. For those of you who were fans of Ed Hall, Pong is all three members of this former seminal Austin band, along with two other chaps adding keyboards and another guitar into the mix. These veterans not only put on a stellar show, but have some great material to go along with their antics."

<http://www.splendidezine.com/features/sxsw2k/wednesday.html>

#### EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT

<http://www.experimentalaircraft.com/>

"Another chance to lay back and drift easy as Austin, Texas' EXPERIMENTAL AIRCRAFT put the shimmer on and start glistening. Ten tracks of blissy and sonic pop and rock combinations driven by fuzzed guitars, lush female vocals, and an occasional Moog/synth sound. Dynamic, jam-ready, and spaced." -Unknown

"Dreamy, narcotic, trance-inducing, space landscape of sound. T.J. O'Leary, guitar and vocals; Rachel Staggs, guitar and vocals; Mark Smith, bass; and Jason Ferguson, drums." -Unknown

"These Austin-nauts drift through the ether with beautifully fuzzy guitars and lush girl vocals. The odd Moog and organ slinks through as spaced-out hooks expand into Sonic Youth-style jams. Shimmering moments of quiet provide valleys to match the band's loudest peaks." -Williamette Week

"With neutron stars in their eyes and a new self-titled EP in hand, Experimental Aircraft phases their brand of ballsy bliss-rock into an Austin landscape woefully short on shoegazerdom. References to drone masters Baiter Space might be more apt, but when the band hits its stride, they're evocative of the seemingly Precambrian days when My Bloody Valentine walked the earth." - Michael Chamy, The Austin Chronicle

[http://www.auschron.com/issues/dispatch/2000-11-24/music\\_recviews17.html](http://www.auschron.com/issues/dispatch/2000-11-24/music_recviews17.html)

<sup>3</sup>Shoegazers and noise enthusiasts Experimental Aircraft weave through Indie Rock signatures with alarming dexterity. From Their Sonic Youth-inspired string noise and two-note dissonance to Swervedriver's hollow, NASA-approved screech (<sup>3</sup>Sci-Flyer<sup>2</sup>, <sup>3</sup>Son of Mustang Ford<sup>2</sup>), and finally Lush/MBV, Doppler-effected grooves, it's obvious they've done their homework. While an ability to mirror and medley some of 90s Alt-Rock's greatest moments deserves some respect, it's Experimental Aircraft's own style and kinetic flair that remains most impressive.<sup>2</sup>  
-Listen.com

"And lo, a great deal of drinking then took place at Opal's. A whole lot. There were discussions of camping and Mississippi and the feared "Zachsquatch". And over all of this debauchery spun the gorgeous music of Experimental Aircraft, another Devil in the Woods band. Their self-titled album is simultaneously a tribute to the our shoegazing past and a hint at some sort of blissed-out sonic future. Sure, there are traces of My Bloody Valentine and Slowdive and Chapterhouse, (how couldn't there be?), but Ex-Air have moved past the early 90's hip-hopped percussion and focused more exclusively on guitars and what distortion does to them. Lead singer Rachel's dreamy vocals and lyrics remind you that music is safe when the world isn't. Theirs is beautifully controlled noise that can pretty much insulate you from whatever attacks. It hasn't left Squid's discman since she left Austin. There's really never been a more perfect end to an evening."

<http://www.playinginfog.com/reviews/sxswmix.html>

An Interview with Experimental Aircraft at AustinLive.Com

<http://www.austinlive.com/sxsw2000/interviews/experimentalaircraft.htm>

SCIBORG SAM & THE AUTOMATONS

<http://www.SciBorg-Gear.com/>

"Alexander Uriostegui, the leader of SciBorg Sam & The Automatons, is both musician and author. His book SciBorg Sam & The Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence is 'a journey of nonstop action, adventure, mystery, chaos, corruption, gratuitous violence, controversial issues, eroticism, and sick humor.'

SciBorg Sam designs cyborg outfits for his band and is totally into UFOs and Extraterrestrial Intelligences."

Read an excerpt from the book:

<http://www.sciborg-gear.com/journ.htm>

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## Help Needed On 2 Old Cases

From: Chris Aubeck <[caubeck@email.com](mailto:caubeck@email.com)>  
Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 15:49:57 +0800  
Fwd Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 10:59:08 -0400  
Subject: Help Needed On 2 Old Cases

Dear List Members,

Could someone please check their files to see if they have information about these interesting incidents?

Please send replies to [caubeck@yahoo.com](mailto:caubeck@yahoo.com)

Thank you,

Chris Aubeck

(1) I have two sources that are ambiguous about some small details, and on one point contradict each other. Surprisingly, neither Bougard nor Vallee mention this case.

Source A: Internet page dealing with miracles. My source's source: "Mgr. de Bouille published an account of this apparition and later received two briefs from Pope Leo XII."

"On December 17, 1826, after sunset, approximately three thousand people gathered for a jubilee ceremony at Migne, in the jurisdiction of Poitiers, France. All three thousand witnessed a magnificent luminous object shining "brighter than the sun" and "clearly not of this world" in the open sky above them. Records of this event indicate that the heavenly object resembled a cross, but by its description it hardly seems likely. The length of the celestial "cross" measured forty feet and its cross-member measured about four feet. The crowd was seized with excitement, and a general feeling of brotherhood and unity prevailed even long after the spectacle had vanished. Some wept, some raised exclamations of wonder, some lifted their hands to heaven, some studied and measured and scrutinized and others simply took note. The reason for this phenomenon has never been ascertained, as no one among the witnesses has ever offered a single reasonable insight."

Source B: "Les OVNI du Passé," by Christiane Piens (Bibliothèque Marabout, Belgium 1977, p.86).

Notes:

Piens has "Migne-Auxances (near Poitiers)" for "Migne, in the jurisdiction of Poitiers."

Piens has "80 feet" instead of "forty feet and its cross-member measured about four feet."

Piens adds that 200 people provide a (written? oral?) testimony.

Piens' source: F. Largarde et le groupement Lumières dans la nuit, "Mystérieuses soucoupes volantes," Albatros, 1973 p. 283.

(2) In 1767 a strange object was seen in Scotland. The exact source is unknown to me but here we can reproduce a letter from the most recent finder of the account, as published on the research site Filer's Files (#34, August 28, 2000 [www.filersfiles.com](http://www.filersfiles.com)): Ilias Chdsssochoidis writes, "As a doctoral

student in the Humanities [at Stanford University], I've been spending much time reading 18th-century British periodicals. In one of them I have found a report of an unexplained phenomenon. I leave it to your judgment and experience to decide its merits as a UFO sighting. Extract of a letter from Edinburgh, Sept. 8, 1767 follows:

"We hear from Perthshire, that an uncommon phaenomenon was observed on the water of Isla, near Cupor Angus, preceded by a thick dark smoke, which soon dispelled, and discovered a large luminous body, like a house on fire, but presently after took a form something pyramidal, and rolled forwards with impetuosity till it came to the water of Erick, up which river it took its direction, with great rapidity, and disappeared a little above Blairgowrie. The effects were as extraordinary as the appearance.

"In its passage, it carried a large cart many yards over a field of grass; a man riding along the high road was carried from his horse, and so stunned with the fall, as to remain senseless a considerable time. It destroyed one half of a house, and left the other behind, undermined and destroyed an arch of the new bridge building at Blairgowrie, immediately after which it disappeared.

"As few appearances of this kind ever were attended with like consequences, various conjectures have been formed concerning it."

This incident, in slightly varying versions, has been described in three different books with no reference to the name of the journal where it first appeared. I would like to know the title and date of that journal. A French source has provided me with the reference FSR vol. 21, no. 3-4, Nov. 1975, p. 54. Unfortunately I do not have this issue. Could someone look it up for me? Unless the above-quoted text differs from that published in FSR all I require is the original bibliographical reference.

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## Rudolf Fenz - Time Traveler?

From: Chris Aubeck <[caubeck@email.com](mailto:caubeck@email.com)>  
Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 15:49:57 +0800  
Fwd Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 11:02:01 -0400  
Subject: Rudolf Fenz - Time Traveler?

Dear List members,

A story constantly repeated in Spanish publications concerns one Rudolf Fenz, who is said to have been run over by a car in New York in June 1950. Apparently he appeared out of nowhere. His clothed seemed to belong to the 19th century, though he appeared to be no more than 30 years old. When the police went through the man's pockets they found documents dated 1876 and antique coins. They found his name on one of the documents but there was no record of his existence in 1950 America. But they did find one Rudolf Fenz Jr. in the phone book. Unfortunately this man, a bank clerk, had died not long before, but his widow told the investigator of the case (one Hubert V. Rihn of the Missing Persons Investigation Dept.) that Fenz's father had disappeared mysteriously in the spring of 1876 when he went out to buy tobacco.....

The story says that Rihn consulted a list of missing people dated 1876. There was Rudolf Fenz's name, 29 years old, last seen dressed exactly as he was found on 5th Avenue in 1950 under the wheels of an automobile.....

Sounds like an urban myth to me. And I've only ever seen it in Spanish. Any bibliographic reference I can give would be practically meaningless, but to name one: 'Los Enigmas Pendientes' edited by Dr. Jiménez del Oso, Ediciones Uve, Madrid 1979, pp.75-77.

The last time I saw it mentioned in print was last week.

Can anyone give me any useful information?

Thank you,

Chris Aubeck

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Hatch

From: **Larry Hatch** <[larryhat@jps.net](mailto:larryhat@jps.net)>  
Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 16:45:27 -0700  
Fwd Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 11:06:17 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Hatch

>Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 21:47:52 +0100  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>From: Neil Morris <[neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk](mailto:neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk)>  
>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris

>>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>>Date: Sun, 19 Aug 2001 21:59:34 EDT  
>>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>>Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 17:47:39 +0100  
>>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>>>From: Neil Morris <[neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk](mailto:neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk)>  
>>>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris

>><snip>

>>>And the AA symbols I'm talking about are not the publicised  
>>>beam symbols that every one who has seen the AA are familiar  
>>>with.

>>>The symbols that match those seen in the FW pictures sit  
>>>along a beam on one of the tables seen in the background of  
>>>the "debris footage" and as far as I'm aware were totally  
>>>un-noticed until I hit on them by chance, late in 1999, no one  
>>>else has come forward to claim prior knowledge of these to date.

>>Now let me get it straight. The hoaxer would have had to  
>>publicly announce the existence of the little details he or she  
>>had noticed in the Fort Worth pictures and had decided to  
>>duplicate to make the fake debris look better?

>>>A similar point can be made for the FW pictures, has anyone  
>>>before the RPIT claimed to have found symbols lurking within  
>>>the debris on Ramey's floor potted them?, and at a date before  
>>>the AA film surfaced in 1993?.

>>The problem with your argument is that in order for it to be  
>>>true, there would have to be no one on this Earth who is either  
>>as observant or as smart as you.

>>You obviously think that that is extremely unlikely.

>>This seems like it could be a fatal flaw in your hypothesis,  
>>Neil.

>>I think it is increasingly unlikely yes.

>>True it is possible somebody could have done some very in depth  
>>research (in addition to all the other highly technical research  
>>required to fabricate the AA if a hoax) if only the well known  
>>UTA images alone were involved. But what I find compelling is  
>>that the cross match of symbols includes the rare Bettmann image  
>>and the symbol found in the Bettmann only appears in the  
>>Bettmann not any of the UTA images.

>>So what?, you might say.

>>I think it's true to say the UTA images have been public



>knowledge, other than after their initial press publication, due  
>to their use in Roswell publications from 1980 onwards. But as  
>far as I'm aware none of the main stream works makes mention or  
>reproduces the Bettmann image, I have one work only in my  
>collection that uses the Bettmann, but that was published in  
>1995, after the AA appeared some 2 years before. (Ray Santilli  
>first saw the film in 1993, other people claim to have seen it  
>in the 60's)

>I believe it was Kevin Randle who traced this image but I'm  
>unaware just when and if he has ever used it in reproduction in  
>any of his works, he hasn't in the ones I have, perhaps he can  
>comment on this, I'd be interested to know.

>So if our hoaxers put together the AA with hidden FW pic details  
>in the 80's as you suggest, are they going to re-invent the  
>wheel and do a national archive picture search for the Fort  
>Worth images or the sensible thing and pinch other peoples  
>published research and then hit the UTA for a set of prints?. If  
>I were doing it I would go with the flow and assume the likes of  
>Randle, Schmitt, Friedman Beliner and Moore had done their  
>homework, why go hunting for more images when you know the UTA  
>had 4 originals??.

>Another problem are those witnesses who claim to have seen the  
>AA film back in the 60's and 70's before even the UTA prints  
>were known about.

>>>>I wonder how Marcel got 777,500 square feet of anything in the  
>>>>trunk of his little old car?

>>>Ah, but Cavitt had a "carry-all", see later.

>>See above..

>><snip>

>>>>What makes 10% coverage necessary to notice some shiny debris  
>>>>laying out on the desert? There is a mighty big assumption  
>>>>being made here.

>>>>Did Brazel ever say that the area was covered to this density?

>>>Nope, but if Tommy Tyree, the ranch hand who worked with Mack shortly  
>>>after the event is to be believed, the density was such as to  
>>>trouble Mack's sheep to the extent they wouldn't cross the debris  
>>>field, and he had to drive them around it.

>>You've interviewed the sheep, Neil, and they agree that it was  
>>10% coverage?

>>>Sorry Bob you've lost me here, the numbers used are directly  
>>>from witness testimony

>>1947 witness testimony?

>Which?

>Or are you thinking about Cavitt's description?.

>>>and pictures?, am I to assume you are  
>>>referring to JBJ's FW pics (?so you agree the debris shown is  
>>>some of that from Roswell? or do you know of some others?)

>>Yes.

>Which?

>>>which according to Jesse Marcel only show a small portion of  
>>>what was transported to FWAAF aboard that B29's flight and  
>>>that debris flight only held what he and Cavitt had recovered  
>>>from the debris field. Most of the debris was still left behind  
>>>out there on the ranch.

>>What is the date and citation for this 1947 quotation, please.

>><snip>

>>>so how come they filled the carryall and Marcel's Buick yet  
>>>still left the larger part of the debris out there?.

>>Please provide a citation and date for the eyewitness testimony  
>>that they filled the carryall and Buick with debris, yet still  
>>left most behind?

>Jesse Marcel "The Roswell Incident" my copy P69, interviewed in  
>1979.

>"We collected all the debris we could handle. When we had filled  
>the Carry-all, I began to fill the trunk and back seat of the  
>Buick."

>And I guess you'll class it as hearsay but..

>Jesse Marcel Jnr page 73 same book.

>"He had a 1942 Buick and a Carry-all trailer, and both were  
>loaded with this material which was only a small fraction of the  
>total material."

Hello guys:

I'm sorry I cannot cite chapter and verse, I think the following  
came from one of Vallee's books.

Some fellow in Europe concocted a fantastic tale, possibly an  
abduction or whatever, with alien contact wherein the aliens  
divulged that they had stolen an electrical meter from some  
house... presumably to see how it worked.

His story was blown .. he tripped himself up in some other way,  
and finally confessed the whole matter if I recall correctly.

Before this rude exposure, somebody looked up police records for  
the town in question, and (gasp!) indeed an electrical meter  
mysteriously vanished from a house there!

It turned out that the perp had looked up the same records, and  
carefully woven those unlikely facts into his own fantasia,  
clearly in the hope that someone would find the missing meter  
records independently!

That worked like a charm, for a while at least.

The Meter-Man / contactee had a far less elaborate and expensive  
agenda than any Ray Santilli. All he had to do was dig thru some  
dusty police records.

For all I know he stole the meter himself in an unrelated prank  
years earlier. Ever heard of salting the mine? I'll bet the  
Southwest is full of 55 gallon oil fields.

Best wishes

- Larry Hatch

PS: Please don't hold me to precise details. This is completely  
from fuzzy memory [burp!] but I believe I have the general gist  
of it.

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## UFO Cult Cloning Lab A Fraud

From: Royce J. Myers III <[ufowatchdog@earthlink.net](mailto:ufowatchdog@earthlink.net)>  
Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 06:33:46 -0700  
Fwd Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 11:07:26 -0400  
Subject: UFO Cult Cloning Lab A Fraud

Someone was kind enough to pass this along to me:

<http://www.drudgereport.com/dna.htm>

The Rael cult is also reported to be under investigation by a federal grand jury for fraud. Maybe if the Raelians step it up, they can make multiple clones of themselves and send their clones to jail in their place...

Regards,

Royce J. Myers III  
UFOWATCHDOG.COM

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## THE WATCHDOG - 08-21-01

From: Royce J. Myers III <[ufowatchdog@earthlink.net](mailto:ufowatchdog@earthlink.net)>  
Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 09:52:04 -0400  
Fwd Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 11:08:37 -0400  
Subject: THE WATCHDOG - 08-21-01

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## Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - Cox

From: **Sheree Cox** <[CoxSheree@netscape.net](mailto:CoxSheree@netscape.net)>  
Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 10:05:30 -0400  
Fwd Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 11:11:03 -0400  
Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - Cox

>Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 11:43:56 -0400  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>From: John Velez <[johnvelez.aic@verizon.net](mailto:johnvelez.aic@verizon.net)>  
>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike To Support UFO Disclosure

I agree with John Velez. A Hunger Strike can be very dangerous.  
Surely there's better and safer ways to protest. Does George  
Bush really care?

Sheree Cox

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## List Hiatus

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
Date: Wed, 22 Aug 2001 00:00:04 -0400  
Fwd Date: Wed, 22 Aug 2001 00:00:04 -0400  
Subject: List Hiatus

Dear Reader,

UFO UpDates is off-line until AM Thursday August 30th, 2001 - a short, but needed vacation.....

Errol Bruce-Knapp  
Moderator

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## List Back On-line

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 10:34:56 -0400  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 10:34:56 -0400  
Subject: List Back On-line

From: Moderator, UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

Gentle Reader,

Relaxed, refreshed and feeling fine - "That's the way... uh huh, uh huh, I like it - uh huh, uh huh!"

A glorious week at a family cottage on a bay in the Muskokas - the kind of place you see in photographs of 'Canada' - a paradise. We sat, endlessly patient, waiting to see 'something' in the skies, but short of loons, hummingbirds, floatplanes and the odd satellite - nothing unidentifiable. Damn!

The mail will flow shortly. New subscribers should note that the List was not functioning for the past week, consequently there'll be an abnormal amount of traffic in the next few hours.....

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## US Base's Report Of UFO Crash 'Had MoD In A Panic'

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 10:36:07 -0400  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 10:36:07 -0400  
Subject: US Base's Report Of UFO Crash 'Had MoD In A Panic'

From: UFO UpDates <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

Source: The Guardian

[http://www.guardian.co.uk/uk\\_news/story/0,3604,543150,00.html](http://www.guardian.co.uk/uk_news/story/0,3604,543150,00.html)

US Base's Report Of UFO Crash 'Had MoD In A Panic'

Richard Norton-Taylor  
Tuesday August 28, 2001  
The Guardian

A report by the deputy commander of a US nuclear base in East Anglia of an unidentified flying object provoked panic in the Ministry of Defence, newly-released documents have revealed.

In what was claimed to be Britain's first UFO landing, Lieutenant Colonel Charles Halt, commander of the US Bentwaters base near Woodbridge in Suffolk, reported that two of his security patrolmen had seen "unusual lights" early in the morning of December 27, 1980.

Thinking that an aircraft had crashed, they reported seeing "a strange glowing object in the Rendlesham forest". The object was described as being "metallic in appearance and triangular in shape".

It had a "pulsing red light on top and bank of blue lights underneath".

Animals on a nearby farm were said to have gone into a "frenzy". The following day three depressions were found as well as traces of radiation, Col Halt reported.

His report was released under the US freedom of information act two years later. What has not been disclosed until now is the MoD's response to it.

British papers on the incident have been discovered by David Clarke, a researcher at Sheffield University who is writing a book on UFOs.

The Halt report was sent to the MoD with a covering letter by Squadron Leader Donald Moreland, an RAF liaison officer, who referred to "some mysterious sightings".

The ministry's scientists said they could offer "no explanation for the phenomena", or the radiation. Radar tapes from the night in question were impounded from nearby RAF bases to see if there was any evidence that British airspace had been invaded.

The papers make clear the MoD was concerned more about protecting the base from unwelcome publicity than about the alleged UFO sightings.

The ministry was worried about rumours being spread



suggesting that the "alien landing" was a clever cover story for an accident involving nuclear weapons, the crash of a prototype Stealth aircraft, or even the secret recovery of part of a Soviet satellite.

It was also worried that anti-nuclear campaigners would be alerted to the presence of nuclear bombs at Bentwaters.

Yet it had something else to hide. Five documents are being withheld on the grounds that they contain confidential briefings to ministers, relate to national security, or affect Britain's relations with the US.

Dr Clarke, of Sheffield University's centre for English cultural tradition, and whose book is due to be published by Piatkus next year, has asked the MoD to release them.

He said: "Here we had USAF servicemen at a highly sensitive Nato base chasing UFOs around a forest in the middle of the night."

He added: "The files raise questions about how easily our defences could be fooled."

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## Russian Scientists See Flying Saucers

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Subject: Russian Scientists See Flying Saucers

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Source: Asia Times

<http://atimes.com/c-asia/CH29Ag01.html>

August 29, 2001

Central Asia/Russia

Russian Scientists See Flying Saucers  
By Sergei Blagov

MOSCOW - A group of Russian scientists has come up with sensational claims of fundamental discoveries. However, their assertions provide more questions than answers about the current, deplorable state of Russian science.

The group, headed by Professor Valerian Sobolev, claims "seven major discoveries". One of these relates to a new electrochemical process, which allows production of new, previously unknown types of materials from silicon. Sobolev, who heads the Material Technology Research Center in Volgograd, Central Russia, claims that his new materials may contain electromagnetic impulses and could therefore become a source of virtually free electric energy.

Sobolev says that his know-how may help to build new types of engineless flying machines evocative of flying saucers. He and his team have sent a letter informing Russian President Valdimir Putin of their "discoveries" - casually pointing out that commercialization of their know-how would require some US\$2 million.

The Russian scientists say they can build generators of free electric energy on a commercial basis within 18 months. However, established researchers remain skeptical. "They are yet to show us any concrete proof," said prominent physicist Sergei Kapitsa. The talk about new materials and sources of energy is either "an honest mistake or an intentional deception", he added.

Large sections of the Russian media have not expressed any doubts over Sobolev's claims. For instance, the official RIA news agency, which also organized a media briefing for Sobolev earlier this month, presented his assertions as fact and omitted Kapitsa's and other critical remarks.

The former Soviet Union used to pride itself on its scientific achievements, notably advances in natural sciences, and the country had a system of finding and encouraging prodigies to become scientists. These days, however, Russian physicists and mathematicians are complaining that fewer talented young people are willing to embrace scientific pursuits and prefer, instead, to work abroad or in business.

Government funding for fundamental research programs in Russia has plummeted more than 12-fold since 1991, according to Yuri Osipov, chairman of the Russian Academy of Sciences. During the same period, Osipov added, the number of scientific workers dropped to 1 million from 3 million. More than half of the nation's scientists live in Moscow or areas adjacent to the city, yet the capital's high cost of living serves as an additional incentive to abandon research.

Once the country's scientific elite, associated with the Russian Academy of Science, known by its Russian acronym RAN, scientists now must contend with unpaid wages and falling prestige. Within the past decade, RAN has seen nearly 100,000 scientists leave for the lucrative private sector.

Russian officials suggest various ways to support scientific research. Earlier this month, Russia's Education Minister Vladimir Filippov suggested the merger of research centers with money-making colleges and universities. However, it remains to be seen whether Russian scientists would do well in the education sector. As recently as the 1970s, more than two-thirds of Russian students pursued engineering, natural sciences and medicine, but enrolment fell, along with prestige, after the end of the Cold War.

Peter the Great launched the RAN nearly three centuries ago by recruiting academics from Europe. Now, according to official statistics, some 20,000 Russian scientists work abroad. Many of them have taken with them the results of decades of collective work that often had yet to be patented. Russia thus is losing potential for much-needed earnings.

As younger scientists join the brain drain, the average age of remaining holders of doctoral degree has risen to 60 years, Osipov said. He urged a review of current legislation, which causes over-taxation of private grants to fund fundamental research. Russia's state budget allocates hardly enough to ensure the mere subsistence of state-employed scientists. Not surprisingly, many researchers survive relying on grants from the International Science Foundation of US billionaire George Soros, as well as smaller grants from the Russian Fund for Basic Research.

Experts say that Russia - both the private and state sectors - now invests less than \$200 million per year to commercialize high-tech know-how, including military technologies. This is a far from adequate figure for a country with thousands of research centers and high-tech enterprises.

However, skeptics argue that Russia's perceived "great science" was not based in reality, as scientific achievements were used for Cold War aims such as making atomic bombs, and other weapons. By contrast, the general population saw no benefits. Scientists counter that their achievements could be used for more practical goals.

A few scientists have managed to take care of themselves - notably Russia's controversial billionaire Boris Berezovsky, who worked as a mathematician in the Soviet era. But his former colleagues argue Berezovsky's notorious wealth, acquired "via a variety of murky means", is not the kind of achievement for which Russian science should pride itself.

Russian science still has considerable potential, as technology transfer, and commercialization of intellectual property could bring Russia up to \$1 billion per year, according to official estimates. These would-be huge revenues remain somewhat of a dream, however.

It remains to be seen whether Sobolev's claims prove to be true or a sheer hoax. If they turn out to be fraudulent, however, this would further illustrate the desperate measures that Russian scientists must embrace to attract publicity and funding.

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### Hypnosis May Give False Confidence To Inaccurate

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 10:36:38 -0400  
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Subject: Hypnosis May Give False Confidence To Inaccurate

From: UFO UpDates <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

Source: Ohio State University

<http://www.osu.edu/researchnews/archive/hypnomem.htm>

Hypnosis May Give False Confidence To Inaccurate Memories  
By Jeff Grabmeier

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Ohio State University

SAN FRANCISCO - A new study suggests that hypnosis doesn't help people recall events more accurately - but it does tend to make people more confident of their inaccurate memories.

Researchers asked college students, including some who were under hypnosis, to give the dates of 20 national and international news events from the past 11 years.

The bottom line is that memories recovered through hypnosis, or any other technique, need to be corroborated through other means before they are accepted as true.

Those who were hypnotized were no more accurate than others in choosing the correct dates. However, those who were hypnotized were more reluctant to change their answers when they were told they might be wrong.

The results suggest that people may have too much faith that hypnosis can help them accurately recover lost memories, said <<http://www.psy.ohio-state.edu/homepage.asp?p=1117> Joseph Green, co-author of the study and associate professor of <<http://www.psy.ohio-state.edu/> psychology at Ohio State University's Lima campus.

"Clearly, myths and misconceptions about hypnosis abound," Green said. "While hypnosis does not enhance the reliability of memory, there is some evidence that hypnosis leads to increased confidence in memories."

These results support earlier survey research co-authored by Green that found nearly nine of ten people in four countries believe that hypnosis can help someone remember something that they could not remember otherwise.

Green conducted the latest study with Steven Jay Lynn of the State University of New York at Binghamton. They presented their results Aug. 26 in San Francisco at the annual meeting of the <<http://www.apa.org/American> Psychological Association.

The study involved 96 college students who were asked to give their best estimate of the day, month and year that various events occurred. These included the date the Gulf War began, the day a bomb exploded in Atlanta during the Olympics and the date that Kurt Cobain of the rock band Nirvana committed suicide.

About half the students were hypnotized before performing the task, while the other half performed a progressive muscle relaxation exercise.

In addition to giving dates, the students were asked to rate how confident they were in the estimates they gave. Afterwards, the booklets with the date estimates were collected. After 20 minutes, the students were told the booklets had been scored to determine if their dates were within three months of the actual date. All participants were told that if they had a red star on the back of the booklet, at least one, but maybe more of the dates were inaccurate. In fact, though, the researchers had put red stars on all the booklets. The students were then given 10 minutes to review and change any of their previous estimates and give new ratings of how confident they were in their date estimates.

Results showed that the students who were hypnotized were no more accurate than those in the relaxation group. On some of the questions, none of the students were within three months of the correct date. At best, 62.5 percent were within three months of the correct date of an event.

In their ratings, the students who were hypnotized were no more confident in their date estimates than were the other students, Green said. However, participants who were hypnotized were less likely to change their estimates when told some were wrong.

Participants in the hypnosis group changed only 16.9 percent of their answers, compared to the other group, who changed 24.6 percent of their answers.

The fact that students under hypnosis said they were no more confident in their answers than did others, but were still less likely to change their answers, suggests the belief in the power of hypnosis to improve memory operates outside of conscious awareness.

"Those who were hypnotized tell you they are not confident in their answers, but their behavior - the reluctance to change their answers - suggests they must be more confident in their answers," Green said.

The reason may be the myths that surround hypnosis, he said. "It's widely believed that hypnosis somehow acts as a truth serum, that it unlocks memory and permits people to perform mental operations that they otherwise couldn't do," Green said.

These myths occur worldwide, according to research Green helped conduct. In a survey of 280 students in Australia, Germany, Iran and the United States, 88 percent said hypnosis can help people remember something they couldn't otherwise remember. There were no significant differences in this belief between countries.

Green said the results of the new study don't mean that hypnosis has no value. Any kind of technique used to retrieve memories - including the use of diaries or drugs - will produce inaccurate memories. However, the difference is that people tend to have more faith in hypnosis than they do in other memory techniques.

"While it may be true that hypnosis is no worse than other memory retrieval techniques in terms of accuracy, the downfall is that people may be more confident in memories they generate while under hypnosis," Green said. "And that's because of the belief that hypnosis is a magical truth serum."

The bottom line is that memories recovered through hypnosis, or any other technique, need to be corroborated through other means before they are accepted as true, he said.

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## Alien Seekers Damage Stone Age Mound

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Subject: Alien Seekers Damage Stone Age Mound

From: UFO UpDates <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

Source: BBC News

[http://news.bbc.co.uk/hi/english/uk/newsid\\_1511000/1511448.stm](http://news.bbc.co.uk/hi/english/uk/newsid_1511000/1511448.stm)

Tuesday, 28 August, 2001, 09:14 GMT 10:14 UK  
Alien Seekers Damage Stone Age Mound

Silbury Hill: Sacred place or waste tip Trespassing UFO hunters have climbed into Silbury Hill in Wiltshire, UK, damaging the biggest man-made Neolithic mound in Europe.

English Heritage closed the 4,000-year-old mound to the public after an 18th Century mining shaft opened up in the summit in May last year.

The alien hunters broke into the site under cover of darkness soon after the hole was discovered. Evidence of the trespass has only come to light now, after a video of the foray was included in a documentary film.

After tunnelling under the temporary roof installed by English Heritage, two climbers abseiled into the shaft, while a third videoed the stunt. They repeated the climb on a rainy winter night six months later.

Archaeologist Mike Pitts says the climbers dislodged the soft clay sides of the unstable shaft, possibly damaging vital archaeological clues.

"They were extremely lucky to come out again alive. Between their two visits there was a major collapse, which they joked about in the video of their December visit."

Footage of the illicit descent has since been incorporated into a video by Dutch documentary makers Janet Ossebaard and Bert Janssen, who have attempted to sell it on the tourist circuit in nearby Avebury.

Mr Pitts says that not only have shopkeepers refused to stock the video, the crop circle enthusiasts who flock to Wiltshire every summer have almost universally condemned the stunt.

English Heritage itself has come under fire for not doing enough to protect the site.

"This video depicts the criminal trespass of an ancient monument. So how these people can imagine that they can sell it without being criticised is impossible to believe," says Mr Pitts.

Secrets of the mound

As repairs to the hill get under way, English Heritage is carrying out a seismic study to create a 3D computer image of what lies inside.



It is the latest attempt to unlock the secrets of the hill, which forms part of the ancient landscape surrounding Avebury stone circle and nearby Stonehenge.

Theories abound as to why it was built. Many believe it was a sacred monument, while others think it may have been a Stone Age waste tip.

But the trespassers - thought to be local crop circle enthusiasts - apparently believe that Silbury Hill is a power station for passing alien craft.

It is a view shared by the Dutch documentary makers, who posted an account of the stunt - and assorted UFO sightings near Silbury Hill - on their website.

Included is a photo of a burn mark on a mobile phone carried by one of the climbers, apparently caused by intense heat on his climb up the mound - evidence, they infer, of the power emanating from the hill.

Mr Pitts is sceptical: "I suggest that they may have jumped on the phone while clambering about in the dark."

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## SETI Signal Crunching Yields Little So Far

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SETI@home: Signal Crunching Yields Little So Far

By Leonard David  
Senior Space Writer  
posted: 07:00 am ET  
27 August 2001

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIFORNIA -- More than a dozen candidate signals have been snagged by a global network of volunteers in a search for extraterrestrial intelligence called [SETI@home](#). But one by one, the prospective SETI hits have been downgraded to misses and tagged as radio interference.

The SETI@home project has been under way since May 1999. Using data collected by the world's largest radio telescope in Arecibo, Puerto Rico, some 3 million volunteers around the globe have attempted to tease out from the telescope's star sweeping any signs of radio chatter eking from distant, inhabited worlds.

SETI@home is separate from the SETI Institute, which is engaged in several scientific and educational projects designed to search for extraterrestrial intelligence in the Universe. SPACE.com has a partnership with the SETI Institute.

### Information crunching

SETI@home is based on the use of small personal computers, all working simultaneously to form the world's largest supercomputer, said Dan Werthimer, chief scientist for the effort at the University of California, Berkeley. "It's better than any supercomputer at any of our laboratories on the planet," he told SPACE.com.

Volunteers donate time on their computers, making use of special software to analyze data received over the Internet, and then report back the fruits of information crunching to the UC Berkeley SETI@home team.

"The volunteers donate a thousand years of computing time every day. So far, they've donated 700 thousand years," Werthimer said.

### Candidate signals

In combing through the data, analysts eliminate signals that are caused by radio frequency interference, computer errors, and to keep an eye out for signals that repeat.

The result of that weeding through of data produced 17 extraterrestrial candidate signals -- those that show a pattern indicative of intelligence in the natural buzz and crackle of deep space.

"The most interesting signals are things that we've seen two or more times. We actually have a human being looking at the data, trying to figure out what are these repeating signals and why do we see them again," Werthimer said.

So far, however, all the candidate signals have turned out to be radio frequency interference. The patterns were found to be associated with the same radio frequency.

"We know they are radio pollution because when the telescope is pointed to other places, we see them as well," Werthimer said. "The pollution is coming in from the side of the telescope."

#### Corruption

Werthimer said that radio pollution is the "big bugaboo" in SETI. "It's getting harder and harder to do SETI as more of the radio bands are corrupted by satellites, television transmitters and cell phones. Some radio bands are just so polluted we can't search through those bands anymore."

At the moment, while SETI@home has been highly successful in attracting public involvement, none of the data crunching has yielded evidence for any extraterrestrial civilization.

"Nothing is popping out at us. But we're going to keep digging. And the further you dig down, the better chance you have of finding a signal ... if it's there," Werthimer said.

Despite the Universe still holding tight the true whereabouts of any ET, there is some good news. The technology for surveying all possible radio frequency bands of interest is getting better and better.

"Right now, I would say that Earthlings are just getting into the game," Werthimer said. "We need another factor of a million or a billion in capabilities before we can do a thorough search. But at the rate that technology is growing, we don't have to wait long. It's only 20 or 30 years away."

#### Deaf ear to the Universe?

Given the response to SETI@home, officials running the project are now scoping out SETI@home II.

The upgrade program means that radio band coverage at Arecibo may be increased by adding another recorder system. An additional recording system might also be utilized at a radio telescope in the southern hemisphere, opening up an entirely different part of the sky to SETI scientists.

Even with these augmentations, the search could still be putting a deaf ear to the Universe.

"Maybe we're barking up the wrong tree ... and there's some better technology that we don't know about. Or, perhaps, we've got to wait 500 years for the next revolution in physics," Werthimer said.

"But that's like telling Christopher Columbus: Don't bother sailing the seas ... you'll have airplanes and that'll make your job much easier," Werthimer said. "The point is, you've got to start somewhere."

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By Calum McLeod in Urumqi, Xinjiang

26 August 2001

Is it a teardrop, a beard, the sun or the moon? And why do alien visitors to Earth leave these mysterious signs in our fields? Some answers may lie in the wilds of north-west China. There is no Chinese equivalent for "croppies" yet, but the global army of crop-circle enthusiasts just gained a key convert the their cause, virgin lands ripe for speculation, and a great leap backwards into antiquity.

Close to the Mongolian border, a Chinese explorer has discovered a series of stone circles and other shapes he claims are the 2,500-year-old prototypes of crop patterns found in recent years everywhere from Wiltshire to Western Australia. More than 70 countries worldwide, embracing each continent, have reported ever more bizarre examples appearing in corn and wheat fields, or grass, flowerbeds and even snow.

China was among the last major nations to resist a phenomenon so intriguing it has spawned its own science cereology and survived the pranks of confessed circle-makers. In the past year, Chinese man of mystery Zhang Hui, research fellow at the Xinjiang Museum in Urumqi, has harvested more than 20 patterns that appear to match examples found in other countries, but may pre-date them by up to 3,000 years. While croppies in the West debate which circles are genuine mysteries and which the "agrarian graffiti" of hoaxers, the Chinese finds are clearly man-made.

"The primitive peoples who lived there were inspired by the crop circles they saw," said Zhang, whose quest for the truth has taken him to the farthest reaches of China's Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region, an expanse of Central Asian desert, mountain and grassland seven times larger than the UK. "They thought the circles were a way of communicating with the gods, and so placed rocks in the shape of the circles."

Zhang found several circles in the grasslands of Qinghe county beside the Sino-Mongolian border, ranging from simple circles to more elaborate teardrop and other shapes. Bemused by their geometrical sophistication, he went to Beijing to consult Chinese translations of reference works by British croppies. "I was amazed by the similarities," he said. "Both sets show characteristics of modern, industrial civilisations, as you would need modern instruments to make such perfect circles, yet these could be the oldest records of crop circles world-wide. They show that the phenomenon is much older than people thought."

Zhang published his findings in the latest edition of a Chinese magazine, Western, which is devoted not to gunslingers but the

vast and under-populated provinces of west China. The region is home to many non-Chinese ethnic minorities, including most of China's Muslims. Several of Zhang's stone patterns surround vast piles of stones gathered to commemorate not ancient Chinese but warrior nomads known as the Scythians, an Indo-Iranian people with Caucasian features.

The Scythian connection will fuel fevered cropie speculation, since their conquests were so extensive that Western historians have identified cultural interaction with the ancient Celts, whose religious sites have been among the leading locations for crop circles. Zhang suggests links to places such as Stonehenge, for luminaries such as John Haddington of the UK's Centre of Crop Circle Studies have noted that circles often appear close to the sacred sites of Celts, Australian Aborigines and Native Americans. Based in a region at the heart of the old Silk Road, Zhang is keen to explore these tenuous links between East and West.

The first publicly recorded crop circle. in 1678 in Stirlingshire, Scotland, came to be known as the "Devil's Circle". Zhang noted a similar reaction to a pattern in Qinghe, encircling a stone pile and tombstone with a deer engraving. "The nomads call it the 'magic circle', and believe whoever dares to touch the tombstone will offend the gods and be punished." He himself would have been punished if he had pursued such research two decades ago. For years, Chairman Mao waged war on "superstitious" beliefs he saw holding back his attempts to modernise China. "During the Cultural Revolution, a group of Red Guards in north-east China saw a crop circle appear in a field in a very short time," Zhang recalled from a rare eyewitness account of a formation actually in progress, published much later. "They were stunned, but at the time, nobody was allowed to believe in such 'superstition'."

In these more liberal times, 30-year-old Zhang has spent six years specialising in China's "mysterious culture". Other fans of the unexplained run China's booming UFO Society, with regional meetings and a newsletter of regular sightings. So does Zhang agree with some Western cropies that extra-terrestrial powers are creating these fields of dreams, and not bored border guards, wind vortexes, electromagnetic fields, or even hedgehogs as one theory goes?

"It's too early to say for sure," was his sensible reply, "but there is a definite connection with the cosmos. It could be a supernatural force, or even an alien civilisation." The truth is still out there.

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Mystery Around Noise, Lights Continues

By Mark LaFlamme

Staff Writer

The buzz over Wednesday night's sky phenomenon intensified Friday as more and more people reported their experiences. Accounts of strange, loud noises and mysterious lights in the sky were coming from a wider area.

And as the mystery gained more attention, the number of theories grew. An astronomer in Greene suggested meteor fragments burning up in the atmosphere were the likely cause. Another Greene man was convinced the military was at the root of the phenomenon. And two men, including one who used to work on military craft, spotted jet fighters in the sky the night of the event.

There also were plenty of people who said they had not ruled out the possibility of the presence of beings from another planet.

As the range of reports of the event widened, folks from Wayne and Litchfield contacted the newspaper to relate their experiences. Those accounts were consistent with those from all over Androscoggin County - men and women, young and old told of a roar from the sky so loud it rattled their homes. Some reported bright flares of light that made the night look like daytime. Some were curious, many afraid.

"It sounded like it was right over my house, and it was loud," said 35-year-old Karen Kenbrous, who lives in East Auburn. "I didn't go outside. I was nervous. I was expecting something to explode."

A doctor who lives in Auburn reported his experience with the phenomenon in a few terse but ominous sentences.

"That sound made me consider the end of the world," said John Comis. "I am not glad I heard it. But I never would have believed in it had I not."

People were openly talking about UFOs and motherships. Some were joking, some not. Others scoffed. And some solid theories were emerging.

"I believe that your observers were treated to an especially fine display of some tardy Perseid meteors," said John Neal, an amateur astronomer in Greene.

The Perseid meteor shower peaked the weekend of Aug. 11 and 12. Neal explained that bolides extremely bright meteors leftover from that shower – may be the culprits responsible for Wednesday's display.

"These fireballs or bolides are in fact extremely common," Neal said. "But most of them occur over the oceans, and many occur during daylight hours and so are not usually seen."

The bolides "can be isolated phenomena or can occur when the earth's orbit crosses the orbit of a comet," Neal said. "And it is in fact this latter circumstance which I believe is the cause of the recent unexplained lights and noises in the sky."

Others suspect military officials are simply not talking about aircraft they had in the sky Wednesday night.

"A friend of mine down the road, he saw it. It was a KC135 cargo jet," said Arthur Gagne, who lives in Greene. "He said it went right over the trees."

The jet may have been revving its engines as it prepared to land, Gagne said. And he suggested the military would not likely admit it had some massive aircraft flying so low.

Maurice Gauthier of Greene used to work on F-106 jet fighters in the U.S. Air Force. On Wednesday night, he said, several fighters flew over Sabattus, headed toward Greene.

"If they're in stealth mode, they probably didn't even show up on the radar," Gauthier said.

He described a maneuver in which the jet engine's thrust and an "after burner" propels the craft at amazing speeds, fire blazing from the rear of the plane.

"You get a rumble, and it lights up quite a bit," Gauthier said.

He agreed with Gagne that military officials might not readily admit to having jets in the area even though they were asked after Wednesday night's reports. On Thursday military officials in Maine said they had no aircraft in the area at the time of the reports, about 10:30 p.m. Wednesday.

A report from Chris Jordan, who lives in a remote area of Turner, backs up Gauthier's account. He said at about that time, his house was shaken. When he went outside, he saw two fighter jets flying side by side.

"They were humming right along," Jordan said. "They turned, they crossed paths and then they flew off in different directions."

In spite of those accounts, suggestions of other world visitors persisted among some on Friday.

Stephanie Kelley-Romano, a professor at Bates College in Lewiston, has interviewed people who claim to have been abducted by aliens. She is teaching a course on it. She has been to Roswell, N.M., the site of the notorious Area 51, a military base where many believe an alien spacecraft landed decades ago. And she believes there is something to reports of extraterrestrial craft visiting the planet.

"It's always worth keeping an open mind," she said.

But Kelley-Romano is not convinced what dozens of people saw Wednesday night was necessarily a visitor from another world.

"What was reported doesn't necessarily appear to be the result of something intelligent. It didn't have deliberate movement," she said. "What would excite me is a light that will go left or right and then back again."

In East Auburn, Keneborus' daughter was outside Friday looking for meteor fragments, or anything that might be left behind by whatever caused the sensation. Keneborus herself was not discounting beings from another planet. But she was expecting a more earthly explanation.

"Well, you know that's always a possibility. I'm open minded,"



she said. "But if I had to pick a side of that fence, I'd say it was something other than extraterrestrial. Either way, the people who heard it will never forget it. There's no closure."

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## Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - Velez

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>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure

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>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>>From: John Velez <[johnvelez.aic@verizon.net](mailto:johnvelez.aic@verizon.net)>  
>>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure

>>Wow!

>>It simply amazes me how; what was originally a simple expression  
>>of concern for the well being of a fellow human being, has been  
>>twisted into this maelstrom of contentious debate.

>Have you written a letter to her Congress woman telling her that  
>after 30 days Lara is in serious trouble as you believe, and  
>pleading with her to do what she can while time remains. Posting  
>on this board does nothing to help Lara.

No Grant, I chose to speak with Lara directly. Her congressman  
is not engaged in a health risking extended fast, Lara is. I  
prefer going to the source. (If that's ok with you.)

And,...

"Posting to this board" is what facilitated that contact. Lara  
responded immediately to my post and we both had an opportunity  
to speak with each other 'live' on Strange Days Indeed this past  
Saturday night. I have also communicated with her privately  
concerning securing the services of a competent physician to  
monitor her during the fast. I noticed in a posting yesterday  
that she heeded my advice and is attempting to secure a personal  
physician to monitor her fast. If you ask me that's not too  
shabby considering that all I had to do was to "post to this  
board" as you say. :)

>>How my  
>>expression of genuine concern for Lara has been tortuously  
>>interpreted as an attempt to "control" I'll never know. My mind  
>>just isn't that convoluted so I can't even follow the thought  
>>processes involved that would permit anyone to derive such a  
>>sick meaning from my posts to Lara. Must be 'somebody'  
>>interpreting things the way they want to interpret them regardless  
>>of actual content or intent. A form of "prejudice" if you will.

>>Just to clarify this for anyone who may be laboring under delusions  
>>or misinterpretations; my legitimate concerns for Lara stem  
>>from the following:

>>1. Lara is engaged in a long term fast with no set terminus. (She  
>>plans to fast until George Bush caves and responds to her ultimatum.)

>You don't know this for sure. If there was a terminus it sure  
>would not be made public for Bush to read.

I can only go by what Lara herself tells me Grant. If you know  
something that the rest of us don't know, perhaps you'd like to

share it. If not, all I, or anyone else can do is, to take Lara at her word. 'She says' that she will not stop until Bush responds. If that isn't the case perhaps you can clarify the discrepancy.

>>2. Fasts which extend beyond thirty days are physically harmful  
>>to the individual that is fasting.

>A medical reference for this please.

1. Public library.
2. Teachers of Yoga practices/regimens.
3. You might want to try the Internet as well.

Do your own homework Grant. In fact, you should have researched extended fasting and its effects on the practitioner before you publicized and supported her action. My question to you would be; How come you have to ask me for references on information pertaining to extended fasting? Didn't you check it all out before you encouraged her by acting as her publicist? I would have thought that you'd be up on all the facts and nuances of extended fasts. Shame on you. I'm surprised.

>>3. Her fast is being supervised by an 'herbologist' not a physician.  
>>(A physician can monitor her blood chemistry and provide her with  
>>sound medical advice should any changes that are hazardous to her  
>>health transpire. She can then adjust her nutrient intake accordingly  
>>in order to protect her health.)

>Old info. Ernie Vega is arranging for a western pill giving  
>witch doctor to supervise.

Your own personal attitude towards western medicine is leaking Grant. And it's not "old" to me. I only found out Saturday night when Errol mentioned the fact on air that her fast was being supervised by an "herbologist" and not an experienced physician.

Through Errol I wrote to Lara recommending that she secure the services of an MD who can monitor her blood chemistry. I only hope that she doesn't share your obviously negative attitudes towards physicians, or chooses not to seek the assistance of one because (like yourself) she thinks they're all useless witch doctors. It is her life that is on the line, not yours. It's her attitudes towards doctors that really counts.

>>4. Lara, for all her admirable character attributes is just a human  
>>being with all the limitations and physical shortcomings that we  
>>are all prone to.

>Did someone say she wasn't?

In the post I was responding to, one of her "supporters" seems to think she is a Force of Nature! It was that expressed attitude that I was addressing. A valid response I think. But then, that's just my opinion and that is all any of us can ever express on this "board" eh?

>>Those of you who find it 'easy' to egg her on and encourage her  
>>without ever once mentioning the potential hazard to her well  
>>being are doing her a tremendous disservice. Honestly, I get  
>>tired of 'windbags' that have nothing better to do than to hop  
>>onto every bandwagon that rolls into town without once taking  
>>the time to think it through or to conduct a critical evaluation  
>>as to its value.

>You are claiming those who are involved have not mentioned to  
>her the downside of things?

What are you so upset about Grant? I haven't "claimed" anything. Nor have I mentioned your name. Do you somehow feel that my comments are aimed at you personally? Maybe some of it is just 'hitting you in the gut.' I'm not sure which. But it is plain to see that my remarks have struck a nerve with you. You 'sound' upset.

Interesting.

>>I'd have a lot more respect for some of her supporters if they  
>>had the cojones to join her in her fast rather than taking the

>>easy (and cowardly) route of twisting the meaning of, and verbally  
>>castigating and criticizing others who are expressing genuine  
>>concern for Lara's well being.

>Talk is cheap. Do something for Lara to really help her. Write  
>her congress woman who can actually do something to stop the  
>fast.

Nope. I prefer to speak with Lara herself. Like I said earlier,  
her congresswoman is not engaged in an extended fast. Lara is. I  
thought I made it pretty clear in my first posting that I could  
not (in good conscience) support -anything- that might put  
someone's life or health in jeopardy. Maybe you ought to go back  
and re-read that one.

>>All I have done is express my concern for Lara. It is 'others'  
>>who are (once again) trying hard to turn it all into an adversarial  
>>(we/they) situation. The finger pointer's are the ones who  
>>continually expend energy to keep the UFO community divided.  
>>They are not only the instigators and culprits of it, they are  
>>the ones who are guilty of the divisiveness they so easily and  
>>thoughtlessly 'blame' on others.

>Speaking for myself, I wrote up the story of what Lara had done.

>Grant

That makes you a 'publisher.' And considering the fact that you  
are asking me about basic medical information relating to  
extended fasting (you didn't do your own homework or research  
before you "published") you're more like the publisher of the  
Enquirer who publishes stories without thinking them through or  
even researching them properly. :)

>"Are you ready for the revolution?"  
>Lara Johnstone, a California woman who began a Hunger Strike for  
>Disclosure on July 28th.

Are you ready to deal with any negative effects this extended  
fast may have on Lara's continued health?

Enjoy learning about lengthy, extended fasting. After you do  
your homework, you may end up by writing the kind of 'genuinely  
concerned' notes to Lara that I have been writing. :)

Regards,

John Velez

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<snip>

>Some fellow in Europe concocted a fantastic tale, possibly an  
>abduction or whatever, with alien contact wherein the aliens  
>divulged that they had stolen an electrical meter from some  
>house... presumably to see how it worked.

>His story was blown .. he tripped himself up in some other way,  
>and finally confessed the whole matter if I recall correctly.

>Before this rude exposure, somebody looked up police records for  
>the town in question, and (gasp!) indeed an electrical meter  
>mysteriously vanished from a house there!

>It turned out that the perp had looked up the same records, and  
>carefully woven those unlikely facts into his own fantasia,  
>clearly in the hope that someone would find the missing meter  
>records independently!

>That worked like a charm, for a while at least.

>The Meter-Man / contactee had a far less elaborate and expensive  
>agenda than any Ray Santilli. All he had to do was dig thru some  
>dusty police records.

Sir Lawrence of Arabia:

Fascinating.

Yeah, if the AA film is faked, which is a decided opinion of  
people who have performed autopsies and made movie special  
effects, someone went to at least a modest amount of trouble.  
Why wouldn't they have wanted to actually take a close look at  
the pictures of the reall stuff?

I guess only my friend Neil would have thought of that.

Clear skies,

Bob Young

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## Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure -

From: [sgquishy@altavista.com](mailto:sgquishy@altavista.com)  
Date: 21 Aug 2001 09:48:23 -0700  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 10:52:44 -0400  
Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure -

>Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 10:05:30 -0400  
>From: Sheree Cox <[CoxSheree@netscape.net](mailto:CoxSheree@netscape.net)>  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com) (UFO UpDates - Toronto)  
>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure

>>Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 11:43:56 -0400  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>>From: John Velez <[johnvelez.aic@verizon.net](mailto:johnvelez.aic@verizon.net)>  
>>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike To Support UFO Disclosure

>I agree with John Velez. A Hunger Strike can be very dangerous.  
>Surely there's better and safer ways to protest. Does George  
>Bush really care?

Please tell me. I'm listening.

Grant Cameron

"Are you ready for the revolution?"  
Lara Johnstone, a California woman who began a Hunger Strike for  
Disclosure on July 28th.

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## Re: Lexington UFO Video - Mortellaro

From: Jim Mortellaro <[Jsmortell@aol.com](mailto:Jsmortell@aol.com)>  
Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 13:44:34 EDT  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 10:54:44 -0400  
Subject: Re: Lexington UFO Video - Mortellaro

>Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 15:30:56 -0500  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>From: Joel Henry <[jhenry@visi.com](mailto:jhenry@visi.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Lexington UFO Video - Still Images

>>Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 12:45:28 -0400  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>>From: John Velez <[johnvelez.aic@verizon.net](mailto:johnvelez.aic@verizon.net)>  
>>Subject: Re: Lexington UFO Video - Still Images

>>>Date: Thu, 16 Aug 2001 00:09:30 -0400  
>>>From: Kenny Young <[ufo@FUSE.NET](mailto:ufo@FUSE.NET)>  
>>>Subject: Lexington UFO Video - Still Images  
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

>>>Folks;

>>>In regards to the suspected UFO video from Lexington, Kentucky  
>>>ABC affiliate Newschannel 36 WTVQ, a preliminary analysis is  
>>>underway and still images from that video are now available  
>>>online. I hope to receive some explanation for the object on the  
>>>video and hopefully a more detailed assessment will follow  
>>>shortly.

>>>The link is:

>>><http://home.fuse.net/ufo/lexufo.html>

>>Hi Kenny,

>>Thanx for the pix! That's one Hell of a balloon if that's what  
>>it is. The size of a van you say. It would have to be a 'one  
>>off' custom creation if it is a balloon. How many specialty  
>>balloon manufacturers can there be with the capability to  
>>produce such a complex creation? I would imagine only one or two  
>>of a handful of parade balloon manufacturers would be capable of  
>>making a balloon this size, and of this quality of detail. And  
>>no anchoring line? Surprising for what -must be- a terribly  
>>expensive balloon. (If that's what it is.)

>>If it is a balloon, they should get one for our annual Macy's  
>>Thanksgiving Day parade! Far out. I can hear one of the  
>>spectators now:

>>"Martha, get in the car and head for New Jersey! They've landed,  
>>they've landed!" ;)

>It looks like Gamara the flying turtle to me.

Thank you, Joel, for your important observation. Strange how so many are fooled by Venus, Swamp Gas and Gamara. But this was an important find. Uh , and I am reminded, Joel, that I and the general contractors doing our old new home, went out for sushi last evening, and guess what we saw right there, hovering over the Goofi Sushi Fresh Fish House?

Gamara ... What a site. Especially with Ikura filled with Gripple. Mmmmm mmmmm good.



Morty-San

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Rudiak

From: David Rudiak <[DRudiak@aol.com](mailto:DRudiak@aol.com)>  
Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 13:44:42 EDT  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 10:56:57 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Rudiak

>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 15:15:37 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>From: Jan Aldrich <[jan@cyberzone.net](mailto:jan@cyberzone.net)>  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>>Date: Sun, 19 Aug 2001 20:29:01 -0400

><snip>

>>Since the pictures are of the Roswell debris, it is assumed that  
>>the message in Ramey's hand is about Roswell. I am unconvinced  
>>by what people are trying to read on the paper. It could be  
>>anything, including after action comments about General Van's  
>>visit to 8th AF area a few days before.

>>Of course, for the last 50 years everything breathe any Air  
>>Force office takes involves UFOs, so all the other paperwork is  
>>turned out by gnomes in the Pentagon to cover up what is really  
>>going on.

>>Ramey like any general officer had 50 items on his calendar  
>>everyday.

>Hi Jan,

>What on earth are you talking about? This is just plain silly  
>talk and well below your normal very high standards! Are you  
>overworked or something?

>It is an indisputable fact that the easiest words to read on  
>the entire Ramey Message are "FORT WORTH, TEX." on Line 3 and  
>"WEATHER BALLOONS" on Line 7. I read them 16 years ago when I  
>borrowed a high res enlargement that Bill Moore had obtained.  
>This tells me, by the way, that they already knew about the  
>Project MOGUL balloon arrays consisting of multiple weather  
>balloons since the reference is to plural "WEATHER BALLOONS."  
>The rest of the text as I read it makes this very clear, i.e.,  
>that the weather balloons had been found near Roswell.

"WEATHER BALLOONS" is certainly there, and by itself tells us  
this is about Roswell. How often would Ramey deal with "weather  
balloons" in any capacity and be sending telegrams about them?

I disagree, however, with your interpretation of what "weather  
balloons" is telling us here. Just because Ramey uses the plural  
"balloons" does not mean this has to do with Mogul. Instead, I  
read the last 3 lines of the message as having to do with what  
the public was being told and how they were covering it up.  
"Weather balloons" is in the phrase "NEXT SENT OUT PR [press  
release] IS OF WEATHER BALLOONS..." "Weather balloons" was being  
used generically here. The next line was about adding RAWIN  
demonstration crews to firm up the weather balloon explanation.

What was happening here is that they were gearing up for a  
national weather balloon debunking campaign that was to begin  
the next day, using weather balloon demonstrations to debunk the

saucers. See, e.g., the following telegram from the night of July 8 on the Project 1947 web page:

[www.project1947.com/roswell/wkzo.htm](http://www.project1947.com/roswell/wkzo.htm)

(Thanks to Jan Aldrich for putting this interesting document up on his Web site.)

Here, the newsman is being told by military intelligence in Washington that they thought radar targets explained all the recent flying saucer sightings. That was the official drumbeat for the next few days.

Also note that newsman was told to contact Col. M Duffy in New Jersey for more information on the radar targets. This is Col. Marcellus Duffy, who helped develop the RAWIN targets at nearby Fort Monmouth and was the first Project Officer for Mogul.

This is also the same Col. Duffy who supposedly was at Wright Field that night examining the debris flown in from Fort Worth after Ramey had allegedly cancelled the flight. Duffy further allegedly definitively IDed the material as coming from Project Mogul, according to Air Force debunkers (this was one of the cornerstones of their Mogul explanation). But how could Duffy be doing this if he was actually in New Jersey near Mogul headquarters?

In DebunkerLand, witnesses for the prosecution are allowed to be in two places at once. CIC officer Sheridan Cavitt played this game as well. According to the Air Force Roswell Report, he was simultaneously back East in training and at Roswell picking up body parts from a B29 crash in May, 1947. Cavitt also independently placed himself out on the debris field picking up a weather balloon, whereas for years he denied being involved or even stationed at Roswell at the time.

>Most researchers agree that it is "ROSWELL" or "ROSWELL, NMEX."  
>on Line 5. And I agree that it is signed "RRAMEY" on Line 9.

Agreed, though I think it just says "ROSWELL." and "RAMEY."  
(Incidentally, I was the first to propose these interpretations.) "RAMEY" looks like a 6 letter word because there is handwriting underneath slanting upward and crossing the end of the signature line. That, I believe, is the source of the confusion. The second letter is definitely an "A" and we are not dealing with a mystery man named "TEMPLE".

>That pretty much covers most of the visible message and it is  
>flatout undeniable that it all relates to the Roswell  
>incident.

You left out on the big word "DISC" (in quotes) on line 4, which is undeniably there. (Part of the phrase "IN THE "DISC") There is also, of course, "VICTIMS" on line 2 (which just about everybody sees as there, except you Brad, as I understand it).

>With the rest of the text filled in as I have been  
>able to do, including text hidden under Ramey's thumb, it is of  
>course blatantly obvious it all relates to the Roswell case.

I'm sure there will be battles royal over the exact interpretation, but this message is flat out, undeniably about the Roswell Incident. I remember having this argument with Kevin Randle last year, who was also arguing that there was no evidence that this message had anything to do with Roswell. Just a few, clearly visible key words like "DISC" and WEATHER BALLOONS (not to mention the timing of Ramey holding the message while he is trying to sell a weather balloon story) says otherwise.

David Rudiak

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## Re: Canadian Reports Increase - Rutkowski

From: Chris Rutkowski <[rutkows@cc.UManitoba.CA](mailto:rutkows@cc.UManitoba.CA)>  
Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 14:21:12 -0500 (CDT)  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 11:04:38 -0400  
Subject: Re: Canadian Reports Increase - Rutkowski

>From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
>Date: Sun, 19 Aug 2001 10:41:04 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Canadian Reports Increase  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>From: Chris Rutkowski <[rutkows@cc.UManitoba.CA](mailto:rutkows@cc.UManitoba.CA)>  
>>Subject: Canadian Reports Increase  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>>Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 12:40:28 -0500 (CDT)

><snip>

>>2001 has seen several notable cases reported so far, such as:  
>>- a 10-foot crater found in a field in Alberta, possibly  
>> connected to witnesses seeing a "fire tornado" in the sky;

>Chris:  
>Any more details on this? Could this have been a meteor?

It depends on whom you talk to. It sure looks like one, although meteor craters of this size are rare. The "fire tornado" was reported going up rather than down, and the two things are associated only because of geography; the crater could be several months older. Although a faculty member from the University of Lethbridge published a report saying the crater was most likely a meteor crater, Allan Hildebrand, arguably the world expert on impact cratering, is fairly sure it's not.

>>- the re-entry of a Russian rocket booster during the peak of  
>> the Perseid meteor shower last weekend, seen at the same time  
>> as triangular formations of UFOs;

You didn't comment on this one, although researchers in the Maritimes seem convinced that there may have been non-meteor and non-reentry objects in the sky, too.

><snip>

>>- two people in Surrey, BC, saw a red ball of light drop  
>> material like "molten red wax" as it moved eastward;

>Any chance this could be a meteor fireball? Date, Time?

Yes, but check the UFOBC website for details. [www.ufobc.ca](http://www.ufobc.ca)

>>- two objects seen for more than an hour moving slowly through  
>> the sky over Conception Bay, Newfoundland.

>Any information on the date/time and direction of these?

No, this one was sketchy, unfortunately. I posted more details to the CANUFO List, however.

>Clear skies,

>Bob Young

... and don't mix up your Erfls and Orthos.

May you not get a hernia moving your 36" Dobsonian.

Chris

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Nobody in particular

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Morris

From: Neil Morris <[neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk](mailto:neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk)>  
Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 20:26:28 +0100  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 11:06:28 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Morris

>Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 16:45:27 -0700  
>From: Larry Hatch <[larryhat@jps.net](mailto:larryhat@jps.net)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris

>>Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 21:47:52 +0100  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>From: Neil Morris <[neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk](mailto:neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk)>  
>>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris

<snip>

>Hello guys:

>I'm sorry I cannot cite chapter and verse, I think the following  
>came from one of Vallee's books.

>Some fellow in Europe concocted a fantastic tale, possibly an  
>abduction or whatever, with alien contact wherein the aliens  
>divulged that they had stolen an electrical meter from some  
>house... presumably to see how it worked.

>His story was blown .. he tripped himself up in some other way,  
>and finally confessed the whole matter if I recall correctly.

>Before this rude exposure, somebody looked up police records for  
>the town in question, and (gasp!) indeed an electrical meter  
>mysteriously vanished from a house there!

>It turned out that the perp had looked up the same records, and  
>carefully woven those unlikely facts into his own fantasia,  
>clearly in the hope that someone would find the missing meter  
>records independently!

>That worked like a charm, for a while at least.

>The Meter-Man / contactee had a far less elaborate and expensive  
>agenda than any Ray Santilli. All he had to do was dig thru some  
>dusty police records.

>For all I know he stole the meter himself in an unrelated prank  
>years earlier. Ever heard of salting the mine? I'll bet the  
>Southwest is full of 55 gallon oil fields.

Larry,

I think this supports my thoughts here, your perpetrator of the  
hoax did his homework in the very place researchers were bound  
to look, the police records.

In the case of the AA that would be the UTA images, having the  
symbols salted away in the obscure Bettmann image is analogous  
to your hoaxer hiring a PI to then find an unrecorded crime to  
fit into the story in the faint hope that later researchers  
might just stumble across it.

Neil

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## Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - Jones

From: Sean Jones <[tedric@tedric.demon.co.uk](mailto:tedric@tedric.demon.co.uk)>  
Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 19:28:07 +0100  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 11:08:00 -0400  
Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - Jones

>Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 10:05:30 -0400  
>From: Sheree Cox <[CoxSheree@netscape.net](mailto:CoxSheree@netscape.net)>  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com) (UFO UpDates - Toronto)  
>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure

>>Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 11:43:56 -0400  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>>From: John Velez <[johnvelez.aic@verizon.net](mailto:johnvelez.aic@verizon.net)>  
>>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike To Support UFO Disclosure

>I agree with John Velez. A Hunger Strike can be very dangerous.  
>Surely there's better and safer ways to protest. Does George  
>Bush really care?

>Sheree Cox

John

I would like to add my voice in support of your concerns. I do not feel that it is right to urge someone to commit harm to oneself for publicity.

In this (as in many others) case, I am in 100% agreement with you.

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In an infinite universe, infinitely anything is possible.

Sean Jones

<http://www.tedric.demon.co.uk/>

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## Re: Rudolf Fenz - Time Traveler? - Waskiewicz

From: John Waskiewicz <[jwaskiew@peoplepc.com](mailto:jwaskiew@peoplepc.com)>  
Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 20:38:10 -0400  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 11:11:19 -0400  
Subject: Re: Rudolf Fenz - Time Traveler? - Waskiewicz

>From: Chris Aubeck <[caubeck@email.com](mailto:caubeck@email.com)>  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 15:49:57 +0800  
>Subject: Rudolf Fenz - Time Traveler?

>Dear List members,

>A story constantly repeated in Spanish publications concerns one  
>Rudolf Fenz, who is said to have been run over by a car in New  
>York in June 1950. Apparently he appeared out of nowhere. His  
>clothing seemed to belong to the 19th century, though he appeared  
>to be no more than 30 years old. When the police went through  
>the man's pockets they found documents dated 1876 and antique  
>coins. They found his name on one of the documents but there was  
>no record of his existence in 1950 America. But they did find  
>one Rudolf Fenz Jr. in the phone book. Unfortunately this man, a  
>bank clerk, had died not long before, but his widow told the  
>investigator of the case (one Hubert V. Rihn of the Missing  
>Persons Investigation Dept.) that Fenz's father had disappeared  
>mysteriously in the spring of 1876 when he went out to buy  
>tobacco.....

>The story says that Rihn consulted a list of missing people  
>dated 1876. There was Rudolf Fenz's name, 29 years old, last  
>seen dressed exactly as he was found on 5th Avenue in 1950 under  
>the wheels of an automobile.....

>Sounds like an urban myth to me. And I've only ever seen it in  
>Spanish. Any bibliographic reference I can give would be  
>practically meaningless, but to name one: 'Los Enigmas  
>Pendientes' edited by Dr. Jiménez del Oso, Ediciones Uve, Madrid  
>1979, pp.75-77.

>The last time I saw it mentioned in print was last week.

>Can anyone give me any useful information?

I remember watching PSI Factor on TV here in Detroit over a year ago, a very similar event except it was a man who disappeared about 300 years earlier. I wonder if they just took this as a source? They are said to get their tales from real recorded events. I find the stories really far-fetched but being a physicist gets me wondering.

Interesting connections don't you think?

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## Re: Lexington UFO Video - Kenny Young

From: **Kenny Young** <[ufo@fuse.net](mailto:ufo@fuse.net)>  
Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 20:55:19 -0400  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 11:17:59 -0400  
Subject: Re: Lexington UFO Video - Kenny Young

>Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 17:49:07 -0300  
>From: Don Ledger <[dledger@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:dledger@ns.sympatico.ca)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Lexington UFO Video - Still Images

>Hi Kenny,

>Have you checked the winds for that day and location?

>Don Ledger

Hi Don;

No, from my watching the video it seems fairly obvious that this is just a novelty balloon of some sort, there is nothing about it (that I can see) to indicate anything at all otherwise that would warrant any further investigative concern.

Take care,

Kenny Young

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## Re: MOD Rendlesham File Released - Gates

From: Robert Gates <[RGates8254@aol.com](mailto:RGates8254@aol.com)>  
Date: Wed, 22 Aug 2001 01:32:19 EDT  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 11:20:27 -0400  
Subject: Re: MOD Rendlesham File Released - Gates

>From: Andy Roberts <[AndyRoberts@ancientassociates.fsnet.co.uk](mailto:AndyRoberts@ancientassociates.fsnet.co.uk)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: MOD Rendlesham File Released  
>Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 11:34:42 +0100

>>From: Georgina Bruni <[georgina@easynet.co.uk](mailto:georgina@easynet.co.uk)>  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: MOD Rendlesham File Released  
>>Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 23:28:15 +0100

>Pilgrims,

>Georgina's post, reeking of sour grapes as it does, is highly  
>amusing.

>Unfortunately we're too busy with proper UFO research to discuss  
>phone calls which may or may not have happened, single radar  
>operator 'sightings' which occupy one paragraph of her book, and  
>other irrelevancies. But, it's a lovely sunny afternoon in the  
>South Pennines, we've just been for a jolly walk and are  
>prepared to have a little fun with Georgina.....

>Georgina wrote:

>>I was interested to see the post from Dave Clarke. This of  
>>course was in response to my earlier post, and from the rather  
>>sarcastic comments, I suspect I've upset him by breaking the  
>>story first.

>Ho, and indeed ho. We have had the Rendlesham file since May  
>2001. Our website was primed and ready to go, waiting to see how  
>Georgina (who only received the files recently) chose to present  
>the material.

>We weren't disappointed.

>Instead of choosing to 'tell the people', it's more a case of  
>telling the people to 'buy the magazine'. Georgina's  
>announcement has more to do with puffing up magazine sales than  
>any real desire for you, the ufological public, to read the  
>facts. Mrs Thatcher would be proud of her entrepreneurial  
>acumen!

>Whereas Dave Clarke has chosen to contextualise and analyse the  
>documents Georgina has chosen merely to advertise them.

>Georgina's nonsense about us 'distorting' the case can be shown  
>for the tripe it is if you look at [flyingsaucery.com](http://flyingsaucery.com). Decide for  
>yourself just how much is 'comment' and how much is presentation  
>of the file itself. The 'comments' by James Easton and Jenny  
>Randles are totally distinct from the Rendlesham File and Dave's  
>commentary. Their views are not necessarily shared by either  
>Dave or myself but both have been major players in the  
>Rendlesham investigation and should be carefully listened to.

>So, visit [flyingsaucery.com](http://flyingsaucery.com) where you can read selected  
>documents (for free!), the accompanying comment and analysis  
>(for free) and make your own minds up.

I don't understand. On one hand Dave and Andy claim Georgia is "puffing" magazine sales and "buy the magazine" yet all they appear to do is puff flyingsaucery.com and 'go to our web site.' Gee, I can't tell much difference between what they critique and what they do!

Cheers,

Robert

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Gates

From: Robert Gates <[RGates8254@aol.com](mailto:RGates8254@aol.com)>  
Date: Wed, 22 Aug 2001 01:43:52 EDT  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 11:22:44 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Gates

>From: Asgeir W. Skavhaug <[asge-s@online.no](mailto:asge-s@online.no)>  
>To: <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 23:12:19 +0200

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>they were observing this (excerpts):

>"(...)When the debris was gathered up the tinfoil, paper, tape,  
>and sticks made a bundle about three feet long and 7 or 8 inches  
>thick, while the rubber made a bundle about 18 or 20 inches long  
>and about 8 inches thick. In all, he estimated, the entire lot  
>would have weighed maybe five pounds.

Of interest is the description of how they found it:

"Brazel related that on June 14 he and 8-year-old son, Vernon were about 7 or 8 miles from the ranch house of the J.B. Foster ranch, which he operates, when they came upon a large area of bright wreckage made up on rubber strips, tinfoil, a rather tough paper and sticks.

At the time Brazel was in a hurry to get his round made and he did not pay much attention to it. But he did remark about what he had seen and on July 4 he, his wife, Vernon, and a daughter Betty, age 14, went back to the spot and gathered up quite a bit of the debris.

The next day he first heard about the flying disks, and he wondered if what he had found might be the remnants of one of these."

Cheers,

Robert

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Rimmer

From: John Rimmer <[jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk](mailto:jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk)>  
Date: Wed, 22 Aug 2001 07:48:55 +0100  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 11:24:28 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Rimmer

>Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 16:45:27 -0700  
>From: Larry Hatch <[larryhat@jps.net](mailto:larryhat@jps.net)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris

>I'm sorry I cannot cite chapter and verse, I think the following  
>came from one of Vallee's books.

>Some fellow in Europe concocted a fantastic tale, possibly an  
>abduction or whatever, with alien contact wherein the aliens  
>divulged that they had stolen an electrical meter from some  
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>carefully woven those unlikely facts into his own fantasia,  
>clearly in the hope that someone would find the missing meter  
>records independently!  
>- Larry Hatch

>PS: Please don't hold me to precise details. This is completely  
>from fuzzy memory [burp!] but I believe I have the general gist  
>of it.

You're quite right. I don't have a reference to hand either, but  
the incident was one of the formative cases in the long-running  
UMMO hoax.

John Rimmer

Magonia Magazine  
[www.magonia.demon.co.uk](http://www.magonia.demon.co.uk)

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## New Developments In Linda Cortile Abduction

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Date: Fri, 24 Aug 2001 18:41:18 -0400  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 11:37:37 -0400  
Subject: New Developments In Linda Cortile Abduction

Intruders Foundation Seminar Series Announcement

Saturday, September 8, 2001

DRAMATIC NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN THE LINDA CORTILE ABDUCTION CASE

The November 30, 1989, UFO abduction of Linda Cortile and the complex series of events which followed that night have so drastically altered our knowledge of alien incursion into our world that it is easily history's most important abduction case.

Subsequent events have made the truth of that statement even more certain. On Saturday, September 8th, at our first IF seminar of the fall season, Budd Hopkins will present dramatic new information from previously silent witnesses in this extraordinary case.

In addition to these important new witness accounts Budd will also offer evidence that Linda Cortile and "Richard," one of the government agents involved in this encounter, separately gave full accounts of the abduction to the most powerful Catholic prelate in the United States - New York's Cardinal O'Connor. Further, the Cardinal's close connection with the Vatican makes it virtually certain that details of that night were made known to the Pope, and that the Vatican's recent public interest in theological issues raised by the "theoretical" discovery of alien intelligence is a direct result of this November 30, 1989, event.

Sound outrageous? You be the judge. This first seminar is one which no one interested in the abduction phenomenon will want to miss.

We will very shortly publish the speakers and subjects of our fall schedule, but mark down the dates: October 13th, November 17th, and December 8th, our annual fundraiser and art sale at Budd Hopkins' studio.

We look forward to seeing you again, and remember, seating is limited to the first fifty people who make reservations.

### REGISTRATION & INFORMATION

The seminar will be held on September 8th at the meeting rooms of A.R.E., on the tenth floor of 150 W. 28th Street, New York, NY. The price of the seminar is \$30 for non-members and \$20 for members of IF, seniors, and students.

Reservations must be made by telephone at 212-645-5278, and will be filled on a first come, first served basis. Payment must be made in advance to secure the reservation. Make checks payable to the Intruders Foundation, P.O. Box 30233, New York, NY 10011. Only 50 reservations will be accepted.

On-street parking is generally available in the neighborhood. The seminar will begin at 7:30 PM and end at 10:00PM. Doors open at 7:00 PM. There will be a one half-hour intermission, during which light complimentary refreshments will be served. A book

table will offer books, videotapes, and other material for sale to those interested. For additional information, call IF at 212-645-5278.

Hope to see you there!

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The Intruders Foundation Seminar Series is presented in the interests of open-minded scientific learning and the free exchange of research, ideas, and theories. IF makes no specific claims or endorsements regarding any materials, views, or subject matter presented by our guests.

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Want to know more about Budd Hopkins and his nonprofit scientific research organization, as well as past and future IF events? Please visit our website:

[www.intrudersfoundation.org](http://www.intrudersfoundation.org)

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**Lara Johnstone & Eduard Shevardnadze**

From: Grant Cameron <[sgquishy@altavista.com](mailto:sgquishy@altavista.com)>  
Date: Tue, 28 Aug 2001 20:34:15 -0400  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 12:20:55 -0400  
Subject: Lara Johnstone & Eduard Shevardnadze

A strange coincidence has arisen.

Lara is planning to be in Washington Oct.4 as part of her commitment to get President Bush to keep his promise made to Charles Huffer in July 2000 related to UFOs.

In Washington at the same time as Lara, according to a press release from the White House today will be a famous UFO personality Eduard Shevardnadze. He will be meeting with President Bush Oct.5. Will they discuss UFOs? Only time will tell.

Shevardnadze gained his UFO reputation after having two conversations with former President Ronald Reagan. The two events were:

The first series of alien comments made by President Reagan came during the November 1985 Geneva Summit between Ronald Reagan and U.S.S.R. General Secretary Mikhail Gorbachev. During a series of impromptu toasts on November 19, President Reagan began his toast by discussing an invasion of aliens approaching on Halley's Comet. A Memorandum of Conversation from the United States Department of State recorded Reagan's comment.

"Reagan said that while the General Secretary was speaking, he had been thinking of various problems being discussed at the talks. He said that previous to the General Secretary's remarks, he had been telling Foreign Minister Shevardnadze (who was sitting to the President's right) that if the people of the world were to find out that there was some alien life form that was going to attack the Earth approaching on Halley's Comet, then that knowledge would unite all the peoples of the world."

The second event occurred with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze while Shevardnadze's was in Washington to sign the INF Treaty on September 15, 1987. According to the New republic magazine who reported the story:

"...near the end of his lunch with Shevardnadze Reagan wondered aloud what would happen if the world was faced with an 'alien threat' from outer space. 'Don't you think the United States and the Soviet Union would be together?' Reagan asked. Shevardnadze said yes, absolutely. 'And we wouldn't need our Defense Ministers to meet.'"

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Today's Release:

THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary  
(Crawford, Texas)

For Immediate Release August 28, 2001

STATEMENT BY THE PRESS SECRETARY

Georgian President Shevardnadze to Visit Washington

President Bush will welcome President Eduard Shevardnadze of Georgia to Washington for a working visit on October 5. This visit reflects the partnership between the United States and Georgia, as both countries strive to strengthen Georgia's sovereignty and free market, democratic transformation; to advance Georgia's integration into the global economy; and to foster stability throughout the Caucasus region.

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"Are you ready for the revolution?" Lara Johnstone, a California woman who began a Hunger Strike for Disclosure on July 28th.

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## UFO Conference - New Jersey 10-6/7-01

From: Tom Benson <[sparkle@earthlink.net](mailto:sparkle@earthlink.net)>  
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Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 12:25:16 -0400  
Subject: UFO Conference - New Jersey 10-6/7-01

Dear List:

Another Great UFO/ET Congress will occur on October 6 & 7, 2001 at the Days Inn, Rt. # 206 & NJTP Exit #7 near Bordentown, New Jersey. Speakers include:

George Hansen, a long time paranormal researcher, will discuss his new book, *The Trickster and the Paranormal*. Please check his web site for more details: [www.tricksterbook.com](http://www.tricksterbook.com).

Antonio Huneeus science writer and columnist for Fate magazine will give two UFO Chronicles lectures. The first lecture is a comprehensive review of UFO Evidence from Argentina, Chile and Brazil. He worked as an advisor for two seasons of a UFO series produced by the Chilean National TV Network which contained abduction reports, police and pilot reports with radar. This illustrated presentation includes the former president of Chile's own experience with a UFO. The second illustrated lecture will give a comprehensive review of UFO evidence from Spain, Italy, Hungary and a host of other nations. Antonio published the only article concerning the Mussolini UFO documents. The full story of these "X Files" from the Italian Fascist era in the 1930's, where secret documents describe "unconventional air mobiles", will be revealed. This and much more European info was obtained from the International UFO Symposium of 2001 in the Republic of San Marino, (located in central Italy) where he recently returned from, and has lectured there for the past four years. He also spoke at the Budapest, Hungary International UFO Conference and he was presented there with an award. He will describe great UFO police reports and will have film to share with us.

Georgio Tsoukalos will discuss: *Legacy of the Gods*. Georgio published the *Legendary Times* journal. He is America's direct link to Eric Von daniken and he will present the latest discoveries in the Ancient Astronauts field. Find out about the Mysterious Flying Turtles of Guatemala; the world-wide phenomenon of Inca walls and cave drill holes; and as an exclusive the pyramid found in Greece. Who depicted the ancient stone statues found all over the ancient world, really? Discover the world full of mysteries which stimulates your thoughts and raise your curiosity even more...!

Susan L. Swiatek will talk on *New Abduction Cases*. She is an Associate for the Fund For UFO Research and was the co-coordinator for the MUFON International UFO Symposium in 1999 in Arlington, Virginia. She is coming from Virginia to give us an illustrated lecture on newly researched abduction cases, and her personal experiences. One exciting case concerns a lifetime of abductions that happened to a musician in New Jersey where the entities actually communicated with him. In another weird case, an Man in Black experience unfolded.

Donald Rose will discuss *Occultism in Ufology*. Don is a musician and he will speak on the role occultism plays in the study of Ufology. He will share his personal experiences with us. Mr. Rose was a long time correspondent with Albert Bender, author of *Flying Saucers* and the *Three Men in Black*; Berthold E. Schwarz, MD, author of *Psychic and Psychiatric Aspects of the UFO*, UFO

Dynamics, (2 volumes). and with Gray Barker, author of They Knew Too Much About Flying Saucers, The Silver Bridge and many others.

Rick Hilberg will speak on The First Thirty Years of the UFO. This will be a fascinating all-illustrated historical look at the UFO Phenomenon through its important early years, when characteristics and patterns emerged. Mr. Hilberg lives in Ohio and he has been actively investigating UFO sightings and incidents, as well as writing about UFOs since 1962. He is the editor of Flying Saucer Digest, one of the oldest and most respected UFO publications and the author of many books including his latest, The Last Great Flap: 1973-1974, just published by his organization, the United Aerial Phenomena Agency. He is one of the founders of the National UFO Conference and has spoken at hundreds of conferences all over the United States. You will find this as one of the most informative lectures experiences you ever heard!

Jim Wilson talk is entitled: When UFOs Land. Over the years Popular Mechanics magazine has looked into the hundreds of reported UFO sightings. During his illustrated presentation, Mr. Wilson the Science Editor for this publication, will look at many of the most significant unexplained sightings. In addition, Jim is the author of his new book: Combat - the Great American War Planes. A Popular Mechanics exhibit will be on display at the Congress!

Major George Filer, USAF (ret.) will speak on The Disclosure Project of Government Knowledge of UFOs which he participated in and was put together by Stephen Greer, MD. A press conference was held in Washington, D.C. in May, 2001 at the National Press Club where over 200 reporters and 20 TV stations including ABC, CBS, BBC and CNN, came to hear many military intelligence and government personnel telling their UFO experiences. Over 400 professional people want to testify before the U.S. Congress in open hearings on the subject of UFOs. Major Filer is editor of Filer's Files and he will also share his research into the Carteret, New Jersey mystery lights in July, 2001 which was in the news several days. George is also the Eastern Regional Director for the Mutual UFO Network receiving and researching UFO sightings all over the east coast. His Filer's Files internet site had half million hits just last month. Check it out!

Ronald D. Story will speak on The UFO Encyclopedia Project. His illustrated presentation highlights selected moments in UFO history. Ron is the editor of 'The Encyclopedia of UFOs', (1980), a comprehensive and objective book on A to Z of sightings, personalities, theories, feature articles and illustrated. He has written four other UFO related books The author's UFO background includes contact with such luminary researchers such as Dr. James McDonald, Dr. Carl Sagan, Dr. J. Allen Hynek and Jim and Coral Lorenzen, which he will be sharing with us. Ron's new book is called 'The Encyclopedia of Extraterrestrial Encounters'.

Diana Palmer Hoyt will discuss UFOs, Social Intelligence and the Condon Committee, her Masters thesis paper on the academic ridicule of the UFO subject. She is currently employed by NASA in the Washington, D.C. area.

Thomas Hackney will speak on The Big 10/4 ET Acknowledges. Tom relates three intelligent signals received in response to NASA's Columbus Day launch of the high resolution microwave survey, mankind's first major and official SETI project. The most conspicuous and spectacular of these was the UFO - IFO event that amazed the entire world: 21 comet impacts of the planet Jupiter. Impossible to forget in a million years, it marked for all time the moment it all began between our species.

For more information such as a schedule of talks and costs, please contact Pat. J. Marcattilio, 221 Joan Terrace, Hamilton, N.J. 08629, or phone (609)631-8955 between 11:00 am to 3:00 PM or email your address to [sparkle@earthlink.net](mailto:sparkle@earthlink.net)

Additional information will be posted to this List soon.

Tom Benson

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - González Manso

From: Luis R. González Manso <[lrgm@arrakis.es](mailto:lrgm@arrakis.es)>  
Date: Wed, 22 Aug 2001 11:54:03 +0200  
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Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - González Manso

>Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 16:45:27 -0700  
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>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
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>carefully woven those unlikely facts into his own fantasia,  
>clearly in the hope that someone would find the missing meter  
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Dear Larry,

You are talking about the infamous UMMO hoax, but the answer is not so simple. Mr. Peña (the hoaxer) lives in Spain and the alleged electrical meter robbed by the ummites was in La Javie (France) (about 2.000 kms far away).

LuisR.

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Secrecy News -- 08/22/01

From: Steven Aftergood <[saftergood@igc.org](mailto:saftergood@igc.org)>  
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SECURITY NEWS  
from the FAS Project on Government Secrecy  
August 22, 2001

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\*\* THE RWANDA GENOCIDE AND THE US RESPONSE  
\*\* FRUS VOLUME ON GREECE STILL SUPPRESSED

ANTI-LEAK BILL DRAWS OPPOSITION

As word spreads that Congress may enact legislation to make all unauthorized disclosures of classified information a felony, public outrage and opposition are beginning to mount.

"At a time when the rest of the world is looking to America for leadership on openness, Congress would make it harder for Americans to know what their government is doing," writes Tom Blanton of the National Security Archive in a powerful op-ed in today's New York Times:

<http://www.nytimes.com/2001/08/22/opinion/22BLAN.html>

The "anti-leak" proposal (which was vetoed last year by President Clinton) would criminalize disclosure of "the kind of information Americans need to debate issues like the effectiveness of Washington's military aid to Colombia's drug war or the chances for success of a new peacekeeping operation in Macedonia," the New York Times editorialized yesterday:

<http://www.nytimes.com/2001/08/21/opinion/21TUE2.html>

The Senate Intelligence Committee, which was criticized for pushing the proposal last year without an opportunity for public debate, has scheduled a seemingly perfunctory hearing on the matter on September 5.

THE RWANDA GENOCIDE AND THE US RESPONSE

The dawning awareness that a full-fledged genocide was taking place in Rwanda in 1994 elicited only a feeble response from official Washington, and many thousands of innocent lives that could have been saved were lost as a result.

Newly declassified records documenting official reaction to reports from Rwanda were obtained by Will Ferroggiaro of the National Security Archive, which published them on Monday.

"Until now, we could only speculate as to what U.S. officials knew about the genocide or what they were arguing in closed diplomatic forums," Mr. Ferroggiaro said. "The documents provide essential evidence of official inaction in the face of the slaughter in Rwanda in 1994." See:

<http://www.nsarchive.org/NSAEBB/NSAEBB53/press.html>

These records help inform a long, gripping article in the September issue of The Atlantic Monthly entitled "Bystanders to

Genocide: Why the United States Let the Rwandan Tragedy Happen" by Samantha Power (not yet available online).

Power's account of the genocide, in which 500,000 Rwandans were killed, is passionately argued, but is unlikely to be the last word on this horror. She explains the inadequate U.S. response primarily by pointing to the personal defects of individual leaders.

"President Clinton certainly could have known that a genocide was under way, if he had wanted to know," she writes angrily and somewhat coarsely.

Power insists that the Rwandan killers' intention to commit genocide was known or "knowable" by U.S. policymakers early on. "Any failure to fully appreciate the genocide," she insists, "stemmed from political, moral, and imaginative weaknesses, not informational ones."

But this overlooks some of the "informational" complexities that appear to have conditioned the U.S. response.

During the first week of the genocide, officials in Washington received as many as a thousand separate intelligence reports on Rwanda per day, writes Alan J. Kuperman in his important new book on the Rwanda genocide, "The Limits of Humanitarian Intervention" (Brookings, 2001).

Due to the flood of often inconsistent information, "The circuits were overwhelmed," Kuperman quotes a State Department intelligence official as saying.

"One coping mechanism among veteran Washington intelligence officials faced with such information overload is to dismiss extreme, unconfirmed reports," Kuperman writes.

Thus, other executive branch agencies rejected the "extreme" estimates of the progress of the genocide that were developed by the Defense Intelligence Agency, although these would subsequently prove to be the most accurate. The other agencies explicitly noted their disagreement in intelligence summaries prepared for the President, Kuperman reports in his book.

The point is not to diminish the responsibility of U.S. officials. Rather, if Kuperman's analysis is correct, a close examination of the Rwanda case may hold practical lessons for U.S. intelligence and national security policy that go beyond reproaching the terrible failures of individual leaders.

For more information on Kuperman's book see:

[http://www.brook.edu/press/books/humanitarian\\_intervention.htm](http://www.brook.edu/press/books/humanitarian_intervention.htm)

#### FRUS VOLUME ON GREECE STILL SUPPRESSED

Under pressure from the Central Intelligence Agency, the State Department continues to defer publication of a volume of historical documents on U.S. policy towards Greece in the Johnson Administration.

The volume, "Foreign Relations of the United States (FRUS), 1964-1968: Cyprus, Greece, Turkey," which is already printed and bound, sits in storage awaiting official clearance for release.

According to news reports, some officials fear that publication of the FRUS history, which makes references to clandestine U.S. intervention in Greek elections in the 1960s, could inspire an attack by the Greek terrorist organization 17 November. Others worry that it could disrupt the upcoming Cypriot elections.

Recently, the delayed publication was analyzed in the Greek press, which mocked the CIA's reluctance to permit publication.

"Everyone who has read it believes that this is much ado about nothing," wrote reporter Alexis Papakhelas, referring Homerically to the "wine-colored" FRUS volume.

He quoted a US diplomat who said that "Even if we had nothing to hide, the CIA's behavior reinforces the suspicion and the certainty that we are trying to keep some sinful skeletons from

the past buried."

Mr. Papakhelas is author of a related book (in Greek) based on documents he obtained under the Freedom of Information Act entitled something like "The Rape of Greek Democracy."

See his article "The CIA's Secret Files on Greece," published in the Athens newspaper To Vima on August 12 and translated by the Foreign Broadcast Information Service, here:

<http://www.fas.org/sqp/news/2001/08/gr081201.html>

The matter was investigated further by George Lardner in the Washington Post on August 17:

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/articles/A15770-2001Aug15.html>

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FORMATION REPORT 2001 #6 - DAUPHIN, MANITOBA

Preliminary Report - August 22, 2001

Dauphin, Manitoba  
July 22, 2001

Report received from Jack Doss at CKDM 730 radio in Dauphin. Reported to the station when they did a replay of a Saskatchewan interview with CCCRN from last week (CKDM will be playing an updated interview as well sometime today for their agricultural report).

Four circles found by farmer Jim Pavlin in his canola field near a road in the early morning around July 22. Not there the previous day according to the farmer as they would have been seen by the field workers. Circles were about 10.5 meters (35 feet), 9 meters (30 feet), 6 meters (20 feet) and 3 meters (10 feet) diameter, in a straight line diagonal to the edge of the field, going from largest to smallest with about 0.6 to 0.9 meters (2 to 3 feet) of standing crop between each circle, making the formation just over 30 meters (100 feet) in length. No tracks seen going into the formation when first discovered. One circle was directly under some overheard power lines. Another farm assistant, Darren Damsgaard, said that he was probably the first to enter the circles and saw no entry pathways in the surrounding crop, but did see clear paths left by himself where he walked through the crop afterwards to look at the formation. The lay in each circle is interesting; while going in the usual general spiral pattern, the crop was flattened in one direction for about six feet, then abruptly changed to the opposite direction for another six feet or so, then back again, etc. Stalks were bent and snapped at the base near the ground, but otherwise no other damage seen to the plants themselves. The canola had also already pretty much deflowered at this point. Photos were taken by the farmer, the local Dauphin Herald newspaper and the local RCMP. Copies and further information should be available soon.

Our CCCRN Saskatchewan team may be able to get to the location over the next couple weeks although it is some distance from our primary setup in Saskatchewan for that time, or our Manitoba coordinator or other assistants may be able to. The field has been swathed now, although again as in previous cases, the circles themselves are still pretty much intact, being flattened right down to the ground.

This is the sixth reported formation for 2001.

(Reminder - during the next two weeks starting this weekend, I will be travelling through Saskatchewan and Alberta for Crop Watch 2001. During that time I can be reached by my cell - 604.727.1454 - or my alternate e-mail address - [cccrn@hotmail.com](mailto:cccrn@hotmail.com) - please use these for urgent or necessary messages, ie. formation reports,etc. and I will return regular correspondence when I get back, thanks!).

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## Filer's Files #34 - 08-22-01

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Filer's Files #34 MUFON Skywatch Investigations  
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August 22, 2001, [Majorstar@aol.com](mailto:Majorstar@aol.com).  
Webmaster Chuck Warren <http://www.filersfiles.com>,

UFOs are reported in New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, North Carolina, Indiana, Illinois, California, Canada, Greece, Turkey, New Zealand and from space.

### NEW PLANETARY SYSTEM

University of California at Berkeley announced that astronomers have discovered a planetary system with two giant planets centered on a star that is similar to our sun in chemical composition. The findings indicate smaller planets similar to Earth may be located in orbits inside these giant planets. The astronomers believe many stars may have solar systems similar to our own. Assuming the inner plants actually exist they are likely to have water and life may flourish there. The newly found solar system is orbiting Ursae Majoris only 45 light years away, about 200 trillion miles from Earth. "Of all the solar systems that have been found, this is the one that looks the most like our own," said Debra Fischer, an astronomer. "Nothing else is even close."

### NEW YORK 5 TO 8 CIRCULAR OBJECTS

STATEN ISLAND -- We were on the beach at midnight on July 15, 2001, looking into sky with friends and other watchers. We noticed 5 to 8 circular burnt orange colored lights in formation flying over Staten Island. These lights were all lined up horizontally. They moved slowly towards our direction. Due to a disruption, we had to leave the scene but other watchers stayed. Thanks to Joe Stefula

### NEW JERSEY OVAL UFO

PALISADES PARK -- Several witnesses reported seeing a UFO descend from the sky on August 16, 2001. The witness states, "My wife, my neighbor and I saw an object come down from the sky at 9:30 PM. The craft was oval shape with a cap full of white colored lights. This is the first UFO we have ever seen. Thanks to Varadaraj Kandasamy at [aradraj2000@aol.com](mailto:aradraj2000@aol.com)

TRENTON -- Several reports have come in from witnesses watching from the Scenic Point on Route 295 over looking the Delaware River. They report seeing strange moving lights at night. Some are round and others spear shaped moving over the woods and river. A diamond shaped craft was also sighted on August 18, 2001. The sightings have continued for the last week and video has been taken. Reports from this general area have continued regularly through the years. Frequently, the sightings have involved several islands in the Delaware River north of Philadelphia and south of Trenton near Burlington. This area appears to be heating up again.

CARTERET INVESTIGATION CONTINUES -- Gabriel wrote and phoned to tell me he was a witness to the Carteret sighting. He was located near the large satellite dishes in Carteret. He reports

he had the best seat there and saw it all unfold. The witness claims, "I saw it from two directions from Exit 13 and Exit 15 of the New Jersey Turnpike where dozens of cars were stopped to watch. The object observed by hundreds was a dark black space craft for sure with a triangular shape. Gabriel states, "I had a pair of binoculars and I saw a ship I know what a ship looks like. All the lights were attached to the large ship. I was looking right at the ship it had a dark shadow 'V' shape behind the lights. Also those people that saw the lights didn't see that there was a couple of small ships first. That is why the video shows the lights were in too different forms. The other was a single light with 'v' shape. There was allot going on that night. We also noticed that all commercial ! aircraft had stopped flying over the area. Thanks to Gabriel [GabrielBellotti@aol.com](mailto:GabrielBellotti@aol.com) Bayonne, NJ

#### PENNSYLVANIA ELONGATED RECTANGLE UFO

NEW HOPE -- Anthony Volpe reports that on June 17, 2001, Lynn and I were traveling east on Woodhill Road in Upper Makefield Township. The sky was clear and cloudless. As we crested a hill and cleared the trees blocking our view, we saw an object hovering in the foreground. Being familiar with the area, we estimated that it was hovering over the Delaware River. It was slightly larger than 1/2 inch as viewed at arm's length. It was shaped like a 'bar' or elongated rectangle with square ends. The color was a nonreflecting white. If clouds were available it could have easily hid among them, but there was not a cloud in the sky. We consulted a local map for distance and direction information. The distance to the Delaware River from our sighting location is one and six-tenths of a mile (1.6 mi.) The UFO was hovering at a 30-degree angle above the horizon. The direction was 303 degrees compass heading on our map. Extrapolation of the size, distance and angle above the horizon shows the UFO to be approx. 170 feet long hovering at approx. nine-tenths of a mile (4,750 ft,) at a distance of 1.6 miles away from our viewing site. Lynn and I observed the UFO hovering for several minutes. We lost sight of it as we approached Interstate I-95 South. Thanks to the Volpes [Force\\_19118@hotmail.com](mailto:Force_19118@hotmail.com)

#### NORTH CAROLINA DISK SHAPE OBJECT CHANGING COLORS

MOORESVILLE -- On August 6, 2001, my son, my boyfriend and myself were watching TV when my boyfriend went outside to smoke a cigarette. He came in and had a strange look on his face and went into the bedroom and grabbed his binoculars and said, "Come see this!" The three of us went out on the porch at 12:40 AM and looked west above the treeline and saw an object that was moving from side to side and up and down, changing colors from a whitish blue to red then to green. We watched this for about 11 minutes until it dropped below the treeline. I have never been a believer of UFO's but after seeing this disk, I question my belief. A brief description of the witnesses' backgrounds are, 41 year old nurse, 20 yr. old navy enlistee and a 40 yr. old ex military combat engineer who all saw the same thing with our own eyes. Thanks to Peter Davenport NUFORC [www.ufocenter.com](http://www.ufocenter.com)

#### INDIANA OVAL SHAPED UFO PHOTOGRAPHED

INDIANAPOLIS -- Tom Sheets ISUR received the following report from Angela Clark about her sighting on August 7, 2001, at about 5:30 PM. She let the family dog out into the backyard and noticed an object in the sky in the vicinity of some clouds. She continued to watch as the object suddenly darted straight down and made a quick 90-degree turn to the right, suddenly stopping to hover over some adjacent homes. I phoned Angela who described the object as appearing oval shaped, metallic colored, and lighter on top and darker on the bottom. It had a wobbly spin while hovering and there was a slight haze around the craft. She estimated the distance at 1/4 mile and altitude at 2500 to 3000 feet, and actual size as similar to 3 or 4 automobiles (HUMVEES) grouped together. Angela is a former police officer, skydiver, and military dependent. The witness stated she then ran into her computer room and grabbed her digital camera, returned and snapped a photo of the hovering object. ! (See [www.filersfiles.com](http://www.filersfiles.com)) At that point the object slowly began to move upwards, then quickly accelerated upwards and out of sight so fast she could not track it. Angela forwarded a copy of the photo to ISUR and me for preliminary

inspection. The photo indicates a bright sunny day, with a few cumulus clouds, the glare of the sun is evident on the clouds and on the hovering object. The object appears to be oval shaped but could be 'capsule' shaped and hovering beyond and over some homes. Angela is currently a homemaker studying for a medical certification. She is an excellent witness. The case has been turned over to Indiana MUFON, State Director Jerry Sievers for a local in-depth investigation. Thanks to ISUR [isur@america.net](mailto:isur@america.net), and Tom Sheets [tangosix@webtv.net](mailto:tangosix@webtv.net), ISUR Board, SD MUFON of Georgia.

SOUTH BEND -- On August 14, 2001, Mark Radecki, 47, was sitting on the back door step when he heard a whistle, like a hawk makes. He looked up expecting to see a hawk when he spotted a black coffin shaped object directly overhead traveling northwest at 1342 hours (1:42 PM). It flew away at a steady speed of 1400 MPH. The witness heard the whistle one more time before it flew behind some trees. Mark says, "My estimate is that it was fairly low 800-1500 feet, and at its speed it would have crossed the entire sky, being directly overhead, I about 6 seconds. A favorite hobby of mine is to sit in the yard, with my binoculars and field guide, and watch and identify all the aircraft that cross the sky. So I am familiar with all types of aircraft, their speeds, and altitudes. This was not one of them. Mark also saw a black egg shaped UFO with short stubby wings ten years ago. The object was one inch in size at arm's length. Sky was partly sunny, w/high cumulus clouds, 80 degra! ees, 10 MPH wind. Thanks to Skywatch and UFO-PI Online Reporting and Mark [Radeckiclr46614@aol.com](mailto:Radeckiclr46614@aol.com) [PaulWillison@webtv.net](mailto:PaulWillison@webtv.net)

#### ILLINOIS SPHERES

WILDWOOD -- This is the second sighting of similar objects within the past six months for me. I first saw two objects on April 26, 2001, and a report was filed. On August 2, 2001, I was able to distinguish a little more detail than the first time. I observed directly west of Route 45 and Center Street in Grayslake two bright lights stationary in the sky at 1:15 PM. They were not moving as in the first sighting. This time I was able to get my wife to view these objects with me and with binoculars. They were round and had lights, which seemed to be like multiple strings descending from top to bottom. They could have been windows but were too far distant to really confirm. When I looked at them with just my normal eyesight they were very bright in the sky, and with the binoculars I could distinguish the strands of lights on the side of the object. They were quite a way's off in the distance but were very large. They started moving towards the southwest after about 15 mi! nutes until they disappeared. Once they started moving, they moved rather slowly. During the first sighting I had, they moved very fast

CHICAGO -- It was about 3:00 AM on August 5, 2001, some friends and I were sitting around in my friends yard talking and one of my friends pointed to the sky and said, "What is that?" We all looked to where he was pointing and I saw an object that seemed to be glowing with its own light traveling across the sky from southeast to northwest at a steady rate. The object appeared to me to be squarish and a yellow orange color with very faint red spots of light surrounding it. I heard no noise. The object traveled in a straight line across the sky, not speeding up or slowing down. It was a very clear night, with a nearly full moon. We had observed several planes traveling from west to east that night, both before and after we saw this object. They were all obviously planes, with the tell tale blinking lights and the jet noises. This object was different. We immediately began listing off the things it could possibly be. Someone suggested that maybe it was a children's ball! oon caught in some freak jet stream. However, the wind wasn't blowing and the stars were clear, not shimmering like on windy nights. I got out my camera and snapped some pictures of the object, but as of yet haven't gotten them developed. A similar object was seen on August 9. Thanks to Peter Davenport NUFORC

#### WISCONSIN LIGHTS KNOCK OUT POWER

MERCER -- J writes on the evening of August 3, 2001, I was traveling to northern Wisconsin with a friend for fishing. We were about 3 miles south of Mercer on US 51 at 12:30 AM when large bright yellow-orange lights appeared in the sky directly



a mile ahead of us at 1,500 feet altitude. They were about the size of your thumbnail at arm's length. The full moon was up and the lights were just slightly smaller. The lights almost looked like yellow orange fireballs, but didn't flicker and the outside edges had a blur or hazy appearance. The lights were "stacked" directly above each other a 100 yards apart. We both saw the lights as if someone switched on a light. We drove until we were a half mile away and I stopped to get my camera from the trunk. Then the lights moved straight up and the spacing between them doubled. As we exited the car the lights moved to our left about a half mile all without changing their formation. The sky was clear and as I took the first flash ! picture, the lights converged towards the middle light and formed a perfect triangle on a horizontal plane at 200 yards apart. I took 6 pictures in 5 minutes.

There was no noise even my hunting dog was quiet and still, which is very unusual. We drove a mile further down the road and snapped another picture just as a pickup truck swerved sending gravel flying. I pulled along side the truck, and young driver said, "What the hell am I looking at? I've been watching those lights for about 10 minutes and when I saw your flash I knew you guys saw them too." The three of us watched the lights rise slowly, then the speed increased until they reached an altitude of about a mile and they disappeared. We drove into Mercer and realized the town was blacked out. I contacted the power company and they said the outage was caused by a "regulator reset." Thanks to Jim Aho W-Files  
<http://www.w-files.com>

#### CALIFORNIA DISK SHAPED OBJECT SLOWLY MOVING

MAMMOTH LAKES -- I was camping out near Mammoth Mountain when the crickets stopped chirping at 3:45 AM on August 7, 2001. From the West, I noticed a dark disk shaped object slowly moving and stopping as it made its way towards my location. I was inside my sleeping bag next to my girlfriend who was asleep. The object got within fifty feet and I was frozen in fear and curiosity. I watched the craft slowly slip by, stopping for a few seconds at a time and continuing. There was a very slight hum. The craft emitted a dull blue beam from the far edge of the disc as though it was searching for someone. The craft was now clearly visible as a shiny disc, and came to a complete stop. I crawled towards it hoping it didn't detect me. I kept thinking that this craft might have infrared or heat sensors to detect any movement outside, but there was no deviation from its course/task. At one point, the craft got to about 2 feet from the ground and the humming became louder. I got back ! without causing any notice when the craft became enveloped by the surrounding area. It became invisible, but with a slight atmospheric distortion. I watched this mirage-like phenomenon float upwards until I could not see it anymore. Five minutes later, the crickets started again and I stayed up all night. This has changed my life forever and makes me realize we are not alone.

YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK -- On the evening of August 8, 2001, at 10:15 PM my girl friend and I were looking at the night sky while camping at the North shore of Saddlebag Lake (elevation: 10,000 feet). The sky was clear, and moonless. We witnessed and heard a formation of three "military fighter jets," displaying normal navigational lights, and flying at 15,000 feet on a due west heading. Trailing the formation of fighters at the 8 o'clock position was a large "Chevron Shaped Object," backlit by starlight." We estimated the Chevron to be 100 yards from wingtip-to-wingtip. The object had three "white colored" lights -- one at the apex, and one at each wingtip." The object matched the jets air speed and seemed to move south more like a glider than a powered aircraft. We watched for two minutes. My girl friend and I are very familiar with the air traffic in the Tioga Pass area and these were flying south and parallel to the commercial air east/west corridor. Neither one of ! us have ever seen an "aircraft" this large. Both of us are trained and experienced professionals (Health Care and Photojournalism). We are certain of our observations. Thanks to NUFORC.

#### CANADA MACLEAN'S MAGAZINE CARRIES UFO ARTICLE

ST. PAUL -- The August 13, 2001, issue carries a serious UFO article titled, "Seriously is there a middle ground between skepticism and belief?" by Susan McClelland. "To the first-time

tourist, St. Paul, Alberta., could easily pass for a set from The X-Files. The billboard at the edge of the small farming community about 200 km northeast of Edmonton welcomes visitors to the world's first UFO landing pad -- a circular cement deck attached to the chamber of commerce. The chamber itself looks like a spaceship. Businesses with names like Mama's Flying Saucer Pizza & Breakfast and the Galaxy Motel line the main street. The biggest surprise, though, may be just how long it's been since the townsfolk put out the alien welcome mat. "The landing pad was built during Canada's Centennial," explains Mayor John Trefanenko. "People wanted to create something that would be recognized around the world. Over the years, we kept building on that theme." And build they have. UFO fervor has spawned an industry in the town of 5,000 that brings in some 30,000 visitors a year. Townsfolk have developed otherworldly areas of interest. Fernand Belzil, for instance, a semiretired cattle rancher, is one of Canada's few experts on a grisly type of animal mutilation in which all the blood has been drained and certain organs surgically removed."

#### CANADA UFO REPORTS

NOTTAWASAGA BAY ON LAKE HURON -- On August 4, 2001, at 8:00 PM we saw a jet going from SW to SE and an object came up behind it on exactly the same flight path, but much faster than the jet. When it reached the jet it disappeared and the jet kept going. It overtook the jets speed at double or triple the speed. The object was bright and round with no noise. We live on the shore north of Barrie, Ontario. Last year, my husband and I were sitting on our deck in July, when we watched a jet flying southeast at 6:50 PM. Another object came out of the southwest on a diagonal flying much faster than the jet. It crossed in front of the jet and the jet veered to avoid a possible collision. We were afraid for the aircraft. I reported this to the government, but we never given an explanation. The object looked oblong or round and it was a metal material because the setting sun made it look orange.

TORONTO -- Harry Harris writes, my friend and I were standing in Pratt & Whitney Canada's Mississauga Company's parking lot for our lunch break, when we looked up at something like a bird passing overhead. I continued to focus on what eventually seemed to be two spheres orbiting about each-other but moving at a constant 25 MPH velocity and in a straight line. They were like two tennis balls made out of frosted glass light-bulbs traveling just above the power lines. I was a mile west of Pearson International Airport at 12:30 PM. The object was traveling west. Thanks to Brian HBCC UFO Research - [yogi@lakesweb.com](mailto:yogi@lakesweb.com) <http://www.geocities.com/hbccufo/home.html>

#### UNITED KINGDOM CROP CIRCLES

ALTON BARNES --A huge crop circle was reported at Milk Hill, Wiltshire on August 13, 2001, that includes some 250 circles. So far scientists have not attested to its authenticity. <http://www.cropcircleconnector.com/2001/MilkHill2/milkhill2001a.html>

#### GREECE BIG LIGHT IN THE SKY

PELOPONNESE -- The witness reports, "I saw a strange light in the sky over Patra on August 8, 2001, at 21:30. First, I thought it was a satellite, or fireworks from a boat. My house is near the sea, but there was no boat! It wasn't an airplane because it had such a big light and lasted about four seconds. Thanks to Peter Davenport NUFORC

#### TURKISH PILOTS & UFO UPDATE

ISMIR ---Hakan Konac reports that Turkish Air Force pilot First Lieutenant Ilker Dincer was flying a T-37 Training Jet (122nd Squadron) on August 6, 2001, when he encountered a UFO at 12:30 hours near Candarli. Radio communication from the Pilot: Dincer: "We are facing an unusual situation. We see an object shaped like a cross between a cone and a disc, with support legs, extremely luminous and high speed". Dincer reported the incident both to the Ground Control and to the Combat Operations Center (COC) and asks for radar confirmation. COC: "Negative. We detect a high rate of maneuvering in your aircraft but no detection of a second object around." Dincer

moves the T-37 closer towards the object and according to Dincer, the object also moves closer towards the T-37.

Dincer: "The object is now coming closer to my wings, now its behind us, Ill get it in front of myself, now its in front of us, hey this is certainly going for a dog fight with us". The object gyrated around the T-37 for thirty minutes. The object and the T-37 maneuvered around each other during the encounter until the object disappeared at an incredibly high speed. The incident is under investigation by the Turkish Air Force who at first claimed it was a weather balloon. Thanks to [konac@ada.net.tr9a4ag@ham2.cc.fer.hr](mailto:konac@ada.net.tr9a4ag@ham2.cc.fer.hr) (Giuliano 'Jimmy' Marinkovic)

#### NEW ZEALAND FLAMING CIGAR SHAPED ORANGE COMET

WAIHEKE ISLAND, AUCKLAND -- Joe Trainor received this report from Anthony Milas and his girlfriend who saw a gray cigar shaped craft surrounded by trailing flame on July 13, 2001. The sun was setting at 5:30 PM, and the object was two-thirds its size. The flaming trail moved very slowly downwards and arcing to the north. It was moving with the head of the trail leading. After five minutes, it broke into two trails - a larger and a smaller. The smaller one appeared to hover. The larger one was observed for five minutes before it disappeared behind clouds close to the horizon. The object slowed its descent moving to the west. Anthony states, "Using my binoculars it was now maintaining a steadier altitude and I clearly saw a gray cigar shape, and the flaming orange/yellow was surrounding this and trailing off it." The object disappeared behind a cloud near Rangitoto Island, several kilometers away. My girl friend saw something similar several weeks ago, but assumed it w! as an artifact of the sunset. The sun had set and this cannot be explained by natural phenomena. The object was observed for ten minutes close to the horizon, and I assume it was very large, far away, and traveling very fast. Thanks to Joe Trainor Masinaigan and [anthonym@internet.co.nz](mailto:anthonym@internet.co.nz) (Anthony Milas) [reports@ufoinfo.com](mailto:reports@ufoinfo.com)

#### LARA JOHNSTONE TO TAKE ET HUNGER STRIKE TO WHITE HOUSE.

On August 18, 22 days into her hunger strike, Lara announced on the live Ground Zero show (1080KOTK - Portland) that she will take her Presidential hunger strike to Washington, D.C. and the White House, as a daily reminder to President Bush. "I am asking President Bush to fulfill his campaign promise, and make public information on U.S. government involvement with Extraterrestrial craft, technologies, and civilizations by supporting the Disclosure witnesses who are ready to testify before the U.S. Congress. Thanks to ECONews SERVICE: <http://www.ecologynews.com/cuenews38.html>

#### STS-105 - UFO SIGHTED FROM SPACE SHUTTLE CAMERA

Researcher Jeff Challender informed me, he watched the STS-105 Discovery tape during the shuttle overnight mission on August 10/11. In one segment, there is an object, similar to Storey Musgrave's "space snake" moving about in daylight over the Indian Ocean west of New Guinea. It appears to be going away from the tail of the Shuttle Discovery, and is first seen against the blackness of space, then in silhouette against the bright clouds and sea. The camera zoomed in on it briefly, but didn't focus, then the downlink was cut. A half hour later, at orbital sunset, it was still out there in the distance until they cut the feed again. This was no ice chip. Later on, during a night pass over Texas and the Gulf, there was another of those bright zips of an object passing quickly. It resembled the strange bright zipping object seen in the Houston sequence from STS-96 in June 1999. Now since the Perseid meteor shower was at it's peak that night, it's possible that this streak! was a meteor.

Later, Cliff Rowe was monitoring the NASA TV video from the STS-105 on August 11, 2001, as it glided silently around earth. He observed a large dark round blurry object at 10:20 AM Central Time video taped by the shuttle camera. The object was the size of a thumb placed over the object on the TV screen. The Shuttle's camera caught the object on the lower left of center with the background of white clouds below. The DARK SPOT seemed to be stationary at first appearing as a possible spot on the camera lens. As the Shuttle moved and the camera

zoomed in on it, the object moved slowly to the southeast. The Shuttle camera began to pan to get a closer look at the object, and appears to have rapidly switched to several different colored filters. Then the object disappeared into the clouds below. The Shuttle transmissions then switched to the NASA animation picture of the Shuttle. We had a monstrous size UFO messing around our earth in the upper atmosphere and this isn't the ! first. These things are all over the place and most people are being shielded from this information. If you don't believe me get the tape "What Do They Know" by Jeff Chandler (his E-mail: [jefchall@world.att.net](mailto:jefchall@world.att.net)). You will be able to see these objects from raw NASA data transmissions that have been caught on tape by Jeff. You will be able to tell the difference between ice crystals and UFOs passing by. If the proof on this tape doesn't convince you, nothing will. Thanks to Cliff Rowe [husa@evl.net](mailto:husa@evl.net) and [Jefchall@worldnet.att.net](mailto:Jefchall@worldnet.att.net) (Jeff Challenger

Editor's Note: Unidentified Flying Objects with regularly flashing lights are frequently videotaped in space by the Shuttle's cameras. It is certainly possible that these UFOs are ours and that classified black hypersonic craft are being covered up by unclassified programs such as the canceled X-30 National Aerospaceplane project in 1994. It seems reasonable that a reconnaissance aircraft was built to follow on to the SR-71 Black Bird. Most likely a black-world hypersonic aircraft has been built and is now flying. Jeff and Cliff may be seeing these craft or are they real UFOs?

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## UFO Conference - New Jersey 10-6/7-01 - Addendum

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Dear List:

I didn't include the following speaker for the UFO Con to my previous post, because I did not have the necessary bio put together. It is the one and only Jim Moseley, who has appeared over the years, since the 1950's on countless radio and television shows and lectured at UFO conferences throughout the United States.

In the late 1960's and early 1970's, he lectured as an expert on UFOs to over one hundred colleges around the country. Beginning in 1954, Jim published a semi-professional magazine called Saucer News, which reached a peak subscription circulation of almost 10,000.

Currently, Jim publishes a (free) UFO "trade journal", mainly of interest to a few hundred people who make up the "hard core" of flying saucer buffs. Humor and UFO-related gossip are the main characteristics of this non-scheduled newsletter, which is called "Saucer Smear". This newsletter takes an attitude! of benign skepticism toward the more extreme UFO beliefs, and generally reflects the various ways in which Moseley has mellowed in his thinking over the years.

To find out just what that his thinking is, one would have to become a "non-subscriber" to "Saucer Smear". There are no subscribers, but donations are warmly welcomed.

Jim is author of his forthcoming memoirs, 'Shockingly Close To The Truth'. I do not know what the title of Jim's talk for the Con will be, but whatever it is, it will be great.

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## Mars Online Gazette: A Mystery At Sagan Memorial

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The Electric Warrior takes a look at the Pathfinder  
"sphinx"...

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A MYSTERY AT SAGAN MEMORIAL STATION

<http://www.electricwarrior.com/mol/ewMol10.jpg>

Is there a monument resembling an ancient Egyptian sphinx a short distance away from NASA's Mars Pathfinder lander? Mac Tonnies doesn't think so, but says the feature in question is vague enough to entice--and confuse.

'Mars Online Gazette' presents a rebuttal to the Martian Sphinx, featuring Tonnies' online assessment from The Cydonian Imperative, together with images and commentary from The Electric Warrior Website.

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! The Cydonian Imperative  
by Mac Tonnies  
July 31, 2001 - Ares Vallis

Sagan Memorial Station Revisited

When the Mars Pathfinder touched down on Mars, much online speculation centered on the varied shapes of the rocks littering the landing site. Many claimed to see structured, artificial objects. While there was--and is--undoubtedly a lot to look at in the Pathfinder panoramas, it's my opinion that nothing visible in the images returned to Earth betrays artificial origin.

That's not to say that we are looking at purely geological debris. Geologist Ron Nicks has made an interesting, if controversial, case for an artificial origin for the "Twin Peaks" looming on the Martian horizon. His unusual contention is bolstered, in my opinion, by the strikingly uniform square base of the otherwise amorphous North Knob a few miles away.

<http://www.electricwarrior.com/mol/ewNorthKnob.jpg>

["North Knob" as seen from the Mars Global Surveyor. Note unusual square base.]

In a recent post on The Enterprise Mission, Mike Bara and Richard Hoagland return to the terrain surrounding Sagan Memorial Station and identify--not so tentatively--a Martian "sphinx," supposedly with visible head, paws, and crouching body similar if not identical to the Great Sphinx in Egypt.

I will not attempt to conceal my bias: I don't think there's an

artificial sphinx a short distance away from the Pathfinder craft. However, the feature in question is vague enough to entice-- and confuse. If it really is a sphinx eternally guarding the eroded Twin Peaks, what is it doing on a floodplain where, as The Enterprise Mission's own Nicks asserts, the hypothetical "casing" on the right-hand "pyramid" was washed away by torrential Martian flows?

<http://www.electricwarrior.com/mol/ewMarsSphinx.jpg>

[The alleged "sphinx" seen before the weathered bulk of a suspected "ruined arcology."]

If the "sphinx" had been constructed prior to the floods that eroded the Twin Peaks and carpeted the foreground in rocky debris (Pathfinder's "Rock Garden"), why is it still intact? A more likely explanation may be that the "sphinx" is actually a relatively small remnant of a much larger natural feature that succumbed to erosion along with the blunted peaks on the horizon.

My main complaint with the article by Bara/Hoagland is the assertion that the alleged "sphinx" is facing east (like its Giza counterpart). In order to support the notion that the "sphinx" is aligned in a terrestrial manner, the article rationalizes away the plainly visible length of the "sphinx" as being ruined "temples" (!). Clearly, if the Pathfinder "sphinx" is actually an analog of the Great Sphinx in Egypt (or the other way around...), one must be prepared to address its shape, as well as its possible alignment, with its earthly cousin.

Interestingly enough, the Great Sphinx in Egypt is a weirdly "stretched"-looking work of art (as seen in the comparison image).

<http://www.electricwarrior.com/mol/ewSphinxComparison.jpg>

[The Great Sphinx (Above) TEM Sphinx (Below)]

Compare the elongated form above to that of the Bara/Hoagland's Martian "sphinx," noting that the proposed "head" is on the right.

There doesn't seem to be any way to align the "sphinx" in any way other than how it appears on the Pathfinder photo. Hoagland/Bara's suggestion that the "sphinx" is pointing east requires a significant imaginative leap that I am unwilling and unable to make. Moreover, attributing the unwanted bulk of the Martian landform to additional structures (when there is no differentiation to justify concluding that it is more than one formation) is completely ad hoc and flies in the face of scientific methodology.

Obviously, the hypothesized Egyptian connection only makes sense if the "sphinx" is pointing east. Unfortunately, the best available data suggest that the "sphinx"--whatever it may prove to be--is aligned north-south, a finding at odds with presumed Egyptian parallels.

The Pathfinder site reveals a remarkable diversity of forms in its rocks, but nothing that can be credibly cited as evidence of intelligent design. We may in fact be looking at artificial debris when we examine the Pathfinder panoramas. However, we will not likely know this until we are able to explore the weirdly geometric "North Knob" and beckoning Twin Peaks firsthand.

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! The Electric Warrior  
Mars Online Gazette  
August 23, 2001 - Ares Vallis

#### IN THE MIDDLE GROUND

Is there a Martian sphinx crouching right in front of the South Twin Peak? We need to take a closer look at some NASA images.

To begin with, it isn't clear whether the object in question is as far away as the peak, which is known to be about one kilometer from the lander. What appears to be a very large sphinx, near the peak, might be a large rock, closer to the



lander. It's hard to tell, because in the photograph, neither the peak or the "sphinx" are in sharp focus.

The "sphinx" appears to be located beyond a ridge, which obscures the bottom portion of the object from view. An accompanying image illustrates the proposed ridge line, in red. If this line is accurate, then the left paw of the sphinx is actually a rock on the ridge line, and detached from the main body of the "sphinx", which lies somewhere beyond that.

<http://www.electricwarrior.com/mol/ewSphinxRidgeLine.jpg>

[The controversial anomaly could be a large rock behind a ridge.]

The right paw of the "sphinx" doesn't appear to exist, other than being a highlight, similar to other surface highlights in the photograph.

So, the "sphinx" may very well be a large rock or boulder, in the middle ground between the peak and Pathfinder's famous "Rock Garden".

A stereoscopic image which accompanies this article makes this easier to see. (Although you may have trouble looking at it, if you never viewed one before. Try making the two images line up, by relaxing your eyes.)

<http://www.electricwarrior.com/mol/ewMarsSphinxStereo.jpg>

[The controversial anomaly is probably not too far from the lander.]

#### VIEW FROM THE TOP

If a Martian sphinx is located in the vicinity of the South Twin Peak, and the anomaly is comparable in size to its Earthly counterpart in Giza, then it's reasonable to expect that the feature would appear in an image of the Sagan Memorial Station vicinity, captured by the Mars Orbital Camera (MOC).

<http://www.electricwarrior.com/mol/ewTwinPeaks.jpg>

[The controversial anomaly is too small to be imaged by MOC.]

The Great Sphinx in Egypt is 73 meters long. The accompanying MOC image (SP125603) was captured at a resolution of about 3 meters per pixel. Broadly speaking, that's a lot of pixels (about 24), and we'd expect to see something to the right of the lower peak in this MOC image. But, there doesn't appear to be anything in the image that even loosely corresponds to the proposed sphinx, as viewed by Pathfinder.

However, if the "sphinx" is really a large rock not too far from the lander, then it might be too small to be imaged by MOC. This is consistent with what is seen, or rather, what can't be seen in the photograph looking down from the MGS spacecraft orbiting Mars.

An image map of the area shows Twin Peaks, North Knob, Big Crater and the approximate location of the Pathfinder lander. Where's the Martian sphinx?

<http://www.electricwarrior.com/img/ewPathfinderVicinity.jpg>

[Sagan Memorial Station Vicinity.]

#### Martian Floodplain

Could the anomalous Martian sphinx really be a large boulder located in a floodplain, and yet not appear to be highly water eroded?

In 1995, Mars Pathfinder project scientists visited an area in the Pacific Northwest, which they believed to be very similar to the Ares Vallis region on Mars. One of the numerous boulders they saw in the Channeled Scabland was as big as a house!

The massive catastrophic floods believed to have shaped the Ares Vallis channel on Mars could easily account for the presence of a giant boulder, right where the "sphinx" can be seen. The titanic forces that moved a boulder of that size wouldn't

necessarily have time to make it appear smoothly eroded.

An accompanying image, based on data from the Mars Orbiter Laser Altimeter (MOLA) shows the approximate location of the Pathfinder lander. Bottom left is the fan-out from the Ares Vallis channel.

<http://www.electricwarrior.com/img/ewMarsPathfinderMOLA.jpg>

[Sagan Memorial Station MOLA]

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## Ursa Major

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From 'Filer's Files' and 'The Alien Jigsaw'

### NEW PLANETARY SYSTEM

University of California at Berkeley announced that astronomers have discovered a planetary system with two giant planets centered on a star that is similar to our sun in chemical composition. The findings indicate smaller planets similar to Earth may be located in orbits inside these giant planets. The astronomers believe many stars may have solar systems similar to our own. Assuming the inner planets actually exist they are likely to have water and life may flourish there. The newly found solar system is orbiting Ursae Majoris only 45 light years away, about 200 trillion miles from Earth. "Of all the solar systems that have been found, this is the one that looks the most like our own," said Debra Fischer, an astronomer. "Nothing else is even close."

Regarding the above discovery - Could there be a relationship to the following?

From 'The Alien Jigsaw Researcher's Supplement':

"July 1993: We go on the deck. I ask him [the Being] 'Are you from the Pleiades?'

The Being adamantly replies, 'NO.'

I ask him where he is from. We look in the sky to see the Big Dipper. He says, 'See the Ursa Major?'

I reply, 'Yes.'

The Being then tells me,

'The star cluster to the right and below. The one with the triangle to the left and the little stars in between... we're from that one. The fourth planet from our sun.'

I asked him what his planet is like. He said sadly,

'I don't know, I've never been there. I was born on our ship.'

Erik Wilson, July 1993, Portland, Oregon 'The Alien Jigsaw Researcher's Supplement' (c) 1994.

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## Cydonian Imperative - 08-24-01 - Crop Formations

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The Cydonian Imperative  
8-24-01

Crop Formations Provoke Mars Speculation  
by Mac Tonnies

See:

<http://www.geocities.com/macbot/cydonia.html>

[image]

Elaborate crop glyph based on 1974 SETI broadcast.

In 1974, SETI scientists transmitted a digital image into deep space in the hopes of it eventually being intercepted and decyphered by extraterrestrials. In a surreal turn of events, we've received a most unlikely "response" in the form of the same message returned to us--not in the form of modulated radio waves, but as an intricate English crop formation virtually next door to a radio observatory.

(A brief editorial note: I am convinced that some crop circles are legitimate scientific mysteries. The new SETI glyph, conveniently positioned next to a radio telescope, might very well prove to be the work of some pranksters with a subversive sense of humor. On the other hand, if this is an actual communication with some other intelligence, then I relish the irony of the medium "they" chose to use--which may be the most important message imparted by this new enigma.)

[image]

Signal or noise? The original 1974 SETI transmission is shown on the right while the alleged "alien" response is on the left. Note deviations.

The SETI-inspired crop glyph boasts some tantalizing changes from the original version. Where a schematic human figure is encoded on the original transmission, unknown artists have inserted a small-bodied, big-headed figure that looks very much like an approximation of the "grays" of close-encounter lore. And where terrestrial scientists had placed a crude portrayal of our solar system, the "aliens" have done the same: the crop glyph features nine planets, one star, and three inhabited worlds (one of which is ringed by four enigmatic "pixels" that may represent moons or some unguessed phenomenon).

Most provocatively, the bottom of the original SETI message featured a rough diagram of the radio dish in Arecibo, Puerto Rico that transmitted the message to the stars. The new version excludes any recognizable dish, but shows a simplified version of an intricate crop glyph that appeared almost exactly one year ago in the same location. (Does the simplified glyph represent a technology analogous to the radio telescope in Arecibo...?)

[image]

Mysterious crop face recalls the shadowy-eyed Face on Mars seen

by Viking.

But that's not all. Crop-watchers are also treated to an impressive "dot matrix" portrait of a shadowy human face that recalls, at least to Richard Hoagland, the simian western side of the Face on Mars. Whether it was made by aliens or not, the workmanship evidenced by the "Crop Face" is remarkable, and it stands as the first such piece of art to grace England's fields since the crop circle phenomenon came to worldwide attention in the early 1990s.

I don't know what, if anything, the SETI glyph has to do with the interesting "face" glyph. One possibility is that we're being offered evidence that the human race was genetically engineered by "gray" aliens who visited Mars in the remote past. A more likely scenario, in my opinion, is that we are being treated to an ambitious and--given the subtleties of the SETI "reply"-- scientifically literate hoax.

If, however, this is "real," then it's of obviously explosive importance. Perhaps laboratory testing of the affected crops will reveal magnetic or chemical anomalies indicating a nonhuman agent.

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Secrecy News -- 08/24/01

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SECRECY NEWS  
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August 24, 2001

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OPPOSITION TO ANTI-LEAK MEASURE BUILDS

In its lead editorial today, the Washington Post today eloquently argued against the pending legislation that would make the unauthorized disclosure of classified information a felony.

"One trouble with creating a blanket criminalization of classified leaks is that it gives the executive branch almost unchecked authority to remove information from public discussion," the Post editors wrote. "Such unchecked power would be dangerous even if overclassification weren't rampant." See the Post editorial entitled "No More Secrecy Bills" here:

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/opinion/A54690-2001Aug23.html>

Meanwhile, the St. Petersburg Times in St. Petersburg, Florida today came out in vigorous opposition to the anti-leak proposal. Significantly, both Senate Intelligence Committee Chairman Bob Graham and House Intelligence Committee Chairman Porter Goss are from Florida.

"If Graham really believes government needs to be held accountable for its actions, he should help bury this legislation," the St. Petersburg Times editors proclaimed. See:

[http://www.sptimes.com/News/082401/Opinion/Classified\\_silencing.shtml](http://www.sptimes.com/News/082401/Opinion/Classified_silencing.shtml)

In another new wrinkle, House Judiciary Committee Chairman James Sensenbrenner sent a letter to the House Intelligence Committee last week preemptively insisting on his Committee's authority to consider any legislation on criminalizing leaks before it is adopted.

"I wanted to take this opportunity to assert that the House Committee on the Judiciary would seek immediate referral of any legislation that incorporates criminal provisions addressing the unauthorized disclosure of classified information," wrote Chairman Sensenbrenner.

Though he did not categorically state opposition to the legislation, Sensenbrenner's action should tend to slow its momentum and complicate its passage.

Further, Chairman Sensenbrenner wrote, "it is my strong preference that any anti-leaks legislation be considered separate and apart from general authorization bills." Such a step would take the measure off the fast track that the Intelligence Authorization Act is on and force Congress to consider the legislation on its slender merits.



See Chairman Sensenbrenner's August 13 letter here:

<http://www.fas.org/sqp/news/2001/08/sensen.html>

#### NOGUN-RI DOCUMENTS REVIVE KOREA CONTROVERSY

Publication of declassified U.S. government documents from the Korean War has renewed controversy in Korea over U.S. Air Force aerial attacks near the village of Nogun-ri in 1950, which led to the deaths of around 100 civilians.

The official U.S. report on the Nogun-ri case earlier this year was inconclusive about whether the attacks had taken place. It stated: "No U.S. Air Force veteran that the U.S. Review Team interviewed participated in, or had any knowledge of anyone participating in, the strafing of civilians in the vicinity of No Gun Ri in late July 1950.... Strafing may have occurred near Nogun-ri the last week of July 1950 and could have injured or killed Korean civilians but [...] any such air strikes were not deliberate attacks on Korean civilians."

Yet the newly published documents refer plainly to strafing of refugees. They were made widely available last week on the web site of Henry Holt Publishers, which will soon publish "The Bridge at No Gun Ri," a book on the Nogun-ri case written by the Associated Press team who first reported in 1999 that American troops had killed civilians in the Korean War. See:

<http://www.henryholt.com/nogunri/documents.htm>

The new disclosures created a stir in Korea. The Korea Herald in Seoul, which first reported on the matter August 21, also indicated that Nogun-ri survivors will file suit against U.S. agencies next week under the Freedom of Information Act, alleging non-compliance with the Act's requirements. In addition, the Committee for Unveiling Truth about the Nogun-ri Massacre will reportedly seek a congressional hearing on their concerns.

Questions about the strafing of refugees near Nogun-ri were previously discussed at a January 11, 2001 Pentagon press briefing on the incident. See:

[http://www.defenselink.mil/news/Jan2001/t01112001\\_t111cohe.html](http://www.defenselink.mil/news/Jan2001/t01112001_t111cohe.html)

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Subject: Slaves To Secrets And Lies

Slaves to Secrets and Lies  
by  
Lara Johnstone

A slave is one who waits for someone else to free him.  
-- Rosellen Brown

We are all slaves to the secrets that imprison us, whether they be secrets withheld from us by employers, friends, governments or our own fear to admit to something we did, think, feel or know.

The more secrets I hide from, avoid seeing, deny exist, pretend I don't know about, blame someone else for, or lie about to protect my ego or reputation -- the more I am a slave to my own secrets and lies!

I choose to be free from my own secrets and lies, therefore I choose to tell the truth.

I choose to be free from the secrets, lies, deception, avoidance and denial that current governments and corporations keep from the people, therefore when whistleblowers or truth-tellers come forward from such secret organizations, I choose to support them in telling their truth.

When 99+ identified present or former military, intelligence, corporate, aviator, flight control, law enforcement officers, scientists and other witnesses willingly step forward to be subpoenaed to testify at Congressional Hearings, about secrets and lies that have been withheld from the entire planet, and affect all beings in space, I THINK THAT IS IMPORTANT!

I think it is important enough to go on a hungerstrike to show how important I think it is. To show how much I want to hear the truth!

As Malcolm X said: I'm for truth, no matter who tells it. I'm for justice, no matter who it is for or against. I'm a human being first and foremost, and as such I am for whoever and whatever benefits humanity as a whole.

I want the Disclosure Project witnesses to testify. Do you?

Frederick Douglass once said:

Power never concedes anything without a struggle.

Steve Biko once said:

The most potent weapon in the hands of the oppressor, is the mind of the oppressed

I imagine if we wish to hear the truth, the first oppressors we are going to have to face and struggle against are ourselves. How we have allowed our minds to be deceived, lied to and manipulated. Asking others to be prepared to tell the truth while we hide, deceive, manipulate and lie is hypocrisy.

As Pieter Dirk Uys says: Hypocrisy is the vaseline of political intercourse.

Could it be that we are so disillusioned with the current 'hypocritical' political system of deception, pretense, lies and deceit, is - because we too are lieing, deceiving, and denying the truth to ourselves, and not prepared to stand up in public and demand the truth, irrespective of the consequences?

One brave elected official hasn't got time for hypocrisy, secrets and lies on this issue.

Minnesota Governor Jesse Ventura: The federal government should disclose whatever it knows about aliens or unidentified flying objects to the public. . .That's called national security. People in government think you can't handle it and you need to be protected from it. [August 10, 2001]

Governor Ventura, I heartily agree!

Thank you!

Lara Johnstone

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## Cydonian Imperative: 08-25-01 - SETI Glyph Analysed

From: **Mac Tonnies** <[macbot@yahoo.com](mailto:macbot@yahoo.com)>  
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The Cydonian Imperative  
8-25-01

Detail from "SETI" Glyph Analyzed  
by Mac Tonnies

In the SETI crop glyph discussed in the previous article, the portion of the code illustrating the "aliens'" presumed home solar system is shown (see graphic below).

[image]

Corresponding with the schematic of our own solar system transmitted in 1974, the graphic reveals a star at the far right, with planets extending to the image's left. Like our solar system, there are nine planets and one star, prompting Richard Hoagland, in private correspondence, to volunteer that this might be a representation of our own solar neighborhood. The difference, obviously, is that the planets corresponding with Earth, Mars, and Jupiter are elevated, denoting habitation. (In the original transmission, the third planet from the sun--Earth--is elevated, depicting the signal's planet of origin.)

One of the first oddities that caught my eye was the peculiar way the object equivalent to "Jupiter" was depicted by four connected pixels. Could this represent a work of megasacle engineering, or some other unknown phenomenon? Chris Joseph, who painstakingly rendered the SETI glyph into digital format, offered the possibility that the four pixels were meant to represent inhabited moons--an attractive hypothesis that seemed to make sense framed in Hoagland's model.

The four pixels could represent the four primary Jovian satellites: Io, Europa, Ganymede and Callisto. Maybe the "alien" message (assuming, as always, that it might be authentic) isn't that "alien" after all, but merely a forecast of our own future as we colonize space. But why, then, would the "Jupiter pixel" remain "blank"? All of the other schematic planets appear as "filled in" bits of data. If the communicator wanted to tell us that the Jupiter system was inhabited, this could be more accurately conveyed by filling in the "hollow" center left by the four ambiguous pixels thought to represent moons.

A careful look at the left portion of the solar system schematic reveals another telling detail: the "Neptune" equivalent is missing a pixel compared to the original Arecibo transmission, indicating that it is smaller than the gas giant known to terrestrial astronomers. Unless this is a mistake on behalf of the communicator (human or alien), then this certainly seems to exclude our solar system as the star system represented in the glyph.

As for the four-pixel arrangement where Jupiter might be expected: perhaps we're seeing a necessarily simplified rendering of a Dyson sphere. I find this notion attractive on a speculative level, since the four-pixel "ring" occurs on the far edge of the star system's "zone of habitability"; as the farthest inhabited planet from its parent star, its population

might desire to harvest as much sunlight as possible, and something like an insulating "shell" might be highly desirable.

[image]

[image]

Above is a close-up of the being representing the apparent alien race. As discussed in my previous article, I think this is an approximation of a "gray" alien of the sort popularized by books and other media based on the alien abduction phenomenon (whatever "alien abduction" may ultimately prove to be). Below it is a typical example of a "gray," universally described as a being with a large head, large eyes and frail, spindly body (all traits clearly discernable in the SETI crop glyph).

(Note: The crop circle phenomenon is not my area of expertise by any means, and for that reason it is generally not discussed in the pages of The Cydonian Imperative. However, the "SETI" glyphs demand to be addressed. It's my hope that even if the formations in question are merely clever hoaxes, we will have learned something about our understanding of life and intelligence in the cosmos and here on Earth.)

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Secrecy News -- 08/27/01

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Subject: Secrecy News -- 08/27/01

SECRECY NEWS  
from the FAS Project on Government Secrecy  
August 27, 2001

\*\* MANY MILLIONS COULD BE SUBJECT TO ANTI-LEAK LAW  
\*\* ANOTHER ESPIONAGE CASE

MANY MILLIONS COULD BE SUBJECT TO ANTI-LEAK LAW

The pending proposal to make unauthorized disclosures of classified information a felony would apply not only to the roughly three million persons who currently hold security clearances for access to classified information. It could also affect perhaps ten million or more American veterans and retirees who formerly held such clearances.

This point was made by former intelligence analyst Allen Thomson in several usenet discussion groups recently, spurring some vigorous debate.

Mr. Thomson cited the language of the proposed law, which is broadly written so as to encompass everyone who has ever had authorized access to classified information. It would be binding upon anyone who is:

"...an officer or employee of the United States, a former or retired officer or employee of the United States, any other person with authorized access to classified information, or any other person formerly with authorized access to classified information...."

How many living Americans have ever had authorized access to classified information? Ten million, in round numbers? "It could be much more," said an Administration security official. "It could be less. Nobody keeps those numbers."

The official noted that until ten or fifteen years ago, the Air Force and possibly other military services used to clear all of their members. Since that time, the clearance process has become somewhat more discriminating, he said.

The official indicated further that although the number of Americans who were formerly authorized for access to classified information might be very large indeed, that does not mean that all of them actually had such access. "The overwhelming majority have nothing to leak."

But given the capricious nature of the classification process and the fact that authorization alone -- not actual access -- creates the vulnerability, the anti-leak proposal, with its penalty of up to three years in jail, is bound to give pause to those millions of veterans and former government employees who have possessed a clearance, even if it was fifty years ago.

A report in the St. Petersburg Times today says that Senate Intelligence Committee Chairman is seeking a compromise position on the anti-leak proposal. "Even though he supported Shelby's

bill last year, Graham is looking for ways to satisfy the concerns of the media." See "Graham is referee in battle between secrets and leaks" by Sara Fritz:

[http://www.sptimes.com/News/082701/Worldandnation/Graham\\_is\\_referee\\_in\\_.shtml](http://www.sptimes.com/News/082701/Worldandnation/Graham_is_referee_in_.shtml)

Four news organizations asked the Senate Intelligence Committee to defer the scheduled September 5 hearing to allow time for further deliberation, the Washington Post reported on August 25. See:

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/articles/A59162-2001Aug24.html>

But the proposed legislation may be so inherently flawed as to be beyond compromise.

"By prohibiting disclosure of anything that the executive branch says is 'classified,' the anti-leak measure would delegate to the executive branch the power both to define a crime and to prosecute it." See "Anti-leak Proposal Threatens Good Government" by Steven Aftergood from the August 27 Washington Times reprinted here:

<http://www.fas.org/sqp/news/2001/08/wt082701.html>

#### ANOTHER ESPIONAGE CASE

The criminal complaint and supporting affidavit against Brian P. Regan, the National Reconnaissance Office contractor employee who was arrested last week on suspicion of espionage, may be found here in an html version:

[http://www.fas.org/irp/ops/ci/regan\\_complaint.html](http://www.fas.org/irp/ops/ci/regan_complaint.html)

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## Re: MOD Rendlesham File Released - Hale

From: Roy J Hale <[royjhale@netscapeonline.co.uk](mailto:royjhale@netscapeonline.co.uk)>  
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Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 17:41:57 -0400  
Subject: Re: MOD Rendlesham File Released - Hale

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>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: MOD Rendlesham File Released  
>Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 11:34:42 +0100

>Despite Georgina's witterings, we have offered her the space to  
>put her side of the story on our site and she has accepted.  
>Once, of course it's been sold to you, along with the tea towel,  
>personalised handbag, and video, via UFO Magazine!

>Buy now whilst belief lasts!

Andy,

I take it you objected to your book (big black cats) being reviewed in last months issue of UFO magazine, considering your above post. Sorry if I offended any Big Black Cat Believers!

Roy..

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## Nick Pope & Rendlesham Statements

From: **Andy Roberts** <[AndyRoberts@ancientassociates.fsnet.co.uk](mailto:AndyRoberts@ancientassociates.fsnet.co.uk)>  
Date: Tue, 28 Aug 2001 22:19:33 +0100  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 17:53:31 -0400  
Subject: Nick Pope & Rendlesham Statements

Pilgrims,

Georgina Bruni has recently 'had a go' at our website using Nick Pope as ammunition for her claim that we have "misinterpreted" the MOD file.

Listers who would like to hear Pope on Rendlesham, from the author's mouth should hop on over to:

[www.flyingsaucery.com](http://www.flyingsaucery.com)

where we have posted the relevant sections from a recent interview with Nick.

That way, you make your own mind up on what Nick says about Rendlesham.

You may also like to click on:

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/Archive/Article/0,4273,4246130,00.html>

Where there is an on line article, taken from today's Guardian newspaper, dealing with Dave Clarke's discovery and analysis of the MOD Rendlesham files.

Happy Trails

Andy

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## Filer's Files #35 - 2001

From: George A. Filer <[WeeklyFiles@filersfiles.com](mailto:WeeklyFiles@filersfiles.com)>  
Date: Wed, 29 Aug 2001 12:33:26 -0400  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 18:12:07 -0400  
Subject: Filer's Files #35 - 2001

UFOs are reported in Maine, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Oklahoma, California, Washington, and Australia.

ENGLAND ALIEN FACE CROP CIRCLE INDICATES CONTACT?

CHILBOLTON RADIO TELESCOPE -- Two new incredible Crop Circle pictograms or glyphs appeared in Southsea, Hampshire next to the radio telescope gives evidence of extraterrestrial contact. The first glyph appeared on Tuesday, August 14, 2001, that shows a framed alien face with large dark eyes and a small mouth. According to an employee at the Chilbolton Observatory on Monday, August 20th, a second glyph appeared of a framed complicated binary code that seems to be a reply to a message broadcast from the Arecibo Radio Telescope in Puerto Rico on November 16, 1974. Astronomer Frank Drake was in charge and with Carl Sagan sent a strong signal into space towards M-13 a star system 25,000 light years away. That radio signal depicted a stick drawing of a human and the Earth's location in the solar system.

The makers of the glyphs would like us to believe that extraterrestrials intercepted the signal and returned it to the wrong radio telescope not as a radio signal, but as a glyph drawing in the wheat. The reply glyph informs us that the aliens have large heads in comparison to their smaller bodies, gives their DNA, and that they apparently live on Mars and Jupiter if you assume they are in our solar system. The glyphs are composed of hundreds of little cells acting as pixels in the wheat. Radio show host Whitley Strieber claims he was warned the glyphs were coming and there are rumors it is part of a TV show. I would recommend we withhold judgment until scientists can closely examine the glyphs to determine how they were made. See:

[www.cropcircleconnector.com/http://www.earthfiles.com/earth271.htm](http://www.cropcircleconnector.com/http://www.earthfiles.com/earth271.htm)

A research biologist writes, "Many people have been speculating whether the new Arecibo crop pictogram in Chilbolton is a hoax or real? The purpose of this message is: (a) to explain why the DNA part of that pictogram was altered from Sagan's original; and (b) to suggest a return message. The central part of the Chilbolton pictogram shows that a DNA double helix as found on Earth, with 10 base pairs per turn, has been replaced on one side by a novel single-stranded helix with just 6 bases per turn. I had to work hard for several days, to discover that the single-stranded helix with 6 bases per turn refers to 2', 5'-linked RNA or DNA, as opposed to the normal 3', 5' variety. This is known to hardly any molecular biologist, and I found out only by making an accurate model. Since the chemical formula of the 6-base helix remains the same as before, I guessed that any difference might be one of stereochemistry: change the sugar-phosphate connection. A tiny single-digit change in the central "rod" of that pictogram, located between the two nucleic acid strands, may confirm such a change in stereochemistry once it is mapped accurately.

In any case, there is no other plausible way of constructing a 6-fold helix as indicated. (a) "Association of 2', 5'

ligoribonucleotides," Nucleic Acids Research 1992, vol. 20, pp. 1685-1690. This paper shows that 2', 5'-linked RNA will form double helices, but prefers to remain single stranded. (b) "Synthesis and biological activities of 2', 5'-oligoadenylate," Nucleic Acids Research 1995, vol. 23, pp. 3989-3994. This paper explores the use of 2', 5' RNA as an antiviral drug; it seems we have been exposed to such strange molecules in the past, and have evolved an interferon-RNAase L system against them. (c) "2', 5' linked deoxyribonucleosides: thermal stability", Nucleic Acids Research 1997, vol. 25, pp. 3310-3317. This paper shows that 2', 5' DNA will form a double helix with RNA but not DNA; hence any 2', 5' infectious agents would not be detectable by PCR.

Recall that origin-of-life experiments in the 1980's by Leslie Orgel, found that RNA would often polymerize into two different forms, namely 2', 5 versus 3', 5'; and it was a mystery to chemical evolutionists why 3', 5' was favored on Earth. Note that many abductees remain ill with chronic fatigue, which generally includes a high level of RNAase L; just as if their immune systems have been activated by contact with 2', 5' RNA. The clear implication is that 2', 5' RNA may represent an alternative system of genetic coding to 3',5' RNA or DNA as found on Earth; and that the makers of the Chilbolton pictogram wished us to understand that fact. Whether a secret band of elite scientists could hoax such a result seems doubtful; since 2', 5' nucleic acids are mentioned rarely in the literature, and nowhere does it say that they form a single-stranded helix with 6 bases per turn. That I found only recently, by painstakingly constructing an accurate model.

If the message is authentic, one must wonder whether it was sent by radio some time ago, yet not made public? Finally, George let me suggest a "return message" that could open communication rapidly. I suggest that you ask people all around the world to write the following in deserts, beaches, forests, crops, and on all frequencies of amateur radio: "2', 5' --- 6 ..... 3', 5' --- 10 " Or simply "6 /10" if they are lazy. But the full message is better. Thanks to Red Setter.

#### US SPACE WEAPONS VS METEORS

The Bush Administration may have several reasons for placing weapons into space. The US is concerned that hostile regimes in North Korea, Iran, Iraq, Libya, and Syria are working to produce missiles that can carry deadly chemical, biological, or nuclear warheads. There is also a potential threat from Russia and China. North Korea's test of the Taepo Dong 1 missile, and Iran's development on the Sha-hab 3 missile indicate attacks could come sooner than anyone thinks. Saddam Hussein did not shrink from attacking Israel with missiles. It is prudent to prepare to defend the US and its allies from missile attack. President Bush has offered to cooperate with Russia on a global defense system.

However, this may all be a smoke screen to defend us from potential enemies in space. Asteroid 2001PM9 was discovered on August 11, 2001, and could make a close pass on May 10, 2003. The first possible impact date calculated and the one with the highest probability of occurring is on June 17, 2005. Chances of impact are one in a million or less, but other asteroids may be lurking out there undetected. Newer calculations now indicate there probably is little or no threat from this particular asteroid that measures 3/4 of a mile in diameter. The impact from an asteroid of this size could kill between 500,000 and 1.5 Billion lives depending on where it hits Earth.

NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory claims there are currently 315 known "potentially hazardous asteroids," or PHAs. Each appears to be on a course that will one day bring it close to Earth's orbit, but scientists stress that none of them are known to be on a collision course with the planet now. Recent observations at the European Southern Observatory with the world's first operational virtual telescope 'Astrovirtel' have determined that the newly discovered asteroid "2001 KX76" has a diameter of 1300 kilometers. An asteroid that could cause a global disaster would have to be more than a quarter-mile wide. Smaller asteroids strike Earth about every 5,000 years that could destroy a city or cause devastating tsunamis. Scientists have called on governments to make plans on how to defend our

Earth since little is being done to determine if any large asteroids might be headed for Earth.

It is reasonable to assume the President is aware of the possible danger from meteors and is developing forces able to deal with them. He has picked the former head of the US Space Command, General Richard B. Myers to be the new Chairman of the Joint Chiefs in charge of all US Military forces. He is now the Vice Chairman of the JCS.

<http://neo.jpl.nasa.gov/cgi-bin/db?>

Name01pm9&group=all&search=Search, Objects: 2001PM9; Earth Impact Possibilities

<http://newton.dm.unipi.it/cgi-bin/neodys/neoibo?>

US SHUTTLE BEING FOLLOWED?

PORTLAND -- NUFORC reports that a witness heard on the radio that the US space shuttle would be visible in a fly over on August 14, 2001. He went outside at the appointed time and sure enough it flew over as expected. The interesting thing is that at arm's length 4 inches" behind the shuttle, I could see a faint dot following at the same speed. The witness stated, "I also saw this a few years back when the US shuttle had just separated from the Russian MIR station. It was not announced that it would be visible with any other US or Foreign craft. Cliff Rowe was monitoring the NASA TV video from the STS-105 on August 11, 2001, as it glided silently around earth. He observed a large dark round blurry object at 10:20 AM Central Time video taped by the shuttle camera. The object was the size of a thumb placed over the object on the TV screen. The Shuttle's camera caught the object on the lower left of center with the background of white clouds below.

Editor's Note: Jeff Challender and Les Willie have also been recording video from the U.S. space shuttles for years that show UFOs. We can speculate they are similar to the X-33 Venture Star developed at the Lockheed Martin's Skunk Works facility in Palmdale, California. The program was canceled in March, but the Air Force's top space official General Ralph E. Eberhart commander of U.S. Space Command wants them. This craft could be used as a space bomber bringing weapons to anywhere on Earth in less than 90 minutes.

SIR FRED HOYLE ONE OF MY HEROES DIED

Sir Fred Hoyle was one of the main proponents of the Panspermia Theory for the origin of life on Earth brought here from space. This theory is gaining more and more favorable attention among the scientific community. It was his role and published writings in the 1950s on the cosmological origin debates against over whether the Big Bang (a term he created) or the Steady State theories (a theory he then championed more on philosophical grounds than scientific) that got me wondering about a populated universe. He felt extraterrestrial life existed throughout the universe and was indirectly interested in UFOs. Life was spread about the universe aboard asteroids, meteors, and even cosmic dust; a kind of Johnny Appleseed spreading the seeds of life everywhere. For those interested in Sir Fred Hoyle and the Panspermia Theory, one can go to the What's New link at:

[http://news.bbc.co.uk/hi/english/uk/newsid\\_1503000/1503721.stm](http://news.bbc.co.uk/hi/english/uk/newsid_1503000/1503721.stm)

<http://www.panspermia.org/>

MAINE LIGHTS CHANGING SHAPES John Thompson writes

OAKLAND -- My girl friend and I saw two UFO's on August 11, 2001, at 2:00 AM. They looked about 3-4 miles away near the horizon and very bright. The light they emitted was a white light and cast a reflection on the lake. It had 3 different shapes that it kept alternating into every few minutes. The first shape looked like two balls that were stuck together, then it appeared to move closer to me and would turn into a five pointed star, and moving farther away it became a fine point of light. The light had an aura around it. The light appeared to be stationary. A few times it did move rather rapidly, but would stay near the same place. The first time it made a figure 8, then a few "sparkles" when other aircraft came near it. I saw 6 planes go near the two objects. It looked like a military plane shot a missile at it, (that is when I saw

the first "sparkle"). The second UFO was higher in the sky and stayed in the same spot the whole time I was watching. It was not as bright and was half the size as the first. It had a shape of the two balls stuck together the whole time. I had watched them for a couple hours and the desire for sleep took over. Thanks to Peter Davenport NUFORC [www.ufocenter.com](http://www.ufocenter.com).

LEWISTON -- Authorities have no explanation for eerie bright lights and loud rumbling sounds that dozens of people reported coming from the skies on August 25, 2001. People from Lewiston, Auburn, Sabattus, Greene, Leeds, Monmouth, and Minot called police or the Lewiston Sun Journal about the lights and noises. They said they saw bright lights or a streak of light followed by a flash, and heard loud rumbling noises. "It was a long rumbling. It sounded like a huge, huge object," said Lynn Madelyn Bailey, 59, of Minot. "I was afraid to go out on my deck. It sounded like it was right over my house." But officials said no commercial flights flew through the area at the time. Lewiston Police Sgt. Michael McGonagle tried to find the source of the phenomenon after taking several calls about it. But after calling the Federal Aviation Administration, the National Guard, the Maine Drug Enforcement Agency and others, he didn't have an answer. Thanks to the Lewiston Sun Journal and Gerry@FarShores - [www.100megsfree4.com/farshores/](http://www.100megsfree4.com/farshores/)

#### MASSACHUSETTS OBSERVED 45 LIGHTS FLYING ACROSS THE SKY

CAPE COD -- The witness claims, "I saw at first what I thought was a shooting star on August 10, 2001, except that it was going a bit slower than usual. I saw another very small bright light amongst the stars 10:00 PM and it moved across the sky in an arc, not a straight line. Another, then another followed that almost as if they were chasing each other. The next few that I observed zigzagged across the sky changing speed and direction. Then, a formation of four to five, lined up across from one another with one slightly ahead. These lights are all very small, bright and disappeared very quickly. The formation flew in an arc-shaped pattern then vanished. This was not natural, so I asked my girlfriend come outside. She pointed up and said, "Is that one?" I looked up and a light was very quickly moving across the sky in a very tight arc shape. She became frightened and went inside. I stayed and saw more of these lights. The last one I observed before it clouded up was traveling due west and suddenly sped off to the east. I saw 40-50 of them within 1 hour and fifteen minutes. Thanks to NUFORC.

#### NEW JERSEY LIGHTS AND DIAMOND SHAPE CRAFT

TRENTON -- Bill Fenton reports multiple UFO sightings over the Delaware River and nearby woods on Wednesday August 22, 2001. He phoned several times to inform me that he and his friends were observing high speed lights and a diamond shaped craft. Flashes of light would depart the craft and fly into the area streaking past their position on Route 295 overlooking the Delaware River.

BRIGANTINE -- Later the same evening, I was awakened by a family overlooking the Atlantic Ocean who were witnessing high speed maneuvering lights at 4:00 AM. The lights sounded very similar to those spotted over the Delaware River 75 miles northwest earlier in the evening.

JERSEY CITY -- UFOzone reports that on August 24, 2001, "I have video of a strange phenomenon that my wife and I witnessed last night from our apartment. I first saw the strange orange lights at around 12:00 midnight and got my cam. Normally, it is difficult to see anything in the night sky that is why this sighting is so unbelievable. We watched for five minutes before it vanished. It was changing shape before our eyes, and a satellite issued from it. I live right across the Hudson River from the World Trade Center. I taped the phenomenon over Newark Airport to the southwest. Thanks to Dan <http://www.ufozone.co.uk>.

#### PENNSYLVANIA FLYING TRIANGLE

PITTSBURGH -- On August 13, 2001, my husband and I were sitting on our bed at 10:45 PM, when I noticed a bright light outside the window behind him. The object seemed to 'twinkle,' and was gold in color. My husband and I noticed green and a blinking

red lights that seemed to pulsate. Two other objects appeared 'that were exactly like the first and all three together formed an 'upside down triangle.' They were motionless for about a minute, then began moving slowly. We stayed to see if they would come back, and they did in about a minute. This time, there were only two lights. There was one behind each tree with their lights still blinking. They stayed behind the trees for a minute, then went away and came back a minute later, then disappeared. My husband was not convinced they were UFOs, but our cat was acting strange all through the night. She got under the covers last night to bite and scratch one of my feet, which she has never done before. This morning she started hissing at me and making weird sounds and her fur was standing straight up, like she was spooked. Thanks to Peter Davenport  
NUFORC

POCONO MOUNTAINS -- Eileen writes that on August 13, 2001, around 1:00 AM she spotted a Flying Triangle shaped UFO flying south near Tobyhanna. Eileen states, "I thought it was three lights making a triangle, but then the way it went behind a cloud we all decided it was one UFO. The other UFOs we saw were going from south to northwest. They were coming from behind a cloud and moving very slowly, so we could follow their path until they were hidden behind trees. No matter what time of year I go up there I am sure to see them." Thanks to Wileen at Leenie9850

#### MARYLAND CIGAR SHAPED UFO

HAGERSTOWN -- Two of my employees where changing shifts at around 7:00 AM on August 1, 2001, when the night auditor saw a cigar shaped object in the sky. The object seemed to be about 5 miles away and moved at a very slow pace just above the tree lines. When all of a sudden it shot a bright star object from one of the ends, and flew up into the sky and out of sight. Both employees where very stunned and have been talking about it ever since. Thanks to Peter Davenport Director of NUFORC  
[www.ufocenter.com](http://www.ufocenter.com)

#### OHIO LIGHTS

STOW -- Tami writes, "The first sighting occurred while camping at Silver Springs in Stow and the second series of sightings was at my home in Akron." I spotted something in the sky about 2:30 AM on August 14, 2001, and at first I thought it was the Goodyear Blimp, but this object was hovering. My sister and I watched this thing flash bright red and blue lights, it was awesome. I started looking around and saw more. My brother in law said he couldn't think of anything that they could be. It seemed like everywhere we looked there were two or more of these objects floating in the sky. Some of the bigger "lights" flashed colors like they were communicating with each other. It looked like they were practicing for something. The little dull looking objects maneuvered around the bigger lights. We watched these objects until sunrise when they vanished. They returned the next night at around 9:00 PM, but were not present on Thursday. They returned on August 17 and for the next six nights. None were visible in daylight hours. They look like stars, but are brighter, and they "strobe " red and blue, and white. Some moved very fast and others just hover. Thanks to [Purplef15@aol.com](mailto:Purplef15@aol.com)

#### INDIANA PHOTOGRAPHED UFO RETURNS

INDIANAPOLIS -- Angela R. Clark a former policewoman photographed a UFO on August 7, 2001. She writes, "When I was 8 or 9 years old I saw my first UFO. A few days after that sighting my best friend and I were out playing at night when we heard some strange "music," that sounded like an Ice Cream truck. We looked above the treetops and saw an Ice Cream truck that was flying. I have been terrified of those trucks ever since! Last night, I went outside about 12:45 AM and it started to rain with lightening. That's when I heard it. I heard ice cream truck music!!! My husband the skeptic heard it too. I came inside and got in bed as my husband was turning off all the lights. ICE CREAM TRUCK MUSIC ... was right outside of my 2 story window. It was so clear and distinct ... you would think that it was literally outside of the window. My husband looked at me and said, "Did you hear that?" It doesn't make sense an ice cream truck would be out at 1:00 in the morning, during a storm! What the heck is going on?"

Thanks to Angela and Jim Osborne MUFON Investigator

Editor's Note: George Hansen has written a new book called, "The Tricksters," any true UFO stories have this strange trickster of joker aspect. The photo Angela captured of a disk shaped craft can be seen at [www.filersfiles.com](http://www.filersfiles.com).

#### ILLINOIS BRIGHT GEOMETRIC SHAPE RECTANGLE

DUNLAP -- At about 11:10 PM on August 13, 2001, I was driving north on IL Route 40 when my wife and I saw several private airplanes with flashing lights that were easily seen. In front of us an object came streaking down with a long tail at 20 degrees from vertical. It was a small parallelogram with sharp angles, for the corners did not look to be right angles. I remember that the parallelogram was a double image. I could not blink to clear my vision or I would have missed it. My wife did not recall a double image. At arm's length it was 1/4" long and 1/8" wide and the tail would have been 10 inches long. The object and the tail looked blue green; to my wife they looked more yellow. I did see it though a tinted windshield. It looked big enough and close enough that we thought it was going to hit the nearby fields and make an explosion, but it did not. Thanks to Peter Davenport NUFORC who spoke with this witness, and found him to be quite credible.

#### OKLAHOMA DISK

LAWTON -- The witnesses were driving north on 82nd Street when they saw four objects take off from the ground one at a time in three-second intervals on August 15, 2001. The objects flew north at super high rate of speed and would go out of sight in about three seconds. The disk shaped objects appeared 3 to 5 feet in diameter. Watching this event was awesome but the weird thing about it was no noise. Each object looked as if it were being propelled from the rear because the rear of each unit was blurry, like heat waves or exhaust. Each object traveled on a trajectory of about 25 degrees and flew due north. The witness contacted local media but there were no other reports. Thanks to Peter Davenport and NUFORC

#### CALIFORNIA FLYING OBJECTS

ROSEVILLE -- We were driving west on Pleasant Grove Boulevard when, Janice, sighted group of six to ten objects she thought were big birds. As she pointed them out to Richard, she noticed they were changing formation and moving up and down. Richard also saw them and decided to get closer by turning left on Washington and later stopping his car to observe. The objects moved southeast towards them flying in semicircular patterns, straight lines, and constantly changing their formation. Some were at higher altitudes but these were neither birds nor balloons, and were under their own mode of power maneuvering in unusual patterns. As the objects changed directions, their color would change from a very bright white to brilliant silver. The objects moved away but returned. They flew in three triangular pairs, then formed a straight line moving east. They reversed direction with two groups of three at one point, forming a delta shape and making arcing turns. They watched for five minutes and the objects formed a delta shape again, and moved away at high speed to the northeast. Richard is a 61-year-old engineer and Janice is a 53-year-old homemaker. Thanks to [MUFONHO@aol.com](mailto:MUFONHO@aol.com) and NEW-WUFOD-I..1-408 SITE:

WEED, NORTH OF MT. SHASTA -- On August 20, 2001, Mary C. was driving southbound on I-5, looking out of sunroof to stargaze at 10:00 PM. She noticed three stars moving in unison southbound. They were positioned to make an uneven triangle (no sides equal in length). Initially I thought it was a satellite; however, the "stars" were too far apart and moved in perfect unison. I questioned the likelihood that the "stars" were lights on the points of a craft but the space in between the "stars" was camouflaged against the night sky. We observed the lights moving southbound and one by one they disappeared as it reached a portion of the nebula. The speed was steady, not fast, but not slow. The white lights did not twinkle nor blink. They made a triangle at 30,000 to 60,000 feet, but this was only an estimate. Thanks to (Mary c.) [reports@ufoinfo.com](mailto:reports@ufoinfo.com) [em4carmalt@aol.com](mailto:em4carmalt@aol.com) -



## WASHINGTON DIAMOND SHIPS DOCKING WITH ANOTHER

SALMON LA SA -- We were camping out on the river on August 10, 2001, on a clear dark night and noticed a very bright white ball hovering to the south that moved downward to the peak of the mountain. It exploded nonviolently into two small spheres that moved toward the peak, when a bus sized craft appeared. We could not really see the craft, but saw four 2x2 glowing magnificent orange lights under it. It acted like it was going to land. None of the lights signified it as an airplane, as none were blinking. The craft got closer to the two spheres, and they both went over the mountain, out of our view. Then a second ship, identical to the first, made the same trajectory towards the others, and zigzagged to maneuver over the peak of the mountain. Thanks to Peter Davenport NUFORC

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## AUSTRALIA LIGHTS

PERTH -- Brian Richards reports that on the August 11, 2001, at 9:30 PM, independent witnesses reported seeing three very bright amber lights hovering overhead at Rockingham. They were in a triangular formation with the apex pointing west towards the ocean. One group of witnesses calculated their height at 200 feet and the size of a basketball. The lights then started to move in different directions, coming back together and moving apart again. After 12 minutes the lights headed out to sea and gradually blinked out. The witnesses were able to see the lower object in silhouette after the light had gone out. They could see a dark arrow or delta shape moving westward. Thanks to Brian Richards [brianr@cleo.murdoch.edu.au](mailto:brianr@cleo.murdoch.edu.au)  
ASPR/UFORUM(WA)

UFO WEBSITE NAME TO BE SOLD AT AUCTION "The UFO Experience" is a world-famous phrase coined by the late Dr. J. Allen Hynek in his 1972 book of that title. Omega Communications, which I direct, has ended its internationally acclaimed annual conference, "The UFO Experience," and has closed its website. (I was a friend of Dr. Hynek and now represent his literary estate. The conference website's URL <<[www.ufoexperience.com](http://www.ufoexperience.com)>> will be offered for sale at auction via the Internet on e-Bay in late September. The domain name is registered with InterNIC, the organization which controls domain names. (The conference videotapes are now for sale at [www.ufocity.com](http://www.ufocity.com). The auction will be conducted on e-Bay for five days, beginning at noon on Monday, September 24, 2001. Internet address for e-Bay is <<<http://www.ebay.com>>>. The listing will be entered under the "Domain Names" section. (On e-Bay's home page, enter "Domain Names" in the question box "What are you looking for?" and then select the "Find it!" button.) TERMS 1. There will be a floor (minimum selling price) of \$500. 2. The winning bidder pays InterNIC fees to have domain name transferred to name of bidder's choice. The winning bidder will own all rights to the domain name, with no strings attached. Payment must be received within 10 days of auction close. Pay via bank cashier's check, bank wire transfer, U.S. Postal System money order, or through escrow service, with all fees paid by bidder in U.S. dollars (\$). Sale is final; your bid will be binding. The transfer of domain name ownership will not begin until the payment has cleared. 3. Bidder declares that he or she is at least 18 years of age and legally able to consummate a final sale. Buyer must contact seller immediately upon end of auction to arrange payment and to give information for transfer of domain name. 4. Preemptive bids will be considered before the auction. I warrant that I am the legal owner of the domain name being offered for sale. I make no other warranties of any kind whatsoever, either express or implied. John White, Producer "The UFO Experience" Conference 60 Pound Ridge Road Cheshire, Connecticut 06410-3412 USA Tel 203-272-2151 Fax 203-250-0501 E-mail [JWhite8011@aol.com](mailto:JWhite8011@aol.com)

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## Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure -

From: David Wachenschwanz <[ploot@atomiccafe.com](mailto:ploot@atomiccafe.com)>  
Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 10:15:04 -0500  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 18:41:35 -0400  
Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure -

>From: Grant Cameron <[squishy@altavista.com](mailto:squishy@altavista.com)>  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>Date: 21 Aug 2001 09:48:23 -0700  
>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure  
  
>>Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 10:05:30 -0400  
>>From: Sheree Cox <[CoxSheree@netscape.net](mailto:CoxSheree@netscape.net)>  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com) (UFO UpDates - Toronto)  
>>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure  
  
>>>Date: Sat, 18 Aug 2001 11:43:56 -0400  
>>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>>>From: John Velez <[johnvelez.aic@verizon.net](mailto:johnvelez.aic@verizon.net)>  
>>>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike To Support UFO Disclosure

>>I agree with John Velez. A Hunger Strike can be very dangerous.  
>>Surely there's better and safer ways to protest. Does George  
>>Bush really care?

>Please tell me. I'm listening.

>Grant Cameron

>"Are you ready for the revolution?"  
>Lara Johnstone, a California woman who began a Hunger Strike for  
>Disclosure on July 28th.

Let me understand this. Someone is not eating because she believes that by starving herself, she can persuade the government to disclose all here-to-now "secret" information concerning UFOs, et al? Is that correct?

If so its noble, but stupid.

If the government had such "undisclosed" information (assuming there is any truth to the UFO phenomenon) do you or anyone here really believe they would bend on this issue? People have been killed or "removed" for lesser deeds by the government. The government doesn't care if some "nut" starves herself. In their view the "problem" will take care of itself when she draws her last breath.

David E Wachenschwanz

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## Advanced Propulsion & New Energy Technologies

From: [office@faraday.ru](mailto:office@faraday.ru) (Alexander V. Frolov)  
Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 19:28:50 0400  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 18:51:47 -0400  
Subject: Advanced Propulsion & New Energy Technologies

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You can see our past issue also.

I hope our news can be useful in your scientific work. Also, we are looking for business partners. Please, let your colleagues know about our new company.

Best regards,

Sincerely,

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## Re: Lara Johnstone & Eduard Shevardnadze - Sandow

From: Greg Sandow <[greg@gregsandow.com](mailto:greg@gregsandow.com)>  
Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 12:50:34 -0400  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 20:16:20 -0400  
Subject: Re: Lara Johnstone & Eduard Shevardnadze - Sandow

>Date: Tue, 28 Aug 2001 20:34:15 -0400  
>Subject: Lara Johnstone & Eduard Shevardnadze  
>To: [bravehrt@concentric.net](mailto:bravehrt@concentric.net), [sqquishy@altavista.com](mailto:sqquishy@altavista.com)  
>From: Grant Cameron <[sqquishy@altavista.com](mailto:sqquishy@altavista.com)>

>A strange coincidence has arisen.

>Lara is planning to be in Washington Oct.4 as part of her  
>commitment to get President Bush to keep his promise made to  
>Charles Huffer in July 2000 related to UFOs.

>In Washington at the same time as Lara, according to a press  
>release from the White House today will be a famous UFO  
>personality Eduard Shevardnadze. He will be meeting with  
>President Bush Oct.5. Will they discuss UFOs? Only time will  
>tell.

>Shevardnadze gained his UFO reputation after having two  
>conversations with former President Ronald Reagan.

<snip>

This is just too much.

Shevardnadze is not a UFO personality. He's the President of the former Soviet republic of Georgia, a country that (like many former Soviet lands) is not in good shape. Before this he was foreign minister under Gorbachev, in the last years of the Soviet Union, during which he got a reputation, doubtless deserved, as a liberal, and a good guy.

In his two conversations with Reagan, Reagan (at least as reported in the part of the message I snipped) did almost all the talking. Reagan, as I'm sure we all know, was fond of asking whether the US and the USSR would drop their differences if aliens appeared. Twice he asked that entirely rhetorical question to Shevardnadze, whose only reported answer was something to the effect of "Yeah, sure."

Now, suddenly, this makes Shevardnadze a "UFO personality," even though no other time, as far as I know, was he associated in any way with UFOs or ufology. And it makes his appearance in Washington at the same time as Lara Johnstone's "a strange coincidence."

Credulous people, it seems, are ready to believe just about anything.

Greg Sandow

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## Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - Velez

From: John Velez <[johnvelez.aic@verizon.net](mailto:johnvelez.aic@verizon.net)>  
Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 13:04:30 -0400  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 20:21:27 -0400  
Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - Velez

>Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 19:28:07 +0100  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>From: Sean Jones <[tedric@tedric.demon.co.uk](mailto:tedric@tedric.demon.co.uk)>  
>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure

>>Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 10:05:30 -0400  
>>From: Sheree Cox <[CoxSheree@netscape.net](mailto:CoxSheree@netscape.net)>  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com) (UFO UpDates - Toronto)  
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>>I agree with John Velez. A Hunger Strike can be very dangerous.  
>>Surely there's better and safer ways to protest. Does George  
>>Bush really care?

>>Sheree Cox

>John

>I would like to add my voice in support of your concerns. I do  
>not feel that it is right to urge someone to commit harm to  
>oneself for publicity.

>In this (as in many others) case, I am in 100% agreement with you.

Hi Sean,

Thank you but I need to clarify one point: I don't believe that Lara is doing this for "publicity". I stated in my original that I couldn't in good conscience support her methods, (because of the potential harm to her person) but... that I am completely simpatico with the 'cause' - UFO disclosure.

You are jumping the gun in assuming that she would subject herself to such an agonizing course of action for mere "publicity". Have you ever fasted? Do you know the kind of determination and strong Will that it takes to go for days - much less weeks - without solid food intake? It's not easy my brother.

She, or anyone else, would have to be one sick puppy to undergo such a grueling endurance test for "publicity". Lara sounds like a sincere person. Unless/until any evidence surfaces to make me think otherwise I am taking her at her word that she is on this fast for the reason's she has already stated.

I don't think that you, or anybody else is justified in jumping to the conclusion that her motives are as selfish and self serving as going on this fast in an attempt at getting some cheap "publicity". There is no evidence that such is the case - so far. Let's wait and see how the whole thing plays out over time.



Regards ,

John Velez

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## Re: Lexington UFO Video - Still Images - Velez

From: John Velez <[johnvelez.aic@verizon.net](mailto:johnvelez.aic@verizon.net)>  
Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 13:09:18 -0400  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 20:25:52 -0400  
Subject: Re: Lexington UFO Video - Still Images - Velez

>Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 20:55:19 -0400  
>From: Kenny Young <[ufo@fuse.net](mailto:ufo@fuse.net)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Lexington UFO Video - Still Images

>>Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 17:49:07 -0300  
>>From: Don Ledger <[dledger@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:dledger@ns.sympatico.ca)>  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Lexington UFO Video - Still Images

>>Hi Kenny,  
>  
>>Have you checked the winds for that day and location?

Hi Kenny, Don, All,

Kenny responded:

>Hi Don;

>No, from my watching the video it seems fairly obvious that this  
>is just a novelty balloon of some sort, there is nothing about  
>it (that I can see) to indicate anything at all otherwise that  
>would warrant any further investigative concern.

I disagree Kenny. Nobody has addressed a couple of important,  
and I think valid points that I raised in my original post.

1. If that 'thing' is a balloon; "Why wasn't such an obviously  
expensive balloon (due to its size) tethered? If it was an  
advert for some local used car dealership, (ahem, excuse me,  
'Pre-owned' vehicle dealer) or the like, why wasn't it  
\_tethered\_ over the business location where it would do the most  
good?

There are no signs of brand-names or business ads that I can see  
on this "balloon". Someone paid a pretty penny for a van-sized  
Gamera balloon if that is what it is. It just doesn't make sense  
that they would send it up and let it go without at the very  
least taking the opportunity spray their logo all over it to  
grab some publicity.

2. If it was a commercial 'runaway' why hasn't anybody stepped  
forward to recover/retrieve their property?

3. Assuming it is a 'runaway balloon' or an 'intentional  
hoax/prank,' again, why hasn't anybody come forward to claim the  
balloon or the credit (if they are hoaxers) for putting one over  
so many people?

The 'balloon' explanation is easy and simplistic but it doesn't  
answer some practical and tough questions. There's more to this  
than meets the eye. It's still too early to dismiss or write  
this incident off as "explained". Too many open questions.

Regards,

John Velez

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## Re: New Developments In Linda Cortile Abduction -

From: **George Hansen** <[gphansen2001@yahoo.com](mailto:gphansen2001@yahoo.com)>  
Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 09:28:38 -0700 (PDT)  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 20:35:19 -0400  
Subject: Re: New Developments In Linda Cortile Abduction -

>From: Intruders Foundation <[IFConfer@aol.com](mailto:IFConfer@aol.com)>  
>Date: Fri, 24 Aug 2001 18:41:18 -0400  
>Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 11:37:37 -0400  
>Subject: New Developments In Linda Cortile Abduction

Budd Hopkins just announced that Cardinal O'Connor has been linked to the 1989 case of the UFO abduction of Linda Napolitano (aka Linda Cortile).

My new book, *The Trickster and the Paranormal*, addresses the case and provides some new analysis. A description of the book can be found at:

<http://www.tricksterbook.com>

The relevance of the book for ufology is described at:

<http://www.tricksterbook.com/BookDescriptions/Ufology.htm>

The site also has the 1993 critique of the Linda case by Stefula, Butler, and Hansen.

<http://www.tricksterbook.com/ArticlesOnline/LindaCase.htm>

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Secrecy News -- 08/30/01

From: Steven Aftergood <[saftergood@igc.org](mailto:saftergood@igc.org)>  
Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 09:42:44 -0400  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 21:05:57 -0400  
Subject: Secrecy News -- 08/30/01

SECURITY NEWS  
from the FAS Project on Government Secrecy  
August 30, 2001

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ANTI-LEAK LAW MAY BE "UNWORKABLE"

The controversial Senate Intelligence Committee proposal to criminalize unauthorized disclosures of classified information would be extremely difficult to implement in practice, skeptical security officials say. Among other things, it might require the establishment of an entire new bureaucracy to review the proposed public statements of millions of Americans who once held a clearance and now fear prosecution for disclosing classified information.

The practical difficulty with the anti-leak proposal stems from the absence of clarity about what is "classified." The definition of classified information is obviously not stable over time. What is classified today may not be classified tomorrow, and vice versa.

But to complicate matters further, different agencies may assign a different classification status to the same information at the same time. "Even the experts cannot always agree on what is classified," according to one senior national security agency official who recently retired. "There is predictable variability."

(This fact has sometimes been turned to advantage by Freedom of Information Act requesters who request declassification of the same document from different agencies, yielding substantially different but complementary declassified texts.)

The upshot is that a scrupulous person may never be absolutely sure that a particular piece of information concerning national defense or foreign policy is unclassified. "The [proposed anti-leak] legislation puts at risk anyone who has or had a clearance who communicates with the press since there is not even agreement about what is legitimately or properly classified," the official said.

"The existing system isn't good, but when the [proposed] law removes intent to harm [as a criterion of guilt for disclosing information] and doesn't define how you know when something is properly classified, that has the effect of shocking Pavlov's poor dog at random times no matter how he behaves."

"The only way to proceed with a semblance of protection would be for anyone concerned about getting in trouble to obtain a classification review in writing about what he or she proposes to say. But administratively, this would be a nightmare," the official said.

"The whole idea is unworkable. As someone who has spent some

time with the classification system, I do not think our government's classification apparatus is capable of handling the many inquiries that would surely arise from the millions of people who have had clearances who may wish to talk to the press, write a letter to the editor, discuss foreign policy in public, etc."

Implementation of the law might therefore require the creation of a new government entity whose sole purpose would be the review and approval (or censorship) of proposed statements from formerly cleared persons who want to avoid committing a felony by disclosing information that might be classified.

No one has begun to consider how such a new government-wide prepublication review agency might function, or what it would cost.

Another significant degree of complexity arises from the fact that the proposed law prohibits disclosure of "any" classified information -- not just information to which a person may have had authorized access. This means that any discussion or elaboration of classified information that is already in the public domain could also be a felony. And even prepublication review might not solve that problem.

"Government reviewers would not be able to certify that a particular submission was unclassified if it contained classified information taken from the public domain," the official said. "It might even be legally impermissible for them to provide an expurgated text or to otherwise indicate to a formerly cleared person what information in his proposed statement is classified, since he or she is no longer authorized to possess such information."

In any case, "If Freedom of Information Act requests are a rough prototype of what a citizen has to go through to get a classification review completed for requested documents, anybody requesting an official review to help them avoid a felony for releasing classified information is going to have to wait a long time," the official said.

"Agencies typically take many months to some years to review information requested under the FOIA. If the press can't wait for John Q. Clearance to make sure he isn't going to prison, then the public is effectively denied any input he might have provided. Goodbye, First Amendment."

For now, the Senate Intelligence Committee appears to be hell-bent on advancing this proposal. A seemingly perfunctory public hearing on the matter is scheduled for September 5. Meanwhile, opposition continues to mount.

"Criminalizing all leaks to stop the few that actually pose a security threat amounts to burning down the house to roast the pig," according to an editorial in the Chicago Tribune today:

<http://chicagotribune.com/news/opinion/chi-0108300067aug30.story>

#### GAO CRITICIZES DOE SECURITY

"The Department of Energy (DOE) has recently taken, and continues to take, steps to upgrade protection and control over its classified information, but additional steps are needed," according to a new report of the General Accounting Office (GAO).

Though forcefully stated, the GAO's latest criticisms of DOE security policy are picayune. The new report contends that DOE should document with greater specificity its determinations that individual employees have a "need to know" classified information, and that the agency should consider reinstating certain access controls on top secret information.

Rather obtusely, the GAO authors do not acknowledge the existence of any tension between security and mission performance. Yet aggressive security measures have been seen to adversely affect employee morale at DOE laboratories, and to hinder recruitment and retention of highly skilled personnel, posing a threat to the long-term vitality of these institutions.

It will always be possible to conceive of improvements in security, especially if cost and performance considerations are excluded. But perfect security could be achieved only by shutting down all DOE facilities. Only then could one say with certainty that no more secrets would ever be lost from those facilities.

See the new GAO report ("DOE Needs to Improve Control Over Classified Information," GAO-01-806, August 24, 380 kB PDF file) here:

<http://www.fas.org/sqp/othergov/doe/gao01806.pdf>

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## Re: MOD Rendlesham File Released - Rimmer

From: John Rimmer <[jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk](mailto:jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk)>  
Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 21:37:41 +0100  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 21:08:21 -0400  
Subject: Re: MOD Rendlesham File Released - Rimmer

>From: Robert Gates <[RGates8254@aol.com](mailto:RGates8254@aol.com)>  
>Date: Wed, 22 Aug 2001 01:32:19 EDT  
>Subject: Re: MOD Rendlesham File Released  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>I don't understand. On one hand Dave and Andy claim Georgia is  
>"puffing" magazine sales and "buy the magazine" yet all they  
>appear to do is puff flyingsaucery.com and 'go to our web site.'  
>Gee, I can't tell much difference between what they critique and  
>what they do!

I suppose one possible difference is that the website is free to  
anyone who dips in, but the magazine costs money?

John Rimmer

Magonia Magazine  
[www.magonia.demon.co.uk](http://www.magonia.demon.co.uk)

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## Re: Ursa Major - Young

From: **Bob Young** <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 17:04:59 EDT  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 21:10:14 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ursa Major - Young

>Date: Thu, 23 Aug 2001 16:50:56 -0400  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>From: Katharina Wilson <[kwilson@alienjigsaw.com](mailto:kwilson@alienjigsaw.com)>  
>Subject: Ursa Major

>From 'Filer's Files' and 'The Alien Jigsaw'

>NEW PLANETARY SYSTEM

>University of California at Berkeley announced that astronomers  
>have discovered a planetary system with two giant planets  
>centered on a star that is similar to our sun in chemical  
>composition. The findings indicate smaller planets similar to  
>Earth may be located in orbits inside these giant planets. The  
>astronomers believe many stars may have solar systems similar to  
>our own. Assuming the inner planets actually exist they are  
>likely to have water and life may flourish there. The newly  
>found solar system is orbiting Ursa Majoris only 45 light years  
>away, about 200 trillion miles from Earth. "Of all the solar

Ladies & Gents:

The solar system is actually around the star 47 Ursae Majoris,  
not orbiting the constellation.

Clear skies,

Bob Young

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Hatch

From: **Larry Hatch** <[larryhat@jps.net](mailto:larryhat@jps.net)>  
Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 04:35:18 -0700  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 21:14:21 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Hatch

>From: Luis R. González Manso <[lrgm@arrakis.es](mailto:lrgm@arrakis.es)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>Date: Wed, 22 Aug 2001 11:54:03 +0200

>>Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 16:45:27 -0700  
>>From: Larry Hatch <[larryhat@jps.net](mailto:larryhat@jps.net)>  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris

>>Some fellow in Europe concocted a fantastic tale, possibly an  
>>abduction or whatever, with alien contact wherein the aliens  
>>divulged that they had stolen an electrical meter from some  
>>house... presumably to see how it worked.

>>His story was blown .. he tripped himself up in some other way,  
>>and finally confessed the whole matter if I recall correctly.

>>Before this rude exposure, somebody looked up police records for  
>>the town in question, and (gasp!) indeed an electrical meter  
>>mysteriously vanished from a house there!

>>It turned out that the perp had looked up the same records, and  
>>carefully woven those unlikely facts into his own fantasia,  
>>clearly in the hope that someone would find the missing meter  
>>records independently!

>Dear Larry,

>You are talking about the infamous UMMO hoax, but the answer is  
>not so simple. Mr. Peña (the hoaxer) lives in Spain and the  
>alleged electrical meter robbed by the ummites was in La Javie  
>(France) (about 2.000 kms far away).

>LuisR.

Ah! Thank you Luis!

I knew I had an imperfect memory of the account, but that rings  
true. Do you have some reference for this? I vaguely recall  
reading it in one of Vallee's books, or something similar.

Best!

- Larry Hatch

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Sparks

From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 19:01:37 EDT  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 21:20:57 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Sparks

>From: David Rudiak <[DRudiak@aol.com](mailto:DRudiak@aol.com)>  
>Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 13:44:42 EDT  
>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>From: Brad Sparks <[RB47Expert@aol.com](mailto:RB47Expert@aol.com)>  
>>Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 15:15:37 EDT  
>>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>>From: Jan Aldrich <[jan@cyberzone.net](mailto:jan@cyberzone.net)>  
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris  
>>>Date: Sun, 19 Aug 2001 20:29:01 -0400

>><snip>

>>>Since the pictures are of the Roswell debris, it is assumed that  
>>>the message in Ramey's hand is about Roswell. I am unconvinced  
>>>by what people are trying to read on the paper. It could be  
>>>anything, including after action comments about General Van's  
>>>visit to 8th AF area a few days before.

>>>Of course, for the last 50 years everything breathe any Air  
>>>Force office takes involves UFOs, so all the other paperwork is  
>>>turned out by gnomes in the Pentagon to cover up what is really  
>>>going on.

>>>Ramey like any general officer had 50 items on his calendar  
>>>everyday.

>>Hi Jan,

>>What on earth are you talking about? This is just plain silly  
>>talk and well below your normal very high standards! Are you  
>>overworked or something?

>>It is an indisputable fact that the easiest words to read on  
>>the entire Ramey Message are "FORT WORTH, TEX." on Line 3 and  
>>"WEATHER BALLOONS" on Line 7. I read them 16 years ago when I  
>>borrowed a high res enlargement that Bill Moore had obtained.  
>>This tells me, by the way, that they already knew about the  
>>Project MOGUL balloon arrays consisting of multiple weather  
>>balloons since the reference is to plural "WEATHER BALLOONS."  
>>The rest of the text as I read it makes this very clear, i.e.,  
>>that the weather balloons had been found near Roswell.

>>"WEATHER BALLOONS" is certainly there, and by itself tells us  
>>this is about Roswell. How often would Ramey deal with "weather  
>>balloons" in any capacity and be sending telegrams about them?

Hi Dave,

Exactly. I agree with you 100% here. And before some smartaleck  
jumps in here and says it's not proven that Ramey sent the  
message, all I need point out is that Ramey and his staff do not  
need to be told that his headquarters are in "FORT WORTH, TEX."

so no incoming message from somewhere else is going to tell him that, it would almost be insulting! However, he would certainly identify his own location out of courtesy and to avoid confusion in any outgoing message that he sent over a great distance, i.e., to Washington, which had to deal with a worldwide network of military bases. (If he had sent it to one of the units under his command such as the 509th at Roswell he would not need to tell them he was in Ft. Worth.)

>I disagree, however, with your interpretation of what "weather balloons" is telling us here. Just because Ramey uses the plural "balloons" does not mean this has to do with Mogul. Instead, I read the last 3 lines of the message as having to do with what the public was being told and how they were covering it up. "Weather balloons" is in the phrase "NEXT SENT OUT PR [press release] IS OF WEATHER BALLOONS..." "Weather balloons" was being used generically here. The next line was about adding RAWIN demonstration crews to firm up the weather balloon explanation.

I largely agree but also partially disagree with you here Dave. Despite the fact my reading of the text completely diverges from yours here except for the words "WEATHER BALLOONS" my reading nevertheless, amazingly, agrees with you that there is some kind of deliberately manipulated PR campaign being described that involves the "WEATHER BALLOONS" that were found and that they (Ramey and his recipient(s)) knew full well about the Mogul multiple-weather-balloon arrays, and that something else had been found besides the Mogul array, and that it was anomalous.

Please keep in mind that as the first Roswell skeptic, who argued at great length with Stan Friedman and Bill Moore over the case long before it went fully public (as well as with others), this clashes with everything I have believed or understood about the case. I have spent a long time trying to fit my reading of the Ramey Message into a Mogul explanation scheme - especially the reading that I think refers to a Mogul array actually being found - but it just won't work. It's the simple two-, three- and four-letter words that kill any simplistic effort to explain it away as Mogul. And now my ongoing review of Karl Pflock's book has shattered my skeptical understanding of the case.

>What was happening here is that they were gearing up for a national weather balloon debunking campaign that was to begin the next day, using weather balloon demonstrations to debunk the saucers. See, e.g., the following telegram from the night of July 8 on the Project 1947 web page:

>[www.project1947.com/roswell/wkzo.htm](http://www.project1947.com/roswell/wkzo.htm)

>(Thanks to Jan Aldrich for putting this interesting document up on his Web site.)

Yes thanks to you both, Jan and Dave, because I have looked everywhere for that memo and could not find it - I've had to rely on memory and my memory turned out too pro-Mogul.

This is a private telegram to the Intelligence Division of the War Dept (it was not called G-2 then) from Tony Gaston, News Editor of WKZO radio station in Kalamazoo, Michigan, sent at 10:15 PM (EST) on the night of July 8, 1947, or just a few hours after Gen. Ramey's press conference in Ft. Worth and Ramey's radio broadcast on KBAP. It was received a few minutes later at 10:21 PM EST as shown by the date-time stamp of 1947 JULY 09 0321Z, thus proving that Daylight Savings Time was not in wide use back then (Congress had to pass the Uniform Time Act in 1966 to enforce uniform observance of DST). Apparently Gaston was following up on that news.

>Here, the newsman is being told by military intelligence in Washington that they thought radar targets explained all the recent flying saucer sightings. That was the official drumbeat for the next few days.

Tony Gaston of WKZO in Michigan apparently was given Col Marcellus Duffy's name as a lead to track down to find out what might be causing the saucer sightings. Who gave it to him or how is not known but it certainly belies the notion that Project Mogul was so utterly secret and compartmented that absolutely nothing could be learned about it even peripherally, since here was the supposed former Project Officer for TOP SECRET Mogul

giving a press interview. Apparently the info that Duffy was replaced by Trakowski and transferred to Wright Field soon after he started on Mogul in Nov 1946 is wrong (Pflock pp. 146-7) since here was Col Duffy still in New Jersey in July 1947 and being referenced as apparently the currently knowledgeable official on what we now know was Mogul.

I bet local news clips from Michigan might tell us more about what Gaston found out and reported on.

>Also note that newsman was told to contact Col. M Duffy in New  
>Jersey for more information on the radar targets. This is Col.  
>Marcellus Duffy, who helped develop the RAWIN targets at nearby  
>Fort Monmouth and was the first Project Officer for Mogul.

>This is also the same Col. Duffy who supposedly was at Wright  
>Field that night examining the debris flown in from Fort Worth  
>after Ramey had allegedly cancelled the flight. Duffy further  
>allegedly definitively IDed the material as coming from Project  
>Mogul, according to Air Force debunkers (this was one of the  
>cornerstones of their Mogul explanation). But how could Duffy be  
>doing this if he was actually in New Jersey near Mogul  
>headquarters?

Apparently Duffy's memory of what state he was in was terribly faulty and makes his account highly unreliable and questionable in the same way that CIC/OSI agent Lewis Rickett's testimony is dismissed when it is pro-UFO but accepted when it helps build the anti-UFO case or doesn't harm it (Pflock pp. 111 [accepted], 112 [rejected], 113 [accepted], 114-6, 153-4 [rejected]). No one has ever described a flight taking Roswell debris to New Jersey of all places.

Whereas the FBI teletype I discovered back in 1979 was well known and has been available for many years, and it explicitly states there was a flight to Wright Field. Either Duffy held the Roswell debris in his hands in Dayton or he didn't. There is no in-between here. The July 8, 1947, telegram to Army Intelligence proves that Duffy was not in Dayton, Ohio, but in New Jersey.

My suggestion is that Duffy never got awakened in the middle of the night to be shown the Roswell debris and to then identify it as weather balloon equipment (Pflock p. 151). Duffy was in New Jersey and evidently never shown the material at all. I think Duffy had been on the phone all afternoon to answer questions from the AAF brass about Mogul, and was able to collect enough data to figure out that the AAF was settling on the Mogul explanation in the guise of "weather device," so that when a reporter, Tony Gaston from Michigan, managed to track him down in New Jersey, Duffy was ready. Or maybe Duffy got direct orders (but more likely no one expected reporters would find him so no one thought he had to be given any orders about what to say). Duffy must have sufficiently concealed this high-level discussion that it seemed to Gaston that no one in the military was doing anything about it. Gaston then decided this information from Duffy was so important that it needed to be brought to the attention of Army Intelligence in Washington immediately by telegram, at 10:15 at night.

Thanks again Dave for bringing this up. I had cited this imperfectly in the private email debates these past several days and now I have it clearly.

>In DebunkerLand, witnesses for the prosecution are allowed to be  
>in two places at once. CIC officer Sheridan Cavitt played this  
>game as well. According to the Air Force Roswell Report, he was  
>simultaneously back East in training and at Roswell picking up  
>body parts from a B29 crash in May, 1947. Cavitt also  
>independently placed himself out on the debris field picking up  
>a weather balloon, whereas for years he denied being involved or  
>even stationed at Roswell at the time.

You are right about the double standard. However the dating of Cavitt's assignment to Roswell was remembered wrong by him and had to be corrected by Cavitt's wife, who remembered personal life details that were dateable, according to Karl (I can't seem to find this in his book and it might be in an email from him).

>>Most researchers agree that it is "ROSWELL" or "ROSWELL, NMEX."  
>>on Line 5. And I agree that it is signed "RRAMEY" on Line 9.

>Agreed, though I think it just says "ROSWELL." and "RAMEY."  
>(Incidentally, I was the first to propose these  
>interpretations.)

Thanks for the clarification. Previously all I knew was that both you and Tom Carey had proposed similar readings on these portions of the text in March 2000 and I had no way of knowing who was first, I had no exact dates. I agree more with Tom's variants but the key thing is that these are extremely crucial readings, not trivial, and you should definitely get the credit for them if you were first. Especially since to do so you were having to run up against the party-line errors of the previous interpreters and had to have the boldness to see clearly the correct readings.

>"RAMEY" looks like a 6 letter word because  
>there is handwriting underneath slanting upward and crossing the  
>end of the signature line. That, I believe, is the source of the  
>confusion. The second letter is definitely an "A" and we are not  
>dealing with a mystery man named "TEMPLE".

I don't see this handwriting.

>>That pretty much covers most of the visible message and it is  
>>flatout undeniable that it all relates to the Roswell  
>>incident.

>You left out on the big word "DISC" (in quotes) on line 4, which  
>is undeniably there. (Part of the phrase "IN THE "DISC")

You're right. I had thought of it but wondered if it could be dismissed on the grounds that it could be argued by someone that it might merely refer to the flying disc reports generally in the news (which is not my reading whatsoever). But you're right because it does absolutely prove that this Line 4 cannot possibly be some unrelated matter about base barbecues or whatever but clearly has to do with the Roswell subject matter. So I should have included it.

So, it is indisputable that Line 3 has "FORT WORTH, TEX."  
Line 4 has "THE 'DISC' ".  
Line 5 has "ROSWELL" or "ROSWELL, NMEX."  
Line 7 has "WEATHER BALLOONS."  
Line 9 has "RAMEY" or "RRAMEY."

There simply cannot possibly be any reasonable question that this entire message all has to do with the Roswell incident. Enough of the first lines can be read to be sure that it too refers to the same subject matter and isn't switching from base cookouts and aircraft maintenance schedules or what-have-you to suddenly discussing the Roswell incident. After the standard military electronic addressing that always appears at the very top there just isn't enough room on this short message to discuss anything else but the subject of what is clearly the bulk of the message - Roswell.

>There  
>is also, of course, "VICTIMS" on line 2 (which just about  
>everybody sees as there, except you Brad, as I understand it).

Intellectual phase-lock. Need to break out of it.

>>With the rest of the text filled in as I have been  
>>able to do, including text hidden under Ramey's thumb, it is of  
>>course blatantly obvious it all relates to the Roswell case.

>I'm sure there will be battles royal over the exact  
>interpretation, but this message is flat out, undeniably about  
>the Roswell Incident. I remember having this argument with Kevin  
>Randle last year, who was also arguing that there was no  
>evidence that this message had anything to do with Roswell. Just  
>a few, clearly visible key words like "DISC" and WEATHER  
>BALLOONS (not to mention the timing of Ramey holding the message  
>while he is trying to sell a weather balloon story) says  
>otherwise.

>David Rudiak

We are in large agreement, the message is as you put it "flat out, undeniably about the Roswell incident." However, I do not need any "battles royale" over the message readings as I already

have plenty of battles fighting behind the scenes with other Roswell skeptics who apparently are infuriated that I am betraying the cause due to finding new startling evidence which I cannot deny and I refuse to twist and distort to fit an anti-Roswell agenda. I will be posting more about this soon now that UpDates is back online. I am still hopeful that some kind of conventional explanation for Roswell will emerge but it looks dim, especially after reading Karl's book.

One main stumbling block to a pro-UFO interpretation of Roswell is that "the" debris looks like a bunch of trash from someone's garage, not engine parts from an extraterrestrial spacecraft, and in fact "resembles" Mogul balloon array debris according to 1947 contemporaneous documentation (8th AF's Major Kirton's statement in the FBI teletype). But I have strenuously argued in private along the same lines you have, Dave, as well as Neil Morris (whom I disagree with on almost everything else) that there was something unusual about the material, and that the fact reported to the FBI and Reuters that it only "resembles" and cannot seem to be simply and squarely identified by anyone at the 8th AF and dismissed as weather balloon-cable-radar reflector is troubling.

However there also appear to be two sites or one very large site with spilled debris maybe only seemingly "connecting" them and I would argue as a working hypothesis the Pflock 1994 thesis of Mogul + Anomaly, but keeping in mind (a) the anomalous aspects of the seemingly "Mogul" debris itself as well as (b) the strong possibility that aerial recon simply turned up one of the Mogul balloon arrays somewhere on July 8, 1947, and they sent it on too. Logically, if there was aerial recon - and there was a whole base, the 509th at Roswell, with nothing else better to do - the shiny foil-paper radar reflectors from one of the lost Mogul flights would have attracted attention from some distance. We're only talking about 15-20 minutes' flying time from Roswell to the general area of Foster Ranch.

For an example of the dilemmas I am in, I just recently discovered 14 points of evidence mostly from Karl's book to support the fact that the world's leading meteoriticist Dr. Lincoln LaPaz did in fact investigate Roswell with two CIC agents in the summer of 1947 and did find something very unusual, which he never found in 1949 in conjunction with the Green Fireballs. In the course of trying to reconstruct what LaPaz was likely to have found out I discovered that the Wilmots' publicized sighting of July 2, 1947 (in the same headline article announcing the finding of the Roswell "disc") yields a meteor radiant or possible interplanetary spacecraft orbit originating on or near the solar system's ecliptic plane, which is extraordinary (about 21 hrs RA, -30° Dec). Notice one is given the two extraterrestrial choices - meteor or spaceship.

Brad

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## Scientist Hopes To Nail Down Strange Noises

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Mysterious sounds reported as far back as 1850s in N. Carolina

By Jerry Allegood - Raleigh News & Observer

FORT FISHER, N.C. -- The sound rolls in off the ocean like an invisible tidal wave, washing over houses with enough force to rattle windows and startling people who look uneasily to the ground and to the sky for an explanation.

Boom. Rattle. Rattle boom. And it is over as quickly as it began.

The mysterious noises have been reported as far back as the 1850s.

Now, a Duke University seismologist hopes to find clues about the mystery sound's origins as a side benefit from an earthquake research project.

Peter Malin, a seismology professor for 10 years, plans to monitor a sensor that has been placed deep in the ground at the Fort Fisher State Historic Site near Wilmington.

The sensor is intended to record minor seismic activity that might indicate when more significant quakes can be expected. There is no explanation for the sounds, at least not one on which everyone agrees.

Some say the rumbling is a sonic boom created by unseen aircraft. Others suggest top-secret military training offshore or maybe the earth moving on the ocean floor or deep below ground.

Then there are the theories that gave the phenomenon its name, the Seneca Guns -- that the sound comes from the ghosts of American Indians firing guns to disturb descendants of those who drove them from their land.

This name first arose in New York, then applied to North Carolina, even though there were no Seneca Indians there.

Malin's hunch is that the booming noise originates in the atmosphere, although he has no particular theory on the cause.

He heard the sound and saw its impact in July while preparing his project. Doors and windows shook, but the house didn't, he said, indicating to him that the ground did not move.

Residents who have heard the noise for years have ruled out obvious suspects such as thunder because the booms have occurred on clear days when there were no clouds or lightning.

Accounts of the rumbling date back to the days before airplanes, much less supersonic jets that fly fast enough to break the sound barrier.

There is no particular pattern, although in the past they have been reported most often in the fall and spring.

Other scientists have suggested that the interplay between water and weather might be causing the sounds.

Some people say that the mystery should never be solved, but Malin says that there is good scientific basis for his wanting to figure it out.

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## Gesundt Joins Lara in Hunger Strike

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Gesundt begins hunger strike in order to compell others not to do hunger strikes because it's bad for your health. Gesundt, in a touching rendition of "taps" played through bottles of Gripple Driple Sin Gas, Gesundt told reporters that it's really OK to go on a hunger strike, providing you get the permission of those who don't think it's such good idea.

Which is impossible unless one can demonstrate that it's OK. Gesundt is gonna prove that it is OK. All's you gotta do is drink mass quantities of Gripple Driple Sin Gas. It's got every thing you need for nutrition. Fat, juicy critters for protein, dripping in fruit juices (largely grape with some apple and undisclosed other fruit juice for energy and vitaminies, it's got alcohol so as to create within, a pleasant (but nutritious) after glow.

It also has minerals. Yes, this stuff will keep you going for months without having to eat or drink anything else. And most important, even those of you whose permission is required in order for an adult to demonstrate his or her dedication to a CAUSE, even you will not be able to dispute the efficacy of such a hunger strike.

So, watch for Gesundt's progress in the coming months. And if he sounds a bit tipsy, well, not to mind. It's the Gripple. Gesundt is now sitting comfortably in his hunger strike chair, waiting for the reaction to come.

And in advance, he wishes to extend his greatful appreciation to those of you who care so much (how much?) - SO MUCH, that you will go to great lengths to tell each other just how much.

"Hey, Gesundt, stay away from them grahams. It's not on the diet!"

There is one downside to hunger striking on Gripple. It really makes you hungrier than weed.

Dr. Morty,  
Physician

PS: Pass me the ham sandwich. I hate looking at inebriated hungry people without a hero in my hand.

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Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 20:12:55 -0500  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 21:39:14 -0400  
Subject: Re: Lara Johnstone & Eduard Shevardnadze - Lehmborg

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EXPLORE "Alfred Lehmborg's Alien View" at his HostPros URL.  
<http://www.alienview.net>

JOHN FORD RESTORATION FUND -- John will be released eventually. He'll need a tax free cash stake to get on his feet. Let's put one together for him; the bigger it is -- the more attention he gets. It could have been you. E-mail for detail. \$350.00 pledged -- \$200.00 collected!

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, scourged by the scurrilous.

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## UFO Public Library

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Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 22:22:48 -0300  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 21:41:26 -0400  
Subject: UFO Public Library

Dear friends,

I would like to thank those whose helped us donating some materials, books and videos to our Public UFO Library. Special thanks to Mr. Kevin Randle, Bob Pratt, Dr. David Jacobs and Dr. John Mack, that sent to us some books.

We are opening until the end of this year our library to share with those that like the subject but do not have money or informations to study the phenomenon. We want to help, to diffuse the ufology and be useful to the society.

To those that want to help us donating books, videos, documents, phots, please, send to this address:

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## Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - Young

From: Bob Young <[YoungBob2@aol.com](mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com)>  
Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 21:50:49 EDT  
Fwd Date: Fri, 31 Aug 2001 08:20:17 -0400  
Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure - Young

>Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 13:04:30 -0400  
>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)  
>From: John Velez <[johnvelez.aic@verizon.net](mailto:johnvelez.aic@verizon.net)>  
>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure

>>Date: Tue, 21 Aug 2001 19:28:07 +0100  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>From: Sean Jones <[tedric@tedric.demon.co.uk](mailto:tedric@tedric.demon.co.uk)>  
>>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure

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>You are jumping the gun in assuming that she would subject  
>herself to such an agonizing course of action for mere  
>"publicity". Have you ever fasted? Do you know the kind of  
>determination and strong Will that it takes to go for days -  
>much less weeks - without solid food intake? It's not\_easy my  
>brother.

Hi, John:

You may be making a mistake, here, in equating your own reasoning with hers. Why is having a strong will and determination incompatible with publicity-seeking? Some of the greatest self-promoters in history have been determined. Remember 'Triumph of the Will'?

>She, or anyone else, would have to be one sick puppy to undergo  
>such a grueling endurance test for "publicity".

Can't argue with you here.

<snip>

>I don't think that you, or anybody else is justified in jumping  
>to the conclusion that her motives are as selfish and self  
>serving as going on this fast in an attempt at getting some  
>cheap "publicity". There is no evidence that such is the case -  
>so\_far. Let's wait and see how the whole thing plays out over  
>time.

I know what you were trying to say in the above, John, but the fact is that anybody who would go on a public fast to get the President of the United States to do something has clearly done something to get some publicity, cheap or not.

The size of her ego seems fairly well established. The only question would seem to be her motivation.

It reminds me of the quote attributed to Winston Churchill, made to a back-bencher in the opposing party. I'm paraphrasing here for this family newspaper, "We've already established what you are, madame. Now we're just haggling over the price".

You don't attempt to generate personal publicity at the expense of the President of a country without being part and parcel of a publicity stunt. And you don't put yourself in the middle of such stunts on the presidents of two countries without being a serial egotist.



Clear skies,

Bob Young

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## Re: Lara Johnstone & Eduard Shevardnadze -

From: Jim Mortellaro <[Jsmortell@aol.com](mailto:Jsmortell@aol.com)>  
Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 21:51:19 EDT  
Fwd Date: Fri, 31 Aug 2001 08:23:32 -0400  
Subject: Re: Lara Johnstone & Eduard Shevardnadze -

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Sirs,

The hunger strike should not be the issue. Some have made it so.  
The issue is what precipitated the hunger strike. The woman is  
the problem because some have made it so. Under the guise of  
wimpy clear concern for the lady's health, a concern which  
would be noble were it not for the fact that it is none of  
anyone's business what she does with her mouth, that what  
matters is what she does with her intellect and her soul.

Those who express concern for her health should take note. It  
would be a greater nobility to support her in her cause rather  
than infringe upon her choice of demonstrating her own  
intellectual concern. As if she were some child who did not know  
what the hell she was doing in this matter.

No, I think Mr. Lehmborg, that rather than concern, some seek to  
enable their own practice by detracting (for that is what it is)  
from her statement. An adult woman. Doing something difficult  
for what she believes.

I just checked in, by the by, on our stalled wart, Gesundt. He was attempting to suck the fuzz off a peach. He shall require serious monitoring if he is to succeed as has Lara.

I support Lara. I don't support Gesundt. For there is a need for such as her. And there should not be a need for such as he.

Jim

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## Re: Lara Johnstone & Eduard Shevardnadze - Stacy

From: Dennis Stacy <[dstacy@texas.net](mailto:dstacy@texas.net)>  
Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 21:58:34 -0500  
Fwd Date: Fri, 31 Aug 2001 08:28:23 -0400  
Subject: Re: Lara Johnstone & Eduard Shevardnadze - Stacy

>From: Greg Sandow <[greg@gregsandow.com](mailto:greg@gregsandow.com)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
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Greg,

Couldn't something along the same lines be said for the  
rendering of Jose Perez de Cuellar as an otherwise unwilling  
"UFO personality"?

But wait, we now have this:

"On Saturday, September 8th, at our first IF seminar of the fall  
season, Budd Hopkins will present dramatic new information from  
previously silent witnesses in this extraordinary case.

"In addition to these important new witness accounts, Budd will  
also offer evidence that Linda Cortile and 'Richard', one of the  
government agents involved in this encounter, separately gave  
full accounts of the abduction to the most powerful Catholic  
prelate in the United States - New York's Cardinal O'Connor.  
Further, the Cardinal's close connection with the Vatican makes  
it virtually certain that details of that night were made known  
to the Pope, and that the Vatican's recent public interest in  
theological issues raised by the 'theoretical' discovery of  
alien intelligence is a direct result of this November 30, 1989,  
event."

Note that the Cardinal will not be able to say anything publicly  
in response to such allegations, thereby no doubt lending  
further 'credence' to his (and the Vatican's) involvement.

Note, also, how this material is being presented. We understand  
and sympathize with the fact that this isn't the sort of  
material that could be expected to appear in the next issue of  
Nature. At the same time, we decry its commercialization, its  
use as a lure to the "next revelation."

This is not the way science is done -- although, all too  
increasingly, it seems to be the way ufology is done.

Shevardnadze should feel flattered. After all, along with  
Cardinal O'Connor, the Pope, the head of the UN, Linda and  
Richard, he's keeping rather exclusive company.

Dennis Stacy

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Fwd Date: Fri, 31 Aug 2001 08:30:01 -0400  
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Jim,

This is in very poor taste. I don't believe that Lara is going to get much accomplished and I am concerned about her health through this hunger strike but this kind of humour is self-deprecating and an insult to her.

Dave (Furry) Furlotte

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## Re: MOD Rendlesham File Released - Gates

From: Robert Gates <[RGates8254@aol.com](mailto:RGates8254@aol.com)>  
Date: Fri, 31 Aug 2001 03:01:28 EDT  
Fwd Date: Fri, 31 Aug 2001 08:34:31 -0400  
Subject: Re: MOD Rendlesham File Released - Gates

>Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 21:37:41 +0100  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>From: John Rimmer <[jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk](mailto:jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk)>  
>Subject: Re: MOD Rendlesham File Released

>>From: Robert Gates <[RGates8254@aol.com](mailto:RGates8254@aol.com)>  
>>Date: Wed, 22 Aug 2001 01:32:19 EDT  
>>Subject: Re: MOD Rendlesham File Released  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>I don't understand. On one hand Dave and Andy claim Georgia is  
>>"puffing" magazine sales and "buy the magazine" yet all they  
>>appear to do is puff flyingsaucery.com and 'go to our web site.'  
>>Gee, I can't tell much difference between what they critique and  
>>what they do!

>I suppose one possible difference is that the website is free to  
>anyone who dips in, but the magazine costs money?

True, but the point was that on one hand they berate Georgia for  
promoting her article or whatever then they turn around and  
promote themselves and their web site. Whether its free, or pay  
for, doesn't make that much difference in that regard.

Cheers,

Robert

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## Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure -

From: Christopher Kelly <[tophar@iprimus.com.au](mailto:tophar@iprimus.com.au)>  
Date: Fri, 31 Aug 2001 17:22:02 +1000  
Fwd Date: Fri, 31 Aug 2001 08:39:53 -0400  
Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure -

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>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Hunger Strike to Support UFO Disclosure  
>Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 10:15:04 -0500

>Let me understand this. Someone is not eating because she  
>believes that by starving herself, she can persuade the  
>government to disclose all here-to-now "secret" information  
>concerning UFOs, et al? Is that correct?

>If so its noble, but stupid.

>If the government had such "undisclosed" information (assuming  
>there is any truth to the UFO phenomenon) do you or anyone here  
>\_really\_ believe they would bend on this issue? People have been  
>killed or "removed" for lesser deeds by the government. The  
>government doesn't care if some "nut" starves herself. In their  
>view the "problem" will take care of itself when she draws her  
>last breath.

Governments and alike, fear one individual more than one would think. It was one person that died on a cross whom changed the way we think about religion. It was also one person that defeated Goliath and one person that proved the earth was round and not flat. There are many more examples I can give but I think every one here gets my point. So one person can make a difference.

It is said, that, the greatest number of all is one.

I have no doubt that there are people monitoring the situation of the hunger strike on behalf on the government in question and that they would be concerned with its out come. I wish the lady undertaking this brave if not extreme measure all the best.

But I agree with many others here, when it comes to her well being. Her life is worth more than the information she seeks; also there may be a greater reason as to why they censor such information.

Perhaps it is not so much the governments that hide much of this from us, but in many cases it is religious institutions that don't want this information coming forth. They, after all, stand to lose the most from such things as Aliens becoming fact instead of fiction.

I was at this point going to rave on at how one should take into account the bigger picture when considering such explosive subjects and does the end justify the means? But maybe it is time the world knew the truth; we are a strong people and will adapt to change.

I do however don't want any harm to come to this brave women, but sometimes governments and alike will not take notice until something of an extreme nature happens.

So Good Health to you Lara.



Still I cannot help but wonder what the people of Earth will make of the truth if it is made available to them. Sometimes the truth is too much to handle.

Note to the males of the list; trust a women like Lara to be the one getting it done, while us males sit around the campfire sipping long necks and just talking about getting it done.

Cheers,

Chris

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## Re: Element 118 (And 116?) Just Spurious Data -

From: **Diana Cammack** <[cammack@comw.net](mailto:cammack@comw.net)>  
Date: Fri, 31 Aug 2001 08:26:29 +0100  
Fwd Date: Fri, 31 Aug 2001 08:45:17 -0400  
Subject: Re: Element 118 (And 116?) Just Spurious Data -

>Date: Wed, 08 Aug 2001 19:26:23 -0400  
>From: Ron Cecchini <[Ron.Cecchini@GD-CS.COM](mailto:Ron.Cecchini@GD-CS.COM)>  
>Subject: Re: Element 118 (And 116?) Just Spurious Data  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

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>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Element 118 (And 116?) Just Spurious Data  
>>Date: Tue, 7 Aug 2001 15:49:47 +1000

Note that The Economist magazine, 11 Aug 2001, has an article, 'The Periodic Table: 10 x-15 Seconds Of Fame', about Lawrence Berkeley National Lab in California having retracted their claim to have created two new elements because they are unable to reproduce their original experiment and their re-analysis of their data is 'disappointing'.

The Economist is citing a letter sent by Ken Gregoich to Physical Review Letters. The article says that element 118 "has been yanked un-ceremoniously off the [periodic] charts" though Russian researchers in Dubna, have produced atoms of element 114 and 116 surviving several seconds.

Diana

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## UFO Research NSW Oz Conference - 2nd Of September

From: Diane Harrison <[auform@Ehome.net.au](mailto:auform@Ehome.net.au)>  
Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 12:58:46 +1000  
Fwd Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 18:37:37 -0400  
Subject: UFO Research NSW Oz Conference - 2nd Of September

UFO Research NSW  
UFO Conference September 2nd 2001  
at Wentworthville Leagues Club

This Sunday the 2nd of September UFO Research NSW will present a UFO Conference at Wentworthville Leagues Club from 1pm to 5pm. The conference is part of an ongoing effort by UFO Research NSW to inform the public in regard to the UFO phenomenon and also to supply an opportunity for people to voice their own opinions and experiences regarding the subject.

### Our speakers

For Wentworthville Leagues include Graciella Flain from South America, who will speak of latest developments in an area known to be a "hotspot" for UFO activity, Bryan Dickerson President of UFO Research NSW, speaking on the abduction aspect of the phenomenon and Karen Burden, senior Investigator for both UFO Research NSW and The Australian UFO Research Network discussing sightings in Sydneys Greater Western Suburbs.

An entry fee of \$10.00 per person applies to cover costs incurred.

"UFO Expo"

This year UFO Research NSW has presented conferences at Campbelltown, Central Coast, Riverwood as well as Surry Hills.

From November through till January UFO Research NSW in conjunction with Liverpool Regional Museum will be presenting a "UFO Expo" with art exhibits drawn from various mediums as well as National and International speakers for the seminar November 9th and 10th. Various other activities are planned during the period which include skywatches, family BBQ's and other social activities.

UFO Research NSW supports the "National UFO Research Network Hotline" a 24 hour 7 days a week free call number for people to report UFO sightings. The number to report sightings is 1800 772288.

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Regards

Diane Harrison

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## Re: Ramey's Debris - Hatch

From: **Larry Hatch** <[larryhat@jps.net](mailto:larryhat@jps.net)>  
Date: Fri, 31 Aug 2001 01:02:20 -0700  
Fwd Date: Fri, 31 Aug 2001 08:48:11 -0400  
Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris - Hatch

>Date: Wed, 22 Aug 2001 07:48:55 +0100  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>From: John Rimmer <[jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk](mailto:jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk)>  
>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris

>>Date: Mon, 20 Aug 2001 16:45:27 -0700  
>>From: Larry Hatch <[larryhat@jps.net](mailto:larryhat@jps.net)>  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>>Subject: Re: Ramey's Debris

<snip>

>>It turned out that the perp had looked up the same records, and  
>>carefully woven those unlikely facts into his own fantasia,  
>>clearly in the hope that someone would find the missing meter  
>>records independently!  
>>- Larry Hatch

>>PS: Please don't hold me to precise details. This is completely  
>>from fuzzy memory [burp!] but I believe I have the general gist  
>>of it.

>You're quite right. I don't have a reference to hand either, but  
>the incident was one of the formative cases in the long-running  
>UMMO hoax.

Hello John:

As I understand it, the Ummo hoax was so elaborate and complex,  
in many ways self consistent, that it would have been child's  
play for them to go look up some oddball item in police or news  
records.

They may have planted or discovered a dozen clever tricks and  
woven them into their byzantine tapestry.

If/when some honest researcher finds any one of them, its  
instant corroboration, from an independent source no less!

Tricksters, "psychics" and cult gurus are full of tricks like  
that. They don't really want or need to jam beliefs up your  
nose.

Its so much better and easier to "salt the mine" and let the  
pigeons discover "confirming evidence" later.

I hate all this because it only muddies the waters, and knocks  
more sensible ufological debate right off the tracks.

Best

- Larry Hatch (dot net.. ahem!)

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## Re: Nick Pope & Rendlesham Statements - Bruni

From: Georgina Bruni <[georgina@easynet.co.uk](mailto:georgina@easynet.co.uk)>  
Date: Fri, 31 Aug 2001 12:16:34 +0100  
Fwd Date: Fri, 31 Aug 2001 08:55:45 -0400  
Subject: Re: Nick Pope & Rendlesham Statements - Bruni

>From: Andy Roberts <[AndyRoberts@ancientassociates.fsnet.co.uk](mailto:AndyRoberts@ancientassociates.fsnet.co.uk)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Nick Pope & Rendlesham Statements  
>Date: Tue, 28 Aug 2001 22:19:33 +0100

>Georgina Bruni has recently 'had a go' at our website using Nick  
>Pope as ammunition for her claim that we have "misinterpreted"  
>the MOD file.

This is absolutely not true. The analysis is a total  
misinterpretation of the MOD file. One does not need an excuse.

>You may also like to click on:  
><http://www.guardian.co.uk/Archive/Article/0,4273,4246130,00.html>  
>Where there is an on line article, taken from today's Guardian  
>newspaper, dealing with Dave Clarke's discovery and analysis of  
>the MOD Rendlesham files.

Let's get this clear so that List members know the truth. Dave  
Clark did not exactly discover the MOD file, and I think it's  
sad that he needs to promote this untruth. The real truth is  
that Lord Hill-Norton was responsible for the release of the MOD  
file, and I have been working with Lord Hill-Norton since last  
year, and I know the history, and how much work has gone into  
the release of this file. Clarke has no idea the pressures put  
on the government for the release.

What happened was that Clarke applied for the file after it was  
re-opened on the 1st November 2000, when senior defence  
ministers were concerned about my book (the full story is  
featured in the paperback of 'You Can't Tell The People',  
published in November 2001. After the file was sent from the  
archives it was then reviewed because of Questions in the House  
of Lords relating to my book. After much pressure (apart from  
the Questions) Baroness Symons released the file. So anybody  
using the right code can acquire the file.

Reference to its release date from the archive is also stated on  
the front cover of the file.

I have spent the last few days trying to undo the debunking that  
Clarke has done in the Guardian article and on his website. I  
was asked to talk to a journalist from The Guardian two weeks  
ago but refused because I know their take on this subject. This  
was the very newspaper that debunked the case when Ian Ridpath  
fed them the 'lighthouse theory' in 1985.

It is a pity that the broadsheets don't take this case  
seriously. Over the last month or so, five top journalists have  
had the story, and two have written it up for publication, only  
to have it pulled at the last minute. Unfortunately, the only  
national paper that ran the story without debunking it was the  
Star - a tabloid. I have to question why, but am of the opinion  
that this sort of evidence makes the editors nervous.

Anyway, just to set the record straight, and turn around the  
debunking, I have done several radio interviews, contributed to  
a TV documentary on UFOs, done two television news shows and  
managed to have the story published in the East Anglian

newspapers. It is also the lead story in UFO Magazine, where you can read, what I consider to be a more accurate report and analysis. For people in the West Midlands I will be discussing the file on the BBC Radio Late Show on Friday evening at 9.30pm.

Georgina

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## Re: MOD Rendlesham File Released - Bruni

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>Date: Tue, 28 Aug 2001 22:19:33 +0100

>Instead of choosing to 'tell the people', it's more a case of  
>telling the people to 'buy the magazine'. Georgina's  
>announcement has more to do with puffing up magazine sales than  
>any real desire for you, the ufological public, to read the  
>facts. Mrs Thatcher would be proud of her entrepreneurial  
>acumen!

This is a silly statement. I have no shares in UFO Magazine.

>The 'comments' by James Easton and Jenny Randles are  
>totally distinct from the Rendlesham File and Dave's  
>commentary. Their views are not necessarily shared by either  
>Dave or myself but both have been major players in the  
>Rendlesham investigation and should be carefully listened to.

James Easton has done nothing more than attempt to debunk the case. In twenty years Jenny Randles has never interviewed any primary USAF witnesses. She talked to Burroughs briefly when she met him at a UFO conference, and Charles Halt, briefly when she met him at the Strange But True? party. Jenny's take on the Rendlesham file is completely erroneous. She even states on the website that Steve Roberts has never come forward. That's nonsense, his story, told from my interviews with him a few years back, is featured in a chapter in my book, titled The Mysterious Steve Roberts.

List members will be interested to know that Ms. Randles wrote letters to the MOD, where she tried to discredit other researchers, claiming they lacked knowledge, experience and credible public relations. In exchange for information she offered to use her books and articles to make the MOD look good in the eyes of ufologists, defusing the opinion held by ufologists that the MOD was involved in a cover up. And that's just for starters.

She wanted the information for herself and did not want you to get it. If Stanton Freidman was upset with the letter she wrote to the journalist, UFO groups will be outraged to see her letters to the MOD. I suspect she never thought these embarrassing letters would be released.

>Despite Georgina's witterings, we have offered her the space to  
>put her side of the story on our site and she has accepted.  
>Once, of course it's been sold to you, along with the tea  
>towel, personalised handbag, and video, via UFO Magazine!

There is no way that I would allow my material to be used on a debunking website. [www.rendleshamincident.co.uk](http://www.rendleshamincident.co.uk) will be launched in November and will feature all the evidence for the case.

Best wishes,

Georgina Bruni

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## Re: Alfred's Odd Ode #353

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Date: Fri, 31 Aug 2001 07:21:50 -0500  
Fwd Date: Fri, 31 Aug 2001 09:13:38 -0400  
Subject: Re: Alfred's Odd Ode #353

Alfred's Odd Ode #353 (August 31, 2001)

I am pilloried for passions that I have for different drummers, and suspect that I'm denied poetic right. My rhythms are discomfiting for some, perhaps contentious, but the song it sings is filled with will to fight. What's there is only there because I sing it in a song. What I would express can come out righteous, clean, and strong. My points have different colors, and the points that should be made (?) ... in SONG they have a quality crossing flowers with grenades.

Now how much should I have to pay, to say these words this way? And what's the price exacted for expression? What becomes my crime that's just too heinous to allow, to justify the purging and suppression? It's true I have a conscience that I wear upon my sleeve. It's true I'd split the heavens; it's true I'd soar and cleave. It's true I find religion's just a cop-out and a drag; it's true there's only guile that's implied by ANY flag!

It's true I'd love autonomy and the freedom it implies, but that's just not allowed by those who rule. These selected men and women blessed with birthright are conniving... to insure themselves a future. We're the tool. Their clever orchestrations are profound and plainly seen. They decide intolerance, so it's them defines obscene. They would write your script and they would tell you what to think; you're just for their utility. Behind, they nod and wink.

It's true that I would, just as soon, NOT live my life that way. There's just no honor in it, it would seem. Based on lie's invention to manipulate control, it's a carny-pitch divergence from my dream. I dream of satisfaction that is righteous and complete. I dream of the forthcoming, and the loss of all conceit. I dream we fill the emptiness with the wealth of what we know, and that SECRETS wrongly hidden are exposed to flash and glow.

It's true that I believe, my friend, that WE ARE NOT ALONE, and thinking such as that gets hard to bear. But I rise up every morning with some coffee for my spark, and I fix the starry skies with eyes and stare. What would you expect from me? I've eyes and I can see, and well read and educated, I discover I'm not free. With ears to match and listening I've found a cosmic road, and on that trek I'm finding out I won't be cowed or bowed.

...Disgust with rhyming verse is not my problem, understand? A song's a weave of rhythm and some verse. It seems to me that problem rests with others who would dictate how I tell you what I think, and that's perverse. Everyone can take the time... to see a different way. Everyone should have their choice to double, put, or stay... Everyone's enhanced anew with choices they could make... to fertilize real learning and improve a person's break.

But I must fill a mold that's pressed down HARD upon my soul; it doesn't matter what perceptions are. A universe, before me, stands ignored in an indifference that would smother up the outburst of a star! And I'm supposed to pack my brain in cakes

of social ice and validate hypocrisy to go along... be nice? If yes, be disappointed. I'd be true, at least, to self -- to have respect for others, one must first respect oneself!

I am a poet warrior... my blades are sharpened words, I'm not apologetic; I'm obverse. All that I would wish for is the simple honest insight that I'm chanting here, with you, to lift the curse. The curse is the \*unknowing\* that we labor with, you see? The curse is the erosion of the stuff that makes us free. The curse is persecution of divergence we all need... to aerate potential, be not bored -- improve the breed!

Now I'm expected dutifully to make a place for you, except you as the standard -- how it's done... But where are all your colors and your levels or your deepness? Where is richness? Where is learning? Where's the fun? Your thinking's all peripheral, and bereft of any depth. Your focus is too narrow, and it seems you're scared too death. You make me pay the sordid freight for all those fears you have, and keep me from a livelihood that I, by right, should have.

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Good News!  
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I have good news, and just news. First, the news...

For the last several years I've risen early in an attempt to philosophically recapture my time for a more efficient utility. It works splendidly. Recharged at the beginning of each day, I write my commentary, study, and paint.

Out of bed by 2:15 usually, the obligatory morning activities complete, and with a cup of strong coffee made, I am outside (assuming clear skies) to pointedly meditate, stargaze, and sky-watch. The preceding three activities are NOT mutually exclusive. It's the best part of my day.

For a period of sixty to ninety minutes every morning, then, I contemplate my current piece or essay, learn the positions of the stars and constellations, and look for UFOs. I've seen the damndest stuff. One will, you know, when one takes the time to actually look. I'd found it unavoidable, actually, until just recently.

I'd kept records of my sightings for about a year, but gave it up ultimately because the trend of the sightings was so sharply up. The recording seemed superfluous. I saw something peculiar (or three) every morning I went out. It'd gotten almost perfunctory. Almost...

The reader is assured that I saw nothing but that which is personally conclusive. Indeed, all I ever saw were the Nocturnal Lights defined by Allen Hynek (the least in category as he conceived them), but they were acting damned strange for all their distance, and I never got bored, even remotely, looking for them. I always anticipated them gleefully -- childishly. As a fifty-three year old retired soldier who saw combat in Viet Nam, I value whatever tatter of my childishness remains...

But it's been a week now of adequately observable skies, and I have had but ONE sighting of those fretfully moving nocturnal lights. Just one, and it was a weak one at that...

Astonishing! I was seeing them two and three at a time, and on one occasion last month in northern California between ten and fifteen of them flew by overhead at varying magnitudes of speed, color, and brightness. The preceding occurred in just one ninety minute period! Recently (days ago), in Alabama, three flew over simultaneously in a slowly rotating locked triangle. I'd been seeing them steadily for months, and now, overnight, they're gone! Where did they go?

I used to try to convince myself that I was seeing only satellites, space stations, or bolides. But it was their fretful flying style (their nervous and unblinking transitions across the sky) that suggested strongly that I was seeing something else. Subtle speed and direction changes were the

hallmarks of these objects, and I reasoned that that precluded aircraft, satellite, space station, and meteor. But, even assuming that they were the objects just dismissed... where did they all go?

Now the good news.

While in California last month, and at my favorite used book store, I stumbled on a copy of Dr. J. Allen Hynek's book "The UFO Experience." If that name rings a bell, it should. That's the author (and the book) that inspired Steven Spielberg's milestone film, "Close Encounters of the Third Kind."

I've read excerpts from that book for years, and understood that Dr. Hynek was a no-nonsense scientist of the first water, was a respected academician, and was a man decidedly divorced from any hint of quackery or kookdom. Even J. Edgar Hoover had to give him a clean bill of health regarding loyalty, professional competence, and attitude. This was despite the fact that Hynek spelled his little used first name "Josef..."

This "clean bill" regarded a required security check necessary for a top secret clearance, in turn pursuant to employment with the United States Airforce's so-called UFO investigation effort in the sixties. Hynek was in at the ground floor.

Dr. Hynek was a probable ringer that the Airforce thought they had employed to help them debunk the study of UFOs. Presumably, Dr. Hynek would be another scientific nail in Ufology's coffin not unlike like the good Doctor Edward Condon, a suspicious skepti-bunker of singular refinement. As it turned out Hynek would demonstrate that the Government had another "think" coming.

Hynek WAS a scientist, after all. The non-elected government hadn't counted on that. He employed the scientific method as did most of the other \*scientists\* employed, but HE would go where the data led, consider evidence that did not agree with a favored hypothesis, and call a bona fide unknown a bona fide unknown. Condon, on the other hand, refused pointedly to go where the data led, would NOT consider evidence that countered a favored hypothesis, and went out of his way to label a bona fide unknown as probable "swamp gas." Hynek was more scientifically judicious with those kinds of pronouncements, and was therefore bullied, misquoted, and pushed further from the ufological point.

Condon was a minion of an established intelligence community with a social axe to grind. Hynek was a teacher, a leader, and a seeker of the wider scientific horizon. A man always endeavoring to employ an alien view, I evaluate the two gentlemen as dispassionately as I can. Which of these two would the reader pay to do their science for them? The answer is a classification of sorts, a blessing or an indictment -- forgetting that the question itself is blatantly rhetorical...

I must weigh the veracity, capability, and contribution of the one against the other and put my money on the better horse. Anything else is irrational, illogical, and NOT scientific. Herein lies that aforementioned good news.

Those nocturnal lights that I said I had been observing? Well -- it is very possible that I AM seeing just what I SAID I had been seeing. It's not \*proof\* mind you. But it is quite clear that there is, and always has been, something there to be seen, in fact! So says the winning horse at any rate. Condon's nag stalled at the first water hazard and pitched her rider overhead and into a fetid skein of floating moldy road apples...

The good news is that you can look for these things -- nocturnal lights, daylight disks, and Close Encounters types I, II, and III with a clear conscience and a steady confidence! They ARE actually out there to be seen. It's bad science to maintain that they are NOT (and have never been) there! It's good science to be convinced that they exist, and interacting with human beings in some way we've yet to figure out. The game is truly afoot, good reader!

That's the good news! You're NOT necessarily a loon, or a kook, or a bonehead. You're not unavoidably a lamebrain, a wacko, or a dimwit! You're not inescapably a weirdo, a nut or a

screwball! Oh, you could still be ALL of those things, but not because you believed that there was evidence demonstrating the existence of UFOs. It's OK to be interested. It's OK to speculate on their potential, their possibility, and their prerogatives.

It's OK, really. A REAL scientist says so. It's science, after all. Read on!

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EXPLORE "Alfred Lehmborg's Alien View" at his HostPros URL.  
<http://www.alienview.net>

JOHN FORD RESTORATION FUND -- John will be released eventually. He'll need a tax free cash stake to get on his feet. Let's put one together for him; the bigger it is -- the more attention he gets. It could have been you. E-mail for detail.  
\$350.00 pledged -- \$200.00 collected!

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, scourged by the scurrilous.

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## Bonsall UK UFO Back?

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
Date: Fri, 31 Aug 2001 09:44:45 -0400  
Fwd Date: Fri, 31 Aug 2001 09:44:45 -0400  
Subject: Bonsall UK UFO Back?

From: UFO UpDates <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

Source: Matlock Today - UK

<http://www.matlocktoday.co.uk/fullstory.asp?storyid=11>

Another Sighting!

[image]

Is the Bonsall UFO back in the Dales?

Has the infamous Bonsall UFO been seen above the Dales skies once more?

In October last year the Mercury reported how a disc-shaped object had been captured on video over Bonsall Moor for more than six minutes, just hovering quietly in the sky.

Some experts have hailed the footage as "the best UFO video ever" and it has been the subject of national and international interest.

And on Monday night, Matlock landlady Karen Sismey looked out over the veranda from the Thorn Tree Inn on Jackson Tor Road to spy a similar object in the same area.

"My husband Phil had been out there at around 10.45pm when he saw something hovering in the sky, so he shouted me and I came out with my binoculars," said Mrs Sismey.

"It was over Bonsall and it must have been just there for a good 15 minutes.

"It was showing very vivid colours with red at the bottom, and then ranging from emerald and blue colours to a bright lemon yellow."

The object was seen by other visitors to the Thorn Tree, including a BBC cameraman filming in the area - but unfortunately he did not have his camera to hand.

"It was too far away to say how big it was but it must have been big for me to be able to see it," Mrs Sismey added.

"It was not a helicopter or an aeroplane and I know that it shouldn't normally be there."

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## Re: Gesundt Joins Lara in Hunger Strike -

From: Jim Mortellaro <[Jsmortell@aol.com](mailto:Jsmortell@aol.com)>  
Date: Fri, 31 Aug 2001 10:59:07 EDT  
Fwd Date: Fri, 31 Aug 2001 11:11:04 -0400  
Subject: Re: Gesundt Joins Lara in Hunger Strike -

>From: David Furlotte <[furry@nobelmed.com](mailto:furry@nobelmed.com)>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>  
>Subject: Re: Gesundt Joins Lara in Hunger Strike  
>Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 23:11:18 -0400

>>From: Jim Mortellaro <[Jsmortell@aol.com](mailto:Jsmortell@aol.com)>  
>>Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 21:06:19 EDT  
>>Subject: Gesundt Joins Lara in Hunger Strike  
>>To: [ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)

>>Gesundt begins hunger strike in order to compell others not to  
>>do hunger strikes because it's bad for your health. Gesundt, in  
>>a touching rendition of "taps" played through bottles of Gripple  
>>Dripple Sin Gas, Gesundt told reporters that it's really OK to  
>>go on a hunger strike, providing you get the permission of those  
>>who don't think it's such good idea.

>Jim,

>This is in very poor taste. I don't believe that Lara is going  
>to get much accomplished and I am concerned about her health  
>through this hunger strike but this kind of humour is  
>self-deprecating and an insult to her.

>Dave (Furry) Furlotte

Dear Furry, Errol, List,

You of all people, Dave, should recognize this piece for what it is... a statement of angst in the form of satire, not aimed at or even remotely construed as being aimed at, Lara (see my previous posts on the subject for the thread) but against those whom I consider should be targeted by satire... those who detract from the very essence of what Lara is doing by investing their "concern" for the mature lady's health.

David... you surprise me. Read it again. You need only your intellect and not some advanced degree to garner the garnet. You got me so unimpressed, David, that I neglected to remove the little '>>' for the Noble Bruce-Knapp... as I am want to do.

Morty

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## Earth TV Now Reaching Nearby Stars

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From: UFO UpDates <[ufoupdates@home.com](mailto:ufoupdates@home.com)>

Source: Rense.com

<http://rense.com/general13/near.htm>

Our Television Shows - An Alien Experience  
By Charles Strum

The New York Times

8-31-1

Earth's early television and radio signals are beginning to reach large clusters of stars about 300 trillion miles out in space. That's 50 light years, or the distance light can travel in 50 years.

This is good news. While we've heard nothing from the galactic suburbs a few light years away, new worlds mean new audiences. And, if they possess really good home-entertainment centers, entire star systems of extraterrestrials are sitting in recreation pods and learning about our world the way we did: from Art Linkletter, Lucille Ball and Groucho Marx.

"Any sophisticated alien would be able to look at these images and say 'There are pictures here,' " said Dr. Seth Shostak, an astronomer at the California institute known as SETI (Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence). "Of course, the pictures would be ambiguous in terms of what's up and what's down, what's left and what's right. Titles might be backward.

"Maybe," he said, "the medium is the message in this case."

Maybe. But without a TV guide such as "Earth for Dummies," how do you explain the difference between the Lone Ranger's mask and the one Dorothy Kilgallen wears on "What's My Line?" And if "Vitameatavegamin" or George Fenneman means nothing to you, imagine how an intergalactic channel surfer might feel.

How do you account for canned laughter, Snooky Lanson or the relationship between Paul Winchell and Jerry Mahoney?

In a sense, Shostak said, it would be like looking at primitive cave drawings.

"You look at this thing on the wall," Shostak said. "A few things are obvious. A man is chasing something. Then he's having it for dinner. But you don't get the jokes, the personal references, if there are any. It's gone with the culture."

If that's the case, future generations of extraterrestrial viewers will be struggling to understand why Lassie and Ed are smarter than the people around them. By 2050, they will have blinked past "This Is Your Life" and pondered "The Twilight

Zone," "Fantasy Island" and "The Teletubbies."

"The Complete Directory to Prime Time Network and Cable TV Shows" (Ballantine Books, 2000) suggests that a lineup from the 1950s would confuse any alien with an antenna the size of Manhattan.

Things start off well enough with a big-concept extravaganza that explains who we are and what we're doing. It's "The Marshall Plan in Action," 30 minutes of U.S. government film that documents how we are helping rebuild a continent we just spent six years flattening. This is followed by Billy Graham's "Hour of Decision," which only takes a half-hour.

But continuity starts to run a bit off track with the mystery show, "The Gallery of Mme. Lui-Tsong." "Suspense" is relieved by "Danger," which is followed by "Amos 'n' Andy" and then "Strike It Rich," a quiz show for charity cases.

They scream, they laugh, they cry. This is export-grade culture?

To be sure, mid-20th-century television has broad themes, the most common being homicide. But genre programming is likely to be just as confusing. Consider: "The Adventures of Ellery Queen," "Charlie Wild, Private Detective," "Crime Syndicated," "Hands of Mystery," "Racket Squad," "Crime Photographer," "Crime With Father." Each features a motionless body and 30 minutes of confusion until the murderer is identified.

But how will an audience in space square fictional homicide with "Gillette Cavalcade of Sports," which exhibits two boxers in Madison Square Garden trying to kill each other, until one of them appears to succeed? The motionless body on the canvas is, qualitatively, no different from a corpse on "Martin Kane, Private Eye." But there's no mystery. In fact, hundreds of people around the ring are cheering.

"It doesn't worry me," Shostak said of the possible confusion. "These signals, after all, are rather difficult to find. It's much easier to find our military radar, though they are considerably less interesting than 'I Love Lucy.' "

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