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DVDs of all X-Conference 2009 presentations including the NPC Press Conference on April 20 are now available from Ron James' Sedona Media Company.

Visit:

<http://www.sedonamediacompany.com/xdvd.html>>www.sedonamediacompany.com/xdvd.html

X-Conference 2009 Follow-up from Stephen Bassett

First, I wish to express my great appreciation to all who attended and helped produce X-Conference 2009. Along with some excellent suggestions as to how to improve next year's event, PRG has received nothing but strong praise for the conference and the National Press Club press conference that followed.

Media coverage of the NPC event on April 20 is being tracked at:

<http://www.paradigmresearchgroup.org/main.html>

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Not surprisingly the focus has been on Dr. Edgar Mitchell. However, the press conference was filmed by Robert Fleischer of Exopolitics Germany and Frederik Uldall of Exopolitics Denmark and those videos are up on the page mentioned and receiving wider distribution. Further, Ron James filmed the press conference for PRG and a DVD is available (see above). These videos will help draw attention to the announcements of Milton Torres, Nick Pope, Richard Dolan, Alfred Webre and Dr. Roger Leir. A new international press release from PRG regarding Dr. Leir's work will go out soon.

PRG has also received and responded to a significant number of media requests and expects more. Some of these center upon certain remarks by me during the NPC event. To clarify: the Million Fax on Washington - Phase II, an organized effort to petition the Obama administration to act on Disclosure, will end on May 31. Phase III will begin on June 1. If this third phase proceeds as planned, it will be unprecedented and could create the required circumstance in Washington, DC that would trip the Disclosure switch. For this to happen the cooperation of many research/activist organizations will be needed, and I believe the foundation for such cooperation has been laid.

Some have interpreted my remarks as being an 'ultimatum' or 'threat' directed at the government. It was not. Rather it was a heads up regarding PRG's advocacy timetable. You don't threaten or give ultimatums to governments. It doesn't work. Not for citizens, and not very well even for governments.

Finances: The X-Conference 2009/NPC Press Conference had a gross

loss of \$27,000 which includes PRG operating costs in the 5 months leading up to the event. PRG is moving as quickly as possible to raise the funds to clear all outstanding balances.

There are two primary reasons for this loss:

1) the extraordinary economic turn down and concomitant market losses that began in late October 2008 cut prepaid attendance and walk-ins by about 100 from last year, and

2) the costs for 2009 were greater than 2008 due to a more ambitious advocacy agenda.

After the collapse of Lehman Brothers and the purchase of Merrill Lynch, I considered cancelling the conference. I well knew the implications of these and other unfolding events. It was a very tough call. I chose to go ahead for these reasons:

1) cancelling would have also created a loss with no benefit,

2) an attendance drop was not certain,

3) George Noory and Coast to Coast AM were providing considerable exposure which could mitigate or prevent an attendance drop,

4) new support sources might be found and

5) the impact the event would have on the advocacy process. The last reason is the most important. The Disclosure process must advance.

If you know anyone who has a passion for and an understanding of what is at stake regarding Disclosure and has created for themselves the financial resources that would permit them to step in at this time to keep PRG on track, please forward this request to them as soon as possible.

PRG's core support group has already provided much while taking losses in the declining markets. It is imperative to identify new individuals who can support this work.

X-Conference 2010

<http://www.x-conference.com/>>www.x-conference.com

The next X-Conference will be at the Hilton Hotel in Gaithersburg, MD on April 16-18, 2010. Conference and registration information will go up soon at: <<http://www.x-conference.com>>www.x-conference.com.

PRG Clarification Regarding John Podesta

It has come to PRG's attention that CNN misstated John Podesta's "release" on Monday, April 20. Mr. Podesta did not "issue a release" to CNN. Rather he responded to a call from CNN. Further, Mr. Podesta simply confirmed to CNN his call to release UFO documents from government files made in 2002 and again in 2003 at the National Press Club press conferences held by the Coalition for Freedom of Information. He did not comment on or support Edgar Mitchell's statement that morning. PRG was confused by the CNN statement and regrets any misunderstanding PRG's comments may have caused.

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[Image]

'Alien Skull' Spotted On Mars

UFO spotters are claiming they have spotted an alien skull on Mars after NASA beamed back satellite images from the planet.

At first glance it looks like a rocky desert - but this image of the Mars landscape has got space-gazers talking.

An oddly shaped space boulder appears to show eye sockets and a nose leading to speculation it might be a Martian skull.

Internet forums are full of chatter about the picture, taken by a panoramic NASA camera known as Spirit.

One alien-spotter speculated: "The skull is 15 cm with binocular eyes 5 cm apart. The cranial capacity is approximately 1400 cc.

"There appears to be a narrow pointed small mouth, so this creature most likely is a carnivore."

Another joked: "The coronal ridge shows ample structure to support the musculature of antennae, although none are visible in this view.

"The nose area is broad and blunted as you would expect to see in a cold and windy landscape. Is he decapitated or is he buried up to his neck?"

Previous images of a skull spotted on Mars in 2006 were believed to have been the result of tampering.

The famous Face on Mars, snapped by the Viking 1 spacecraft in 1976, which showed the shadowy likeness of a human face was late, was found to be a trick of the light when the area was re-photographed in 1998.

[Thanks to Sean Jones for the lead. Sean commented:

"One for you to get your teeth into..."]

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Re: Debunkers & ETH

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>From: Gildas Bourdais <bourdais.gildas.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Thu, 30 Apr 2009 16:24:06 +0200
>Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

>>From: J. Maynard Gelinas <j.maynard.gelinas.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Wed, 29 Apr 2009 17:02:31 -0400
>>Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

>We are well aware that there is a variety of hypotheses on UFOs,
>other than 'simple' ETH, notably of the 'paranormal' kind.

Mr. Bourdais,

First of all, thank you for your response. I don't speak for Dr. Vallee, his words do that far better than me. I'd also like to say that I'm not a professional scientist, but am simply a lay person with an interest. But - that said - there are a few counterpoints I'd like to make in response to your reply.

I'll try to summarize your argument as closely and honestly as I can: allee's hypothesis is untenable because it presents a 'quasi-religious', 'spiritual', or 'interdimensional' argument for the origin of UFOs that cannot be verified. Its underlying assumptions are based upon nonphysical - and thus untestable - processes and systems. Thus, a so-called 'spiritual' or 'ethereal' origin hypothesis can not be tested and is - by definition - not even a hypothesis.

>- Jacques Vallee and his hypothesis of a mysterious "control >system" pulling the strings for a long time, with an obscure >agenda;

Based on what I've read, I believe Vallee to be referring not to some organized 'spiritual' or 'interdimensional' intelligence(s) pressing levers of an 'earth control system' so much as he appears to view it as a sort of cybernetic feedback system. It is akin to the 'Gaia Hypothesis' of an unrecognized greater intelligence that spans all life forms on earth. That is, like ants in a colony are both individuals and a collective organism, so is all life on earth a collective by analogy (whether this hypothesis is correct is another matter).

But Vallee is clearly also affected by Puthoff's and Targ's Remote Viewing experiments at SRI during the 1970s and believes there may also be some sort of connection between the two. That is, if one accepts that these RV studies - and their repetitions by other investigators - show a statistically significant positive effect, then the feedback mechanism of such so-called 'control systems' need not be 'physical' in the sense that the processes are made up of known states of energy and matter (Please note that I'm not promoting RV research and findings, I'm simply pointing to it because I believe it affected Vallee's thinking on the matter).

That position is still laughable among most scientists. However, it should also be recognized that scientists today speak of 'virtual particles', they've measured the Casimir force

repeatedly (it is real), and those cosmologists who promote Inflation Theory (as opposed to Steady State Theory, which is currently deader than a dinosaur fossil) presume the existence of Dark Matter and Dark Energy - neither of which have yet been confirmed to exist. Hell, if they're right about the age and size of the universe, then they also presume that space-time inflated faster than light shortly after the big bang.

Now, none of those points about modern science argue either for or against the ETH, Vallee's 'Alternate Hypothesis', or even the 'Natural Phenomena Hypothesis' because those examples are not directly related to UFO phenomena in the data record. My point is not that such things being explored by modern scientists in any way relate to UFO phenomena, but that recent science is experimentally exploring new energy states and new types of matter that were - at best - speculative only fifteen or twenty years ago. IOW: How many states of matter were known to exist in 1980? How many are known to exist today? What do these discoveries imply about further unknown states of matter and energy that may one day be detected?

Where we agree on the issue is here: to argue a 'spiritual' or 'nonphysical' hypothesis for the origin or cause for UFO phenomena is only meaningful in the context of physical detection by experiment and/or observation and verifiable data collection. That is, if one wants to argue for interdimensional beings, one better be prepared to figure out how to detect those things by instrument repeatedly. Otherwise, it is most definitely NOT science, nor does it add insight into an already confused phenomena.

But, ironically, that is the very same trap the ETH proponents find themselves in as well. For while their arguments are based upon a foundation of physicality - UFOs and whoever might drive them are made up of atoms and emit photons and are thus more prosaic arguments than Vallee's - the ETH still faces the same difficulty in falsifiability as does Vallee's alternative hypothesis. The events are transitory; one cannot separate dependent and independent variables; there are no controls with which to perform an experiment. Without a body in custody, so-called Grays are just as ephemeral as the so-called interdimensional spirits. Neither have concrete evidence in their support.

However, IMO: Vallee's argument deals with the 'strangeness' factor of many high quality witness reports and instrument data that the ETH simply ignores. And that's a problem for ETH proponents. For example, what is one to make of the radar tracks in during the UFO flap in Belgium that show an object clearly descending from flight in the air to movement under ground? Does one take that data at face value? If so, what does it mean? What does it mean when an object witnessed at Rendlesham Forest bursts apart into specs of light and then disappears?

One point I'd like to make about the papers he has published is that he consistently argues his positions based on a combination of statistical analysis of a large collection of witness reports, as well as data collections about physical events that correlate with UFO observations. For example, his contention that observations correlate well with specific points during the time of day; or that detected electromagnetic effects are correlated with a subset of witness reports (where such detectors were local). See:

Basic Patterns In UFO Observations

<http://www.jacquesvallee.net/bookdocs/AIAA.pdf>

Finally, Dr. Vallee did warn against the dangers of UFO religiosity and cultism prior to the unfortunate Heaven's Gate suicides. I don't honestly believe that he promotes a religious or spiritual view of UFOs as a phenomena to ... worship. Thus, I don't honestly think that Vallee is going down a path toward believing in the unconfirmable.

>After reading my text again, I would like to make one more
>remark which may be relevant to the debate. The Italian
>biologist Giorgio Pattera, whom I met again, last week-end at a
>conference of CUSI at Lugano, pointed out to me that someone who
>could master electrical impulses in our brain, especially in the
>cerebellum, could probably provoke any kind of vision. That's an

>idea which gives food for thought, especially in the study of
>abductions, it seems to me.

Just a response to this point:

Laser Light Manipulates Neuronal Firing:

<http://www.wired.com/wiredscience/2009/04/lasercontrolledhumans/>

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From: **Greg Boone** <Evolbaby.nul>
Date: Thu, 30 Apr 2009 23:15:05 EDT
Archived: Fri, 01 May 2009 15:29:14 -0400
Subject: UFO Activity Captured In TV Newscast?

Now this one is tricky so you'll have to look closely.

Nothing up my sleeves, just a snip from a FOX newscast that accidentl captured some form of aerial object that skirts through the skies in the background.

<http://tinyurl.com/FoxTVUFO>

I had to run this video clip a few times and clean off my computer screen of any dust but then suddenly I too saw the bright dot cut across the screen just above the building tops.

Quite the attention getter on the web and I'll suppose that numerous YouTube videos will be available for detailed analysis, wisecracks and serious speculation.

Best,

Greg
ufomafia.com/blog

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Re: Debunkers & ETH

From: David Rudiak <drudiak.nul>
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>From: J. Maynard Gelinas <j.maynard.gelinas.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Wed, 29 Apr 2009 17:02:31 -0400
>Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

>>From: David Rudiak <drudiak.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Tue, 28 Apr 2009 16:10:44 -0700
>>Subject: Debunkers & ETH [was: New Peer Review & Educational Magazine]

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>>There are lots of other really dumb debunking arguments against
>>the ETH, including Sagan's "They could never find us because the
>>Universe is a really, really big place." Well, if a probe like
>>Kepler can find them, then an alien remote-sensing equivalent
>>can find us. Q.E.D. Sorry Carl. Your argument was truly
>>unscientific. And dumb.

>What about smart skepticism on the ETH? For example, Jacques
>Vallee's argument against the ETH as being the only counter to
>a
>debunker's argument, as if a continuum between the two does
>not
>exist and thus the only possible outcomes are one of those
>two.
>He makes just such a point in a paper available from JSE here:

>Five Arguments Against the Extraterrestrial Origin of
>Unidentified Flying Objects:

>http://www.scientificexploration.org/journal/jse_04_1_vallee_2.pdf

>To summarize:

>1) There have been far too many close encounter reports that fit
>a stable time variation pattern. The distribution of reports is
>then presented in a nice chart, leading the author to assert
>that if all of these reports are correct then there have been
>literally millions of close encounters and landings over the
>last several decades. Vallee thinks that unlikely.

Latest polls indicate about 8% of the U.S. and U.K. populations think they have seen UFOs. Let's extend that percentage to the entire world, probably wrongly. (I suspect UFOs tend to monitor industrial superpowers more than 3rd world countries.). Let's leave out kids under 10. So approximately 5 billion people, 400 million of whom think they have seen UFOs. From studies, we know typically 80% or 90% of these are probably misidentification, let's say 90%. So now 40 million "true" UFO sightings. Let's divide that up among 4 decades, or 1 million true sightings a year

Now most sightings are multi-witness, sometimes mass sightings involving hundreds or thousands. Some fraction represent repeaters, people who have had more than one sighting. But I would guess on average, each "true" UFO is seen by roughly 2 or 3 on average, so let's cut down the sightings to 365,000 a year (to keep the numbers round), or 1000 "true" sightings a day,

spread out all over the globe, most of which we never hear of.

These will be seen over mostly 70 million square miles of land (relatively few at sea), or one sighting about every 70,000 square miles per day, a fairly large area.

On any given day, there are approximately 100,000 commercial plane flights all over the world, who knows how many small plane flights and military flights, probably several hundred thousand more plane flights. The point is, you are probably several hundred times more likely to see a plane flying overhead on any given day than a "true" UFO. (This also ignores the observation that UFOs are often seen arriving and departing vertically, i.e. they rarely travel hundreds or thousands of miles horizontally like an airplane, where they can be seen by more people, so the odds of seeing a UFO flying overhead on a given day are probably more like ten thousand times less likely than an airplane.)

Now admittedly, my numbers are very rough. But so are Vallee's. What percentage of all "true" UFO sightings are Hynek-type "close encounters", i.e. UFOs seen at close range (estimated under 500 feet) so that an actual clear shape and details can be made out and there is little doubt that some unusual craft is being seen? I doubt they make up more than 1% of all sightings. And actual landings? Probably more like one in 10,000.

Thus Vallee's "millions" of close encounters and landings over several decades is probably more like several hundred thousand close encounters and several thousand landings. The way I run the numbers, Vallee's "millions" is an exaggeration, perhaps lumping in "knowns" with "unknowns" and double counting multiple witness sightings.

>2) Reports of various alien physiologies are too anthropocentric.

This ignores the fact, observed on many species on earth, that particular evolutionary niches have a limited number of optimized morphological forms for survival, resulting in parallel evolution of form, or "form follows function." Thus flying insects, pterydactyls, birds, and bats, with very different evolutionary histories, all have wings and forward looking heads and eyes with feet for landing, are bilaterally symmetric, etc. Cephalod (squid, octopus, etc.) eyeballs are almost identical in structure to vertebrate eyes, though the lines diverged hundreds of millions of years ago when the "eye" was nothing more than a primitive pigmented optic pit.

A few weeks ago I was in central Nevada at Ichthyosaur State Park, up at 7000 feet. There are the fossilized bones of dozens of ichthyosaurs, marine reptiles dating from 220 million years ago, when North America was still attached to Pangea, there was no Atlantic Ocean, and the Pacific Coast ran through present-day Nevada.

The ichthyosaurs looked almost identical to present day porpoises, which are mammals. Both are believed to have evolved from land animals and gave birth to live young. Yet they evolved 200 million years apart from very different evolutionary lines.

Why is this so? Because both are marine predators relying on speed for basic survival. Thus they have similar streamlining, dorsal fins, tails, large eyes, long snouts with teeth, blowholes between the eyes, and so on. Form follows function. Sharks, barracudas, our submarines, etc., have similar streamlined shapes and features.

Or consider car "evolution", where constraints on fuel economy, safety, and missions (carry people and cargo) have led to very similar designs (similar streamlining, front and back crush spaces and places to put motor and cargo, etc.). It's often hard to tell one line of car from another.

So why shouldn't space-faring aliens have basic hominid features, such as large heads (big brains=intelligence), major senses (eyes, ears) close to the brains (for speed of high-bandwidth data processing), forward-looking binocular vision (for good depth perception, valuable in tool-making and hunting), arms with tool-manipulating appendages or hands (how else are they going to build a technical civilization leading to space-ships?), legs for locomotion (bipedal frees up two other limbs for manipulation or other tasks, such as bipedal birds

with wings.

Internal skeletons that grow with the animal allow for larger animals (all exoskeleton animals are relatively small) and you can't have intelligent beings who can build spaceships unless they have larger brains, which require larger bodies. Don't expect space aliens to look like crabs with exoskeletons or octopi with no internal skeletons at all. You also need a skeleton to be a land animal, and you need to be a land animal to build fire, smelt metal, and eventually build a technological civilization. (Another reason alien space octopi will not emerge from a UFO, even if they are smart and can finely manipulate materials with their tentacles.)

Bilateral symmetry arose in the oceans and is a characteristic of all mobile species (radial or spherical symmetric species move around slowly or not at all). Bilateral symmetry is also energy efficient, minimizing friction in the water (streamlining) and energy to move in a given direction (otherwise have to expend energy to keep from going in circles). Bilateral symmetry = minimal motion energy = speed = survival. Bilateral symmetry also conserves DNA information, since symmetrical left and right sides are just copies off the same genetic blueprint (minor left/right specialization arose later). Heads with brains, main sense organs, and mouths are going to be up front in the direction of motion and where the food is.

When you think about it, all our rapidly moving ships, water and air, adopt the same streamlined, bilateral symmetrical form. Why? Because it is an optimal solution. Form follows function. The eyes, brains, and control of an airplane (the pilots) also sit up in the front of the airplane (the head), not the tail, because this is the optimal place for them to be, just like it is for insects, birds, bats, and pterodactyls.

So why shouldn't at least some aliens resemble basic human form? The big point here is that not everything goes when it comes to form for an intelligent space-faring race. We shouldn't expect alien starfish or sea urchins or dolphins to emerge from UFOs, because they would never be capable of building a technological civilization, much less space-flight.

>3) Large scale abduction reports do not bolster the ETH, in fact
>they argue against alien visitation because the rationale
>presented for abduction phenomena do not represent even the
>state of the art in human bioengineering - never mind a
>technology far advanced from humans.

>(IMO this is a weak argument, since it presumes to speculate
>about the very unknown).

Yes very weak, and what particular 'rationale' is Vallee talking about here? It could be they are modifying the human race to "improve" it to their liking, through genetic engineering and selective breeding, the latter primitive humans have been doing with plants and animals for many thousands of years.

>4) If the history of UFO phenomena extends past the 1940s, into
>our far past, then the so-called analysis-hypothesis (that
>aliens are conducting a large scale survey of earth) does not
>pan out. IOW: if they've been here for thousands of years, their
>project should have ended much sooner.

(Another speculative argument)

Exceedingly dumb and weak debunking argument IMHO with a lot of implicit hidden assumptions about what would be studied or of interest. Home-grown human scientists have been surveying the earth in numerous ways for thousands of years and have still barely scratched the surface. There is more to "surveying" the Earth than mapping it geographically and geologically or collecting some plant and animal species (which are now estimated to be around 100 million, only a few percent which have been identified by human biologists). What about studying the humans and their multitude of cultures, civilizations, beliefs, languages, wars, economies, and inventions? That is ever-changing and keeps many, many thousands of human historians, sociologists, anthropologists, linguists, economists, political scientists, psychologists, economists, journalists, documentarians, and others permanently employed.

Aliens could have many motivations for studying Earth for thousands of years (just like humans).

>5) Anomalies in UFO reports that appear to go far beyond what >a physical object (flying saucer) could do.

>(For example - though he does not specify this example in the >paper - the Rendlesham Forest incident whereby a landed object >was witnessed by several people simultaneously to burst into >points of light and then disappear).

In other words, if Vallee can't understand how it would work, it can't be space aliens, but supernatural. How about a small probe designed to self-destruct if necessary, something we ourselves can do. But not space aliens, of course.

>Vallee then offers his own New Hypothesis:

Magical thinking and pseudoscience.

>"One such line of speculation has been advanced by Devereux >(1982) who has spoken of UFOs as "Earth Lights," an >unrecognized >physical, terrestrial phenomenon which impresses the >consciousness of the witnesses to take the form of a mental >image, possibly a mythological figure. Derr and Persinger have >extended Devereux' proposals.

Persinger, IMHO, is a scientific fraud, but convenient to cite to debunk UFOs. Devereux is similarly mostly handwaving arguments with no real credible scientific framework, even a speculative theory to back it up what he claims. The principles of flight to alien spacecraft must ultimately be grounded in sound physical theory and there are such physical theories by physicists and engineers, such as field propulsion or warp drive, speculative, but still based in present-day understanding of physics. Can the same be said for Devereux's intelligent Earth Lights? Is there even a remotely plausible physical theory that could explain how they might exist? Without this, we are back to magical thinking and supernatural causes.

It is much like so-called creation "science" or intelligent design "science". They intuit that life is too complex to have just arisen through random processes and natural selection, therefore evolution must be wrong, but can present to rational alternative theory for what we actually observe (hugely diverse chain of life and molecular biology extending back billions of years). All they have again are supernatural causes that are beyond science (i.e. "God").

Even if you buy into intelligent "earth lights", how does this explain the close encounters or landing cases, where people see clearly structured flying objects, beings, or there are physical interactions with the environment (such as EM interference) and physical evidence left behind, such as landing traces. How does an intelligent "earth light" create a photo of something clearly machine-like, stall cars, show up as solid blips on radar, or be something solid that you can go up to and touch (two examples: Rendlesham and Michalek)

>In the mid-70's I proposed to approach the UFO phenomenon as a >control system, reserving judgment as to whether the control >would turn out to be human, alien or simply natural. Such >control systems, governing physical or social events, are all >around us. They can be found in the terrestrial, ecological and >economic balancing mechanisms that rule nature, some of which >are well understood by science. This theory admits two >interesting variants: (1) An Alien intelligence, possibly earth- >based, could be training us towards a new type of ' behavior. It >could represent the "Visitor Phenome- non" of Strieber (1987) or >some form of "super-nature," possibly along the lines of a >"Gaia" hypothesis. (2) Alternately, in a Jungian interpretation >of the same theme, the human collective unconscious could be >projecting ahead of itself the imagery which is necessary for >our own long-term survival beyond the unprecedented crises of >the 20th century."

Again magical thinking and supernatural explanations that explain nothing. How exactly is this control mechanism supposed to work? You may as well call it God or the Devil or Q from StarTrek. This intelligence just does things by willing it,

never mind how. Never mind trying to predict anything with such a theory in order to test it.

For me, it's far easier to believe you are observing advanced technologies that we don't understand with our young physics. If some technological civilization has learned to travel outside of ordinary spacetime (as something like Heim/Roescher unified field theory would permit or in Alcubierre's "warp drive"), lots of things that seem impossible or mysterious become partly understandable. For example, something moving outside of our spacetime might seem to disintegrate or disappear or change form as it passes through our spacetime. Rapid interstellar travel might then be possible.

Other observed aspects of UFOs, often labeled by debunkers as impossible or violating laws of physics, are none of the kind. For example, high accelerations and sharp turns. Impossible? Hardly. We ourselves produce high acceleration flying objects, such as small missiles. E.g., reliable cases in which linear and angular accelerations of UFOs have been measured (e.g. Paul Hill's two sightings), have the accelerations topping out at about 100g. Our air-to-air missiles can pull 70g turns using advanced technology called a "rudder".

Sudden disappearance? Could be nothing more than high acceleration that the eye can't follow (as Hill suggested). Or maybe it's something more exotic and speculative, like slipping into another dimension and out of our spacetime.

Why aren't the beings inside crushed by the high accelerations? This implicitly assumes biological beings are at the controls. Could be computer controlled, robotically controlled, remotely controlled. Even if biological beings were inside, human beings can also briefly endure high accelerations (over 40g in rocket sleds, e.g.). And it would be theoretical possible to shield from inertial effects if antigravity or magnetic field propulsion was being employed.

How about supersonic flight without sonic boom--impossible? Again Paul Hill, Hermann Oberth, James McCampbell, and other scientists and engineers have discussed how airflow might be controlled to avoid sonic boom.

As Paul Hill wrote, nothing about the UFO cases he studied led him to conclude that they were necessarily operating outside of known physics. There is no need to invoke supernatural causes here, which again explain nothing.

>And concluded that his arguments and hypothesis are not intended
>to categorically refute the ETH (or the Natural Phenomena
>Hypothesis that is more widely accepted among scientists), but
>to augment them.

Well, we can't totally rule out such things, though I would deem the ETH highly more probable, i.e., a real known universe (not a hypothetical magical parallel reality) with likely many other intelligent civilizations, many of them much older than us with more advanced understanding of physics than our own, leading to Arthur C. Clark's famous saying that any sufficiently advanced technology will seem like magic to us.

>"Until the nature and origin of UFO phenomena can be firmly
>established it will naturally be possible to hypothesize that
>extraterrestrial factors, including undiscovered forms of
>consciousness, are playing a role in its manifestations."

Probably more mysterious than the machines themselves are the "mental aspects" of the phenomenon (mentioned clear back in 1950 in Wilbert Smith's infamous top-secret memo to the Canadian Dept. of Transport). These are often features of so-called high strangeness cases.

But I have a lot of problems with invoking something like "undiscovered forms of consciousness". What exactly does that mean? It's like reinvoking vitalism to explain life. Living things are alive because they have some mysterious life force that makes them alive. We never got anywhere with that one and I don't think we will get anywhere with unexplainable unknown conscious phenomena mysteriously creating UFO phenomena. How does consciousness create real physical objects that land on the ground and create impressions in the soil?

I'm not willing to invoke supernatural aspects to consciousness, not yet. Let's give neural and computer science another century or two before we start jumping to more magical conclusions about the nature of consciousness. Maybe if no headway has been made by then, maybe we will have to totally rethink our ideas about consciousness, but we aren't there yet.

It could be mental telepathy is just another advanced technology. E.g., Scientific American just published an article about how a radio receiver the size of a virus was made at U.C. Berkeley out of a single carbon nanotube. Reverse the reception and you have a radio transmitter. Slip receiver/transmitters into a representative sample of human neurons and you could conceivably monitor human brain activity in great detail, possibly knowing exactly what a person was thinking and even activitating thoughts in their brains by working in reverse.

See, an advanced technology possibly explaining a very puzzling phenomenon in a straight-forward way once you know how the magic trick is done. I doubt this would be the explanation for telepathy. But let's not go to magical thinking yet.

David Rudiak

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UFO Investigators Reveal Possible Otherworldly Relic
By Cid Standifer
Record Staff Writer

UFO investigators held a press conference at the Roswell Civic and Convention Center on Thursday to announce that they found... something.

"At this point, we don't know what it was or why it was there," said UFO investigator Chuck Zukowski. "I don't want to speculate."

"We want to announce to the world that this stuff needs further analysis," explained Dr. Bill Doleman, a retired archaeologist who supervised the dig where the items were found.

The artifacts were discovered in 2002 during a dig sponsored by the Sci Fi Channel, at a site where some eyewitnesses say a mysterious craft ricocheted off the ground in 1947.

Zukowski and his sister Debbie Ziegelmeier, state director of the Mutual UFO Network in Missouri, volunteered to help with the excavation, and found the object that has been most thoroughly analyzed. The tiny piece of silvery material came from a site where water tended to gather. Ziegelmeier was sifting through buckets of dirt when the object emerged, and she quickly clutched it to keep it from blowing away. The material began to curl up after it was exposed to sunlight. Ziegelmeier speculated that it might have been sensitive to light or heat, although Doleman suggested it may have started to dry out after it was taken out of the ground.

The item, along with other specimens found by the team, was stored at the University of New Mexico's Office of Contract Archaeology.

Zukowski said it took years for them to figure out whether they could run tests on the items.

"We didn't really know who had responsibility for these things," he said. "After reams of paperwork I was able to get a hold of it."

Zukowski examined the item using an electron microscope. He said that the microscope belonged to a microchip manufacturer in Albuquerque, and a recently-retired technician helped him use it, but he declined to identify either the company or the assistant, saying it might be unseemly for them to be involved.

Zukowski said he determined that the artifact was mostly

aluminum silicate. Other elements showed up in the sample, but he believes they are mostly from the microscope's surroundings or dirt that clung to the object.

Doleman said that aluminum silicate is not uncommon in nature, but the item was found on a limestone plateau, which is mostly calcium carbonate. There seemed to be nothing around that would contain or produce the compound.

Zukowski also took extremely close-up pictures of the artifact, capturing some features only a few microns long.

"We see some damage in here," he said, "and it's interesting that when you get down that small, you can see holes."

He also displayed an image of what looked like a tiny metallic whisker.

Zukowski, who designs microchips for a living, said that the features struck him as unusual.

"We know this thing definitely is not organic, number one," he concluded. "Number two, we know it's not indigenous."

The small silvery object was one of many that turned up during the dig. Doleman presented slides of what looked like a piece of PVC pipe and fragments of plastic, as well as what seemed to be leather and rubber from a shoe. Doleman said that they had not been analyzed, and he would like to confirm that they are what they seem to be.

"We want to figure out that they are using the best scientific methods available," he said.

The excavation also unearthed pieces of igneous rock that seemed out of place on the limestone plateau.

"They look like they may have been burned," noted Doleman. "Who knows what kind of burning a UFO creates when it smacks into the earth and then goes bouncing back up into the sky?"

The items that Doleman found most interesting were some orange blobs of material. Assaigai Analytical Laboratories Inc. in Albuquerque found that they were modacrylic adhesive, a heat-resistant synthetic copolymer. The Union Carbide Corporation was the first to produce modacrylic fiber in 1949.

Zukowski said the modacrylic adhesive might tie into an eyewitness account. One of the volunteer excavators was Nancy Easley Johnson, daughter of Maj. Edwin Easley, who was allegedly at the crash site. Easley told Johnson little about the incident, but mentioned orange debris.

"We'd like to get (the objects) identified, and see if they can shed light on what happened in that broad in-the-middle-of-nowhere pasture on the Foster Ranch in 1947," said Doleman. "We're looking for funding, and/or professional laboratories who would be able to take this stuff and try and identify it."

He said that there would be benefits for any lab willing to do pro-bono work, including publicity, possible information about useful alien technology, and "everybody in the UFO community will think they're really cool."

[Thanks to 'The Norm' for the lead]

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Subject: UFOs In The Media This Week

This Week's UFO News Stories For Your Perusal

UFOs: Do you believe?
WVEC.com (subscription) - Norfolk,VA,USA

A Virginia Beach man, Cameron Pack, says he's gotten Virginia Beach's UFO files. He says UFOs exist because he saw one. It was six years ago over a tree ...

<http://tinyurl.com/c6wpez>

Moonshine Swilling Aliens In The Hills Of Tennessee
The Chattanooga - Chattanooga,TN,USA

In response to Roy Exum's post concerning UFO's, I read an article in our local newspaper in 2007, about a guy in Newport, Tn., claiming a meteor fell in ...

http://www.chattanooga.com/articles/article_149938.asp

Two UFOs spotted in Haywards Heath
Mid Sussex Times - Haywards Heath,England,UK

The sighting at 11.20pm was posted on the website UK UFO sightings. On the previous evening at 10.25pm, Chris Turner reported seeing a disc-shaped object in ...

<http://tinyurl.com/cqfshp>

UFO sighting in Welton?
Daventry Express - Daventry,England,UK

Craig Taylor of Churchill Road said he saw a black object floating above Welton on Saturday night (April 25) at around 9.45pm. He said: "It had no light and ...

<http://tinyurl.com/cq32sx>

EBE/UFO sighting in British Columbia
Canadian National Newspaper - Toronto,Ontario,Canada

The following apparent UFO/alien sighting took place at 4:00 am on 2 February 2009 in Abbotsford, British Columbia, Canada. The witness was camping in the ...

<http://tinyurl.com/devbyy>

More UFO shocks in Highlands
Highland News - Inverness,Scotland,UK

By Donald Wilson A UFO alert in Inverness has sparked reports of

similar sightings on the same evening in another part of the Highlands. ...

<http://tinyurl.com/dmzhr6>

'Mystery lights' spark UFO alert
Lochaber News - Inverness,Scotland,UK

By Catherine MacGillivray LOCHABER and Inverness are both at the centre of a UFO alert with reports of similar sightings on the same night. ...

<http://tinyurl.com/cw5ego>

UFO sighting?
Tavistock Times Gazette - Devon,England,UK

A WALKER and her friend had a shock when they spotted a strange object flying over the moors last week. Tavistock resident Emma Cockayne witnessed the ...

<http://tinyurl.com/dxn915>

Bizarre lights were Chinese lanterns, not UFOs
Northern Echo - Darlington,England,UK

By Neil Macfarlane =BB UFO spotters have discovered that the truth really is out there - after sightings of strange lights in the sky were confirmed as ...

<http://tinyurl.com/dxn915>

Wrexham man films UFOs after his second sighting of mystery lights ...
Evening Leader - Wrexham,Wales,UK

WREXHAM'S reputation as a UFO hotspot has received another boost after an Evening Leader reader got in touch with video footage featuring a mysterious ...

<http://tinyurl.com/cox3fh>

Weird Looking Rock Sparks Mars Life Debate
ChattahBox - Boston,MA,USA

Outer Space (ChattahBox) =96 Once again UFO enthusiasts are excited at the prospect of life on Mars, after a new set of satellite images show what appears to ...

<http://tinyurl.com/d9j561>

Poland: UFO formation over Lublin
Allnewsweb.com - Sydney,NSW,Australia

In the last few months strange UFO formations have been seen over cities the globe over leading many UFO researchers to ask the question: What are alleged ...

<http://www.allnewsweb.com/page6756753.php>

And these from 'The Norm':

7th Annual PRUFOS Police Database Report For 2008

<http://www.prufospolicedatabase.co.uk/14.html>

How Should "Disclosure" Be Handled?

<http://tinyurl.com/dn52sw>

Invisibility Cloak Blurs Line Between Magic And Science (w/Video)

<http://www.physorg.com/news160409033.html>

The Space Giant Is Coming

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/science/nature/8029270.stm>

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Re: Debunkers & ETH

From: **Gerald O'Connell** <gac.nul>
Date: Fri, 1 May 2009 23:06:27 +0100
Archived: Fri, 01 May 2009 18:52:26 -0400
Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

>From: David Rudiak <drudiak.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Fri, 1 May 2009 12:24:15 -0700
>Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

>>From: J. Maynard Gelinas <j.maynard.gelinas.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Wed, 29 Apr 2009 17:02:31 -0400
>>Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

<snip>

>>3) Large scale abduction reports do not bolster the ETH, in fact
>>they argue against alien visitation because the rationale
>>presented for abduction phenomena do not represent even the
>>state of the art in human bioengineering - never mind a
>>technology far advanced from humans.

>>(IMO this is a weak argument, since it presumes to speculate
>>about the very unknown).

>Yes very weak, and what particular 'rationale' is Vallee talking
>about here? It could be they are modifying the human race to
>"improve" it to their liking, through genetic engineering and
>selective breeding, the latter primitive humans have been doing
>with plants and animals for many thousands of years.

<snip>

While I would be the first to argue against the employment of anthropocentric analogies in trying to discern a rationale for the evidence here, I can't help pointing out that if one were to do so, then the conclusions would be unflattering to humanity. Large scale abduction reports make perfect sense in the context of the ETH if we accept that our status is that of school biology lab insects and the status of the aliens is that of a sequence of high school (or maybe younger) students condemned to repeating the same experiments year in and year out.

My point is this: the arguments around this issue all carry a hidden assumption that, somehow, we are at the centre of things, and that the phenomenon is in some way about us and our planet. My suggestion is that we should be quite rigorous in abandoning such assumptions before we try to come to terms with the data.

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Gerald O'Connell
<http://www.onlyport.com>

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Re: 'Alien Skull' Spotted On Mars

From: **Joe Faccenda** <Uforth.nul>
Date: Fri, 1 May 2009 13:15:54 EDT
Archived: Sat, 02 May 2009 06:25:40 -0400
Subject: Re: 'Alien Skull' Spotted On Mars

>Source: The Daily Telegraph - London, England, UK

><http://tinyurl.com/MarsSkull>

>01 May 2009

>UFO spotters are claiming they have spotted an alien skull on
>Mars after NASA beamed back satellite images from the planet.

There was a term that at a certain times of year Newspapers
entered what was called 'The silly season'

Although in truth it is hard to separate when this season starts
and ends, as it appears to now be a constant.

A simple net search of anomalies that have been found on Mars
are of far more interest than this garbage purporting to be an
'Alien Skull' Around March or April in 2004 I found an object
that at least resembled a bird skull.

See: <http://www.uforth.com/bird%20skull.htm>

Who exactly are these UFO spotters? That are claiming it to
be alien I wonder?

Regards,

Joe Faccenda

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Evidence As A Rorschach Test

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <post.nul>
Date: Sat, 02 May 2009 06:53:21 -0400
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Subject: Evidence As A Rorschach Test

Source: Sarasota Herald-Tribune - Florida, USA

<http://tinyurl.com/CoxSeesUFOs>

Friday, May 1

Evidence As A Rorschach Test

By Billy Cox

Published: Friday, May 1, 2009 at 5:21 p.m.
Last Modified: Friday, May 1, 2009 at 5:21 p.m.

Denise Stoner, chief investigator of the Mutual UFO Network's Florida chapter, knows at least this much about a UFO confrontation: "You're kind of dumbfounded. The word 'camera' doesn't even cross your mind. Then when it's over, you think, why didn't I get my camera?"

Unless, of course, said events begin to occur with such regularity that you can anticipate and prepare. As may be the case with the apparent UFOs plying the night skies at high altitudes above southwest Florida.

On Monday evening, De Void planted a tripod and a grossly inadequate little camcorder in the back yard of an Englewood resident who's been reporting frequent nighttime activity lately. When two UFOs appeared and started cruising off the spine of Ursa Major, De Void stood daft as a scarecrow, giving nary a thought to logging the evidence.

The event's hosts =97 Jamie Havican and David Ryals of Venice =97 had seen it all before, and managed to grab video footage from a display several nights earlier. Unfortunately, between the camera jostling and the underexposure, the images were underwhelming.

So Ryals, who reported seeing half a dozen UFOs moving in all directions the following evening, directed De Void to http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3Dx7eB2i_pyxs. That's where someone near Artesia, N.M., posted images of nighttime UFOs recorded on April 19-20 that appear somewhat similar to the anomalies above Englewood Monday evening. The difference is, the photographer attached a pricey ATN Night Spirit Generation 2 night vision scope to his digital JVC recorder.

The footage doesn't prove anything, other than a) this New Mexico dude was clearly prepared, and b) in order to acquire images this clean, you're going to have to lighten your wallet. Besides, as Stoner says, people are probably going to see what they want to see, no matter what.

Stoner shares a story about what happened one evening near her home in Orlando. She and four others were emerging from an organized group-relaxation session at a strip mall around 10:30 p.m. That's when she says they were surprised to see a UFO

suspended in mid-air above a nearby telephone pole, no more than 120 feet off the ground.

"All of us were looking right at it," she says. The thing was in no particular hurry to boogie until they fanned out to their cars and agreed to reconvene and compare notes at a restaurant maybe a mile away.

Stoner insists she and another witness saw "a bright red domed object with a misty haze in front of it." Another said it was silvery and metallic. A fourth saw it "as a typical disc with a dome, with glittery stuff that shot out the bottom. And then it tipped over on its side and up it went."

The fifth eyewitness was a software engineer. Alleged eyewitness.

"He swears he didn't see a thing," Stoner reports. "Nothing. And he was right there with us."

In his case, a photo would've been irrelevant. Some people look at the Zapruder film and say the limo driver killed Kennedy.

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Re: Debunkers & ETH

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>From: J. Maynard Gelinus <j.maynard.gelinus.nul>
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>Mr. Bourdais,

>First of all, thank you for your response. I don't speak for Dr.
>Vallee, his words do that far better than me. I'd also like to
>say that I'm not a professional scientist, but am simply a lay
>person with an interest. But - that said - there are a few
>counterpoints I'd like to make in response to your reply.

>I'll try to summarize your argument as closely and honestly as I
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>processes and systems. Thus, a so-called 'spiritual' or
>'ethereal' origin hypothesis can not be tested and is - by
>definition - not even a hypothesis.

M. Gelinus,

I am a little surprised by your summary. I accept it but I find
it incomplete.

My first intent was to react to the five arguments of Jacques
Vallee against ETH. I see that David Rudiak has made an
excellent and detailed answer to them in another post, so I
won't to try to do that myself.

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exclude paranormal, or even spiritual dimensions. But such
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Ultimately to have any plausibility, a "supernatural",
"paranormal", "spiritual", "ethereal", "interdimensional", or
whatever-you-call-it hypothesis has to be grounded in some
physical theory.

This is easily done with the ETH. They live in the same universe
as us. They are made of the same stuff as us ruled by the same
physical laws. Our knowledge of the physical laws is incomplete,
so this gives potential wiggle room to explain some of the weird
aspects sometimes associated with UFOs. But basically, they are
like us, they are very likely out there somewhere, and no
physical law prevents them from finding us and getting here. It
is actually THE most conservative, scientific, and mainstream
theory for nonconventional origins of UFOs.

Not so with the other theories. Suppose demons exist. What is a
"demon" anyway? Well it's some nasty, malevolent, intelligent

being, but what else can you say about it? Is it made of matter like us controlled by the same physical laws? If so, then how is it different than an alien or extraterrestrial?

Where does it live or "exist"? In this universe? If so, then why isn't it just another type of alien or extraterrestrial? If it's "supernatural", what laws, physical or otherwise, govern the supernatural realm? (Without such constraints, the "supernatural" would be total chaos.) Are they the same or different than our own? If different, then how can such a being even exist in our universe or interact with us?

To give a computer analogy, a game played on a Wii will not work on an Xbox or Playstation: Different code, different processors, different rules. Mario and Luigi cannot interact with the characters in Grand Theft Auto even on the same computer. The coding makes them logically incompatible with one another. (Thus they exist in "parallel universes" within the computer that are causally and logically disconnected from one another.)

If Mario somehow became aware of Grand Theft Auto and wanted to insert himself into the action, how would he do it? Somehow, he would have to play with the rules of the computer operating system that keeps the two games operating independently of one another. Having done that, he would have to reprogram his character (perhaps as a doppelganger or agent) and insert this reprogrammed code for his character into Grand Theft Auto. This reprogrammed code for Mario would have to be logically compatible with the code for Grand Theft Auto characters or they couldn't interact.

So this "parallel universe", "supernatural", "ethereal", "interdimensional" stuff gets very complicated. Proponents just gloss over these problems as if they don't exist (most probably aren't even aware there are such problems), which is why I call them magical theories. With magic, you aren't bound by any definable rules. Demons and angels and heaven-knows-what exist, never-mind where or how they could exist. They can do whatever they want, never-mind how they do such things. Is this any way to run a railroad?

There are a lot of noisemakers out there, Ufology's young turks, beating their chests about how Ufology, particularly the older Ufologists, are wedded to the ETH and won't consider these wonderful alternative theories which are somehow supposed to explain UFOs better than the ETH, and which is supposed to be why little progress has been made in understanding them, etc., etc. If only we would free up our minds and consider these theories, then there will be great breakthroughs in our understanding.

To which I say, what a load of bunk! These alternative theories never get beyond the fuzzy, hand-waving, magical thinking stage. They tell us nothing. They explain nothing. They predict nothing. If anything, the so-called supernatural/paranormal/ethereal realm idea for strange creatures long predates the ETH. Such notions have been rebranded with modern-day physics buzzwords like "interdimensional", "transdimensional", "extradimensional", "parallel universe", or whatever, but it's still the same old, never-defined, Medieval magical kingdom inhabited by magical beings that has never gotten us anywhere and probably never will.

Is this the "New UFology"? Heaven help us!

David "Let's stick to science" Rudiak

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Archived: Sun, 03 May 2009 09:25:46 -0400
Subject: Re: Air Force Issued 'Shoot Down Orders'

>Source: Frank Warren's UFO Chronicles Blog

><http://tinyurl.com/ShootEmDown>

>Thu, 30 Apr 2009

>[Press Clippings]

>Air Force Issues 'Shoot Down Orders' For Flying Saucers
>(UFOs)!
>By Charleston Gazette

>7-29-1952

Thanks Frank, for posting another interesting historical UFO article. I have other versions (less complete) of these July 29, 1952, INS Shootdown stories at my website:

http://roswellproof.com/ShootDown_INS_72952.html

Also some context is provided in my Gen. Roger Ramey and UFOs essay:

http://roswellproof.com/ramey_and_ufos.html

As usual, the Air Force was lying and talking out of both sides of its mouth. E.g., in your article, they claim that only a "small percent" from reliable sources were unexplained. The same day, at the large press conference called in Washington to quell incipient panic, Ramey and USAF intelligence chief Gen. John Samford admitted that 20% were unexplained (the percentage at that time was actually more like 27%). Sorry, but that is not a "small percent." They also low-balled the number of reports. They had actually received over 2000 reports by that point, not "over 1000".

Furthermore, they claim that there was no evidence UFOs were a threat to national security. You don't scramble jets and order them to shoot down objects you don't consider at least potential threats to national security. Nor do you order jet scrambles and shoot-downs of hoaxes, meteorological phenomena, hysteria, and misinterpreted conventional objects, as they try to insinuate was all there was to UFOs. Ramey, who was Air Force operations officer at the time and in charge of the jet scrambles, admitted that there had been over 300 radar contacts and jet intercepts ordered as a result, but tried to downplay this, claiming all they would find would be something like flocks of geese.

I am also gathering some new shoot-down related articles obtained from electronic searches of digitized newspaper databases. (There is a wealth of UFO-related material in the nation's newspapers that digitizing of all the newspapers will finally make available to us. It is at least a million times faster to electronically search such databases than go through thousands of miles of microfilm scattered over hundreds of archives all over the country.)

One dates from July 30, 1952, and quotes Donald Keyhoe's take on the shoot-down order. (Keyhoe was at the press conference in

Washington.) The INS article in the Albuquerque Journal starts:

'Flying Saucers' Devices From Outer Space, Says Wartime Marine Pilot
by Maj. Donald E. Keyhoe

WASHINGTON, July 29 (INS) The Air Force order to try to shoot down the flying saucers is taken by some to mean fear of a Soviet secret weapon. No authority I know believes this is the answer.

If Russia had such a weapon, they surely would have delivered an ultimatum in the five years since the first report of flying saucers because such a weapon would mean complete control over any nation.

The real reason for the order to shoot down the saucers is to capture one of these objects as fast as possible before national hysteria results. I think officials are badly worried about the effects. If they could capture one of these and get the answer and reveal it to the public regardless of what the answer is, it would end the mystery....

Keyhoe goes on to explain he thinks UFOs are mostly remotely controlled space probes and also mentions working with a "Canadian official" (no doubt Wilbert Smith).

Here's another article, AP this time, also dated July 29, 1952, mentioning a head-on crash of two National Guard Mustangs on a training mission (both pilots "miraculously" survived). The relevant paragraph reads:

"Air National Guard authorities said Love... was in the air taking part in Operation Signpost, a nationwide test in which planes try to shoot down imaginary enemies."

Anybody out there ever hear or know more about "Operaton Signpost"?

The last is a Drew Pearson "Washington Merry-Go-Round" column from Jan. 19, 1954

It begins:

(WASHINGTON) It isn't being advertised, but the Air Force will send high-flying observation planes and guided missiles into the upper atmosphere for a closer look at the planet Mars in June when Mars will approach nearer to earth than in the last 13 years.

Flying saucer enthusiasts claim that the elusive saucers have always been spotted in greater numbers when Mars is close to the earth. The Air Force is skeptical about this, since no evidence has been uncovered linking flying saucers with other planets....

Meanwhile, the Air Force has compiled a special report, as yet unpublished, summing up its findings on flying saucers. This acknowledges that 20 per cent of the saucer reports "cannot be definitely associated with familiar things."

"The difficulty in evaluating these unexplained reports," according to the Air Force document, is based largely upon the insufficiency of accurate basic data, such as size, shape, composition, and flight characteristics of the objects . . .

"The majority of reports of aerial phenomena have come from civilians," continued the document. "About eight per cent come from civil airlines pilots, while approximately 25 per cent are reported by military personnel. Reports have been received also from highly qualified scientists."

The Air Force adds that it "has received many reports of unusual images of radarscopes," but points out that "it fairly well established that some of these images are ground objects reflected by a layer of warm air above the earth.

"No orders have been issued by the Air Defense Command to its

fighter units to fire on unidentified aerial phenomena," states the flying-saucer report. "The Air Defense Command is charged with air defense of the United States and its mission is to attack anything airborne which is known or appears to be hostile. This should not be interpreted to mean that our pilots will fire haphazardly on anything that flies..."

So in 1952, the Air Force admitted they had issued an order to shoot down the saucers if the pilots couldn't talk them down. (Which language were the pilots supposed to use to talk to them? Which bandwidth on their radio?) But in 1954, the Air Force was now saying no such order had been given, but of course we will shoot down anything that appears hostile. (This was almost the identical language used by Ramey back in 1952 in talking around the issue.)

In addition, we begin to see the emergence of Project Blue Book Special Report #14 here, which is probably being referenced. BBSR #14 indeed has 20+% of reports as unexplained (again spun by AF propagandameisters the next year as only a few percent). The percentage of military cases was more like 39%, not 25%, so the usual monkeying with the statistics and evasive doubletalk.

David Rudiak

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Who Built The Moon?

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Subject: Who Built The Moon?

For many years on UpDates I have followed arguments for and against ET in relation to UFOs.

But what if we could prove ET of some kind exists without being able to actually examine an alien body or craft?

What if the evidence became apparent by discovering the Moon was an unnatural artifact and engineered to sustain life here on earth?

I began considering this while listening to an internet interview with Alan Butler who with Christopher Knight wrote the book Who Built The Moon?.

I know this subject has arisen before on this List but I don't think it was ever successfully debunked and is surely worth another look.

I know it's a preposterous idea but when I read this book some years ago I considered these authors put forward enough intriguing evidence to get me scratching my head and wondering...

They claim to have discovered our Moon is about the most unlikely heavenly body imaginable. It is too large, too light in mass and has an 'impossible' orbit.

Scientific discoveries show that its existence has been pivotal to the development of life on Earth stabilising it so it sits at exactly the right angle to ensure an even warming of its surface. We know how tides and seasons have been vital to life and the Moon is now thought to maintain plate tectonics, which has allowed nutrients to be constantly released to the planet's surface, an essential to life.

Several thinkers have said that without the Moon, we certainly wouldn't be here which is a problem for all those astronomers who talk about extra-solar planets being found where life is probable - unless they all too have a convenient moon to make it happen.

Apparently we don't know how the Moon came to be there in the first place - the best idea they have is the 'big whack' theory which suggests the Earth was struck by a Mars sized body which gouged from the surface enough material to form the moon.

But this would have set the Earth spinning so fast that another collision with a celestial object is needed to explain how it slowed down - a trifle unlikely don't you think?

Then there is the co-incidence of eclipses - the fact that the Moon exactly covers the face of the sun. This is possible because the moon is exactly 1/400th the size of the sun and its orbit takes it to a position 1/400th of the distance between Earth and the Sun.

To add to this remarkable coincidence the authors observe that the Sun sets north of west at midsummer and the Moon sets south of west at the same time.

Knight and Butler came across number of numerical parallels. The Earth is 3.66 times larger than the Moon and takes 366 days to go around the Sun. The Moon, which orbits the Earth in 27.322 days, takes a very precise 10,000 days to complete 366 orbits.

Because the Moon was of course once very close to the Earth and is still moving away the authors speculate that these coincidences are set up to be discovered just at this time when they operate.

So... if the Moon was cosmically engineered in some vast project so Earth would incubate life, maybe we are, as Fort suggested, just 'property'.

And if UFOs have anything to do with all this, they may have as much right to be here as we have, because we may be part of their 4 billion year 'gardening' project and the Earth a kind of cosmic 'greenhouse'!

And because of our very recent arrival on this planet maybe we are not quite as important to the project as we think we are.

Dave Haith

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Who Built The Moon? - Author Interview

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New Dawn No. 96 May-June 2006)

Who Built The Moon?

An Interview With Christopher Knight

Many New Dawn readers will know of British writer Christopher Knight from his first book *The Hiram Key*, which he co-authored with Robert Lomas and published in 1996.

Quickly becoming a best seller, *The Hiram Key* was acclaimed a classic in the field of alternative history, going on to influence a generation of researchers among them *The Da Vinci Code's* Dan Brown.

In the last ten years Knight has written six books, four with Robert Lomas and two, including his latest *Who Built the Moon?*, with Alan Butler.

In *Who Built the Moon?*, Knight and Butler raise some fascinating and challenging questions, foremost: Could it be that the Moon is artificial? Could it even be hollow? And does the Moon really exist through some happy accident, or is a blueprint apparent - and if so, who was the architect?

New Dawn recently spoke with Christopher Knight about his controversial new book and his astonishing conclusions.

-- New Dawn

New Dawn: All of mankind's visits to the Moon have not answered some of the most basic questions about its origin and importance. Your new book *Who Built the Moon?* (co-authored with Alan Butler) brings to light some extraordinary facts about the Moon, and comes to a mind-blowing conclusion about its origin. Could you briefly outline some of these little known and ignored facts?

Christopher Knight: The Moon sits very close to the Earth yet it is widely regarded as the strangest object in the known universe. It is a bit like knowing that every person in the world is completely normal except the person you live next door to, who has three heads and lives on a diet of broken razor blades.

The book lists the strangeness of the Moon, which includes the fact that it does not have a solid core like every other planetary object. It is either hollow or has a very low-density interior. Bizarrely, its concentration of mass are located at a series of points just under its surface - which caused havoc with early lunar spacecraft. The material the Moon is made from

came from the outer surface of the Earth and left a shallow hole that filled with water and we now call the Pacific. This rock left the Earth to produce the Moon very quickly after our planet had formed around 4,6 billion years ago.

The Moon is not only extremely odd in its construction; it also behaves in a way that is nothing less than miraculous. It is exactly four hundred times smaller than the Sun but four hundred times closer to the Earth so that both the Sun and the Moon appear to be precisely the same size in the sky - which gives us the phenomenon we call a total eclipse. Whilst we take this for granted it has been called the biggest coincidence in the universe.

Furthermore, the Moon mirrors the movement of the Sun in the sky by rising and setting at the same point on the horizon as the Sun does at opposite solstices. For example, this means the Moon rises at midwinter at the same place the Sun does at midsummer. There is no logical reason why the Moon mimics the Sun in this way and it is only meaningful to a human standing on the Earth.

ND: What led you to write Who Built the Moon? And does this latest book relate to your earlier research when writing Civilization One and Uriel's Machine?

CK: All of the six books I have had published over the last ten years are part of a continued single piece of research. I came to write Who Built the Moon? with Alan Butler after we had finished Civilization One, because our research led us to study the Moon very closely.

We had found that the superbly advanced measuring system in use over 5,000 years ago was based on the mass, dimensions and movements of the Earth.

However, for thoroughness we checked every planet and moon in the solar system to see if there was any pattern. Amazingly, it worked perfectly for every aspect of the Moon but did not apply at all to any other known body - except the Sun.

It was as though we had found a blueprint where the Moon had been 'manufactured' using very specific units taken from Earth's relationship with the Sun. The more we looked, everything fitted - and fitted perfectly in every conceivable way.

ND: Most astoundingly, you found that an ancient system of geometry and measurement used in the Stone Age works perfectly on the Moon. What exactly is this system and how could the ancients have attained this knowledge?

CK: It is not possible to describe the greatness of this ancient system of geometry and measurement without repeating the content of Civilization One.

The work of Alexander Thom, a brilliant professor of engineering from Oxford University, was our starting point. He identified the existence of what he called the Megalithic Yard. This was a precise unit of measurement that was the basis of late Stone Age structures across Western Europe - such as Stonehenge. Most archaeologists have written his work off as a mistake but when one looks coldly at their objections they are baseless.

Alan and I were able to show how they made these highly precise linear units based on the rotation of the Earth and how they were also the basis of all time, capacity and weight units in use today. Once again these are exact - not approximations or close fits.

Where the ancients got such knowledge is quite baffling. All we can be certain of is that they were way ahead of us today! It's easy to check out by anyone with a calculator.

ND: Your conclusion is there are more than enough anomalies about the Moon to suggest it is not a naturally occurring body and was quite possibly engineered to sustain life on Earth. How did you reach this conclusion?

CK: Not only is the Moon an apparently impossible object, it has some unique benefits for us humans. It has been nothing less than an incubator for life. If the Moon was not exactly the size, mass and distance that it has been at each stage of the

Earth's evolution - there would be no intelligent life here. Scientists are agreed that we owe everything to the Moon.

It acts as a stabiliser that holds our planet at just the right angle to produce the seasons and keep water liquid across most of the planet. Without our Moon the Earth would be as dead and solid as Venus.

ND: If the Moon is an artificial construct, what are your theories on who or what built it, and why?

CK: In Who Built the Moon? we explain that we could not come to any other conclusion than the Moon is artificial. Because it is certain that it is 4.6 billion years old that raises some interesting points. Another factor was the obvious message that has been built into the Moon to tell us it's artificial. The language of the message is base ten arithmetic so it looks as though it is directed to a ten digit species that is living on Earth right now - which seems to mean humans.

The question of why the Moon had to be built is easy to answer: To produce all life, especially humans. As to who did it - well that's a lot tougher! We give the three possibilities we can think of, namely: God, aliens or humans. The only one of these that is 100% scientifically possible is the last one. Time travel is universally accepted as being physically possible and a number of scientists are close to sending matter back in time. We can envisage that machines could be built in the future that could be sent back to remove matter from the young Earth to construct the Moon - probably using mini black hole technology.

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>Source: The Daily Telegraph - London, England, UK

><http://tinyurl.com/MarsSkull>

>01 May 2009

>[Image]

>'Alien Skull' Spotted On Mars

>UFO spotters are claiming they have spotted an alien skull on
>Mars after NASA beamed back satellite images from the planet.

>At first glance it looks like a rocky desert - but this image of
>the Mars landscape has got space-gazers talking.

>An oddly shaped space boulder appears to show eye sockets and a
>nose leading to speculation it might be a Martian skull.

>Internet forums are full of chatter about the picture, taken by
>a panoramic NASA camera known as Spirit.

>One alien-spotter speculated: "The skull is 15 cm with binocular
>eyes 5 cm apart. The cranial capacity is approximately 1400 cc.

>"There appears to be a narrow pointed small mouth, so this
>creature most likely is a carnivore."

>Another joked: "The coronal ridge shows ample structure to
>support the musculature of antennae, although none are visible
>in this view.

>"The nose area is broad and blunted as you would expect to see
>in a cold and windy landscape. Is he decapitated or is he buried
>up to his neck?"

>Previous images of a skull spotted on Mars in 2006 were believed
>to have been the result of tampering.

>The famous Face on Mars, snapped by the Viking 1 spacecraft in
>1976, which showed the shadowy likeness of a human face was
>late, was found to be a trick of the light when the area was re-
>photographed in 1998.

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Potential Bigelow/MUFON Investigation?

From: David G. Iadevaia <api.nul>
Date: Sun, 3 May 2009 04:33:32 -0600 (MDT)
Archived: Sun, 03 May 2009 11:43:00 -0400
Subject: Potential Bigelow/MUFON Investigation?

>Source: The Roswell Daily Record - New Mexico, USA

><http://tinyurl.com/ResultsFromRoswellDig>

>4/30/2009

>UFO Investigators Reveal Possible Otherworldly Relic
>By Cid Standifer
>Record Staff Writer

Would this be the type of investigation for the Bigelow/MUFON project?

David
<http://www.davidiadevaia.com>

[David's site may be interest to USO researchers --ebk]

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Re: Debunkers & ETH

From: Ray Dickenson <r.dickenson.nul>
Date: Sun, 3 May 2009 14:49:04 +0100
Archived: Sun, 03 May 2009 12:45:00 -0400
Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

>From: David Rudiak <drudiak.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Sat, 2 May 2009 13:05:29 -0700
>Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

<snip>

>These alternative theories never get beyond the fuzzy,
>hand-waving, magical thinking stage. They tell us nothing. They
>explain nothing. They predict nothing.
<snip>

All very well, but science can't be done without data. We had a short-lived glimpse of genuine solid UFO data in the 'Secret NASA Transmissions' videos, intercepted by Martyn Stubbs, but since then it seems all downlinks have been encoded so that the citizens - who fund NASA - can't see what's really happening up there.

So, good luck with your 'science'.

Cheers

Ray

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Subject: Re: Who Built The Moon?

>From: Dave Haith <visions1.nul>
>To: UFO Updates <post.nul>
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Dave, All,

Methinks we will have to ask Slartibartfast this one <g>

Sean

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In an infinite universe infinitely anything is possible.
<http://www.tedric.demon.co.uk/>
Sean Jones

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Date: Sun, 3 May 2009 13:12:26 EDT
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>From: Carol Maltby <carolmaltby.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
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Oh for Pete's sake!

The headline alone puts this story in the Yuk It Up bin.

Stories like this either just precede or immediately follow UFO
news worthy of serious research.

I'm figuring that new Roswell debris story or some other
significant UFO related story kick started this nonsense.

Best,

Greg
ufomafia.com/blog

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I know exactly where this story was taken from, the Mars Forum:

<http://www.marsroverblog.com/discuss-128917-whos-this-bloke-on-mars.html>

The quoted text, etc. is all there. The image is from Spirit's
Pancam camera, sol 1871. This is the only place I've seen it
discussed so far.

Even if you disregard the "skull" feature, I agree the article is
badly written;

for example, the rover itself is called Spirit, not the camera.

Sheesh. :-)

Paul

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>>From: David Rudiak <drudiak.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Sat, 2 May 2009 13:05:29 -0700
>>Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

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>>These alternative theories never get beyond the fuzzy,
>>hand-waving, magical thinking stage. They tell us nothing.
>>They explain nothing. They predict nothing.

><snip>

>All very well, but science can't be done without data. We had
>a short-lived glimpse of genuine solid UFO data in the 'Secret
>NASA Transmissions' videos, intercepted by Martyn Stubbs, but
>since then it seems all downlinks have been encoded so that the
>citizens - who fund NASA - can't see what's really happening
>up there.

>So, good luck with your 'science'.

Denial of data is a whole other issue. The point is the ETH is within the realm of present day science. UFOs can (and have been) studied with standard scientific techniques. They coexist in our universe, are made of the same stuff, and must obey the same physical laws (even if we don't necessarily know the full nature of these laws).

Nobody knows quite how to study interdimensional beings, paranormal beings, supernatural beings, etc., even if we had all the data we could lay our hands on. If they exist and interact with us, then it needs to be explained what they are made of, how they interact, and how they might get here from some reality other than our own. These are huge hurdles in scientific study of such phenomena (if they exist).

Because of this, chatter by ETH critics that such study would be an enormous breakthrough in our understanding of UFOs show how little such people understand of the enormous problems associated with such theories. Supernatural theories go back tens of thousands of years and how much understanding have we achieved in all that time? There has never been a systematic study of the "supernatural" that might in some way define its nature in a scientific way. (Unless you think everything is ultimately governed by magic, then even the "supernatural" or "paranormal" should be orderly and definable, like our own universe.)

On the other hand, the ETH is less than a hundred years old and a number of scientists and engineers, even with the limited data on hand (and operating under the notion that they are physical, extraterrestrial craft), have gleaned a great deal of knowledge about their physics and maybe even their motives. NASA began

studying the idea of interstellar travel a decade ago under director Dan Golden, something that would have been considered heresy not long ago ("interstellar travel is impossible!"), so the idea is beginning to go mainstream.

Personally I am of the opinion that the government has long had hard physical evidence in the form of crashed craft and bodies. (The denial of important scientific data Ray speaks of.) I doubt that they think we are dealing with interdimensional leprechauns or human collective consciousness that magically manifests in visible but nonmaterial ways, leaving no trace behind.

David Rudiak

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Re: 'Alien Skull' Spotted On Mars

From: Bert Reijersen van Buuren <bert.nul>
Date: Sun, 3 May 2009 22:02:38 +0200
Archived: Sun, 03 May 2009 21:20:00 -0400
Subject: Re: 'Alien Skull' Spotted On Mars

>Source: The Daily Telegraph - London, England, UK

><http://tinyurl.com/MarsSkull>

>01 May 2009

>[Image]

>'Alien Skull' Spotted On Mars

>UFO spotters are claiming they have spotted an alien skull on
>Mars after NASA beamed back satellite images from the planet.

>At first glance it looks like a rocky desert - but this image of
>the Mars landscape has got space-gazers talking.

>An oddly shaped space boulder appears to show eye sockets and a
>nose leading to speculation it might be a Martian skull.

<snip>

Here:

<http://www.rjrsnvbrn.com/mars/westvalley/modelbotenenz.jpg>

is a part of a NASA Mars photo!

Can someone explain those items marked with "?" and those with
the name "modelboot" and "figuurtjes"?

Those "figuurtjes" are made of glass or something like that. I
can't explain how these two figures come on that object that
looks like a ship.

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Re: Potential Bigelow/MUFON Investigation?

From: **Bill Doleman** <wdoleman.nul>
Date: Sun, 3 May 2009 14:09:26 -0600
Archived: Sun, 03 May 2009 21:23:00 -0400
Subject: Re: Potential Bigelow/MUFON Investigation?

>From: David G. Iadevaia <api.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Sun, 3 May 2009 04:33:32 -0600 (MDT)
>Subject: Potential Bigelow/MUFON Investigation?

>Source: The Roswell Daily Record - New Mexico, USA

><http://tinyurl.com/ResultsFromRoswellDig>

>4/30/2009

>UFO Investigators Reveal Possible Otherworldly Relic
>By Cid Standifer
>Record Staff Writer

>Would this be the type of investigation for the Bigelow/MUFON
>project?

>David
><http://www.davidiadevaia.com>

>[David's site may be interest to USO researchers --ebk]

I think that would be entirely appropriate. In fact I'd be glad to prepare a proposal to explain and justify the analyses.

Cheers,

Bill Doleman

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Re: Who Built The Moon?

From: David Rudiak <drudiak.nul>
Date: Sun, 3 May 2009 13:17:28 -0700
Archived: Sun, 03 May 2009 22:25:00 -0400
Subject: Re: Who Built The Moon?

>From: Dave Haith <visions1.nul>
>To: UFO Updates <post.nul>
>Date: Sat, 2 May 2009 23:44:30 +0100
>Subject: Who Built The Moon?

>For many years on UpDates I have followed arguments for and
>against ET in relation to UFOs.

>But what if we could prove ET of some kind exists without
>being able to actually examine an alien body or craft?

>What if the evidence became apparent by discovering the Moon was
>an unnatural artifact and engineered to sustain life here on
>earth?

>I began considering this while listening to an internet
>interview with Alan Butler who with Christopher Knight wrote
>the book Who Built The Moon?.

>I know this subject has arisen before on this List but I don't
>think it was ever successfully debunked and is surely worth
>another look.

>I know it's a preposterous idea but when I read this book some
>years ago I considered these authors put forward enough
>intriguing evidence to get me scratching my head and
>wondering...

>They claim to have discovered our Moon is about the most
>unlikely heavenly body imaginable. It is too large, too light
>in mass and has an 'impossible' orbit.

>Scientific discoveries show that its existence has been pivotal
>to the development of life on Earth stabilising it so it sits
>at exactly the right angle to ensure an even warming of its
>surface.

Actually, the surface is warmed more "evenly" if the Earth's
axis of rotation was perpendicular to the plane of its orbit,
instead of tilted at 23 deg.

I think the argument is that the large moon stabilizes the angle
of tilt so that it doesn't wander over eons of time, like is the
case with Mars. Still, I'm not sure it has been established that
such wanderings would rule out the development of complex life
forms, just make shifts in climate more extreme over millions of
years, which life might adapt do by natural selection or just
simple migration.

>We know how tides and seasons have been vital to life

Seasons are not vital to life. Life does just fine in the
tropics where there is little variation in the seasons. Perhaps
the stress of adapting to seasonal variations pushed along
natural selection, but this isn't a given. The same might be
said for long-term climactic variation as a stressor, but that
would contradict the thesis that a stable axis tilt is necessary
for life.

Tides may have encouraged the development of land life forms, but this isn't a given either. If anything, in the early days, when the Moon was much closer to Earth, the tides would have been monstrous, which would have discouraged tidal life forms if not made them impossible. These would likely have arisen later when the moon had receded and the tides were more like they are today.

>and the Moon is now thought to maintain plate tectonics, which
>has allowed nutrients to be constantly released to the planet's
>surface, an essential to life.

There might be something to this. The argument I just read on the Net is that the collision that formed the Moon blasted two thirds of the Earth's primeval crust out into space (forming the Moon). If you brought this back to Earth, the ocean basins would be filled up and the Earth would become a water world with very little land. Furthermore, the thicker crust would lock up crustal motion. The fact that we have large chunks of land (continents) that move around is due to the Moon.

Incidentally, Butler and Knight also claim the Pacific Ocean basin is the scar left from the collision, which scientists say is total bunk. For one thing, the Pacific Ocean is geologically much younger than this.

>Several thinkers have said that without the Moon, we certainly
>wouldn't be here which is a problem for all those astronomers
>who talk about extra-solar planets being found where life is
>probable - unless they all too have a convenient moon to make
>it happen.

>Apparently we don't know how the Moon came to be there in the
>first place - the best idea they have is the 'big whack'
>theory
>which suggests the Earth was struck by a Mars sized body which
>gouged from the surface enough material to form the moon.

Our solar system probes show similar massive collisions happening throughout the solar system. So such collisions aren't by themselves unusual in the formation of a solar system. What may be unusual is that the collision believed to have formed the Moon was more of a "gentle" glancing blow, allowing most of the colliding Mars-size body to be swallowed by the proto-Earth and kicking out crustal debris into orbit to accrete into the Moon.

How rare this is I can't say. Maybe it knocks the odds of intelligent life elsewhere down a bit, but I seriously doubt such grazing collisions have not occurred numerous times elsewhere in the galaxy, much less the universe.

>But this would have set the Earth spinning so fast that another
>collision with a celestial object is needed to explain how it
>slowed down - a trifle unlikely don't you think?

I don't know about this statement either. My own crude calculations of a very complex problem show that angular spin probably would not have changed much in such a collision. The main critical variable is the orbital angular momentum of the colliding body. The authors seem to be assuming much of this would be transferred to the spin angular momentum of the Earth. But most of the angular momentum of the system (angular momentum has to be conserved) would reside in the orbital angular momentum of the new fused proto-Earth, with probably most of the rest in the orbital angular momentum of the material kicked out into space (what eventually accretes into the Moon).

In addition, there would be massive tidal interactions between the new, nearby proto-Moon and the Earth, which would slow down the Earth's spin and transfer the lost spin angular momentum to the orbital angular momentum of the Moon, causing it to recede (a process that still goes on today in greatly reduced form). In short, the Moon itself would cause the Earth's spin to slow down, with no need for another collision.

>Then there is the co-incidence of eclipses - the fact that the
>Moon exactly covers the face of the sun. This is possible
>because the moon is exactly 1/400th the size of the sun and
>its orbit takes it to a position 1/400th of the distance between
>Earth and the Sun.

This is just that, a remarkable coincidence, nothing more. The Moon's orbit is also eccentric, taking it closer and further away from the Earth, so it is not "exactly" anything. Sometimes the angular size of the Moon matches or is slightly larger than the Sun and we have a total eclipse. But there are also solar eclipses where the angular size is smaller and we don't get a total eclipse. (These are called annular eclipses.)

Total eclipses also happened earlier in the Earth's history when the Moon was closer and the angular size of the Moon was always larger than the Sun. Dinosaurs and trilobites saw total eclipses too. They aren't timed specifically for humans to observe today.

>To add to this remarkable coincidence the authors observe that
>the Sun sets north of west at midsummer and the Moon sets south
>of west at the same time.

I fail to see why this is remarkable or significant. The Moon's orbit is inclined to the plane of orbit of the Earth (by about 5 degrees) and also precesses, as does the Earth's axis of rotation, so what they consider a remarkable seasonal coincidence is just an accident of our present-day observations. It changes over the millenia.

>Knight and Butler came across number of numerical parallels. The
>Earth is 3.66 times larger than the Moon and takes 366 days to
>go around the Sun. The Moon, which orbits the Earth in 27.322
>days, takes a very precise 10,000 days to complete 366 orbits.

Well now we're down to numerology. Not to put too fine a point on it, it actually takes 365.2424 days for the Earth to go around the Sun, not 366 (which is a rounded off leap year). Odd how the authors are so precise with the decimal points on the Moon's orbital period and so sloppy on the Earth's orbital period. If you take a real earth year, 365.2424 times 27.322 gets you 9979.12, not a "very precise" 10,000 days.

Even taking 366 times 27.322 you get 9999.85, which is close, but not precise, and so what? 10,000 is an arbitrary number based on our base 10 system, based on our 10 fingers. Are they claiming the artificial Moon resulted in our having 10 fingers? Yes, apparently they do in some odd way. You see, they also hypothesize (see accompanying Updates post) that future humans traveled back in time to create the Moon so that humans could exist in the first place.

It is also arbitrary because the orbital period of the Moon has changed over time and continues to slow down. If they had waited a hundred million years or so, the period would have slowed down just enough so that they could multiply it times the real Earth year and come up with "precisely" 10,000. I'm sure future numerologists will make something of that also.

>Because the Moon was of course once very close to the Earth
>and is still moving away the authors speculate that these
>coincidences are set up to be discovered just at this time
>when they operate.

Part of their future humans created the Moon theory. Hmmm, except it seems the "coincidences" don't really coincide with our thinking about this right now, such as their bogus 10,000 calculation above, which will only work right in the distant future.

>So... if the Moon was cosmically engineered in some vast project
>so Earth would incubate life, maybe we are, as Fort suggested,
>just 'property'.

>And if UFOs have anything to do with all this, they may have as
>much right to be here as we have, because we may be part of
>their 4 billion year 'gardening' project and the Earth a kind of
>cosmic 'greenhouse'!

>And because of our very recent arrival on this planet maybe we
>are not quite as important to the project as we think we are.

Sounds like the authors have been taking a few cues from The Hitchhiker's Guide To The Universe, where not only the Moon but the Earth were engineering projects.

Such speculations may be fun, but not really credible science.

David Rudiak

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Source: The L.E.M.U.R Site - Head Chezzetcook, Nova Scotia, Canada

<http://shadowboxent.brinkster.net/LEMUR/MexicoCreatureReport.html>

May 1, 2009

[Photo]

The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico
By Joshua P. Warren

An Alien? A Chupacabra? A New Animal? A Mutant? A Hoax?

In February of 2009, I was a speaker at the International UFO Congress in Laughlin, Nevada. This is the largest UFO conference in the world. At this event, Mexican journalist and mystery investigator Jaime Maussan made an astounding announcement. It was the buzz of the entire event.

Jaime showed photos of a creature that had recently been captured in Mexico. He said scientific studies had demonstrated this was no hoax, and no creature known to science. We, in the audience, were given the special opportunity to see the initial evidence. However, he was not ready to release any of the images publicly until the research progressed further. I followed the story. And now, for the first time, I have been given permission, by Jaime, to show you one photo (of two in my possession) online and share the following facts, as I have interpreted them, according to him. The story is still incomplete, and many questions remain, but here is what I have so far:

Sometime around May 11, 2007, a wealthy Mexican rancher named Marao Lopez found this creature, less than one foot tall, in a steel trap. The property was in Metepec, a suburb of Toluca, the state capital of Mexico State in Mexico. There was no vast wilderness or jungle nearby, making the find even stranger.

The creature was alive, shrieking and scared. A small group of men took it back to the ranch. They marveled over it and took many photographs. The creature was found around 5pm in the evening, and (for reasons not yet made clear) the ranchers decided to kill and preserve it the morning of the third day, approx. 36 hours later. They dunked it in water for a few minutes, but it emerged alive, still screaming. They dunked it a second time--longer, but it again regained consciousness. They dunked it a third time, for many hours, and it finally drowned. It's ability to survive so long underwater has made many feel it was amphibious.

Within days, word about the strange creature had gotten to Jaime. As it turns out, one of the two best witnesses who observed the creature alive was a man Jaime knew well and trusted. In fact, Jaime had known the man since the man was a child. This witness swore that, while alive, the creature looked exactly as it appears in the photo you see--hairless and anguished.

Jaime considered Marao Lopez an honorable man. Since Lopez was wealthy, and money was never mentioned as a variable in this situation, Jaime sees no motivation for a hoax. Jaime requested access to the body, now mummifying, for tests at various universities. Around this period of time, Marao Lopez died mysteriously. He was reportedly found in a burned car on the side of the road, charred to a crisp. The temperature of the fire supposedly far exceeded that of a normal car wreck. Jaime says "he was assassinated," but does not know whether or not the death of Lopez is related to the creature. Apparently, details regarding the death are still not clear, and shrouded in local issues.

As Jaime arranged various tests, Lopez's widow retained primary physical possession of the creature until late in 2008. At that time, she gave it to Jaime to pursue more thorough examinations. Jaime says "this is very serious," and he has been patient and careful in how news of the creature is released, building the most solid scientific database before presenting it to the world.

He said the first group of scientists, from a local university, to see the creature, consisted of an "anthropologist, a pathologist, a forensic expert, an odontologist [sic]." There was crude DNA analysis done, and there was no match with any creature on file. At that time, two of the experts speculated this could be a "skinned monkey." However, they conceded that it bore characteristics that did not match a monkey. Its number of teeth, type of teeth, and number of bones in the spine did not match a primate. The teeth also did not have roots (like some reptiles and fish), and the ankle section looked entirely human.

Around mid-April, 2009, Jaime took the specimen to Dr. Jesus Higuera, head of the Imaging Department at the Mexican Institute of Nutrition. There, the mummified creature was scanned with the best 3-D computer tomography on the continent, for a thorough look inside the body. Jaime says Dr. Higuera "was absolutely amazed." Compared to the skull, he said the back of the brain was larger, and more sophisticated, than any other creature known. There was no explanation for the specimen, and the scientist concluded it was definitely not a primate, and probably a new species. Jaime says Higuera's staff feels this is in fact an adult, as opposed to an infant, as originally presumed due to its stature. Jaime said it was most likely a "very smart creature."

Now, the creature has been sent to Spain, undergoing the best DNA analysis in the world by one of the field's top experts, Dr. Jose Antonio Lorente of the University of Granada. As soon as the results are finalized, and all facts are compiled, there will be a world press conference in Spain, Mexico, or both, to unveil all the findings for the full scrutiny of the scientific community.

Though Jaime is conservative in his claims, he notes the area in which the creature was found is especially interesting. There have been numerous reports and videos/photos of UFOs, aliens, and crop circles nearby. In 1994, one man captured video footage of a "bright creature" in a cornfield at night. Could this be a portal? Jaime definitely calls it a "very hot spot" and "very mysterious place."

We'll see what the final scientific results are, but for now, the trusted eyewitness testimony from those who saw the creature alive is enough for Jaime. He's confident when he says "this is not a hoax."

I will update this report as new information surfaces and permission is given to publish more photos.

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<http://tinyurl.com/RojasOnKaku>

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Respected Theoretical Physicist And Author Gives Paranormal Presentation

Being a fan of science, and especially of the astonishing possibilities that science promises, theoretical physics is right up my alley. The superstar of many documentaries related to future technologies and cosmology is physicist Michio Kaku.

Kaku is a graduate of Harvard and received his PhD at Berkley. He teaches at City University of New York. His biggest claim to fame is string theory. I would try to describe it, but admittedly it is way over my head. It has something to do with multiple dimensions. Believing to have found such an abstract truth about reality, it's no wonder he should open his mind up to other possibilities.

I was already a big fan of his work when he was featured along with the Mutual UFO Network on a recent ABC Primetime special called Seeing is Believing. In my position as MUFON's Director of Public Education, I also handle media relations, helping the media with their stories. I worked with ABC on this special, they filmed at our Symposium last summer. The crew seemed great. However, I was still hesitant. Primetime had made a special a few years earlier that we had helped them with. It was a terrible example of journalism and left out a lot of facts, and although MUFON spent a lot of time helping them, they did not even acknowledge us.

I was happy to see that this special turned out better. They didn't use a lot of what we gave them and for some reason used a lot of old footage from the earlier special. I was happy that they used footage from a press conference that I had put together, and they had our Director of Research talking about one of our best cases. However, my favorite part of the special was the end. After covering an amazing UFO sighting by pilots, Michio Kaku made the closing comments. He said, sure 90% of the UFO sightings are probably misidentified and prosaic. However, the other 10%, he continued, beckons further exploration and serious attention from the scientist community, so let their investigations begin.

Kaku's ending statement was great. So I was very excited to hear that he was coming to Denver for a book signing at the Tattered Cover downtown. The title of his new book is Physics Of The Unknown. The title sounded intriguing. I had decided to wait until the signing to purchase the book. Little did I know that this event would turn out to be one of the best paranormal lectures I have attended.

I attend a lot of paranormal lectures, and most of my favorites

are from PhD's. I just wasn't expecting it this time. I knew I would hear fascinating things about quantum physics and black holes, and I was hoping he would touch on the possibility of traveling faster than light. But it was much better than expected. He did cover faster than light travel, and he also included extraterrestrial civilizations, the probability that they exist and the possibility of their presence here right now. He reiterated the importance of conventional scientific institutions to take it serious.

He didn't stop there, he also covered telepathy and psychokinesis. He even gave examples of their integration into modern technology. You'll have to read his book to find out more.

I was shocked and ecstatic about his talk. I don't really get excited about celebrities, but I was certainly a little star struck when I got to the his book signing table. I mentioned my association with MUFON and our goal of scientific investigation and I mentioned a symposium we want to have with physicists. I told him that the big issue we want to tackle is an assertion by the Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence. They are the guys with all of the big satellite dish antennas and were featured on the movie "Contact". SETI scientists say that the distances are so vast between solar systems that there is no way another civilization could have traveled so far.

Michio Kaku's response when I told him our goal to counter that argument was great. He told me that he is no friend to SETI, and that they are a bunch of astronomers so what do they know about physics.

Exactly!

Michio's website:

<http://mkaku.org/>

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>><http://tinyurl.com/ShootEmDown>

>>Thu, 30 Apr 2009

>>[Press Clippings]

>>Air Force Issues 'Shoot Down Orders' For Flying Saucers

>>(UFOs)!

>.>By Charleston Gazette

>>7-29-1952

>Thanks Frank, for posting another interesting historical UFO
>article. I have other versions (less complete) of these July 29,
>1952, INS Shootdown stories at my website:

<snip>

>In addition, we begin to see the emergence of Project Blue Book
>Special Report #14 here, which is probably being referenced.
>BBSR #14 indeed has 20+% of reports as unexplained (again spun
>by AF propagandameisters the next year as only a few percent).
>The percentage of military cases was more like 39%, not 25%, so
>the usual monkeying with the statistics and evasive doubletalk.

The percentage of unknowns in the military cases was even larger
that in the civilian: about 1/3 of the military cases were
unkown.

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Re: Debunkers & ETH

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <alienview.nul>
Date: Sun, 3 May 2009 20:30:40 -0500
Archived: Mon, 04 May 2009 06:59:00 -0400
Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

>From: David Rudiak <drudiak.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Sun, 3 May 2009 10:41:03 -0700
>Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

>>From: Ray Dickenson <r.dickenson.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Sun, 3 May 2009 14:49:04 +0100
>>Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

>>>From: David Rudiak <drudiak.nul>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>>Date: Sat, 2 May 2009 13:05:29 -0700
>>>Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

>><snip>

>>>These alternative theories never get beyond the fuzzy,
>>>hand-waving, magical thinking stage. They tell us nothing.
>>>They explain nothing. They predict nothing.

>><snip>

>>All very well, but science can't be done without data. We had
>>a short-lived glimpse of genuine solid UFO data in the 'Secret
>>NASA Transmissions' videos, intercepted by Martyn Stubbs, but
>>since then it seems all downlinks have been encoded so that the
>>citizens - who fund NASA - can't see what's really happening
>>up there.

>>So, good luck with your 'science'.

>Denial of data is a whole other issue. The point is the ETH is
>within the realm of present day science. UFOs can (and have
>been) studied with standard scientific techniques. They coexist
>in our universe, are made of the same stuff, and must obey the
>same physical laws (even if we don't necessarily know the full
>nature of these laws).

>Nobody knows quite how to study interdimensional beings,
>paranormal beings, supernatural beings, etc., even if we had all
>the data we could lay our hands on. If they exist and interact
>with us, then it needs to be explained what they are made of,
>how they interact, and how they might get here from some reality
>other than our own. These are huge hurdles in scientific study
>of such phenomena (if they exist).

>Because of this, chatter by ETH critics that such study would be
>an enormous breakthrough in our understanding of UFOs show how
>little such people understand of the enormous problems
>associated with such theories. Supernatural theories go back
>tens of thousands of years and how much understanding have we
>achieved in all that time? There has never been a systematic
>study of the "supernatural" that might in some way define its
>nature in a scientific way. (Unless you think everything is
>ultimately governed by magic, then even the "supernatural" or
>"paranormal" should be orderly and definable, like our own
>universe.)

>On the other hand, the ETH is less than a hundred years old and
>a number of scientists and engineers, even with the limited data
>on hand (and operating under the notion that they are physical,
>extraterrestrial craft), have gleaned a great deal of knowledge
>about their physics and maybe even their motives. NASA began
>studying the idea of interstellar travel a decade ago under
>director Dan Golden, something that would have been considered
>heresy not long ago ("interstellar travel is impossible!"), so
>the idea is beginning to go mainstream.

>Personally I am of the opinion that the government has long had
>hard physical evidence in the form of crashed craft and bodies.
>(The denial of important scientific data Ray speaks of.) I doubt
>that they think we are dealing with interdimensional leprechauns
>or human collective consciousness that magically manifests in
>visible but nonmaterial ways, leaving no trace behind.

It makes more sense, then, to think in terms of "UFO" as the
concept more completely satisfying Occam, and not "UAP" which
doesn't have to exist, really, at all.

We embrace the more scientific actuality and eschew the diluting
and politically correct conjecture.

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Date: Sun, 3 May 2009 22:57:43 EDT
Archived: Mon, 04 May 2009 08:01:00 -0400
Subject: Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

>Source: The L.E.M.U.R Site - Head Chezzetcook, Nova Scotia, Canada

><http://shadowboxent.brinkster.net/LEMUR/MexicoCreatureReport.html>

>May 1, 2009

>[Photo]

>The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico
>By Joshua P. Warren

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>In February of 2009, I was a speaker at the International UFO
>Congress in Laughlin, Nevada. This is the largest UFO conference
>in the world. At this event, Mexican journalist and mystery
>investigator Jaime Maussan made an astounding announcement. It
>was the buzz of the entire event.

>Jaime showed photos of a creature that had recently been
>captured in Mexico. He said scientific studies had demonstrated
>this was no hoax, and no creature known to science.

<snip>

Now this will be an interesting investigation to watch. Unlike many others, the physical evidence is in custody. According to the story numerous tests are being done by professionals and I'm sure after they're done and reveal their findings and conclusions more tests will be done.

The death of the wealthy landowner who discovered this creature is another mystery to be solved. It may or may not be related but again, it will take investigations to determine what's happened.

I'm hoping the typical thing won't happen and the remains of this critter suddenly and mysteriously disappear.

So good ol' Jaime Maussan's got another edge of the seat mystery on his hands and we'll all have to wait and see what comes of it.

I'm happy that the tests were done before this discovery was announced and judging from the picture it's an interesting looking object. I could forward that image website link to pals out here in Hollywood who design top special effects but I'll wait to see what Jaime comes up with.

Good to see more focus on physical evidence. In UFology we need to focus now on more physical evidence. Although this case is more cryptozoological, it still shows the importance of something you can hold in your hands. We have overwhelming amounts of all the other forms of evidence from stories to documents to imagery but now it's time to focus our attention on the hard physical evidence.

Best,

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>Ultimately to have any plausibility, a "supernatural",
>"paranormal", "spiritual", "ethereal", "interdimensional", or
>whatever-you-call-it hypothesis has to be grounded in some
>physical theory.

David,

While I agree with your broader point, consider that there are at least some aspects of our existence - consciousness itself being the quintessential example - that are not grounded in any physical theory (at least not yet).

Nevertheless, I do not give serious consideration to the idea that UFOs are meta-physical in the literal sense, primarily because, as you point out, there are plausible physical explanations available (e.g., the ETH).

>This is easily done with the ETH. They live in the same universe
>as us. They are made of the same stuff as us ruled by the same
>physical laws. Our knowledge of the physical laws is incomplete,
>so this gives potential wiggle room to explain some of the weird
>aspects sometimes associated with UFOs. But basically, they are
>like us, they are very likely out there somewhere, and no
>physical law prevents them from finding us and getting here. It
>is actually THE most conservative, scientific, and mainstream
>theory for nonconventional origins of UFOs.

This conclusion obviously depends on what classes of phenomenon are included in the term "UFOs", and what is meant by "non-conventional". If accounts of landed craft with non-human occupants, abductions, etc., are accepted as genuine (non-hallucinatory), then what would constitute a "conventional" explanation?

For those who consider the evidence for such dramatic encounters to be inadequate, but who nevertheless consider the overall evidence for at least some genuine anomalies to be compelling, the most conservative hypothesis might be some kind of unknown, passive (non-intelligent) natural phenomenon.

This brings up an interesting question: which are the evidentially strongest cases that indicate purposeful intent, if not innate intelligence per se, in the behavior of UFOs? The 1957 RB-47 case comes to mind, for example.

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>There are a lot of noisemakers out there, Ufology's young turks,
>beating their chests about how Ufology, particularly the older
>Ufologists, are wedded to the ETH and won't consider these
>wonderful alternative theories which are somehow supposed to

>explain UFOs better than the ETH, and which is supposed to be
>why little progress has been made in understanding them, etc.,
>etc. If only we would free up our minds and consider these
>theories, then there will be great breakthroughs in our
>understanding.

Such clamoring is certainly not confined to ufology. For example, in the above replace "ufology" with "quantum physics" and "ETH" with "Copenhagen Interpretation". A substantial number of modern physicists would sympathize with the "young turks" in such a formulation. Justifiably so, in my opinion.

However, in the case of ufology, I must agree that the anti-ETH position seems simply obtuse, on the basis of the mediocrity principle alone. The additional notion that the ETH is somehow 'holding up progress' in ufology is even more tenuous.

Regards

Mike

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An Argentine One Million-Signature Goal

From: **Scott Corrales** <lornis1.nul>
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Archived: Mon, 04 May 2009 12:22:49 -0400
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The Journal of Hispanic Ufology

May 4, 2009

Argentina: A One Million-Signature Goal

By Scott Corrales

INEXPLICATA contributing editor Guillermo Gimenez sent us an e-mail this morning with regard to a news item in El Popular On-Line:

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about the one million signatures to be collected by Argentina's UFO research community, asking President Christina Kirchner to declassify the nation's voluminous UFO holdings. The researchers involved in this gargantuan effort are known to readers of this publication: Silvia Perez Simondini of the VISION OVNI group, Elias Kolev, Quique Mario of the defunct CEUFO organization, Carlos Iurchuk, Salvatore Carta and many, many others.

The article =96 written by Patxi LaFata and dated 05.03.09 =96 states that this meeting was held at Perez Simondini's headquarters, the Museo OVNI in the city of Victoria.

"It was marvelous", LaFata quotes Simondini as saying, "we were all on the same frequency, there was no discord, and quite the contrary, everyone supported the initiative and voted positively. It was an unforgettable experience with first rank professionals from all parts of the country, who gathered under the idea of meeting, exchanging ideas and creating something new."

Through her museum and Internet-based radio show, Simondini is doing her level best to insure that matters concerning UFOs and ufology are made known to all Argentineans and researchers around the world.

The new organization formed as a result of this gathering is to be known as CEFORA and will lobby for the declassification of UFO materials.

The project will require a minimum of one hundred thousand citizen signatures =96 the amount needed to attract the attention of a legislator or political figure interested in sponsoring the endeavor. "Subsequently", adds Simondini, "the amount of one million signatures will be needed for the matter to be discussed" in the Argentinean Congress. Not an easy task.

CEFORA's petition calls for "...those in charge of the National Ministry of Defense, the National Presidency and the Chamber of Deputies to declassify all information pursuant to the UFO phenomenon in Argentina regardless of any regional initiatives that may be underway."

We wish this new organization the best of luck in securing this goal, and will continue to apprise our readers of its progress.

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Date: Mon, 4 May 2009 12:26:35 EDT
Archived: Mon, 04 May 2009 12:57:19 -0400
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Now that's being proactive to the second power!

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Hello both,

our arguments show how we humans have a weakness for exclusive categorizing, But, like Azimov said, there are no sharp dividing lines in nature.

Apparent nuts'n'bolts craft that can also fade out or 'instantly' disappear, to reappear 'almost instantly' elsewhere?

These could be understood as 'rational', but only if we admit there are laws of nature we don't yet know.

Cheers

Ray D

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Re: 'Alien Skull' Spotted On Mars

From: Bert Reijersen van Buuren <bert.nul>
Date: Mon, 4 May 2009 19:29:50 +0200
Archived: Mon, 04 May 2009 14:34:54 -0400
Subject: Re: 'Alien Skull' Spotted On Mars

>Source: The Daily Telegraph - London, England, UK

><http://tinyurl.com/MarsSkull>

>01 May 2009

>[Image]

>'Alien Skull' Spotted On Mars

>UFO spotters are claiming they have spotted an alien skull on
>Mars after NASA beamed back satellite images from the planet.

<snip>

I almost forgot this:

There are more of those 'Alien Skulls' in Mars Photos...

Mars: West Valley.

<http://photojournal.jpl.nasa.gov/catalog/PIA10214>

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Re: Doleman Reveals Possible Otherworldly Relic

From: **Kathy Kasten** <catraja.nul>
Date: Mon, 4 May 2009 18:27:14 +0000
Archived: Mon, 04 May 2009 15:35:00 -0400
Subject: Re: Doleman Reveals Possible Otherworldly Relic

>Date: Fri, 1 May 2009 17:35:00 -0400
>To: ufo-updates-list.nul
>From: post.nul
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Doleman Reveals Possible Otherworldly Relic

>Source: The Roswell Daily Record - New Mexico, USA
><http://tinyurl.com/ResultsFromRoswellDig>
>4/30/2009

>UFO Investigators Reveal Possible Otherworldly Relic
>By Cid Standifer
>Record Staff Writer

<snip>

>Zukowski and his sister Debbie Ziegelmeier, state director of
>the Mutual UFO Network in Missouri, volunteered to help with the
>excavation, and found the object that has been most thoroughly
>analyzed. The tiny piece of silvery material came from a site
>where water tended to gather. Ziegelmeier was sifting through
>buckets of dirt when the object emerged, and she quickly
>clutched it to keep it from blowing away. The material began to
>curl up after it was exposed to sunlight. Ziegelmeier speculated
>that it might have been sensitive to light or heat, although
>Doleman suggested it may have started to dry out after it was
>taken out of the ground.

<snip>

Chuck:

I agree that the samples collected during the Roswell Dig should
be further analyzed. I make this statement in a book I have
written; in the section on the Roswell Dig.

It is possible I am one of the few people who have read the
report which I dissect in the book.

Regarding a "tiny piece of silvery material", I do not find that
particular artifact listed in the report.

Although there are a number of white curly, fibrous, samples
that were logged into the HMUO report. Please advise which HMUO
sample is being referred to.

Thanks,

KK

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Surely you must be aware that Jaime Maussan is noted for light
entertainment rather than serious ufology? You don't have to be
a skeptibunker to regard him as - to put it politely - a
somewhat unreliable source of information on UFOs and mysterious
animals. See, for example:

<http://www.ufowatchdog.com/maussan1.html>

John Harney

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Date: Mon, 04 May 2009 23:25:33 +0200
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>Source: The L.E.M.U.R Site - Head Chezzetcook, Nova Scotia, Canada

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While I can only form an opinion by the one image on the website, it looks like a scale model to me. I find the cavity beneath the creature's hindfeet suspicious. See how that one hindfoot sort of dangles in the blackness. And note the hair-thin thread over its ankle descending down in the black cavity.

I find the lighting weird, nor do I like the white, cannisterlike thing with the metal band in the background. I don't know shuttertime, but the thing doesn't move, there is no bluriness usually associated with perhaps frantic movement or motion.

I think it's a material scale model, and not a 3d engine rendered image - in fact, 3d engines like Unreal3, Doom3 or the Crysis engine could do way better.

Reality check status

While this could lead to a long debate about true or hoax, let me use this opportunity to introduce you all to the current state of 3d technology, how laughable the creature is compared to the state of the 3d art these days, and how simple it would be to create a more detailed image with existing game technologies (albeit very, very expensive).

Images of creatures ranging from aliens out of the wildest corners of ufology (reptilians, greys, space monsters) to mythological beings, right now leading their digitally conjured up lives on the game servers across the internet in literally millions of simulatneously played online game sessions.

Note for instance the screenshots demonstrating the Unreal 3 engine at the bottom of this link:

<http://www.unrealtechnology.com/features.php?ref=rendering>

And take a look at this creature rendered with Unreal 3 technology:

<http://www.unrealtechnology.com/media/banners/ue3-rendering-3.jpg>

Note the skin detail and lighting. And yes, it moves on the nearest Xbox360 of your little cousins or nephews. Like Gears of War, made with this technology. See a typical monster of that

game here:

http://www.xbox360france.com/upload/Gallery/Gears_of_War_0001.JPG

or a spectaculair ingame screenshot here:

<http://tinyurl.com/dz69an>

Picture that moving on your plasma screens. This type of game by the way is played by hundreds of thousands of gamers worldwide.

No wonder the best images that ufology can provide look stale in comparison. Or take a look at this reptilian creature here:

<http://www.unrealtechnology.com/media/banners/ue3-rendering-2.jpg>

There's the Doom3 engine (renamed id Tech 4) from id Software in Dallas, Texas:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Doom_3
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Id_Tech_4

Part of the appeal of these engines and other software such as 3d Max, others can build their own monsters too - note that the creature still needs its texture (skin) applied to it:

<http://www.zbrushcentral.com/zbc/showthread.php?t=55533>

Some typical Doom 3 monsters here:

http://images.pcworld.com/news/graphics/116296-c_052504_doom3b.jpg

or here:

<http://www.endevil.com/images/doom3.jpg>

Ingame image made with the Crysis engine of Blue Mars, a massively multiplayer game set in the future with a terraformed Mars: Note the detail:

<http://www.rockpapershotgun.com/images/feb08/bluemars3.jpg>

You'll get the drift.

As to The Mexico Monster, I would argue against an ingame engine rendered image. Basically, the game communities, the modders and the ingame wizards have their strong sense of artistic pride when it comes to creating creatures; I think the image at the site would not even pass the muster test.

Sincere regards,

Theo Paijmans

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New & Old Roswell Info - Redfern

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Hi folks,

Nick Redfern has just published an article in the Daily Grail's regular anthology 'Darklore' (<http://darklore.dailygrail.com>) giving an update on his 'Body Snatchers in the Desert' material. Last week I talked to Nick about the new (and older) information he's come across since publication of 'Body Snatchers' - I'm including the full interview below for UFO Updates readers. The original link to the interview on The Daily Grail is:

<http://dailygrail.com/news/new-roswell-revelations>

Kind regards,

Greg

TDG: Thanks for talking with us Nick. It's been almost 4 years since the publication of Body Snatchers. What's been the reaction to the book in that time, and how does the information in this new Darklore article - based on new revelations, and a review of previous research - affect your original conclusions?

NR: The reaction to the publication of the book is exactly what I predicted and knew it would be: namely that a very small percentage of the UFO community would view the data as possibly offering some insight into the mystery of Roswell, and perhaps even an answer. Others would dismiss it because its conclusions were not in accord with their own conclusions that were based upon their own, personal research. I actually have no problem with that angle at all. Here's what I mean: if, for example, someone like Stan Friedman or Kevin Randle undertakes deep, personal research and comes to a conclusion that is different to mine, but we can then sit down and rationally debate it, that's completely cool, and that's precisely how it should be. A lot of people assume me and Stan are bitter foes! Of course we're not. Stan strongly disagrees with me, but last time we had lunch together (pizza in Halifax, Canada) it didn't stop us hanging out, having a genial chat, but still agreeing to disagree on Roswell.

But there is also (as there always is within ufology and within every single aspect of Forteanity) a not-insignificant number of people who simply do not want Roswell to be anything other than alien, and whose blood-pressure sky-rockets when anyone dares to spoil their turf. It spoils the excitement and destroys belief systems, in other words. Too bad. Anyone whose Roswell conclusions are driven by emotion, plain belief and an "I want Roswell to be alien" approach is way off course. Personally, I think the new data - such as that relating to official documents concerning Unit 731 and Japanese balloon-flights in not just New Mexico, but at Lincoln County, NM, too - is very important, and for several reasons. One: it adds to the general scenario given to me half a decade or more ago. And, two: who could have predicted back in 2005 that official files with a specific Unit 731/Lincoln County link would surface several years later? For

me at least, that adds weight to the claims of a Japanese connection to Roswell.

TDG: The standard debunking line on Roswell is now the USAF's Project Mogul explanation (along with the tangential 'bodies' explanation being crash test dummies from experiments in the '50s). Why should this explanation be rejected in favour of more 'exotic' theories?

NR: Well, I'm not sure that the theory outlined to me is actually that exotic. For example, of the 7 or 8 experiments I was told were undertaken in New Mexico that had a Japanese link, most were just high-altitude type experiments using very large balloon arrays, but with people on board. In other words, aside from one very rudimentary experiment that was linked with the Nuclear Energy for Propulsion of Aircraft (NEPA) people, everything was balloon-based and glider-based experimentation, and not anything really advanced or exotic technology-wise. So, just like Mogul ironically, these balloons themselves weren't classified - it was what the controversial nature of what they were allegedly being used for that was classified: namely, high-altitude flights to determine various effects on the human-body. And, as one of the sources who I interviewed for the book told me: what better way to hide a classified balloon-based experiment, than by hiding it behind another classified balloon-based experiment?

Ironically, all the people I interviewed agreed with the USAF stance that Roswell involved a secret balloon flight. But it was the nature of the secret balloon activity (Mogul vs Japanese) that they disagreed upon. As for the crash-test dummies: I think even a lot of the outright skeptics were puzzled by that theory. My own view is that the "dummy" report actually only served to make people (even the media) think that something else really was being hidden.

TDG: One of the things you mention in your new article is a striking report from the 'West Oregonian' from late 1947. Can you let us know more about this, and how it relates to Roswell?

NR: Yes, this is an interesting one, because it deals with the recovery of two "paper balloons" in early 1947, and a third that had a "metal instrument" attached, and that contained "mysterious oriental-like inscriptions." This sounds very Roswell-like, but very Japanese Fugo-balloon-like too. In other words, we do have stories of balloon recoveries where strange inscriptions were found on them - also in 1947 - but where they were indeed just balloons. To not see a Roswell similarity here is simply avoiding the data.

TDG: You also point out that an article in Popular Mechanics debunking Roswell tends to support your conclusions regarding the bodies allegedly found at Roswell. What exactly did the PM article say?

NR: Basically, the PM article said they they had been told of a forthcoming release of documents that would tell of an equivalent to the controversial "Operation Paperclip" (in which German scientists were brought to the US post-WW2 to continue their work). This equivalent was supposedly linked to Japanese scientists and technology. The theory was that this might explain the events at Roswell in a Japanese context - possibly involving a hybrid device: a large balloon and a Horten-type aircraft. Interestingly, this hybrid angle was one also told to me - but around 7 years after the PM article appeared.

TDG: Who was Dr Lincoln La Paz, and why is he important to the Roswell incident?

NR: La Paz was a mathematician whose interests shifted from ballistics during the Second World War to the study of meteorites. At a time when meteorites were widely viewed as curiosities, La Paz had the vision to recognize their scientific significance, established the Institute of Meteoritics at the University of New Mexico, and described numerous new meteorites, many of which he had personally recovered for the outstanding meteorite collection at the University.

La Paz has been linked with Roswell as someone who was involved in assessing the trajectory and impact of the object, with an implication that the object had ET origins. However, La Paz was

also deeply involved (in New Mexico, no less) in WW2 in assessing the threat posed by (and assessing the technology - such as it was) Japan's original Fugo balloons. So, if you wanted to get an expert opinion on why one of these new Japanese balloons might have crashed in New Mexico, what better person to ask than someone who worked on studying the earlier Japanese balloons of WW2 - and in New Mexico, too.

TDG: Many researchers who have dug into this field have encountered what appear to be 'psy-ops' of various descriptions - be it opened mail, strange communications etc. Any indications that you're in the spotlight now?

NR: Well, many researchers who felt that the data in the book was disinformation firmly did believe that I have been the victim of a psy-op, and probably still do believe that. And, as I have always said, I can never deny that as a possibility. I have to be open (and have been - both privately and publicly, such as at UFO Updates) to that possibility. But here's my argument against it: first, when I was approached with the Japanese scenario, the USAF already had its Mogul and Dummy scenarios in place for several years. So, why bring in yet another scenario that now makes the Mogul and Dummy stories seem like cover-stories? That defies logic, and only makes people even more suspicious about what happened at Roswell. Second: despite what some people have said without checking the facts: key aspects of this Japanese angle to Roswell were out there long before my book was published. In other words, despite what some have said and written, this is not "Nick Redfern's theory." As my article in your new Darklore volume demonstrates, my book was certainly the most extensive revelation in this area, but such tales were told more than a decade before my book was even published. I still get the occasional "old-timer" phone-call or email that has a bearing on the Japanese angle of Roswell, quite a bit of which I haven't published, as I'm still researching it. It could be argued, of course, that this might be a continuation of a psy-op - if it is indeed a psy-op, of course!

TDG: This new article provides more support for something sinister, albeit very human in providence, as being at the heart of the Roswell incident. Will you continue searching for the truth, or is it now too far back in the mists of time for any definite answer to ever present itself?

NR: I'll never ever stop looking because - whatever the truth of Roswell - the case is at the absolute heart of ufology. And the implications for ufology, if the truth ever surfaces to where we can actually prove something, are huge. And here's why: the UFO community has built up Roswell to be the Holy Grail of ufology. Now, if Roswell is one day proven to be alien, then the community can indeed proudly stand up and say "We got it right." But, if Roswell is one day proven to be non-alien, then I predict much of modern day ufology will collapse, as will much of the "scene." And by the "scene," I mean the lecture-circuit, the conferences, the magazines etc.

To continue in this vein: if the McMinville photos were proven to be hoaxes, would ufology collapse? Nope. If the Mantell case was 100 percent proven to be non-UFO related, would ufology collapse? Nope. Same for just about any other currently unexplained case. And why is that? I'll tell you: none of those cases have been given superstar status of the type upon which much of ufology now stands or falls. That is ufology's biggest ever mistake: making Roswell a make-or-break case for the subject. I actually don't think this has even been done consciously or deliberately, however. But the fact is there will be truly massive disillusionment within ufology if Roswell falls. In fact, I do not even believe that the ETH will survive within modern-day ufology if Roswell falls - the stakes really are that high, in my opinion. But, so what? At the end of the day, it shouldn't matter if the "good old days" of ufology vanish. Getting the truth is all that should matter.

Do I think we will ever get the Roswell truth? Well, we may actually have it in one of the above-scenarios of ET, Japanese tests, or Mogul; but the problem is we can't definitely prove it. The only way that can really happen is for an official announcement to be made that all the previous stories were lies and "here's the truth." But even that won't work, and here's why: if the Government says that yes, it has now located documents showing that the Japanese angle is correct, the UFO

community will say it's just another cover story to hide the UFO angle. The hardcore UFO community will never accept any explanation from the Government on Roswell unless it vindicates the ETH - ever. That's a fact - but an unfortunate one that is driven by emotion and a dread of feeling that they have wasted their lives on something that actually has zero to do with "real" UFOs; but everything to do with the way the subject may have been manipulated to hide a darker secret. Look at Paul Bennewitz and how the official world shamefully used the UFO subject in that caper. It's not unknown for ufology - and ufologists - to be used like puppets on a string for other reasons. So, yes: I will continue - and I am continuing - to investigate all the Roswell-Japanese threads that come to me. But do I think a firm, undeniable vindication for that scenario will ever surface? It may; but at the end of the it's completely irrelevant because Ufology (as a collective group) will continue to disbelieve it - because it's not supportive of the "dead aliens in the desert" scenario. So, in that sense at least, no: Roswell will never ever be resolved. Just like Jack the Ripper, just like the JFK assassination.

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Re: Debunkers & ETH

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>Date: Thu, 30 Apr 2009 17:36:24 -0400
>Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

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>>Date: Thu, 30 Apr 2009 16:24:06 +0200
>>Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

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>Where we agree on the issue is here: to argue a 'spiritual' or
>'nonphysical' hypothesis for the origin or cause for UFO
>phenomena is only meaningful in the context of physical
>detection by experiment and/or observation and verifiable data
>collection. That is, if one wants to argue for interdimensional
>beings, one better be prepared to figure out how to detect those
>things by instrument repeatedly. Otherwise, it is most
>definitely NOT science, nor does it add insight into an already
>confused phenomena.

Agreed.

>But, ironically, that is the very same trap the ETH proponents
>find themselves in as well. For while their arguments are based
>upon a foundation of physicality - UFOs and whoever might drive
>them are made up of atoms and emit photons and are thus more
>prosaic arguments than Vallee's - the ETH still faces the same
>difficulty in falsifiability as does Vallee's alternative
>hypothesis. The events are transitory; one cannot separate
>dependent and independent variables; there are no controls with
>which to perform an experiment. Without a body in custody, so-
>called Grays are just as ephemeral as the so-called
>interdimensional spirits. Neither have concrete evidence in
>their support.

<snip>

Well not exactly. Even without a body or saucer in hand, UFOs do
leave behind indirect and direct physical evidence (unlike
"spiritual" or whatever manifestations): radar contact,
photos/videos/movies, electromagnetic interference (car/aircraft
stallings, radio/communications interference, magnetic compass
interference, electrical grid blackouts, etc.), other EM
emissions (e.g. RB47 case microwaves on instruments), landing
traces, other radiation effects (increases in geiger counter
readings, radiation poisoning), polarization rings,
humming/buzzing sounds, charged air in close encounters (e.g.
Rendlesham), cutting paths through clouds (e.g. Chicago O'Hare),
physiological effects (burns, paralysis, etc.), landing traces
(burned foliage, dessicated soil, ground impressions), metallic
traces (e.g., Socorro, Ubatuba), angel hair, the list goes on.

UFOs also show well defined, repeatable patterns, such as
classes of shapes (saucers, spheres, cylinders, triangles,
boomerangs, etc.), maneuvers (high accelerations and speed, high
maneuverability including sharp turns, zig-zag flying, falling
leaf motion, formation flying), seen much more often over

defense-related sites including nuke sites than probability would expect).

It does NOT require a laboratory-type experiment with well-controlled dependent and independent variables to study phenomena scientifically. Many phenomena are nonrepeatable and unpredictable, but by studying large numbers of them, statisticians can tease out statistically significant patterns (e.g. supernova, gamma ray bursts, volcanic eruptions, cancer clusters). UFOs are no different.

I don't think the same can be said for most paranormal or supernatural phenomena, though certainly there have been limited attempts to study them scientifically, such as remote viewing or after-death experiences. UFOs certainly do seem to behave like physical objects emitting various forms of radiation, reflecting radar waves, showing up on photos, damaging foliage, and the like. I don't consider them "paranormal" or "supernatural" at all. The latter are generally characterized by total nonphysicality and seeming magical properties that don't seem to tie into modern physical understanding at all. Superman flying and having bullets bounce off is supernatural. Metallic craft flying and having bullets bounce off is not.

David Rudiak

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>Subject: Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

>>Source: The L.E.M.U.R Site - Head Chezzetcook, Nova Scotia, Canada

>><http://shadowboxent.brinkster.net/LEMUR/MexicoCreatureReport.html>

>>May 1, 2009

>>[Photo]

>>The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico
>>By Joshua P. Warren

>>An Alien? A Chupacabra? A New Animal? A Mutant? A Hoax?

>>In February of 2009, I was a speaker at the International UFO
>>Congress in Laughlin, Nevada. This is the largest UFO conference
>>in the world. At this event, Mexican journalist and mystery
>>investigator Jaime Maussan made an astounding announcement. It
>>was the buzz of the entire event.

>>Jaime showed photos of a creature that had recently been
>>captured in Mexico. He said scientific studies had demonstrated
>>this was no hoax, and no creature known to science.

>Now this will be an interesting investigation to watch. Unlike
>many others, the physical evidence is in custody. According to
>the story numerous tests are being done by professionals and I'm
>sure after they're done and reveal their findings and
>conclusions more tests will be done.

A skinned animal.

Ever skinned a rabbit?

Vincent Boudreau

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The Road To Area 51

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The Road To Area 51
Backstory

After decades of denying the facility's existence, five former insiders speak out

by Annie Jacobsen

Area 51. It's the most famous military institution in the world that doesn't officially exist. If it did, it would be found about 100 miles outside Las Vegas in Nevada's high desert, tucked between an Air Force base and an abandoned nuclear testing ground. Then again, maybe not the U.S. government refuses to say. You can't drive anywhere close to it, and until recently, the airspace overhead was restricted all the way to outer space. Any mention of Area 51 gets redacted from official documents, even those that have been declassified for decades.

It has become the holy grail for conspiracy theorists, with UFOlogists positing that the Pentagon reverse engineers flying saucers and keeps extraterrestrial beings stored in freezers. Urban legend has it that Area 51 is connected by underground tunnels and trains to other secret facilities around the country. In 2001, Katie Couric told Today Show audiences that 7 percent of Americans doubt the moon landing happened that it was staged in the Nevada desert. Millions of X-Files fans believe the truth may be "out there," but more likely it's concealed inside Area 51's Strangelove-esque hangars buildings that, though confirmed by Google Earth, the government refuses to acknowledge.

The problem is the myths of Area 51 are hard to dispute if no one can speak on the record about what actually happened there. Well, now, for the first time, someone is ready to talk in fact, five men are, and their stories rival the most outrageous of rumors. Colonel Hugh "Slip" Slater, 87, was commander of the Area 51 base in the 1960s. Edward Lovick, 90, featured in "What Plane?" in LA's March issue, spent three decades radar testing some of the world's most famous aircraft (including the U-2, the A-12 OXCART and the F-117). Kenneth Collins, 80, a CIA experimental test pilot, was given the silver star. Thornton "T.D." Barnes, 72, was an Area 51 special-projects engineer. And Harry Martin, 77, was one of the men in charge of the base's half-million-gallon monthly supply of spy-plane fuels. Here are a few of their best stories for the record:

On May 24, 1963, Collins flew out of Area 51's restricted airspace in a top-secret spy plane code-named OXCART, built by Lockheed Aircraft Corporation. He was flying over Utah when the aircraft pitched, flipped and headed toward a crash. He ejected into a field of weeds.

Almost 46 years later, in late fall of 2008, sitting in a coffee shop in the San Fernando Valley, Collins remembers that day with the kind of clarity the threat of a national security breach evokes: "Three guys came driving toward me in a pickup. I saw they had the aircraft canopy in the back. They offered to take me to my plane." Until that moment, no civilian without a top-secret security clearance had ever laid eyes on the airplane Collins was flying. "I told them not to go near the aircraft. I said it had a nuclear weapon on-board." The story fit right into the Cold War backdrop of the day, as many atomic tests took place in Nevada. Spooked, the men drove Collins to the local highway patrol. The CIA disguised the accident as involving a generic Air Force plane, the F-105, which is how the event is still listed in official records.

As for the guys who picked him up, they were tracked down and told to sign national security nondisclosures. As part of Collins' own debriefing, the CIA asked the decorated pilot to take truth serum. "They wanted to see if there was anything I'd forgotten about the events leading up to the crash." The Sodium Pento-thal experience went without a hitch except for the reaction of his wife, Jane.

"Late Sunday, three CIA agents brought me home. One drove my car; the other two carried me inside and laid me down on the couch. I was loopy from the drugs. They handed Jane the car keys and left without saying a word." The only conclusion she could draw was that her husband had gone out and gotten drunk. "Boy, was she mad," says Collins with a chuckle.

At the time of Collins' accident, CIA pilots had been flying spy planes in and out of Area 51 for eight years, with the express mission of providing the intelligence to prevent nuclear war. Aerial reconnaissance was a major part of the CIA's preemptive efforts, while the rest of America built bomb shelters and hoped for the best.

"It wasn't always called Area 51," says Lovick, the physicist who developed stealth technology. His boss, legendary aircraft designer Clarence L. "Kelly" Johnson, called the place Paradise Ranch to entice men to leave their families and "rough it" out in the Nevada desert in the name of science and the fight against the evil empire. "Test pilot Tony LeVier found the place by flying over it," says Lovick. "It was a lake bed called Groom Lake, selected for testing because it was flat and far from anything. It was kept secret because the CIA tested U-2s there."

When Frances Gary Powers was shot down over Sverdlovsk, Russia, in 1960, the U-2 program lost its cover. But the CIA already had Lovick and some 200 scientists, engineers and pilots working at Area 51 on the A-12 OXCART, which would outfox Soviet radar using height, stealth and speed.

Col. Slater was in the outfit of six pilots who flew OXCART missions during the Vietnam War. Over a Cuban meat and cheese sandwich at the Bahama Breeze restaurant off the Las Vegas Strip, he says, "I was recruited for the Area after working with the CIA's classified Black Cat Squadron, which flew U-2 missions over denied territory in Mainland China. After that, I was told, 'You should come out to Nevada and work on something interesting we're doing out there.' "

Even though Slater considers himself a fighter pilot at heart he flew 84 missions in World War II the opportunity to work at Area 51 was impossible to pass up. "When I learned about this Mach-3 aircraft called OXCART, it was completely intriguing to me this idea of flying three times the speed of sound! No one knew a thing about the program. I asked my wife, Barbara, if she wanted to move to Las Vegas, and she said yes. And I said, 'You won't see me but on the weekends,' and she said, 'That's fine!' " At this recollection, Slater laughs heartily. Barbara, dining with us, laughs as well. The two, married for 63 years, are rarely apart today.

"We couldn't have told you any of this a year ago," Slater says. "Now we can't tell it to you fast enough." That is because in 2007, the CIA began declassifying the 50-year-old OXCART program. Today, there's a scramble for eyewitnesses to fill in the information gaps. Only a few of the original players are left. Two more of them join me and the Slaters for lunch:

Barnes, formerly an Area 51 special-projects engineer, with his wife, Doris; and Martin, one of those overseeing the OXCART's specially mixed jet fuel (regular fuel explodes at extreme height, temperature and speed), with his wife, Mary. Because the men were sworn to secrecy for so many decades, their wives still get a kick out of hearing the secret tales.

Barnes was married at 17 (Doris was 16). To support his wife, he became an electronics wizard, buying broken television sets, fixing them up and reselling them for five times the original price. He went from living in bitter poverty on a Texas Panhandle ranch with no electricity to buying his new bride a dream home before he was old enough to vote. As a soldier in the Korean War, Barnes demonstrated an uncanny aptitude for radar and Nike missile systems, which made him a prime target for recruitment by the CIA which indeed happened when he was 22. By 30, he was handling nuclear secrets.

"The agency located each guy at the top of a certain field and put us together for the programs at Area 51," says Barnes. As a security precaution, he couldn't reveal his birth name he went by the moniker Thunder. Coworkers traveled in separate cars, helicopters and airplanes. Barnes and his group kept to themselves, even in the mess hall. "Our special-projects group was the most classified team since the Manhattan Project," he says.

Harry Martin's specialty was fuel. Handpicked by the CIA from the Air Force, he underwent rigorous psychological and physical tests to see if he was up for the job. When he passed, the CIA moved his family to Nevada. Because OXCART had to refuel frequently, the CIA kept supplies at secret facilities around the globe. Martin often traveled to these bases for quality-control checks. He tells of preparing for a top-secret mission from Area 51 to Thule, Greenland. "My wife took one look at me in these arctic boots and this big hooded coat, and she knew not to ask where I was going."

So, what of those urban legends the UFOs studied in secret, the underground tunnels connecting clandestine facilities? For decades, the men at Area 51 thought they'd take their secrets to the grave. At the height of the Cold War, they cultivated anonymity while pursuing some of the country's most covert projects. Conspiracy theories were left to popular imagination. But in talking with Collins, Lovick, Slater, Barnes and Martin, it is clear that much of the folklore was spun from threads of fact.

As for the myths of reverse engineering of flying saucers, Barnes offers some insight: "We did reverse engineer a lot of foreign technology, including the Soviet MiG fighter jet out at the Area" even though the MiG wasn't shaped like a flying saucer. As for the underground-tunnel talk, that, too, was born of truth. Barnes worked on a nuclear-rocket program called Project NERVA, inside underground chambers at Jackass Flats, in Area 51's backyard. "Three test-cell facilities were connected by railroad, but everything else was underground," he says.

And the quintessential Area 51 conspiracy that the Pentagon keeps captured alien spacecraft there, which they fly around in restricted airspace? Turns out that one's pretty easy to debunk. The shape of OXCART was unprecedented, with its wide, disk-like fuselage designed to carry vast quantities of fuel. Commercial pilots cruising over Nevada at dusk would look up and see the bottom of OXCART whiz by at 2,000-plus mph. The aircraft's titanium body, moving as fast as a bullet, would reflect the sun's rays in a way that could make anyone think, UFO.

In all, 2,850 OXCART test flights were flown out of Area 51 while Slater was in charge. "That's a lot of UFO sightings!" Slater adds. Commercial pilots would report them to the FAA, and "when they'd land in California, they'd be met by FBI agents who'd make them sign nondisclosure forms." But not everyone kept quiet, hence the birth of Area 51's UFO lore. The sightings incited uproar in Nevada and the surrounding areas and forced the Air Force to open Project BLUE BOOK to log each claim.

Since only a few Air Force officials were cleared for OXCART (even though it was a joint CIA/USAF project), many UFO sightings raised internal military alarms. Some generals believed the Russians might be sending stealth craft over

American skies to incite paranoia and create widespread panic of alien invasion. Today, BLUE BOOK findings are housed in 37 cubic feet of case files at the National Archives 74,000 pages of reports. A keyword search brings up no mention of the top-secret OXCART or Area 51.

Project BLUE BOOK was shut down in 1969 more than a year after OXCART was retired. But what continues at America's most clandestine military facility could take another 40 years to disclose.

Annie Jacobsen is an investigative reporter who sat for more than 500 interviews after she broke the story on terrorists probing commercial airliners. When she isn't digging into intelligence issues for the likes of the National Review, she's snapping together Legos with her two boys.

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[Terry's Fortean & "Work" itty-bitty site]

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From: Greg Boone <Evolbaby.nul>
Date: Tue, 5 May 2009 07:21:38 EDT
Archived: Tue, 05 May 2009 10:00:00 -0400
Subject: Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

>From: John Harney <magonia.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Mon, 4 May 2009 20:08:26 +0100
>Subject: Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

>>From: Greg Boone <Evolbaby.nul>
>>To: post.nul
>>Date: Sun, 3 May 2009 22:57:43 EDT
>>Subject: Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

>>>An Alien? A Chupacabra? A New Animal? A Mutant? A Hoax?

>>>In February of 2009, I was a speaker at the International UFO
>>>Congress in Laughlin, Nevada. This is the largest UFO conference
>>>in the world. At this event, Mexican journalist and mystery
>>>investigator Jaime Maussan made an astounding announcement. It
>>>was the buzz of the entire event.

>>>Jaime showed photos of a creature that had recently been
>>>captured in Mexico. He said scientific studies had demonstrated
>>>this was no hoax, and no creature known to science.

>>Now this will be an interesting investigation to watch. Unlike
>>many others, the physical evidence is in custody. According to
>>the story numerous tests are being done by professionals and I'm
>>sure after they're done and reveal their findings and
>>conclusions more tests will be done.

>>The death of the wealthy landowner who discovered this creature
>>is another mystery to be solved. It may or may not be related
>>but again, it will take investigations to determine what's
>>happened.

><snip>

>>Good to see more focus on physical evidence. In UFOlogy we need
>>to focus now on more physical evidence. Although this case is
>>more cryptozoological, it still shows the importance of
>>something you can hold in your hands. We have overwhelming
>>amounts of all the other forms of evidence from stories to
>>documents to imagery but now it's time to focus our attention on
>>the hard physical evidence.

>Surely you must be aware that Jaime Maussan is noted for light
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>a skeptibunker to regard him as - to put it politely - a
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><http://www.ufowatchdog.com/maussan1.html>

>John Harney

Well, he's made his statements on this new case and we'll tell
through the process whether it stands up or not.

I know of Jaime from before he was known for ufology-related
stories and he'd done so much facing cold blooded killers and

government corruption. Just a few years ago he went up against another group of pharmaceutical crooks and won.

So his UFO career has it's ups and downs but right now we'll wait and see. Again, he's made his statements, scientific analysis claims and of course he'll be taken to task on it.

I've sent the website with the picture on it to pals who've won tons of awards for special effects in film, tv, video games. They'll know right off the bat if it's a construct or not. That won't clinch it but it adds to it and this entertaining story.

Best,

Greg
ufomafia.com/blog

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From: Greg Boone <Evolbaby.nul>
Date: Tue, 5 May 2009 07:15:54 EDT
Archived: Tue, 05 May 2009 10:10:00 -0400
Subject: Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

>From: Theo Paijmans <th.paijmans.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Mon, 04 May 2009 23:25:33 +0200
>Subject: Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

>>Source: The L.E.M.U.R Site - Head Chezzetcook, Nova Scotia, Canada

>><http://shadowboxent.brinkster.net/LEMUR/MexicoCreatureReport.html>

>>May 1, 2009

>>[Photo]

>>The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico
>>By Joshua P. Warren

>>An Alien? A Chupacabra? A New Animal? A Mutant? A Hoax?

><snip>

>While I can only form an opinion by the one image on the
>website, it looks like a scale model to me. I find the cavity
>beneath the creature's hindfeet suspicious. See how that one
>hindfoot sort of dangles in the blackness. And note the hair-
>thin thread over its ankle descending down in the black cavity.

<snip>

Awesome look at the latest CGI technology there.

I work in gaming and have tons of friends and colleagues in the
3D CGI gaming industry. I can tell CGI a country mile away.
It's still got that too perfect/clinical look to the point I
can't even watch the new big budget special effects movies
because they look and feel like video games.

Gimme a good ol' fashioned Ray Harryhausen movie any day of the
week!

So my first reaction was this photo was of a special effects
construct but we'll have to wait and see what the reported
scientific evidence states and then the reviews of that and
more.

If I were to have done this as a hoax and gotten any of the gang
at the studios to do it I would have added some flies to the
construct.

Best,

Greg
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Two 'UFO' Vdeos

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <post.nul>
Date: Tue, 05 May 2009 11:15:00 -0400
Archived: Tue, 05 May 2009 11:15:00 -0400
Subject: Two 'UFO' Vdeos

AllNewsWeb.Com a site of much about 'UFOs' - with little attribution - posted two 'videos' of 'craft' on May 3rd & 5th, 2009...

"Near Moscow":

<http://www.allnewsweb.com/page6766761.php>

"Russian Farm":

<http://www.allnewsweb.com/page6766768.php>

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Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <alienview.nul>
Date: Tue, 5 May 2009 07:52:08 -0500
Archived: Tue, 05 May 2009 11:20:00 -0400
Subject: Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

>From: John Harney <magonia.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Mon, 4 May 2009 20:08:26 +0100
>Subject: Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

<snip>

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<http://ufologie.net/htm/ellsworth53harney.htm>

Your reference to a legitimacy for Condon, et al, is simply
appalling and does you massive discredit.

That said... 'The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico' looks like a
desiccated monkey to me, forgetting any admiration earned by
Maussan for trying to report seriously, otherwise, on what is
too reflexively ridiculed by your celebrated if demonstrably
duplicitous and sneer-quoted "mainstream."

Other examples for my earned admiration are Billy Cox, Michael
Woods, Angelia Joiner, and Mannix Porterfield et sig al. Each
of these requires no citation.

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www.AlienView.net
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From: Bert Reijersen van Buuren <bert.nul>
Date: Tue, 5 May 2009 17:27:20 +0200
Archived: Tue, 05 May 2009 12:37:04 -0400
Subject: Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

The whole story, in Spanish:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FEMSaRrbrc>

Thanks to a poster at nl.wetenschap

Bert (A W RvB)
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www.rjrsnvbrn.nl

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From: **Greg Boone** <Evolbaby.nul>
Date: Tue, 5 May 2009 13:05:01 EDT
Archived: Tue, 05 May 2009 13:14:26 -0400
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>www.rjrsnvbrn.nl

Yes! Now I remember this story better as I had seen this video before but didn't see a follow up.

It's very interesting and if it is a special effects construct it's a damned good one. The detail has cascading deterioration which is tough to do. Only people knowledgeable about forensics can get that. No uniformed deterioration as amateurs would normally do.

Whatever it is I doubt it's extraterrestrial and if a new critter that would be good for impetus to keep studying life on this planet.

Again, we'll have to see the scientific research such as the dna analysis, dentition etc.

Best,

Greg
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Re: Debunkers & ETH

From: Michael Tarbell <mtarbell.nul>
Date: Tue, 05 May 2009 10:40:55 -0600
Archived: Tue, 05 May 2009 13:45:00 -0400
Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

>From: Ray Dickenson <r.dickenson.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Mon, 4 May 2009 18:29:30 +0100
>Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

>>From: Michael Tarbell <mtarbell.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Sun, 03 May 2009 22:09:14 -0600
>>Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

>>Nevertheless, I do not give serious consideration to the idea
>>that UFOs are meta-physical in the literal sense, primarily
>>because, as you point out, there are plausible physical
>>explanations available (e.g., the ETH).

<snip>

>Apparent nuts'n'bolts craft that can also fade out or 'instantly'
>disappear, to reappear 'almost instantly' elsewhere?

>These could be understood as 'rational', but only if we admit
>there are laws of nature we don't yet know.

Ray,

I wouldn't hesitate to go on record stating that there are laws of nature we don't know yet. And, that at least some currently accepted 'laws' of nature are nothing of the kind.

Of course, this can be used to "rationalize" apparently non-physical behavior, but it is usually erroneous, as well as lazy, to do so.

For example, the "disappearance" of a nuts-and-bolts craft does not necessary imply a violation of conservation of mass or energy, but only that a formerly visible object is now invisible (which is already within grasp of human technology for limited EM bandwidths).

Likewise, should this object "almost instantly" reappear elsewhere (in such time, say, as to imply superluminal velocity), one might consider the possibility that there is more than one object involved, before summarily abandoning the principles of special relativity.

Etc. The point being, appeal to unknown physical principles, or abandonment of known ones, should be a tool of last resort. It is depressing to listen to things like "UFO propulsion is readily explained by warp drives drawing on vacuum energy", or similar tripe manufactured from whole cloth.

Regards

Mike

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From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <post.nul>
Date: Wed, 06 May 2009 05:58:18 -0400
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Subject: Jerry Black Passes

Jerry Black Passes

Ron Schaffner, posted on Current Encounters that "long time researcher Jerry Black passed away a few days ago..."

Adding that he would post further details as he received them.

Jerry Black was a subscriber to this List back in 1998 and caused several ripples among targets in and around the 'field'.

See:

<http://tinyurl.com/UFOUpdatesJerryBlack>

Much can be read about Jerry at:

<http://tinyurl.com/GoogledJerryBlack>

Jerry Cohen's Website:

Letter from Cy Gilson to Jerry Black [on Travis Walton's Polygraph test]

http://www.cohenufo.org/Gilson_WltnLtrtoBlack.htm

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From: **Martin Shough** <parcellular.nul>
Date: Tue, 5 May 2009 18:46:10 +0100
Archived: Wed, 06 May 2009 07:29:01 -0400
Subject: Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

>From: Alfred Lehmborg <alienview.nul>
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>Your reference to a legitimacy for Condon, et al, is simply
>appalling and does you _massive_ discredit.

I have to agree with Alfred that the Condon Report evaluation of
this classic case (Bismark-Rapid City) is poor and highly
suspect.

I say this reluctantly because I corresponded with Thayer on
other matters during the 1980s and found him a sharp and
objective analyst who was highly critical of Condon and not at
all prejudiced (it seemed to me) against anomalies. He told me
that he had written up his radar chapter with the conscious
intent of striking a sceptical and hard-headed tone, and that
the residue of unknowns, which he thought was quite impressive,
would speak for itself. Of course he was famously and
disgracefully misrepresented by Condon in the Report, and I know
he was angry about it.

Nevertheless, it's hard to interpret some statements in his
account of the Bismark-Rapid City case as other than calculated
misrepresentation by himself - for example:

"The second pilot, upon being interviewed by Dr. Hynek, stated
that he felt he had been chasing a star, although there were
some aspects of the appearance of the object that disturbed him"

The BB account says:

'The second pilot gave the impression of being "on the ball". He
obviously was trying to convince himself the light was a star,
but was having difficulty. He took a realistic approach and had
done some logical reasoning. He was worried about the fact that
the light moved relative to the stars.' Thayer also invokes a
ghost reflection to explain what Ruppelt reports as a constant 3
mile target separation from the second pursuing F-84, but this
is physically impossible if the plane was really being vectored
onto and pursuing a moving target since a ghost with a constant
separation from the primary reflector (aircraft) must mean a
constant range from the aircraft to a secondary ground
reflector, so the plane would have to be in a 3-mile orbit
around the latter and in that case could not have been visually
chasing (or even "pacing" as Thayer puts it) a star.

However the BB report summary (Status Report 12, Page 20 to 23)
is a bit vague in some respects and doesn't explicitly support
some of the claims in Ruppelt's personal account, such as the

repeated cross-checking between ground radar controller and the first F-84 pilot with ground radar always showing the UFO accelerate away at the same time as the pilot saw it recede visually:

'The pilot would notice that the light was getting brighter, and he'd call the controller to tell him about it. But the controller's answer would always be the same, "Roger, we can see it on the scope."

Impressive, but the BB account says that the ground radar got only "four good blips" from the UFO during the NW pursuit by the F-84. If true then Ruppelt's account could not be accurate.

On the other hand, this pursuit reportedly lasted from 15 miles range to 70 miles from the radar site, which even at cruise speed for the F-84 (475mph) would take about 7 minutes, or about 42 sweeps of the radar even for the slowest likely surveillance scan rate of 6rpm (I don't know what type radar this was). In fact Ruppelt says that the controller was using sector-scan at the time and "moved the sector scan to the NE quadrant" where the target was first picked up. If sector scan was being used the update rate on the scope is going to be several times as fast as that. So if they only got "four good blips" in about 7 mins or more this would be scarcely even a "track" at all. Does this mean that the ground radar evidence is much poorer than suggested (the BB summary does say the Controller's objectivity may have been suspect)? Or does it mean that the summary's "four blips" is misleading or inaccurate? I don't know, I haven't studied the complete original BB file but will make a point of doing so ASAP.

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>>>Source: The L.E.M.U.R Site - Head Chezzetcook, Nova Scotia, Canada

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>>>May 1, 2009

>>>[Photo]

>>>The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico
>>>By Joshua P. Warren

>>>An Alien? A Chupacabra? A New Animal? A Mutant? A Hoax?

>>>In February of 2009, I was a speaker at the International UFO
>>>Congress in Laughlin, Nevada. This is the largest UFO conference
>>>in the world. At this event, Mexican journalist and mystery
>>>investigator Jaime Maussan made an astounding announcement. It
>>>was the buzz of the entire event.

>>>Jaime showed photos of a creature that had recently been
>>>captured in Mexico. He said scientific studies had demonstrated
>>>this was no hoax, and no creature known to science.

>>Now this will be an interesting investigation to watch. Unlike
>>many others, the physical evidence is in custody. According to
>>the story numerous tests are being done by professionals and I'm
>>sure after they're done and reveal their findings and
>>conclusions more tests will be done.

>A skinned animal.

>Ever skinned a rabbit?

Nope, that's not the way we do things using the scientific
method!

We've got to wait until all the tests and declarations are in
and then examine those and then get to fightin' and fussin' as
is the standard in UFOlogy.

No fair jumpin' the gun with a wisecrack or funny until the
credits roll.

Best,

Greg
ufomafia.com/blog

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Carl Sagan [was: Debunkers & ETH]

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>>>>Subject: Debunkers & ETH [was: New Peer Review & Educational Magazine]

>>>>I would probably give Sagan more of a pass than you, but your
>>>>point is well taken. His comments are now over two decades old
>>>>and should be taken in context, but perhaps there's also a
>>>>little distrust for an astronomer who clearly touted the party
>>>>line regarding UFOs.

>>>>I don't feel like giving Sagan a pass, because he was a
>>>>hypocrite and totally unscientific on the subject, for reasons
>>>>still unknown to us, even Stan Friedman, his old college
>>>>roommate.

>>>>I agree, David, that Carl Sagan (about whom I once wrote a
>>>>scathing essay) deserves no pass, but I see no reason to
>>>>conclude that his rejection of the UFO phenomenon was "for
>>>>reasons still unknown to us," a phrase that has an unwelcome (I
>>>>hope unintentional) conspiratorial ring. I don't think the
>>>>reasons for his hostility to the UFO phenomenon are really all
>>>>that complicated.

>>>>As a young astronomer Sagan jumped on the ETI bandwagon just
>>>>before it was quite respectable. It hurt him, threatening to
>>>>render him a fringe figure. UFOs, a toxic concept, would have
>>>>been a heresy too far, and Sagan simply couldn't afford to
>>>>embrace them at the same time he espoused (safely distant) ETs.
>>>>Every day, people adjust their convictions to suit their
>>>>convenience, often without doing so with deliberate, conscious
>>>>awareness.

>>>>Sagan was just another normal mope who chose to prove his
>>>>respectability by beating on something unrespectable. (William
>>>>Corliss once called it "anomaly snobbism.") It worked for him;
>>>>if nothing else, Sagan always had a keen political sense. Yes,
>>>>he was a pompous jerk (though he deserves praise for urging
>>>>preservation of the Blue Book files), but hardly an
>>>>enigmatically motivated one.

It could be that simple. Sagan was indeed a political animal,
often coming off as egotistical and somewhat self-aggrandizing.
I know many of his academic astronomical colleagues resented him

for trying to steal the spotlight from them. Closer to home, my wife always loathed him for his narcissistic focus in "Cosmos", with the camera repeatedly lingering over his awestruck profile. Tone it down a little, Carl!

(On the other hand, he was an effective populizer of science, and his political side hit a high point when he opposed Reagan Administration "winnable nuclear war" propaganda with his nuclear winter scenario, noting that even a "limited" nuclear exchange of just a few hundred nukes could destroy much of the world's food supply and civilization along with it. This doomsday scenario probably played a key role in future arms' control treaties between the U.S. and Soviet Union, realizing that tens of thousands of nukes was indeed overkill.)

So it could be he was simply covering his ass to advance his career. On the other hand, Sagan WAS part of the crazy top-secret U.S. military scheme in 1958-59 to nuke the moon as a PR ploy. The existence of this project (called Project A119) didn't come out until a biography of Sagan was published by Keay Davidson in 2001. The project is still classified. (So much for the government can't keep big secrets for decades.)

The point is, Sagan was secretly working on a very clandestine government project when still a young man. He wasn't a simple academic astronomer. I still don't think it out of the question that Sagan continued working clandestinely with the government in later years, as is true of many scientists, often unbeknownst to colleagues and family. Donald Menzel obviously springs to mind (as found out by Stan Friedman) and I found a similar instance with Berkeley physicist Luis Alvarez when I researched his papers, acting secretly as a consultant to the NSA and DOD. Alvarez as a DOD Jason scientist in the early 1960s earned \$800 a day, equivalent to \$5000-\$6000 today. A lot of scientists wouldn't hesitate to make that sort of extra cash doing classified consulting work for the government.

Another indication of how this works was suggested in Dr. Roy Craig's UFO debunking book, "UFOs: An Insider's View of the Official Quest for Evidence." Craig's book on the workings of the Condon Commission is 99% smarmy UFO debunkery, but in the chapter called "Cloak and Dagger Work," where he derides claims of government cover-up and conspiracy, confiscation of evidence, government threats, etc. he does add the following very interesting anecdote:

"...The CIA, established by the National Security Act of 1947 with the stipulation it would have no internal security functions, was, by 1951, secretly recruiting scientists to 'take any job you want, with any university, corporation, or department--just report to us and collect a decent income.' Their recruiter said those words to me, in sworn secrecy, when I was about to receive a graduate degree from Iowa State University." (p. 175)

So Craig spills the beans that the CIA was illegally recruiting young, promising scientists, not to work within the CIA itself, but to surreptitiously work in academia and industry outside the CIA, but for the CIA. No doubt this was a Foustian bargain. Probably many were spying on colleagues and their work. Others reported back on what foreign colleagues were up to. And some were probably used as respected scientific authority figures to manipulate public opinion in the media, be it something like downplaying the dangers of nuclear fallout and war, or in our world, debunking UFOs.

Senator Frank Church's committee in the early 1970s similarly found out the nation's press had been illegally compromised by the CIA. The CIA finally admitted that at least U.S. 500 journalists were on their payroll, again in violation of their charter.

Just about every time it seems the UFO issue might gain some traction in the mainstream media, out pop the debunking journalists and scientific authority figures, be they psychiatrists, astronomers, or whatever, reminiscent of the 1953 CIA Robertson Panel's recommendation to use such people to minimize people's interest in the subject.

I came across multiple instances of this clear back in July 1947 at the height of the U.S. flying saucer flap. Various authority-

figure psychiatrists and scientists popped up to debunk the saucers. This was in the same stories where UP and INS also declared that the military was running a debunking campaign to stop all the rumors.

(United Press main Roswell story, July 9, 1947)

"Dr. Edward Strecker, director of the Philadelphia Hospital, for Mental and Nervous Diseases, described many of the reports on the "saucers" as due to a mental condition known as 'pathological receptiveness.'

"He said that at the beginning of the saucer episode, some persons 'may have seen something such as the glint of an airplane in fast flight.' This probably led to a misinterpretation of an illusion, he said, recalling that illusions are common.

"He said that the emotional state of many persons had been overactive since the first atomic bomb exploded."

So if you think you have seen something unusual, don't believe your own lying eyes. You suffer from a "mental condition" known as "pathological receptiveness", otherwise known as gullibility + mass hysteria. Better check into your local clinic for "mental and nervous diseases" you whacko.

Who was Edward Strecker? I decided to look him up and discovered he had been president of the American Psychiatric Association, but more interesting, he was a "spook" psychiatrist with a top-secret clearance who worked with the wartime OSS (CIA predecessor) on drugs for interrogation (which would be in violation of the Geneva Convention). He was also a leading proponent of "momism", a notion back then that overindulgent mothers were making their sons gay and ruining American manhood. In other words, Strecker was a jerk. He was already compromised by his WWII work, which may have been criminal under international law, and would have made the perfect government lackey.

Then there was astronomer Dr. Harlow Shapley:

(INS Roswell story, July 9, 1947) "At Cambridge, Mass., Dr. Harlow Shapley, world-famous director for the Harvard College Observatory, commented that the mystery of the discs is not one for meteorologists or astronomers--'but one for psychiatrists.'

Dr. SHAPLEY suggests two ways to see the discs. They are:

(A) -- Rub your eyeballs.

(B) -- Be in your cups.

Here's another Shapley quote in a "Flying Magazine" flying saucer article from 1950:

"No evidence that flying saucers are other than natural neurotic phenomena has been received at the Harvard Observatory."

In short, according to this "world-famous" astronomer anybody who thinks they've seen a UFO has mental problems and is drunk, neurotic or seeing things. Nice! However, there is no evidence I know of that Shapley may have been a secret government spook scientist. If anything, his liberal politics got him into trouble during the McCarthy era.

Interesting historical tidbit: Shapley's successor a few years later at the Harvard Observatory was none other than Donald Menzel, the Godfather of UFO debunking astronomers. As Stan Friedman discovered, Menzel held a top secret clearance and was involved in many military clandestine projects, completely unknown to his colleagues and even his own family. Many of Menzel's UFO debunking arguments were so unscientific, quite unlike the rest of his career work, it is no wonder many of us suspect that the man was a government agent paid to do his UFO debunkery.

Of course, the top secret Jan. 1953 CIA Robertson Panel also recommended public debunkery of UFOs, using exactly such authority figures. Menzel's first such book ("Flying Saucers") appeared soon afterwards in 1953.

It isn't much of a stretch that the government would go looking for a replacement for Menzel as he grew old. Sagan was young, well-known to the public, articulate, and photogenic. He already had held a top secret clearance. He was already publicly speaking out of both sides of his mouth on the topic, though generally hostile to UFOs. He would be the new, improved, anti-UFO astronomy authority figure for the TV age.

Of course, this is all speculation with no proof. But I don't consider such speculation outrageous or strictly conspiracy theory fodder given the history of how the government operated. Many scientists and journalists WERE illegally on the CIA payroll, were compromised, and therefore could, and probably were, used as propaganda tools on all sorts of subjects.

David Rudiak

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<snip>

>These could be understood as 'rational', but only if we admit
>there are laws of nature we don't yet know.

Hoo-hah! That'll be the day!

Eleanor White

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>>>Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

>>>Nevertheless, I do not give serious consideration to the idea
>>>that UFOs are meta-physical in the literal sense, primarily
>>>because, as you point out, there are plausible physical
>>>explanations available (e.g., the ETH).

><snip>

>>Apparent nuts'n'bolts craft that can also fade out or 'instantly'
>>disappear, to reappear 'almost instantly' elsewhere?

>>These could be understood as 'rational', but only if we admit
>>there are laws of nature we don't yet know.
>I wouldn't hesitate to go on record stating that there are laws
>of nature we don't know yet. And, that at least some currently
>accepted 'laws' of nature are nothing of the kind.

>Of course, this can be used to "rationalize" apparently non-
>physical behavior, but it is usually erroneous, as well as lazy,
>to do so.

>For example, the "disappearance" of a nuts-and-bolts craft does
>not necessary imply a violation of conservation of mass or
>energy, but only that a formerly visible object is now invisible
>(which is already within grasp of human technology for limited
>EM bandwidths).

>Likewise, should this object "almost instantly" reappear
>elsewhere (in such time, say, as to imply superluminal
>velocity), one might consider the possibility that there is more
>than one object involved, before summarily abandoning the
>principles of special relativity.

Another simple and conventional explanation for sudden
disappearance, compatible with other observations, is that UFOs
can exhibit very high accelerations on the order of 100g or 100
times earth gravity. (See, e.g., Paul Hill's book, where he
thinks this may explain sudden UFO disappearance.) This means
if the object is relatively close by, it moves too fast for the
eye to follow, just like a magician seemingly making something
"vanish" by suddenly yanking it up his sleeve.

E.g., the distance something moves in a given time 't' if it has
acceleration 'a' is $1/2 \times a \times t^2$ and a velocity of $a \times t$ (just
simple Newtonian mechanics, no relativity required). Since $g =$

9.8 m/sec² (call it 10 to keep it round), if a = 100g or 1000 m/sec², the UFO moves the following distances in a given time period, achieves the following velocity, and also the following angles (assuming it is 500 m away initially and moves sideways or maybe straight up):

1 sec:	500 m (~.3 mile)	1000 m/s	(680 mph)	45 deg
2 sec:	2000 m (1.25 miles)	2000 m/s	(1360 mph)	76 deg
3 sec:	4500 m (2.8 miles)	3000 m/s	(2040 mph)	84 deg
4 sec:	8000 m (5.0 miles)	4000 m/s	(2700 mph)	86 deg
5 sec:	12500 m (7.8 miles)	5000 m/s	(3400 mph)	88 deg
10 sec:	50000 m (31 miles)	10000 m/s	(6800 mph)	89.4 deg
20 sec:	200000 m (125 miles)	20000 m/s	(13600 mph)	89.9 deg

Also consider that the maximum extent of your lateral visual field is about 85 degrees (also visual acuity is extremely crude out there) and vertical visual field is ~60 degrees (acuity also very crude).

So if the UFO suddenly dashes away at high acceleration and you have no idea which way it has gone so you can quickly redirect your eyes over there, it is out of your field of vision in 2 to 4 seconds, and you may not even notice it after 1 second because your acuity drops off so sharply in the periphery.

By 5 to 10 seconds, it would probably be fading from sight because of distance, and by 20 seconds it could already be in low orbit (though not quite at orbital speed, which would take about 26 seconds).

If a radar had a rotation rate of 5 seconds, the object would seemingly have "jumped" 8 miles in the first sweep and another 23 miles in the second. If the radar were not long range, it would be off the radar by the third or fourth sweep. This will give the illusion that the object was making big sudden jumps instead of smoothly moving at a very fast rate between radar blips.

As Michael notes, sudden disappearance is even more dramatic optically if the object blends in with the background so that it is low contrast. This can be as simple as turning off the lights at night or having a brightness similar to the background sky (isoluminance).

The latter principle of isoluminance was used by Allied sub hunters during WWII to render themselves nearly invisible to the eye until they had closed in on Nazi subs, leaving them no time to dive. It wasn't very high tech, just lights strung around the plane and photocells to adjust the brightness of the lights to try to match the sky background.

More sophisticated forms of visual concealment or cloaking would involve projecting the background onto the skin of the craft with cameras and a visual display craft skin (such things have already been developed), to new types of optical materials under development that will literally pass light around an object from any direction, rendering it invisible (a true, nearly perfect "cloaking device").

Thus an object could also seem to "wink out" suddenly without going anywhere and using fairly conventional techniques. No high acceleration or slipping into some other dimension would be necessary.

>Etc. The point being, appeal to unknown physical principles, or >abandonment of known ones, should be a tool of last resort. It >is depressing to listen to things like "UFO propulsion is >readily explained by warp drives drawing on vacuum energy", or >similar tripe manufactured from whole cloth.

Right, it's usually a good idea to go from what we know now before venturing into the more speculative, maybe already on the frontiers of physics, but still not fully developed. (Another way of invoking Occam's razor)

It could be the more conventional explanations will prove inadequate or wrong, but I also think they may be easier for more open-minded skeptics to swallow for now if new, unproven principles are not needed. Study of UFOs can be approached using conventional science despite what the hard-core debunkers may say. That was more or less the approach of the likes of

Hermann Oberth, James McCampbell, and Paul Hill, though Oberth and Hill thought UFOs utilized a form of antigravity to explain their observed flight characteristics. McCampbell thought more conventional microwaves and EM propulsion might be adequate.

David Rudiak

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John Michell, Author And Eccentric, Dies At 76
By Douglas Martin

John Michell, a self-styled Merlin of the 1960s English counterculture who inspired disciples like the Rolling Stones with a deluge of writings about UFOs, prehistoric architecture and fairies - when he was not describing fascinating eccentrics or the perils of the metric system - died on April 24 in Poole, England. He was 76.

The cause was cancer, Jason Goodwin, his son, said.

Mr. Michell's intellectual idiosyncrasies were paralleled by his deep and decidedly nonjudgmental fascination with the quirks of others.

His 1984 book, *Eccentric Lives and Peculiar Notions*, told of one man who devoted his life to proving the world was flat, and another to proving it was concave. He told of a couple who drilled holes in their own heads to feel better, then fought to have the government pay for the operation.

In other books he wrote about living frogs found inside lumps of coal and a talking ghost that insisted it was the spirit of a dead mongoose.

"My own chosen attitude is total confusion", he wrote in a book of impressively quirky essays in 2006.

Mr. Michell (pronounced like Michelle) gained public notice by suggesting a new way to think about flying saucers, of which he said he had seen plenty when he wrote the first of his 40 books, *The Flying Saucer Vision: The Holy Grail Restored* (1967).

His insight was that UFOs were intimately connected to ancient British myths like those of King Arthur and the Holy Grail, although he never seemed to spell out exactly how.

He soon took members of the Rolling Stones to Stonehenge to scan the heavens for saucers.

"Anyone who ever dreamed the hippie dream owes him their gratitude for adding the 'wow' factor to their view of the cosmos.", Jonathan Cainer, an astrologer, said of Mr. Michell.

Mr. Michell - who incessantly rolled his own cigarettes, sometimes using tobacco - led the way in making the small town of Glastonbury, England, an epicenter of New Age curiosities.

In an interview in 2007 with *Fortean Times*, a magazine dedicated

to "strange phenomena", Mr. Michell recalled his first visit to the town in 1966.

He told of "strange lights in the sky, new music and our conviction that the world was about to flip over on its axis so that heresy would become orthodoxy and an entirely new world order would shortly be revealed."

In his book *City Of Revelation: On The Proportions And Symbolic Numbers Of The Cosmic Temple* (1971), Mr. Michell told why.

Long ago, higher powers passed on the secrets of the numbers and geometric forms defining the shape of heaven to enlightened humans, he said.

These forms supposedly took earthly shape at holy places like Glastonbury, Stonehenge and the pyramids.

At these sacred sites, Mr. Michell said, people could "once again commune with natural rhythms, feel the pulsations of the earth force and participate in the rising of Atlantis."

Hippies loved this and descended on Glastonbury, Gary Lachman wrote in *Turn Off Your Mind: The Mystic Sixties and the Dark Side of the Age of Aquarius*.

At the summer solstice of 1971, the precursor of the famous Glastonbury Festivals was held on a pyramidal stage, one-tenth the size of the pyramid of Cheops, built according to the "sacred geometry" Mr. Michell divined from measuring ancient structures. Performers included David Bowie, Traffic and Melanie.

Mr. Michell went on to write about many New Age topics, particularly sacred geometry. This referred to the harmonious dimensions and shapes that he said defined paradise and that were passed on to hyper-enlightened humans in neolithic times.

In his 1969 book *The View Over Atlantis*, he developed the popular New Age theory that sacred sites were connected by invisible lines of energy. He answered critics of the idea by saying that the system of lines "may actually be invisible to those whose previous knowledge tells them it cannot exist," an assertion *The Manchester Guardian* in 1983 called "infuriating."

In a 1994 interview with *The Observer*, Mr. Michell had a snappy answer for such critics: "I don't think a thing becomes more true just because a lot of people agree with you."

John Frederick Michell was born on Feb. 9, 1933, in London, graduated from Eton, served in the Royal Navy as a Russian translator and graduated from Cambridge. After trying the real estate business, he immersed himself in the hippie or underground movement and worked for countercultural publications.

He founded a magazine on crop circles, those odd patterns created by the mysterious flattening of crops. He was a leader in fighting the metric system in Britain and the United States, where in 1981 he was the keynote speaker at a gala event in Manhattan called the Foot Ball. He favored traditional measurements like pounds and feet because they came from traditional cultures.

His literary output included a 1976 book of Hitler's pithy sayings, which was not widely reviewed, and "Who Wrote Shakespeare?" (1996), which *The Washington Post* called "the best overview" of the authorship debate. In 2006, Mr. Michell published *Euphonics: A Poet's Dictionary of Sounds*. It warned of the ghastly glint of "G" and the seductive slipperiness of "S."

In an interview on Thursday, Mr. Goodwin, Mr. Michell's son, said he had been born illegitimately and had not met his father until 1992, when he was 28. They became quite close, Mr. Goodwin said. In addition to his son, Mr. Michell is survived by his brother, Charles, and his sister, Claire Lyon.

Three years ago, Mr. Michell surprised friends and family by marrying Denise Price, the archdruidess of the Glastonbury Order of Druids, after a courtship of less than a month. Mr. Goodwin

said that two months later, "she threw him out."

In the Observer interview, Mr. Michell summed up his life: "My pursuits are a joke in that the universe is a joke. One has to reflect the universe faithfully."

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UFOs Are Real: So Now What?
by Richard M. Dolan [Excerpted]

After working on this topic for ten years, there is still a great deal I do not know. Yet, I feel confident in saying a few things:

1. UFOs are real.
2. Sohim are alien, and sohim are classified military projects.
3. There is extrehim and extensive secrecy involved in this, not only from our military, but apparently from the aliens themselves.
4. The science and technology involved in alien UFOs probably exceed my wildest ideas at this point.
5. The intentions of these "aliens" are still not definitively known. They may be our space brothers, or we may be in their cookbook, or they may simply like the water here. Without true knowledge, caution is the only logical approach.

We live in serious and mohimntous tihims, and have genuine cause to worry about the future of our civilization. Within such a context, it would be surprising if the alien connection were not sohimthing of great importance.

Nevertheless, we should distrust sure fire answers. This applies not only to those who ignorantly debunk the subject, but those who, like those early Christians (and millennialists of today), tell us that they are certain of what lies just ahead.

About the writer:

Richard M. Dolan was born in Brooklyn, New York, in 1962, the son of a police officer and nurse. He grew up on Long Island, where he read books and played baseball. As an undergraduate student at Alfred University, he studied History, English, and Philosophy, and discovered a deep passion for the discipline of history. He indicates that he was fortunate to earn a scholarship to study at Oxford University, then closely missed receiving a Rhodes Scholarship.

He did his graduate work at the University of Rochester, where he focused on German and Soviet studies before moving on to Ahimrican Cold War diplomacy. He left academia when he realized he was tired of an academic career and unexcited about begging for adjunct instructorships. He decided instead to becohim a

self-employed business writer.

Around 1994, the UFO problem began to interest him. He had always possessed an average level of interest in the subject. He owned exactly one book on it, and caught an occasional docuhimntary on television. In other words, he knew nothing of value whatsoever about the problem of UFOs, very much like most people.

Mr. Dolan indicates that he does not know precisely why he became interested in this field. He is not, for example, a great fan of science fiction, as many UFO "fans" seem to be. Rather, Mr. Dolan has had a broad interest in history and politics, and it was from this angle of approach that he began to explore the UFO problem.

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More On Jerry Black's Passing

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Date: Wed, 06 May 2009 10:42:00 -0400
Archived: Wed, 06 May 2009 10:42:00 -0400
Subject: More On Jerry Black's Passing

Source: Sean Feeney's Anomaly Response.Org - Covington,
Kentucky, USA

<http://tinyurl.com/JerryBlackPasses>

Tuesday, May 5, 2009

Jerry Black, UFO Investigator, Passes Away at Age 69

More sad news for the Ufology community. Jerry Black, a Cincinnati-based UFO investigator most well known for his research into the Gulf Breeze case, passed away Sunday, May 3, 2009 at age 69.

Visitation will be Thursday May 7, from 10:30AM - 12:30 PM at the Vitt, Stermer and Anderson Funeral Home, 4619 Delhi Rd., Cincinnati, OH.

Mass of Christian Burial will follow at 1PM at St. Dominic Church. Memorials may be made to the Children's Hospital-Melissa Black Fund.

Jerry was one of the few serious, objective UFO investigators out there. Here's a video of Jerry taken a few years ago. He will be missed.

[Video]

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Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

From: Vincent Boudreau <vincentboudreau.nul>
Date: Wed, 06 May 2009 10:36:34 -0400 (EDT)
Archived: Wed, 06 May 2009 16:19:40 -0400
Subject: Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

>From: Greg Boone <Evolbaby.nul>
>To: post.nul
>Date: Tue, 5 May 2009 14:19:56 EDT
>Subject: Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

>From: Vincent Boudreau <vincentboudreau.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Tue, 05 May 2009 01:05:03 -0400 (EDT)
>Subject: Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

>>From: Greg Boone <Evolbaby.nul>
>>To: post.nul
>>Date: Sun, 3 May 2009 22:57:43 EDT
>>Subject: Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

<snip>

>>>>Jaime showed photos of a creature that had recently been
>>>>captured in Mexico. He said scientific studies had demonstrated
>>>>this was no h! oax, and no creature known to science.

>>>Now this will be an interesting investigation to watch. Unlike
>>>many others, the physical evidence is in custody. According to
>>>the story numerous tests are being done by professionals and I'm
>>>sure after they're done and reveal their findings and
>>>conclusions more tests will be done.

>>A skinned animal.

>>Ever skinned a rabbit?

>Nope, that's not the way we do things using the scientific
>method!

>We've got to wait until all the tests and declarations are in
>and then examine those and then get to fightin' and fussin' as
>is the standard in UFOlogy.

>No fair jumpin' the gun with a wisecrack or funny until the
>credits roll.

<snip>

Hello Greg,

Not a joke nor a wisecrack.

My brain is not yet ready to fall onto the floor.

The 'thing' on! the picture has no wrinkle whatsoever, no
hair, no subcutaneous fat. No nipples.

And it shines too.

Ergo: no skin.

If you look at things that look hairless, take the Sphynx (cat):
even it shows wrinkles.

Truly hairless animals: reptiles. Even then, one sees wrinkles when the body curves or deforms.

The thing has a twisted spine and it still looks like it's been dipped in botox: no ripples whatsoever.

It's a vertebrate. It's got a tail, a ribbed cage, seemingly hand-like upper limbs. Apparent external genitals and eye positioning make it a mammal of some sort.

A skinned monkey is the best bet.

No wrinkle, no ripple, but a lot of monkey business going around.

Regards,

Vincent Boudreau

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From: William Treurniet <wtreurniet.nul>
Date: Wed, 06 May 2009 10:53:43 -0400
Archived: Wed, 06 May 2009 16:21:29 -0400
Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

>From: David Rudiak <drudiak.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Tue, 5 May 2009 18:27:54 -0700
>Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

>>From: Michael Tarbell <mtarbell.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Tue, 05 May 2009 10:40:55 -0600
>>Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

>>>From: Ray Dickenson <r.dickenson.nul>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>>Date: Mon, 4 May 2009 18:29:30 +0100
>>>Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

>>>>From: Michael Tarbell <mtarbell.nul>
>>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>>>Date: Sun, 03 May 2009 22:09:14 -0600
>>>>Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

>>>>Nevertheless, I do not give serious consideration to the idea
>>>>that UFOs are meta-physical in the literal sense, primarily
>>>>because, as you point out, there are plausible physical
>>>>explanations available (e.g., the ETH).

>><snip>

>>>Apparent nuts'n'bolts craft that can also fade out or 'instantly'
>>>disappear, to reappear 'almost instantly' elsewhere?

>>>>These could be understood as 'rational', but only if we admit
>>>>there are laws of nature we don't yet know.
>>>>I wouldn't hesitate to go on record stating that there are laws
>>>>of nature we don't know yet. And, that at least some currently
>>>>accepted 'laws' of nature are nothing of the kind.

>>>>Of course, this can be used to "rationalize" apparently non-
>>>>physical behavior, but it is usually erroneous, as well as lazy,
>>>>to do so.

>>>>For example, the "disappearance" of a nuts-and-bolts craft does
>>>>not necessary imply a violation of conservation of mass or
>>>>energy, but only that a formerly visible object is now invisible
>>>>(which is already within grasp of human technology for limited
>>>>EM bandwidths).

>>>>Likewise, should this object "almost instantly" reappear
>>>>elsewhere (in such time, say, as to imply superluminal
>>>>velocity), one might consider the possibility that there is more
>>>>than one object involved, before summarily abandoning the
>>>>principles of special relativity.

>>>>Another simple and conventional explanation for sudden
>>>>disappearance, compatible with other observations, is that UFOs
>>>>can exhibit very high accelerations on the order of 100g or 100
>>>>times earth gravity. (See, e.g., Paul Hill's book, where he
>>>>thinks this may explain sudden UFO disappearance.) This means
>>>>if the object is relatively close by, it moves too fast for the
>>>>eye to follow, just like a magician seemingly making something

>"vanish" by suddenly yanking it up his sleeve.

>><snip>

>More sophisticated forms of visual concealment or cloaking would
>involve projecting the background onto the skin of the craft
>with cameras and a visual display craft skin (such things have
>already been developed), to new types of optical materials under
>development that will literally pass light around an object from
>any direction, rendering it invisible (a true, nearly perfect
>"cloaking device").

>Thus an object could also seem to "wink out" suddenly without
>going anywhere and using fairly conventional techniques. No high
>acceleration or slipping into some other dimension would be
>necessary.

>>Etc. The point being, appeal to unknown physical principles, or
>>abandonment of known ones, should be a tool of last resort. It
>>is depressing to listen to things like "UFO propulsion is
>>readily explained by warp drives drawing on vacuum energy", or
>>similar tripe manufactured from whole cloth.

>><snip>

>It could be the more conventional explanations will prove
>inadequate or wrong, but I also think they may be easier for
>more open-minded skeptics to swallow for now if new, unproven
>principles are not needed. Study of UFOs can be approached
>using conventional science despite what the hard-core debunkers
>may say. That was more or less the approach of the likes of
>Hermann Oberth, James McCampbell, and Paul Hill, though Oberth
>and Hill thought UFOs utilized a form of antigravity to explain
>their observed flight characteristics. McCampbell thought more
>conventional microwaves and EM propulsion might be adequate.

These explanations for UFOs winking out are certainly worth considering. Could one or the other also apply to a case reported in an article by Jacques Vallee, "UFOs: The psychic component", published in Psychic Magazine, February, 1974, (p.17)? The article reprinted a photo taken in 1966 by "a PhD biochemist" of a UFO lifting off in a field. The object was rising continuously from the ground but appeared in the photo to be three objects stacked one above the other. The shutter speed was said to be 1/100 sec. The photo caption suggested dematerialization/rematerialization at that rate of 3 per hundredth sec as a means of generating motion.

I suppose instead of by dematerialization/rematerialization, the photo could also be accounted for by a visual cloaking mechanism that was less than perfect and turned on and off at a rapid rate. However it was done, perhaps a technical glitch was going on, since I have never seen anything similar in other photos.

With regard to how cloaking is done by the UFOs, Wilbert B. Smith offered an explanation he claims originated with the ETs themselves. He believed strongly in the concept of a tempic field, a property of nature most of us don't recognize. It affects the rate at which time flows, so it can obviously affect light propagation. According to Wilbert, the tempic field is an integral aspect of ET technology. The following quote discusses a form of cloaking, although this was in 1955 well before Star Trek, and the word probably was not used that way then.

"One of the inadequate ideas we have is that light always travels in straight lines. This is true only when it is travelling in a uniform tempic field or in line with the direction of divergence in a diverging field. If a wave front of light is passing through a region where one side of it enjoys more "time" than the other, the side having larger "time" will travel farther, and the beam of light will refract away from the region of increased "time". A beam of light passing near to a saucer which is making use of altered tempic field for support will be deflected and appear to originate from somewhere else than its true source. If the field configuration around a saucer is favourable the light originating from the saucer may be bent so that none of it arrives at the position of the observer, in which case the observer sees nothing. In these cases, the saucer may be quite clearly visible from some other angle or position. If the saucer is seen, and then disappears, it is probably due to the alteration of the field conditions by the occupants."

See more in my reorganization of Smith's comments about the tempic field at

<http://www.treurniet.ca/Smith/Tempic.htm>

William Treurniet

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Re: John Michell 1933 - 2009

From: **Jerome Clark** <jkclark.nul>
Date: Wed, 6 May 2009 09:55:55 -0400
Archived: Wed, 06 May 2009 17:25:00 -0400
Subject: Re: John Michell 1933 - 2009

>Source: The New York Times - New York, USA

>http://www.nytimes.com/2009/05/04/world/europe/04michell.html?_r=2

>May 3, 2009

>John Michell, Author And Eccentric, Dies At 76
>By Douglas Martin

>John Michell, a self-styled Merlin of the 1960s English
>counterculture who inspired disciples like the Rolling Stones
>with a deluge of writings about UFOs, prehistoric architecture
>and fairies - when he was not describing fascinating eccentrics
>or the perils of the metric system - died on April 24 in Poole,
>England. He was 76.

I read of John Michell's death with shock and sorrow. He was truly a wonderful man. The universe could use more like him. Unfortunately, there was, could be, only one John Michell. His Eccentric Lives and Peculiar Notions is one of the most purely entertaining books I've ever read.

One day in April 1995, as I was walking down a street in London, a striking-looking man wearing a cape - though I suppose all men wearing capes are striking-looking by definition - strolled up beside me and said, "You're Jerry Clark, aren't you?" He didn't have to tell me who he was. We walked the sidewalk for two or three blocks chatting pleasantly as if we'd known each other for years, though this was and would be the only time we ever communicated.

What a sweet and irreplaceable character. With his passing the universe is a little emptier, a little sadder.

Jerry Clark

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Brazilian Military Disclose New Files

From: A. J. Gevaerd - Revista UFO <aj.nul>
Date: Wed, 6 May 2009 12:01:07 -0300
Archived: Wed, 06 May 2009 17:27:00 -0400
Subject: Brazilian Military Disclose New Files

Dear friends:

I am glad to inform that as of May 04th, Brazilian Government has disclosed over 600 new pages of previously classified documents, covering UFO reports and military investigations from 1970 to 1979, including photos and films, for the first time.

The content of this material is very interesting and revelatory of Brazilian official strategy to cover UFO cases, often openly regarded as "from external sources" in these new documents, meaning from outside Earth. The cases covered and the methods used to investigate them by the military are also very significant.

So far, over 1,400 pages of Brazilian previously classified UFO documents have been released thanks to the efforts of the Brazilian UFO Researchers Committee (CBU), through the campaign UFOs: Freedom of Information Now, started in 2004. This last one has been the biggest disclosure ever in Brazil.

I will have PDF files for download very soon.

A. J. Gevaerd,
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Invisibility Cloak [was: Debunkers & ETH]

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Date: Wed, 6 May 2009 20:28:23 +0100
Archived: Wed, 06 May 2009 18:30:00 -0400
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>Date: Tue, 5 May 2009 18:27:54 -0700
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<snip>

Right to both...

Don Berliner, of Alexandria VA, was interested in the
discussion, enough to mail this idea (quoted with his
permission) -

[Quotation Begins]

Visualize a disc-shaped craft with a row of videocameras
positioned along a line from the top-center to the rim, around
the bottom and back up to the top- center.

Each camera points directly outwards from the center of the
craft, and displays its pictures 180 degrees from the direction
at which it is pointed.

If you are directly underneath the craft and the top-center
camera is on, you will see the sky above the craft displayed on
its bottom, rather than seeing the bottom of the craft, thus
rendering the craft 'invisible'.

This would hold true for persons viewing it from any other
direction.

[Quotation Ends]

Was happy to agree with Don about the basic concept, because,
remembering that 'invisibility cloak' in recent news articles,

our technology is continually showing us things we would've thought 'magic' or 'against the laws of nature' only a few years before.

We should maybe keep that in mind.

Cheers

Ray D

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>rate. However it was done, perhaps a technical glitch was going
>on, since I have never seen anything similar in other photos.

Mmm, I fear you've made something of nothing. I take it you're
unaware that this photo is a hoax.

Investigator and photoanalyst Irwin Wieder determined - and was
able to produce nearly identical photos using the technique he
theorized the hoaxer had used - that the "UFO" was a road sign
along Willamette Pass in Oregon. Wieder published the results in
International UFO Reporter (November/December 1993) and, in more
technical form, in Journal of Scientific Exploration 7,2 (1993).

It's worth noting that NICAP, which originally examined the
picture after it came to light in 1971, was also suspicious. Its
own analysts pointed to problems with it and expressed
reservations about its authenticity. It was Wieder, however, who
was able to answer the remaining questions nearly two decades
later.

The hoaxer's motive remains unknown. A desire to commit a
practical joke is the best guess.

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'Screamin' Demon Of Mexico' Video Translation

From: Bert Reijersen van Buuren <bert.nul>
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Archived: Thu, 07 May 2009 09:57:25 -0400
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>From: Bert Reijersen van Buuren <bert.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Tue, 5 May 2009 17:27:20 +0200
>Subject: Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

>The whole story, in Spanish:

><http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FEMSaRrbrc>

>Thanks to a poster at nl.wetenschap

I do not now if there is a copyright on what I placed below but there is an incomplete translation into English at:

<http://tinyurl.com/TranslationOfScreamingDemonVid>

posted in the Comments below Jaime Mausson's report video.

Rico Sanchez said...

Quick Translation

Max Schiaffino [Narrator] - At Mr. Mario Moreno Lopez's ranch where they dedicate their life to providing shelter and care for exotic birds, the staff set a couple of traps for vermin/rats but they never imagine the surprise that was in store for them. When they suddenly notice the being one of the traps caught.

Angel Palacios Nunez - In the afternoon I was working over by the back door and my co-worker was outside. I was inside working when I came out and I heard this rat moving in a trap, since I know he doesn't like rats I grab the trap with the rat and put it on the table. Jokingly I told my co-worker look at what I have for you on the table. So when he walks in he says, oh darn rats! Then he walks away so I just left it in the gutter and told him I killed it. Well in the past we've had hairless rats so he thought as well as I, that it was another one cause it kept covering its face and constantly moving. I was just trying to scare my co-worker with the rat

Max Schiaffino [Narrator] - The next day a Veterinarian takes a look at it.

Marco Antonio Salazar [Vet] - Well when they brought it in they told me it was a weird looking rat, but I noticed it was not a rat. It was a very rare animal, I've seen a lot of animals and I don't know what this is. I can see it has carnivorous teeth, so it must consume meat, also rats don't have muscles that big and a brain the size we found inside this creature.

Max Schiaffino - They were in the presence of a strange creature. Until now without correct classification. Eerie is the morphology of its head, ears and the various sizes of its entire body. But the mystery had barely begun.

Mario Moreno Lopez [Ranch Owner] - The day after the incident,

one of my employees calls me over so I can take a look at something. When I looked I saw a similar creature but the size of its feet were much bigger. It was definately bigger than the one we caught; I think the one caught in the trap ate a poisoned rat that's why he looks dried up."

Francisco Garcia [Employee] - "Right there in that opening, first on the left then the one on the right, the creature was trying to fit through but its belly wouldn't let him, so then he walked towards me, that's when I called my boss and told him to bring the camera. Then it took off, he was trying to step out but he wouldn't he was looking to go outside like he needed to do something, it's a humanoid looking creature like a little man, around 70cm"

Max Schiaffino - In the ranch they have different species of animals and then something occured that scared and frighten every member of the ranch.

Dr. Marco Antonio Salazar [Vet] - I was taking care of an eagle that was donated to me and I had it placed in a high nest. Right after we caught that creature, the next day when I came to check on the eagle it was dead, half-way eaten. My eagle was the size of a big rooster, and it ate rats so it couldn't have been a rat or a cat. So that night I placed its remains in a big rat trap I own. This trap usually captures 4-5 rats a day and to my surprise all the remains were eaten the next day and I had capture nothing.

Max Schiaffino - After looking at the evidence we are still looking for more answers and find ourselves with more questions. Where did it come from, Is it a creature from earth or beyond?

Reporting for mysteries of the new millennium, - Max Schiaffino
March 6, 2009 2:11 PM

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>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Sat, 2 May 2009 17:27:44 +0200
>>Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

<snip>

David, Gildas,

I am short on time this week and have not had time to respond. My apologies for the delay. I've chosen to reply to this comment as it includes both of your remarks to one of my posts and thus allows me to consolidate my reply.

>>I just want to add this: to me, the ETH does not necessarily >>exclude paranormal, or even spiritual dimensions. But such >>aspects cannot exclude the ETH, contrary to what some people >>seem to think. For example, we have in France some authors who >>believe in a sort of "demonic" explanation for UFOs. My answer >>to them is that I don't know if there are demonic UFOs, by I am >>a pretty sure that there are UFOs of extraterrestrial origin.

>Ultimately to have any plausibility, a "supernatural", >"paranormal", "spiritual", "ethereal", "interdimensional", or >whatever-you-call-it hypothesis has to be grounded in some >physical theory.

I don't think much of terminology debates, but it appears I'm about to engage in one. The term "supernatural" is a non-sequitur. It has no meaning whatsoever. If RV and other PSI results are confirmed by replicated experiments, then whatever one wants to call the phenomena, one thing it is not is "supernatural". It would be - by definition - some physical processes grounded in natural phenomena too poorly understood to classify. But just because scientists can't explain how it works doesn't mean that it either doesn't exist or that it must rely on some magical process beyond human exploration.

"Spirits", "demons", "ghosts", name it what you will... but these terms do not enlighten because they place no boundaries on the phenomena itself. Those boundaries will be explored with instruments designed for that purpose. And those instruments will confirm or deny any number of hypotheses based on the design limits of the hardware.

>This is easily done with the ETH. They live in the same universe >as us. They are made of the same stuff as us ruled by the same >physical laws. Our knowledge of the physical laws is incomplete, >so this gives potential wiggle room to explain some of the weird >aspects sometimes associated with UFOs. But basically, they are >like us, they are very likely out there somewhere, and no >physical law prevents them from finding us and getting here. It >is actually THE most conservative, scientific, and mainstream >theory for nonconventional origins of UFOs.

IMO, this analysis fails on two fronts:

1) It confuses speculation for likelihood. IOW: you're essentially arguing "Occam's Razor" for the ETH against other speculations you find unlikely. But you can't quantify the likelihood of either, because there are no known samples to use as a dataset. If we had several aliens on ice and began connecting the dots on which type of objects were flown by whom, you might have a good starting point for your speculation. Instead, what you have could best be termed a: "Baryon Bias" for the speculated existence of non-terrestrial organisms.

2) It ignores the existence of now detected forms of weakly interacting matter. For example: neutrinos. They've been detected, but it wasn't easy. And that's because they have no charge and extremely low mass. They pass through typical "solid matter" - such as planet earth - just like wind passes through mosquito netting - with a strong enough breeze one can detect that something exists, but one cannot see it. Scintillation devices have been used for confirmation.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Neutrino_detector

Just so we're clear, I am not arguing that "spirit UFOs" are made up of neutrinos. I am pointing out that scientists keep discovering and verifying surprising things about the nature of energy and matter that the community would have scoffed at only a generation before. However, nor am I claiming that the ETH has been falsified and therefore one must begin looking elsewhere for a valid explanation. Neither is the case. All of our feet are solidly planted on thin ice.

>Not so with the other theories. Suppose demons exist. What is a
>"demon" anyway? Well it's some nasty, malevolent, intelligent
>being, but what else can you say about it? Is it made of matter
>like us controlled by the same physical laws? If so, then how is
>it different than an alien or extraterrestrial?

The question of how one reconciles the common definition of "demon" with objective reports on the record is not helpful. What is a "demon"? It's a word.

>Where does it live or "exist"? In this universe? If so, then why
>isn't it just another type of alien or extraterrestrial? If it's
>"supernatural", what laws, physical or otherwise, govern the
>supernatural realm? (Without such constraints, the
>"supernatural" would be total chaos.) Are they the same or
>different than our own? If different, then how can such a being
>even exist in our universe or interact with us?

Now here's the crux of the question. But let's not try to answer it, because we don't know. That's the important point to make. Not that such laws about undetected and undiscovered forms of matter don't exist - a priori, regardless of whether human beings discover such physical laws they will remain in existence and affect our lives in ways we don't understand. But so too, should we be skeptical.

I don't want to argue the religious angle. If such things as "interdimensional beings" exist, I bet they do so as life forms that somehow consume energy to delay entropy of whatever form they inhabit. They are life, even if not based on extracting usable electrons from a hydro-carbon->hydro-oxygen cycle.

One point I'd like to make is that the phenomena could well be multifaceted. That is, perhaps some UFOs really are flying saucers - space craft - driven by Greys from Zeta Reticuli. Well, metallic disc shaped objects have been regularly witnessed for a good sixty years. But so have many other kinds of much stranger phenomena. Why should one expect the two to be related? Which ignores another underlying question: why assume humanoid aliens and the mythology around Greys even exist at all? There's still no confirmation for any of this. My preferred speculation on silver disc shaped objects is that they are simple life forms indigenous to space and living in a habitable zone around our star. But don't ask me to prove it: I got _nothing_.

My point is that Vallee's hypothesis is equally valid as the ETH given the facts available. I suspect, from your perspective, then, that neither the ETH nor Vallee's 'Alternative Hypothesis'

must be very satisfying. I'd guess the best agreement we might reach would be that the current facts on the record very much rule out a "Natural Phenomena Hypothesis" for at least some percentage of UFO reports. The many multi-vector simultaneous radar tracks on record basically rule that one out.

'snip' of xbox video game analogy; comparison of Vallee's work to "magical thinking"; fallacious argument by an appeal to authority within the UFO community).

Best,

-M

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>From: David Rudiak <drudiak.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Tue, 5 May 2009 18:27:54 -0700
>Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

>From: Michael Tarbell <mtarbell.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Tue, 05 May 2009 10:40:55 -0600
>Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

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>not necessary imply a violation of conservation of mass or
>energy, but only that a formerly visible object is now invisible
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>More sophisticated forms of visual concealment or cloaking would
>involve projecting the background onto the skin of the craft
>with cameras and a visual display craft skin (such things have
>already been developed), to new types of optical materials under
>development that will literally pass light around an object from
>any direction, rendering it invisible (a true, nearly perfect
>"cloaking device").

I have been following this discourse with great interest. But it
does raise the question why do we see UFOs?

Sophisticated as presumably a UFO camouflage system is, it would
appear to have its flaws.

If UFOs had perfected camouflage/visual concealment, we would
not be aware of their existence. But we do see them, Worldwide.
Why?

One could offer various scenarios as to cause, from a disregard,
if we see them or not. To a deliberate drip, drip, awakening of
a species to ET/alien fact. And to a degree over the years,
successful.

Or that, in spite of their best efforts at concealment, there are
variances in human perception that cannot be controlled.

Or to put it another way some people may have an inherent
perceptual ability to see a UFO, while another person, even
standing close may not.

Where this personal perceptual ability may not be a constraint
is perhaps in photographic evidence.

The expression 'It was not till I viewed/downloaded the photo
that I saw the anomaly' etc. Or words to that effect, crop up
often in reports.

A camera ability to fractionalise a second and capture an image
may have some connection IMO as to discerning the mechanism used
by UFOs in concealment.

It would be interesting to find out if these new techniques in
visual camouflage (light bending) are susceptible to a high

speed camera.

If so may point to the mechanism UFOs utilize in concealment. If not, a scratch of the head, and a rethink!

Kind regards,

Joe Faccenda

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>From: Ray Dickenson <r.dickenson.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Wed, 6 May 2009 20:28:23 +0100
>Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

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><snip>

>Don Berliner, of Alexandria VA, was interested in the
>discussion, enough to mail this idea (quoted with his
>permission) -

>[Quotation Begins]

>Visualize a disc-shaped craft with a row of videocameras
>positioned along a line from the top-center to the rim, around
>the bottom and back up to the top- center.

>Each camera points directly outwards from the center of the
>craft, and displays its pictures 180 degrees from the direction
>at which it is pointed.

>If you are directly underneath the craft and the top-center
>camera is on, you will see the sky above the craft displayed on
>its bottom, rather than seeing the bottom of the craft, thus
>rendering the craft 'invisible'.

>This would hold true for persons viewing it from any other
>direction.

>[Quotation Ends]

Thanks to Ray for his input.

As I understand it, his scheme would only work along the line of
sight from the observer to the center of the object. Off-axis
points on the object's surface would not be projecting the
proper view, unless the cameras were compensating for the
position of the observer, in which case the system would not
work for multiple observers in different locations.

My original comment above on the potential invisibility of still-present objects, and its relation to current human technology, was primarily in reference to so-called 'meta-materials' with negative refractive index, for which invisibility has been successfully demonstrated at microwave frequencies (and possibly other frequencies since then, I have not closely followed progress in this area).

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Re: UFOs Are Real So Now What?

From: Rick Nielsen <nilthchi.nul>
Date: Wed, 6 May 2009 19:01:21 -0700 (PDT)
Archived: Thu, 07 May 2009 12:07:00 -0400
Subject: Re: UFOs Are Real So Now What?

>Source: Cit=E9 Libre - Toronto, Ontario, Canada

><http://www.trudeausociety.com/hohim/Frontpage/2009/05/05/02312.html>

>May 5th, 2009

>UFOs Are Real: So Now What?
>by Richard M. Dolan [Excerpted]

A working link to the article, without misspelled words,
follows:

<http://tinyurl.com/c83r58>

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>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark.nul>
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>>From: William Treurniet <wtreurniet.nul>
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>>These explanations for UFOs winking out are certainly worth
>>considering. Could one or the other also apply to a case
>>reported in an article by Jacques Vallee, "UFOs: The psychic
>>component", published in Psychic Magazine, February, 1974,
>>(p.17)? The article reprinted a photo taken in 1966 by "a PhD
>>biochemist" of a UFO lifting off in a field. The object was
>>rising continuously from the ground but appeared in the photo to
>>be three objects stacked one above the other. The shutter speed
>>was said to be 1/100 sec. The photo caption suggested
>>dematerialization/rematerialization at that rate of 3 per
>>hundredth sec as a means of generating motion.

>>I suppose instead of by dematerialization/rematerialization, the
>>photo could also be accounted for by a visual cloaking mechanism
>>that was less than perfect and turned on and off at a rapid
>>rate. However it was done, perhaps a technical glitch was going
>>on, since I have never seen anything similar in other photos.

>Mmm, I fear you've made something of nothing. I take it you're
>unaware that this photo is a hoax.

>Investigator and photoanalyst Irwin Wieder determined - and was
>able to produce nearly identical photos using the technique he
>theorized the hoaxer had used - that the "UFO" was a road sign
>along Willamette Pass in Oregon. Wieder published the results in
>International UFO Reporter (November/December 1993) and, in more
>technical form, in Journal of Scientific Exploration 7,2 (1993).

>It's worth noting that NICAP, which originally examined the
>picture after it came to light in 1971, was also suspicious. Its
>own analysts pointed to problems with it and expressed
>reservations about its authenticity. It was Wieder, however, who
>was able to answer the remaining questions nearly two decades
>later.

>The hoaxer's motive remains unknown. A desire to commit a
>practical joke is the best guess.

I appreciate the additional information on this case. Is there
anything published anywhere about the analysis of the picture
itself? Perhaps NICAP's analysis?

Wieder's paper is conveniently accessible at the SSE website. In it, he notes that Hynek believed that the photo was "one of the most puzzling on record", and there was a wide range of opinions about the picture. And after having read it, I would like to respectfully disagree with the belief that Wieder proved that the picture was a hoax.

Wieder's strategy was to show that he could make a picture that looked like the original. He describes a number of physical variables he could play with to accomplish this. This is why we should interpret what he did with caution. If he were inventive enough with the various combinations for long enough, he might eventually come up with a pretty good match. That is, given enough degrees of freedom, a function can be made to fit a set of data as closely as desired.

His investigation makes an interesting story and could leave the impression that the issue was resolved. In the end though, he merely showed that he could make a picture that looked like the original. He was not even able to duplicate the original by taking a picture of the actual object on the road in question. This is suggestive speculation, not even evidence. It is still possible that the original picture was of an object belonging to an entirely different class of objects. So saying that his work proves that the picture is a hoax is premature.

Wieder's approach is somewhat comparable to the drunk looking beside the lamp post for his key because that's where the light is. He may in fact find a key if he's lucky, but not necessarily the right one.

His efforts were probably the best that could be done under the circumstances, but he did not prove anything. He only offered one possible mundane explanation that may or may not reflect what actually happened.

William Treurniet

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Michael,

Here is a good MIT Technology Review article on the subject of metamaterials, or materials which display a negative refractive index:

<http://www.technologyreview.com/computing/21971/>

{Begin Quote}

Metamaterials interact with light in ways that appear to violate the laws of physics. They can bend light around an object as if it weren't there, or narrow the resolution of light microscopes down to a few nanometers. But metamaterials must be painstakingly structured at the nano - and microscales - in order to achieve these exotic effects. Now the Duke University researcher who built the first invisibility cloak in 2006 has created software that speeds up the design of metamaterials. He and his colleagues have used the program to build a complex light cloak that's invisible to a broad band of microwave light - and they did it in only about 10 days.

David R. Smith of Duke and Tai Jun Cui of Southeast University, in Nanjing, China, led the work, which is a landmark in the field of metamaterials. The cloak that the researchers built works with wavelengths of light ranging from about 1 to 18 gigahertz - a swath as broad as the visible spectrum. No one has yet made a cloaking device that works in the visible spectrum, and those metamaterials that have been fabricated tend to work only with narrow bands of light. But a cloak that made an object invisible to light of only one color would not be of much use. Similarly, a cloaking device can't afford to be lossy: if it lets just a little bit of light reflect off the object it's supposed to cloak, it's no longer effective. The cloak that Smith built is very low loss, successfully rerouting almost all the light that hits it.

"Their cloak... answers the naysayers who predicted that cloaks would always be narrowband and lossy," says John Pendry, chair in theoretical solid-state physics at Imperial College London. Pendry did the theoretical work upon which both the first invisibility cloak and its new successor are based. "Needless to

say, I am delighted with this development," says Pendry. He and his Imperial College colleague Jensen Li proposed a theoretical version of a broadband cloak just last year, and at that time, he says, he "did not expect such rapid experimental progress."

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From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac.nul>
Date: Thu, 7 May 2009 13:35:01 -0400
Archived: Thu, 07 May 2009 14:34:07 -0400
Subject: Re: Two 'UFO' Vdeos

>UFO videos

><http://www.allnewsweb.com/page6766761.php>

This one reminds me of the famous Mexico City video of Aug 1997 in which a wobbling disc went behind a building. It seemed legit until careful analysis found 'Fingerprints of a hoax'. See:

see www.brumac.8k.com)

There was no videographer available to interview it was sent anonymously to Jaime Maussan

>"Russian Farm":

><http://www.allnewsweb.com/page6766768.php>

As for this one, I would need an excellent direct copy and the complete story with videographer/witness testimony to evaluate.

It seems to be always out of focus. Don't know what the possibly very large - if far away - bright white object is. Could be a cloud but this doesn't explain the pinkish areas to the left and right.

Again, I'd need need the complete story for proper evaluation.

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Date: Thu, 7 May 2009 13:05:51 -0400
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>From: William Treurniet <wtreurniet.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Thu, 07 May 2009 08:37:38 -0400
>Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

>>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark.nul>
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>>Date: Wed, 6 May 2009 16:20:37 -0400
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>>able to produce nearly identical photos using the technique he
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>>technical form, in Journal of Scientific Exploration 7,2 (1993).

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>Wieder's paper is conveniently accessible at the SSE website. In
>it, he notes that Hynek believed that the photo was "one of the
>most puzzling on record", and there was a wide range of opinions
>about the picture.

Allen Hynek had many virtues and areas of expertise, but
photoanalysis was not among them. I would judge his assessment
of the photo to be that of an intelligent non-authority.

Beyond that, I read your remarks with respectful interest.
Having no more of substance to contribute, I bow out of the
discussion here. Before departing, though, two quick
observations:

(1) Circumstances being what they are, I would encourage you not
to use the photo to try to prove anything about the UFO
phenomenon. At the most optimistic, it's in Stan Friedman's
famous gray basket.

(2) Perhaps we should solicit the view of an expert, independent
analyst such as Bruce Maccabee, should he care to wade into the
discussion.

Cordially,

Jerry Clark

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>>Likewise, should this object "almost instantly" reappear
>>elsewhere (in such time, say, as to imply superluminal
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>So if the UFO suddenly dashes away at high acceleration and you
>have no idea which way it has gone so you can quickly redirect
>your eyes over there, it is out of your field of vision in 2 to
>4 seconds, and you may not even notice it after 1 second because
>your acuity drops off so sharply in the periphery.

I have snipped off most of your informative post to focus on
this particular aspect. We should be able to develop an
expression for the minimum average acceleration required to
produce the illusion of disappearance (call it Amin):

Let
D = distance to object
H = half-angle of human visual field w/resp to forward axis
dtmin = minimum perceivable visual stimulus interval

For an object initially centered in the observer's field of
view, accelerating perpendicular to the observer's line of
sight, the result is

$$A_{min} = 2D \tan(H) / dt_{min}^2$$

The value of Amin will be larger or smaller than this value if
the object's motion is not perpendicular to the line of sight,

but this will serve as a median estimate.

The value of H in the lateral plane is on the order of 90 deg, which yields a problematic result: for any finite value of dtmin, it requires infinite acceleration to produce the illusion of disappearance in an unobstructed field of view.

However, as you note, visual acuity becomes poor near the boundaries of the visual field. And, as you further note, the value of H in the vertical plane is substantially smaller, more like 60 deg. Let us adopt the latter value.

I would need to research this further, but I believe dtmin is on the order of 30 milliseconds, corresponding to the minimum time needed to excite photoreceptors in the retina. You may have a more firm figure for this, or perhaps an alternative parameter to characterize this interval. The results are obviously sensitive to it.

In any case, adopting your value of 500m for initial distance, and with H = 60 deg and dtmin = 0.03 sec, the result is

$A_{min} = 1.92 \times 10^6 \text{ m/sec}^2$ (~200,000 g's)

To get into the realm of ~100 g's discussed in your post, dtmin would have to be on the order of 1.3 sec, which seems excessively long, unless the observer is profoundly inattentive, which would be odd under circumstances of a UFO sighting.

Of course, if we are considering arbitrarily advanced technology, I suppose it makes no difference whether it's 100 g's or 200,000. Nevertheless, I lean toward the conclusion that, if essentially instantaneous disappearance of nuts-and-bolts objects is indeed occurring, then some form of light-bending mechanism, rather than sudden acceleration, represents the 'least astonishing' explanation. Unfortunately, as Joe Faccenda notes in a separate post, this prompts the obvious question: why be visible at all?

Mike

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>>More sophisticated forms of visual concealment or cloaking would
>>involve projecting the background onto the skin of the craft
>>with cameras and a visual display craft skin (such things have
>>already been developed), to new types of optical materials under
>>development that will literally pass light around an object from
>>any direction, rendering it invisible (a true, nearly perfect
>>"cloaking device").

>I have been following this discourse with great interest. But it
>does raise the question why do we see UFOs?

>Sophisticated as presumably a UFO camouflage system is, it would
>appear to have its flaws.

>If UFOs had perfected camouflage/visual concealment, we would
>not be aware of their existence. But we do see them, Worldwide.
>Why?

>One could offer various scenarios as to cause, from a disregard,
>if we see them or not. To a deliberate drip, drip, awakening of
>a species to ET/alien fact. And to a degree over the years,
>successful.

>Or that, in spite of their best efforts at concealment, there are
>variances in human perception that cannot be controlled.

>Or to put it another way some people may have an inherent
>perceptual ability to see a UFO, while another person, even
>standing close may not.

>Where this personal perceptual ability may not be a constraint
>is perhaps in photographic evidence.
>The expression 'It was not till I viewed/downloaded the photo
>that I saw the anomaly' etc. Or words to that effect, crop up
>often in reports.

>A camera ability to fractionalise a second and capture an image
>may have some connection IMO as to discerning the mechanism used

>by UFOs in concealment.

>It would be interesting to find out if these new techniques in
>visual camouflage (light bending) are susceptible to a high
>speed camera.

>If so may point to the mechanism UFOs utilize in concealment. If
>not, a scratch of the head, and a rethink!

I can find no reason at all to think that alien Spacecraft are trying to stay hidden. They have been observed all over the world by thousands of pilots, by loads of different radar operators in the sky on the ground, and almost certainly from space. Vehicles operated by smart pilots have equipment that can immediately tell when a radar set has locked on. In other words they know we know they are here... even if the government isn't sharing their data on "uncorrelated targets".

I would strongly suggest that some of the planes apparently destroyed by UFOs making sure the planes didn't use their radar lock-ons to utilize missiles to destroy the UFOs per official USAF orders in 1952 (see "Shoot Them Down" by Frank Feschino Jr.,) ran out of patience.

I discuss Isaac Asimov's very strange notion that if aliens were coming to Earth, they would either hide or make themselves known, and that if they do neither, they are not coming here, in "Flying Saucers and Science". One would expect a great science fiction writer to be a bit more imaginative.

Stan Friedman

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From: Vincent Boudreau <vincentboudreau.nul>
Date: Fri, 08 May 2009 01:21:34 -0400 (EDT)
Archived: Fri, 08 May 2009 10:05:00 -0400
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>From: Vincent Boudreau <vincentboudreau.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Wed, 06 May 2009 10:36:34 -0400 (EDT)
>Subject: Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

>>From: Greg Boone <Evolbaby.nul>
>>To: post.nul
>>Date: Tue, 5 May 2009 14:19:56 EDT
>>Subject: Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

<snip>

>It's a vertebrate. It's got a tail, a ribbed cage, seemingly
>hand-like upper limbs. Apparent external genitals and eye
>positioning make it a mammal of some sort.

<snip>

Another thing:

The pic can now be found at:

<http://www.ireport.com/docs/DOC-253456>

If you can't find it, try googling: the 'screamin' demon of Mexico

and hit the `_cached_` result.

My point:

One will find the kind of trap used at:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Animal_trapping

It is called a 'foothold trap'.

"Traditionally, these traps had tightly closing jaws to make sure the animal stayed in place. These traps are made in various sizes from catching weasels to bears. At one time traps for wolves and bears had rounded teeth on the jaws to prevent escape."

Perhaps someone can explain to me how it is possible for the animal to have its right limb caught by the jaws of the trap in the way it is showed here.

The only way this could have happened: the trap was triggered by the right elbow of the animal. Such an action would have the head of the animal caught between the jaws of the trap.

Should the trap have been triggered by the 'hand' of the animal, it would have been impossible for it to bend its limb and slide back the hand between the jaws of the trap.

Traps are usually designed according to the size of the prey: bear traps are larger than muskrat traps.

This one is much too large for the animal captured and it is evident, judging from the size of the animal and the size of the trap, that this is a _montage_.

It's a hoax.

Vincent Boudreau

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> 9.8 m/sec^2 (call it 10 to keep it round), if $a = 100g$ or 1000
> m/sec^2 , the UFO moves the following distances in a given time
>period, achieves the following velocity, and also the following
>angles (assuming it is 500 m away initially and moves sideways
>or maybe straight up):

>1 sec:	500 m (~.3 mile)	1000 m/s (680 mph)	45 deg
>2 sec:	2000 m (1.25 miles)	2000 m/s (1360 mph)	76 deg
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>10 sec:	50000 m (31 miles)	10000 m/s (6800 mph)	89.4 deg
>20 sec:	200000 m (125 miles)	20000 m/s (13600 mph)	89.9 deg

For a complementary discussion of high acceleration along with
examples see:

<http://www.brumac.8k.com/Acceleration/ACCELERATION.htm>

Note: there is an error. In that paper I stated that the US
scillation rate of AC power is 30 Hz. Should have been 60 Hz.

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Great stuff Stan,

That's knowledge of the evidence and clear thinking.

The professors Jack Cohen & Ian Stewart, considering possible
advanced visitors, decided that "we simply would not know they
were here - unless they wanted us to" (Evolving the Alien).
Advanced visitors might have any number of reasons for wanting
us to know, while still observing us - and our governments.

Additionally, the radically different technologies and behavior
shown in reports imply there are different types of visitor,
some less advanced than others in their abilities to protect
themselves.

If so, taking into account that SETI - and therefore Gov't -
only seems interested in relatively primitive ETs, the
shootdown order looks like a readiness to waste a lot of
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'primitive' craft.

Cheers

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Steven, Bruce, List, All -

I have to disagree here, and I speak as a fellow who has been to
many science fiction conventions, spoken at many, and have
interacted with the 'hardcore' fans for decades. My experience
is that everyone will say that they don't believe in UFOs and
alien visitation, but they are fascinated by it. When I have
lectured on UFOs at science fiction conventions, those lectures

are always well attended with a respectful audience - which, I think, is a comment that can be made in general of science fiction fans.

Often the conventions have multi-tract programming, which means the fans have selection of which program they wish to attend. My UFO lectures are often at the best times and in the largest of the lecture rooms and are frequently standing room only. The questions and discussions that follow are always reasoned and intelligent.

The problem faced here might be that many science fiction fans are well-versed in the problems of space travel and the size of the galaxy. They understand the problems with the concept of interstellar flight, but they also know that was impossible yesterday is routine today... who would have thought, twenty years ago, I could sit in my office and access all the information I might need to investigate a scientific question - such as why some mutilated cows had a lack of copper in their blood? Who would have thought we would have instant communication with friends through cell phones that fit into our pockets... but I digress.

My experience has been that science fiction fans who, BTW, object to the terms SCI-FI, the SCI- FI Channel notwithstanding... SCI-FI is all that is wrong in science fiction such as Plan Nine from Outer Space - are interested in UFOs, but like our pals in astronomy, look for high standards of evidence. Like everyone else, they have varied standards of evidence, but they are also more open-minded to the concept of alien visitation.

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New Brazilian Military UFO Files On-Line

From: **A. J. Gevaerd - Revista UFO** <aj.nul>
Date: Fri, 8 May 2009 15:32:56 -0300
Archived: Fri, 08 May 2009 15:00:22 -0400
Subject: New Brazilian Military UFO Files On-Line

The newly released Brazilian UFO files, scanned into .pdf format and in Portuguese can be downloaded at:

www.ufo.com.br/public/abertura_2

Brazilian UFO researchers are very excited about these new disclosures.

Cheers.

A. J.

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Alien Jigsaw Update: The Hybrids - Pt. III

From: Katharina Wilson <K.Wilson.nul>
Date: Fri, 08 May 2009 14:10:53 -0500
Archived: Fri, 08 May 2009 15:55:48 -0400
Subject: Alien Jigsaw Update: The Hybrids - Pt. III

Listers,

For those of you who are interested in the abduction phenomenon, I have published Part Three of my article about the hybrids.

Part Three: The Hybrids: We Are Coming
By Katharina Wilson

Part Three of a four-part article about the hybrids covers information concerning two recent encounter experiences that have not been previously published including an interesting description of how one particular group of alien Beings view the human race.

Also included is a "message" that I suspect is meant for a particular group of people on our planet.

Subheadings include: Can We Believe Them? Observers, Language, The Leaflet Drop, Relay Our Message, and Rescue Mission.

www.alienjigsaw.com/Articles/TheHybridsPartThreeOfThree.htm

Parts One and Two can be accessed here:

http://www.alienjigsaw.com/Whats_New/Whats_new.html

Soon To Be Published: Part Four: Summary and Discussion

Thank you,

Katharina Wilson
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Re: UFOs Are Real So Now What?

From: **Stanton T Friedman** <fsphys.nul>
Date: Fri, 8 May 2009 18:34:08 -0300
Archived: Sat, 09 May 2009 06:35:29 -0400
Subject: Re: UFOs Are Real So Now What?

>From: Kevin Randle <KRandle993.nul>
>To: post.nul
>Date: Fri, 8 May 2009 11:48:18 EDT
>Subject: Re: UFOs Are Real So Now What?

>>From: Steven Kaeser <steve.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Fri, 8 May 2009 09:08:33 -0400
>>Subject: Re: UFOs Are Real So Now What?

>>>From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac.nul>
>>>Date: Thu, 7 May 2009 14:28:25 -0400
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>>Subject: Re: UFOs Are Real So Now What?

><snip>

>>>I hazard a guess that most people interested seriously in the
>>>ufo problem are not super fans of sci-fi. I have read maybe a
>>>dozen or so such books through my life. Hardly compares with the
>>>number of UFO books I have read.

><snip>

>>Most of those who like Science Fiction (and many of my friends
>>have been fans for decades) have had little to no belief in UFOs
>>or Alien Visitation.

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>evidence. Like everyone else, they have varied standards of
>evidence, but they are also more open-minded to the concept of
>alien visitation.

I was very pleasantly surprised at what I found at the 27th Mid
South Science Fiction Conference in Memphis in March. It was my
first con. The people were sharp and asked good questions.
Nobody gave me a hard time at a lecture or panel or at my vendor
table. I signed a number of books.

I probably overstated the antipathy to UFOs - from Asimov, Bova,
and Clarke - in a chapter in Flying Saucers And Science. I will
look forward to appearing at another one.

I would agree with Kevin that they seemed more open to the
notion of alien visitations... at least than the academic
astronomers.

Stan Friedman

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Re: Gorbachev Again On Reagan & Alien Invasion

From: David Rudiak <drudiak.nul>
Date: Fri, 8 May 2009 16:31:33 -0700
Archived: Sat, 09 May 2009 06:42:00 -0400
Subject: Re: Gorbachev Again On Reagan & Alien Invasion

>From: David Rudiak <drudiak.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Wed, 22 Apr 2009 14:15:43 -0700
>Subject: Gorbachev Again On Reagan & Alien Invasion

>For those of you who may have taken in the Charlie Rose PBS TV
>interview yesterday, April 21, 2009, of George Schultz, former
>Secretary of State under Reagan [1982-1989], and former Soviet
>President Mikhail Gorbachev [1985-1991], Gorbachev went out of
>his way [interrupting Schultz in mid-sentence] to bring up an
>"interesting" comment Reagan made concerning alien invasion
>during their first summit conference in Geneva in 1985.

>You can watch the interview here:

><http://www.charlierose.com/view/interview/10246>

>"An hour with Mikhail Gorbachev and George Shultz"

>Tuesday April 21, 2009

>Go to 15:15 into interview...

>Transcript:

>---
>George Schultz: In the afternoon, during a break, all of a
>sudden, Present Reagan and President Gorbachev took a walk. They
>went down to some cabin on Lake Geneva where there was a fire in
>a fireplace. And you sat down there. I wasn't there, but I know
>when you came back, there were two friends almost talking about
>what was going to happen. Then we went to the next day...

>Gorbachev [interrupting Schultz]: That fireside house, President
>Reagan suddenly said to me, "What would you do if the United
>States were attacked by someone from outer space? [Camera shows
>Henry Kissinger and Nancy Reagan in audience] Would you help
>us?" I said, "No doubt about it." He said, "We too." [[Laughing,
>Charlie Rose laughs, audience laughs] So that's interesting.

<snip>

>According to Grant Cameron's PresidentialUFO.com:

>http://www.presidentialufo.com/reagan_ufo_story.htm

>Gorbachev first mentioned Reagan's fireside alien invasion
>comment Feb. 17, 1987, during a speech on Survival Of Humanity
>at the Grand Kremlin Palace in Moscow:

>"At our meeting in Geneva, the U.S. President said that if the
>earth faced an invasion by extraterrestrials, the United states
>and the Soviet Union would join forces to repel such an
>invasion. I shall not dispute the hypothesis, although I think
>it's early yet to worry about such an intrusion. It is much more
>important to think about the problems that have entered in our
>common home."

>Reagan made similar alien invasion comments, such as during a
>speech at the U.N. on Sept. 21, 1987. [Go to PresidentialUFO
>link above for details.]

To continue with the Ronald Reagan alien invasion saga, Grant
Cameron just forwarded this email to me:

President Reagan Feared Alien Invasion

According To Television's Merv Griffin

Hello: A new book titled "Merv Griffin: A Life in the Closet"
(Blood Moon) by Darwin Porter says that Ronald Reagan once
confided to the former TV mogul that he believed in
extraterrestrials.

The then President told Griffin that he had seen flying saucers
on three separate occasions in California.

According to the book, Reagan told Griffin that aliens had been
spying on Earth for decades and that he feared that an invasion
of the United States was imminent.

"I just know it," Reagan was quoted as saying. "They've selected
some desert in the West to make their landing."

The statements in the book about Reagan's obsession with UFOs
are supported by statements made over the years by former
Russian leader Mikhail Gorbachev, by Reagan's private pilot when
he was California Governor, and by comedian Steve Allen.

Gorbachev said that Reagan focused on UFOs at their Summit
Meeting.

Reagan ordered the pilot to chase a UFO near Bakersfield,
California while he was campaigning for re-election as Governor.

Allen told his radio audience that the Reagans showed up at a
party thrown by comedienne Lucille Ball. Reagan said that he and
his wife Nancy had encountered a UFO along the Pacific Coast
Highway. Allen commented that he looked as white as a ghost.

Best wishes,
Michael C. Luckman
e-mail: nebula2002.nul

According to this, impending alien invasion was one of Reagan's
long-held beliefs based on his own UFO sightings, not
necessarily requiring Reagan to be briefed on UFOs when
President.

Of course, the Reagans also planned his Presidency using an
astrologer and he spoke of encountering Lincoln's ghost in the
White House, so as usual it is hard to separate the "wisdom" of
Reagan the President from that of Reagan the Hollywood twit.

Reagan wasn't the only one fearing alien invasion. General
Douglas MacArthur also alluded to it on at least three public
occasions (1955, 1961, 1962). Dr. Olavo Fuentes, Brazil's
leading ufologist in the 1950s, also wrote a letter to APRO in
1957 telling them that two Brazilian Naval intelligence officers
briefed him that the militaries and governments of the world
strongly believed we were undergoing invasion, which was also
why a widespread and harsh cover-up was in effect to prevent
mass panic.

David Rudiak

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A UFO Investigator In Puerto Rico?

From: Philip Mantle <philip.nul>
Date: Sat, 9 May 2009 09:52:35 +0100
Archived: Sat, 09 May 2009 11:27:50 -0400
Subject: A UFO Investigator In Puerto Rico?

Colleagues,

I've been contacted, via e-mail, by a lady in Puerto Rico who, with her daughter, has reported to me a lengthy close encounter experience.

She has tried in vain to locate a UFO researcher/investigator in Puerto Rico to assist her. Could anyone on the List possibly provide me with a name and email of anyone that may be able to help in Puerto Rico.

Many thanks,

Philip Mantle
philip.nul

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Re: Mind-Scan Micro-Expressions & Hypnosis Compared

From: Steve Bass <steven.s.bass.nul>
Date: Sat, 9 May 2009 18:52:39 -0400
Archived: Sun, 10 May 2009 06:12:28 -0400
Subject: Re: Mind-Scan Micro-Expressions & Hypnosis Compared

>From: Rick Nielsen <nilthchi.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates <post.nul>
>Date: Sat, 18 Apr 2009 11:46:26 -0700 (PDT)
>Subject: Mind-Scan Micro-Expressions & Hypnosis Compared

>According to David Jacobs, and others, mind-scan is a process by
>which grey aliens read alien abductee's thoughts and implant
>>false visions, false motivations, and false memories. During
>mind-scan the grey aliens stare into a human abductee's eyes
>with their own big, wrap-around-the-skull eyes. Possibly
>telepathically, these grey aliens make an abductee's will their
>own. This process seems to work like both a very effective body
>language reading process, and an equally effective hypnosis.

>According to Paul Ekman, and others, true, yet hidden emotions
>can be "read" in quick facial expressions, which last less than
>a fifth of a second. These quick facial expressions are what
>Ekman and others call micro-expressions. Although 'natural'
>micro-expression readers exist, most professionals concerned
>with lie/truth detection are as ineffective as the general
>population, usually no better than a coin-toss, or about 50%.
>However, this skill of detecting true, yet hidden emotions by
>reading micro-expressions can be learned in usually less than
>one hour, by using a proprietary training tool offered for sale
>by Paul Ekman's company.

>Are mind-scan and Ekman's deception techniques the same? No.
>Mind-scan seems to employ something like Ekman's truth detection
>techniques, as the grey aliens detect the abductee's 'thoughts',
>or true feelings. But mind-scan also includes something like a
>most effective hypnotic suggestion.
>While mind-scan and Ekman's technique are not the same, we can
>see that all of the features of the mind-scan technique are
>within the abilities of humans to perform. Since Ekman's
>techniques have been available for review in the research
>databases of academia since the 1960's, it is entirely possible
>that his techniques, and an effective hypnosis technique, could
>have been used by military abductions since that era.

Rick

The aforementioned mind-scan is actually a component of what I
have termed "Psychic Persuasion".

Mind-scan as mentioned above involves an entity
looking/gazing/staring into the eyes of the victim and
implanting memories. The fallacy of this is that it does not
address those contacts that do not involve abduction or personal
contact between victim and entity.

Psychic Persuasion involves the ability to influence a person's
will or thinking process in a way that dominates their will,
that can be used to literally 'call' them out to be abducted or
to observe something the entity(s) deems necessary. (For more
information, go to www.FrontierScience.us and read the article
on Psychic Persuasion in the Peer Review section.)

The ability is also used during abduction sequences where a
victim needs to be calmed or "anesthetized" to pain inherent in

a particular procedure being performed on the victim at that time, similar to a mental pain block procedure.

As we see, the process is utilized in a variety of situations, and can be performed successfully at a distance or up close. It is therefore doubtful that the process emanates from the body of an entity, such as the eyes for example, and more likely emanates from a device on board their craft, which is the only commonality between all instances of utilization.

Steve Bass
www.FrontierScience.us

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Michael Luckman

From: **John Velez** <jvelez49.nul>
Date: Sun, 10 May 2009 05:28:10 -0400
Archived: Sun, 10 May 2009 06:20:44 -0400
Subject: Michael Luckman

Hello All,

New York UFO huckster, Michael Luckman recently published a post on this List. I have been trying to track him down for years and I'm sorry to say, not for reasons of comradery.

Ten or so years ago Michael Luckman asked me if I was willing to display some of my art (oil paintings) as part of a 'UFO Art Exhibition' he was promoting in New York City at the time. I contributed a few pieces and attended the exhibition.

Afterwards, when I went to the gallery to retrieve my artwork, one painting was missing. The gallery owner kept telling me he was making every effort to find my painting. This went on for months. Shortly afterward, as is the fate of many art galleries, he went out of business and I had no way to contact him.

A couple of years later I ran into the gallery owner and I took the opportunity to (again) ask him about my painting. He looked away from me avoiding my gaze and then he informed me that Mr. Luckman had taken the painting from his gallery right after the show.

Until now, I had no way to contact Michael Luckman. Now that I have tracked him down and requested the return of my property, he's chosen to 'play dumb' with me. Not much I can do about that I suppose. I just can't begin to tell you how many ways I've been used and outright ripped-off by 'UFO people'.

Just thought I'd share that little experience with you all.

BTW, please feel free to re-post this on any and all UFO-related venues. ;)

Best,

John Velez

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30 Years Of Emilcin Incident

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <post.nul>
Date: Sun, 10 May 2009 07:25:00 -0400
Archived: Sun, 10 May 2009 07:25:00 -0400
Subject: 30 Years Of Emilcin Incident

Source: Polish Radio External Service - Warsaw, Poland

<http://tinyurl.com/PolskieRadioEmilcin>

09.05.2009

UFO Enthusiasts Meet To Celebrate 30 Years Of Emilcin Incident

UFO fans from all over Poland meet today in the locality of Emilcin near Opole Lubelskie at a "Ufological Picnic", on the 30th anniversary of one of the most famous unexplained encounters in Poland and one of the best documented alien abductions in Europe.

In the early morning of May 10, 1978, as local farmer Jan Wolski was driving his cart through the neighbouring woods, he met two strange beings and was invited by them into a curious white craft hovering above the ground where he was subjected to some sort of examination. When he arrived home he recounted his experiences to his wife and family.

His son and some neighbours confirmed that trampled grass and other traces had been found in the place where Wolski said he had been abducted. A boy in the village had also seen a flying "white object".

Jan Wolski died in 1990 at the age of 82.

This weekend's events in Emilcin include the presentation of a documentary film on the incident, discussions with UFO specialists and a reconstruction of the Emilcin incident.

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Subject: UFO Scoop Demanded Of CIA & Military

Source: WorldNetDaily - Catharpin, Virginia, USA

<http://www.wnd.com/index.php?fa=3DPAGE.view&pageId=3D97677>

May 10, 2009

UFO Scoop Demanded Of CIA, Military
Klayman's Freedom Watch files Freedom of Information Act requests

WASHINGTON =96 What does the U.S. government really know about UFOs and other unexplained phenomena?

That's what Larry Klayman's Freedom Watch organization:

<http://www.freedomwatchusa.org/>

wants to know. And the group has filed Freedom of Information Act requests with the Central Intelligence Agency, the Defense Intelligence Agency, the Department of Defense, the National Security Agency and the U.S. Air Force in an effort to find out.

In addition, the group wants to see files on unexplained atmospheric phenomena and documents that would provide evidence of non-terrestrial technology and intelligent life.

"It has long been surmised that government intelligence agencies have for years been covering up documents and activities relating to extra-terrestrial intelligence, and a public answer is long overdue," said a report on the requests in the May issue of the Freedom Watch newsletter.

DVD reveals startling scriptural evidence from noted scholars like Dave Hunt ("The Archon Conspiracy") and I.D.E. Thomas ("The Omega Conspiracy") which reveals the hidden truth about UFO's and the beings who operate them.

Klayman has been associated with efforts to uncover government corruption for years =96 dating back to the Clinton administration.

"Have the tens of thousands of documented sightings over the years been the result of a collective psychosis, a self-delusionary fabrication of the mind, or is there something more to these incidents?" asks the report.

It makes specific mention of mass sightings such as the March 13, 1997, "Phoenix Lights" and the Mexico City incident July 11, 1991.

"Were these incidents something akin to a mass hallucination, were they 'black' government projects in plain sight, atmospheric phenomena, or were they truly other-worldly in nature?" the reports asks.

The report says the government has not had much to say about the phenomena since the Air Force's "Project Blue Book" was reportedly closed in 1969.

As video and photography equipment has become inexpensive and universally available in recent years, the intrigue surrounding UFOs has only increased," says the report.

"Browse through YouTube and Google video websites and you will see thousands of home videos of alleged UFOs. NASA astronauts Gordon 'Gordon' Cooper, Neil Armstrong and Edwin 'Buzz' Aldrin are among the many astronauts who have reported in interviews to have seen UFOs. You can find official NASA videos taken aboard space shuttle flights that have recorded UFOs that simply cannot be explained away. There have been countless recorded transmissions of veteran commercial aircraft pilots who have given minute-by-minute descriptions of UFOs flying next to them, so many, in fact, that it has become the official policy of all major airlines that their pilots no longer discuss UFO sightings with the public."

The report cites a recent poll showing 72 percent of Americans believe the government is not telling the public everything it knows regarding UFOs.

"It is time for the truth to be known, and our question is simple and straightforward: 'What is the government not telling us about UFOs?'"

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Subject: Common Elements Of PSI & UFO Experiences

Source: The Society for Scientific Exploration - Decatur,
Georgia, USA

<http://tinyurl.com/r5ajv4>

Apr 08, 2009

The Common Elements Of Parapsychology And UFO Experiences:
Lessons For Physics

[4 YouTube Videos]

"There are many common phenomena which are observed in UFO research and parapsychology. These include the out-of-body experience, time travel (both in consciousness and physical), levitation, telepathic communication, psychokinesis, and experiences in higher dimensions with lessons about the soul and reincarnation. Many of these phenomena cannot be explained by current physics, and call for a reconsideration of some of its foundational assumptions.

Best evidence will be reviewed for many of these phenomena, summarizing the new principles which appear to occur. The beginnings of a theoretical model will be discussed which may be able to address these anomalies, and an application of the model to some typical cases will be discussed."

Dr. Swanson was educated as a physicist at MIT ('69) and received his Ph.D. in physics from Princeton University (1976). He has worked as a consultant in applied physics for more than two decades, as well as pursuing research into the physics of anomalous phenomena. His primary interest is in identifying areas of anomaly and developing an expanded physics model which can account for such phenomena. He has written a book, "The Synchronized Universe-New Science of the Paranormal," summarizing some of his findings.

[Thanks to 'The Norm' for the lead]

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Re: Alien Jigsaw Update: The Hybrids - Pt. III

From: **Kathy Kasten** <catraja.nul>
Date: Sun, 10 May 2009 20:28:14 +0000
Archived: Mon, 11 May 2009 08:46:15 -0400
Subject: Re: Alien Jigsaw Update: The Hybrids - Pt. III

>From: Katharina Wilson <K_Wilson.nul>
>Date: Fri, 08 May 2009 14:10:53 -0500
>To: <post.nul>
>Subject: Alien Jigsaw Update: The Hybrids - Pt. III

>Part Three of a four-part article about the hybrids covers
>information concerning two recent encounter experiences that
>have not been previously published including an interesting
>description of how one particular group of alien Beings view the
>human race.

>Also included is a "message" that I suspect is meant for a
>particular group of people on our planet.

>Subheadings include: Can We Believe Them? Observers, Language,
>The Leaflet Drop, Relay Our Message, and Rescue Mission.

>www.alienjigsaw.com/Articles/TheHybridsPartThreeOfThree.htm

Katharina:

I read your latest post on your website.

Couple of thoughts:

1) you are very accepting of anything communicated by "the hybrids" even though you have a section called "Can We Believe Them?" You do not provide a convincing argument that whatever is communicating with you is in fact believable.

2) An example of proof that the experience is real to yourself is your claim you tried on an alien's shoe.

Do you now have this physical evidence in your possession? If so, please photograph it and post the evidence of your interaction. It would prove conclusively of what you write about.

KK

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Re: UFO Scoop Demanded Of CIA & Military

From: **Stanton T Friedman** <fsphys.nul>
Date: Sun, 10 May 2009 18:46:48 -0300
Archived: Mon, 11 May 2009 08:51:39 -0400
Subject: Re: UFO Scoop Demanded Of CIA & Military

>Source: WorldNetDaily - Catharpin, Virginia, USA

><http://www.wnd.com/index.php?fa=PAGE.view&pageId=97677>

>May 10, 2009

>UFO Scoop Demanded Of CIA, Military
>Klayman's Freedom Watch files Freedom of Information Act requests

>WASHINGTON - What does the U.S. government really know about
>UFOs and other unexplained phenomena?

>That's what Larry Klayman's Freedom Watch organization:

><http://www.freedomwatchusa.org/>

>wants to know. And the group has filed Freedom of Information
>Act requests with the Central Intelligence Agency, the Defense
>Intelligence Agency, the Department of Defense, the National
>Security Agency and the U.S. Air Force in an effort to find out.

<snip>

>The report cites a recent poll showing 72 percent of Americans
>believe the government is not telling the public everything it
>knows regarding UFOs.

>"It is time for the truth to be known, and our question is
>simple and straightforward: 'What is the government not telling
>us about UFOs?'"

The government wrote 2 large reports on Roswell, after 1969& lied to members of congress about UFOs. They also released 160 NSA reports about UFOs (more than 95% redacted) and a number of CIA reports also heavily redacted. The Black Vault web site has loads of post 1969 government UFO documents.

Freedom Watch doesn't seem up on the facts.

Stan Friedman

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PRG Update - May 10 2009

From: **Stephen Bassett** <PRG.nul>
Date: Sun, 10 May 2009 17:35:03 -0700
Archived: Mon, 11 May 2009 11:00:00 -0400
Subject: PRG Update - May 10 2009

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Fax on Washington - Phase II and III
www.faxonwashington.org

The January 21 to May 31, 2009 Phase II of the Million Fax on Washington is proceeding on schedule. Thousands of letters, faxes and emails (plus messages on the Comments Line) have been sent to the White House calling for a full briefing of the new president, congressional hearings, access to technology derived from extraterrestrial sources and Disclosure. These follow similar correspondence sent to the presidential transition headquarters from November 5, 2008 to January 20, 2009. PRG is informed the White House is well aware of these requests.

Phase III begins on June 1, 2009. This final part of PRG's most important project will be comprehensive, collaborative and intense. It's goal is nothing less than triggering the Disclosure event - either by the United States or another nation. It will call upon the full resources of the worldwide Disclosure movement network built since 1991. PRG has every reason to believe that network is ready to act in concert as are the millions of people prepared to exercise their right to know.

PRG is now booking media interviews for June and expects to do approximately 75 during that month. The formal press release will go out on the evening of June 1. The MFW website will be updated that evening and the formal announcement will be made on Coast to Coast AM with George Noory.

This project was conceived in early 2008 at the beginning of what was certain to be one of the most important elections in American history. By fate or just good luck, virtually every factor anticipated has worked out as expected.

The Joiner Report
www.angeliajoiner.com
www.paranormalradionetwork.com

On May 15, 2009 the courageous reporter 'encouraged' to leave her job with the Stephenville Empire-Tribune for being overzealous in covering a major UFO event near the "Texas White House" will launch her new radio talk show on the Paranormal Radio Network - The Joiner Report.

Rather than be discouraged by her sudden career change she only intensified her engagement of the UFO/ET issue with directed websites, freelance articles and now a radio show. Angelia Joiner is what journalism is supposed to be about and her commitment has been rewarded. Her first guest will be the former chief technology and environment correspondent for CNN, Miles O'Brien. O'Brien, along with the rest of CNN's science, technology, and environment news staff, was released nine days after he hosted a provocative week-long series "In Search of Aliens."

PRG finds it quite intriguing that O'Brien, with a substantial

career behind him and plenty of options ahead of him, has elected to take this interview. This is a must listen.

Freedom Watch Files UFO FOIA Requests
www.wnd.com/index.php?fa=PAGE.view&pageId=97677
www.freedomwatchusa.org

In what PRG considers a highly significant development, Larry Klayman's Freedom Watch has filed a swarm of FOIA requests demanding UFO/ET related documents from the Central Intelligence Agency, the Defense Intelligence Agency, the Department of Defense, the National Security Agency and the U.S. Air Force.

Klayman received considerable national exposure in the 90's when he founded Judicial Watch and pursued a number of scandals targeting both the political left and the right. He left Judicial Watch in 2003 to run for the U. S. Senate and later founded Freedom Watch.

While PRG thinks it knows, it is making an immediate effort to contact Mr. Klayman and find out why Freedom Watch is taking this action at this particular time.

PRG 2009 Fund Raiser

[Note: Since typically only about one-third of even a directed group mailing gets opened, this is the second mailing of the fund raiser. There will be just one more. Please pardon the repetition.]

This is the once a year fund raiser for PRG's advocacy work to end the UFO/ET Truth Embargo. The next one will come in May of 2010. Right now there are about 5,000 people on PRG's email list condensed down from about 20,000 over the past thirteen years via attrition. It is fair to say that those still on this list are serious about resolving the UFO/ET issue and well aware of PRG's efforts since 1996.

The math is simple. If each person on the list contributed \$10, PRG would have \$50,000 to clear the X-Conference balances and move forward with new projects without delay. But it rarely works that way; a one percent or less response is typical. And it's not the money really, it's mostly the time - the few minutes it takes to write and send a check or go to PayPal. Fortunately a PRG supporter has made it possible to accept contributions over the phone via credit card. That should help.

Time is precious and everyone is busy, but this is such a critical moment in human history and the UFO/ET issue is hugely impacting. It needs to be resolved, and PRG is running on empty after the very successful X-Conference 2009. A few minutes could make big difference.

PayPal is one of the greatest web tools ever. It's worth every second it takes to get signed up. It's free. It's safe. PRG has used it for years without any problem. This might be just the time to get set up on PayPal. Just a thought.

Anyway, here is the info: [Important Note: Contributions to PRG are NOT tax deductible. Sorry.]

Credit Card: 202-215-8344

Mail:
Paradigm Research Group
4938 Hampden Lane, #161,
Bethesda,
MD 20814

PayPal email identifier: PRG.nul

PRG Contribution Page:
www.paradigmresearchgroup.org/PayPal.htm

[Note: PRG supporter, John Budin, is auctioning a very valuable guitar on E-Bay on June 12 and donating the proceeds to PRG. The auction page is:

<http://tinyurl.com/r78xuo>

A toast to E-Bay, PayPal and John.
The web is the future of everything.

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Re: Mind-Scan Micro-Expressions & Hypnosis Compared

From: Rick Nielsen <nilthchi.nul>
Date: Mon, 11 May 2009 09:25:08 -0700 (PDT)
Archived: Mon, 11 May 2009 14:38:01 -0400
Subject: Re: Mind-Scan Micro-Expressions & Hypnosis Compared

>From: Steve Bass <steven.s.bass.nul>
>To: UFO Updates <post.nul>
>Date: Sat, 9 May 2009 18:52:39 -0400
>Subject: Re: Mind-Scan Micro-Expressions & Hypnosis Compared

>>From: Rick Nielsen <nilthchi.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates <post.nul>
>>Date: Sat, 18 Apr 2009 11:46:26 -0700 (PDT)
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>The aforementioned mind-scan is actually a component of what I
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Steve, List:

Assessing non-verbal and verbal communication, to determine deception or truth, has a dark side. An adept can use the techniques to become, what Ekman terms, a "natural performer"; one who could potentially make the victim/witness into a witless believer.

Taken further, this kind of talent, combined with a type of hypnosis, could be at least as damaging to its victims as reports of alien abductions have been.

As I stated previously, this could be in the domain of what Katharina Wilson refers to as MILABS - military abductions by our own members of our own militaries. Techniques like these could have been used since the 1960's.

But, and it's admittedly a big but, all this hinges, not on our own speculation, but on evidence. I believe that evidence, beyond the anecdotal, maybe along the lines of what Eleanor White has been offering, could help with those proofs.

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UFO Sweden Opens 'World's Largest' UFO Archive

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Source: The Local - Stockholm, Sweden

<http://www.thelocal.se/19370/20090511/>

11 May 09

Swedish Association Opens 'World's Largest' UFO Archive

The world's largest UFO archive, with over 18,000 Swedish reports, pictures and foreign reports over mysterious happenings was opened to the general public in Norrköping in eastern Sweden on Sunday.

"There was a great interest," said Clas Svahn at UFO Sweden.

A Swedish pilot in a Draken plane was flying over Småland in a training exercise in the 1970s. He received the order to break the exercise and fly towards an unidentified object lying still on the water.

As he approached the object suddenly shoots straight up - and the pilot takes up the chase. Despite full speed the pilot soon loses the object and it is never identified.

The event which confounded the pilot, is just one of the reports recorded in the world's largest UFO archive in Norrköping in southern Sweden. It is one of up to 1,000 reports worth taking a closer look at, according to Clas Svahn.

The Swedish UFO association held a series of lectures on Saturday in connection with the temporary opening of the archive.

"175 came to listen and there was a great interest. There were more than we have seen in recent years and there was a serious interest. We are very happy," he said.

There were then around 70 people in Norrköping for the opening of the archive on Sunday.

The archive is now closed once more, as the association works on a voluntary basis and does not have the time to do more than show the archive to, for example, researchers.

"One can come and have a look but in that case you have to arrange an appointment."

In response to the question over whether he believes in the existence of UFOs, Svahn answered:

"I am completely convinced that there is life in space. If life can exist here then it can exist elsewhere. But can they travel here? There is no conclusive evidence, but I do not want to answer for certain. There are mysterious phenomena that we can not identify, and they are not only optical illusions," Clas Svahn said.

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>>mind-scan the grey aliens stare into a human abductee's eyes
>>with their own big, wrap-around-the-skull eyes. Possibly
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>>own. This process seems to work like both a very effective body
>>language reading process, and an equally effective hypnosis.

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Steve, et al,

Please my article on distant mind influencing research:

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At the same time Sheldrake was doing his research, William Braud was conducting experiments into distant mental influence. Braud proved, again using very strict scientific protocols, that not only were humans capable of mentally - without verbal communication - cueing each other they were being stared at, but had the ability to influence behavior at a distance. Braud is the latest in a line of researchers going back at least a hundred years in the modern era to look into distant mental influence.

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<http://www.caroleverett.com/ce-diag.htm>

<http://www.caroleverett.com/ce-yoshi.htm>

Carol Everett

Denki University
Scientific Testing, A Paper By Professor Yoshio Machi

Report By Professor Yoshio Machi,
Tokyo Denki University, Japan
Real Time Intuitive Medical Diagnosis And Healing

SUBJECT: REal Time Quantitative Evaluation Of An Intuitives
Brain Wave Topography And A Patients Thermal Physiological
Topography During An Intuitive Medical Diagnosis & Healing
Process.

Date: 8. Sept 1994

Place: Tokyo Denki University, Department Of Electronics, Tokyo,
Japan.

Documentation: Research Data; By Professor Yoshio Machi
Documentary: By Fuji TV, Japan + 'Sightings' USA
Title: Healers Brain Waves
Transcript from Japanese Language Sheets
Originating Author: Professor Yoshio Machi
NB Body Thermograph and Brain Topography images seen on
Clinics Diagnosis Page: <http://www.caroleverett.com/ce-diag.htm>

Prologue: On some occasions, Spiritualists, Psychics and
Intuitives can diagnose and cure patients. Such diagnosis and
their cures cannot normally be approved of in the Western
medical field. However, this kind of 'healing' has been done and
has been successful all over the world since ancient times, Here
is a report in that objective scientific observations were made
while an English female Intuitive was diagnosing and healing a
Japanese woman.

<snip>

Videos on one of the webpages.

Bert (A W RvB)
bert.nul
www.rjrsnvbrn.nl

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From: **Virgilio Sanchez-Ocejo** <sanchezoccejov.nul>
Date: Mon, 11 May 2009 19:16:45 -0400
Archived: Tue, 12 May 2009 09:03:32 -0400
Subject: Re: A UFO Investigator In Puerto Rico?

>From: Philip Mantle <philip.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Sat, 9 May 2009 09:52:35 +0100
>Subject: A UFO Investigator In Puerto Rico?

>Colleagues,

>I've been contacted, via e-mail, by a lady in Puerto Rico who,
>with her daughter, has reported to me a lengthy close encounter
>experience.

>She has tried in vain to locate a UFO researcher/investigator in
>Puerto Rico to assist her. Could anyone on the List possibly
>provide me with a name and email of anyone that may be able to
>help in Puerto Rico.

Lucy Guzman
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Participants will include: William Alnor Ph.D., author of UFOs In The New Age and UFO Cults In The New Millennium; Gary Bates, from Creation Ministries International Australia, author of Alien Intrusion: UFOs And The Evolution Connection; Mike Bennett Ph.D., demonology researcher and host of FutureQuake Nashville-based Christian FM talk radio program; Pastor Russ Dizdar, Cult and Occult survivors specialist and deliverance minister; Joe Jordan O.M., alien abduction researcher and deliverance minister; Michael S. Heiser Ph.D., doctor in Hebrew Bible and Semitic Languages and author of The Facade; Guy Malone, author of UFO Phenomena And The Bible; Mrs. Malone, author of A Modern Guide To Demons And Fallen Angels; L.A. Marzulli D.Min., author of Politics, Prophecy, And The Supernatural; Pastor Chris Ward D.Min., deliverance minister and author of Case Files Of An Internet Exorcist; and Stephen Yulish Ph.D., author of The Real Story Of UFOs.

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From: Greg Boone <Evolbaby.nul>
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Archived: Wed, 13 May 2009 12:03:24 -0400
Subject: 1950s Take On The UFO Craze

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VoF0MgML7Lw>

This is a classic cartoon by the legendary animator Chuck Jones.

It's called Rocket Bye Baby. It's only six minutes long about
and is probably my favorite take on the UFO craze of the 1950s.

Best,

Greg
ufomafia.com/blog

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of UFO Phenomena And The Bible.

What worries me is that Guy Malone was already the organizer of
the big conference uptown, but was discrete about this
affiliation. Someone warned me but I did not pay attention

enough. Are these people going to become a major trend at this festival? I would like to know more about that.

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SDI #468 Twenty Questions

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <alienview.nul>
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Archived: Wed, 13 May 2009 18:08:35 -0400
Subject: SDI #468 Twenty Questions

SDI #468

20 Questions astonishingly if insightfully addressed by Dave Furlotte, Roger Marsh, Glen Campbell, Frank Feschino, and Alfred Lehmborg as seamlessly produced and then deftly executed by Bosscat Bruce-Knapp, Esq.:

1. Are ufologists intellectually challenged, fundamentally bonkers, insane, foop-shooby, or flip city?
2. Have our 'intrepid mainstream authorities' put last years flap at O'hare entirely to rest as the most prosaic of prosaic prosaics (sic)?
3. Who, indeed, is guilty of Streckers' "pathological receptiveness" and can these be revalidated with lithium and a big bag of stale Easter peeps?
4. Does Dr. Harlow Shapely, a one time eminent Harvard astronomer, stick a fork in UFOs with his admonition that anyone seeing such - Jimmy Carter springs to mind- is either drunk or crazy?
5. Do "uncommon objects" seen in "uncommon seeing conditions" constitute all uncommon reports and observations... apart, of course, from those made by "the crazy liars," as proclaimed by the infamous uber-klasskurtxian Dr. Donald Menzel?
6. Did Donald Menzel, himself, see a UFO then dismiss same as, likely, some poorly digested beef?
7. Do all card carrying klasskurtxians cop the M-cubed plea reflexively? UFOs are a result of the Mised, the Mis-leading, and the Mentally ill... exclusively?
8. Is smirking klasskurtxian "spokespuppy" Mr. Oberg a paid disinformation agent -whatever that may mean- and ashamed of his apostrophe?
9. Do civil aircraft pilots regularly "over-interpret their observations" from the cockpit, according to Mr. Oberg, and what does this mean regarding the safely of the passengers flying?
10. Are airline pilots subject to fits of temerarious insanity while they fly!?
11. Who said, "All UFOs are easily explainable because they can all be rationally explained"?
12. Can one prove an ordinary absolute?
13. Is Dave Furlotte Crazy? Errol Bruce-Knapp? Is this writer only assisting the misleading, presumed to be misled, or dismissed as mentally ill?
14. Was the aforementioned Dr. Menzel, who saw his UFO, crazy?
15. Does Mr. Oberg 'slide the scale' or otherwise play fast and loose with his goalposts when his spurious argument begins its

obligatory tatter? Can the reader say, "Jerry Cohen"?

16. Are all UFO reports bona fide observations of the craft flown by intelligent reptiles from a moon vicinity Betelgeuse?

17. Is it entirely impossible any longer to believe ones own eyes?

18. Does technology bring us closer to the UFO or does it keep us away?

19. Is psychiatry always able to recognize "crazy"?

20. "Yet here [Screamin' Demon]! The wind sets in the shoulder of your sail, and you are stayed for"?

A suffering Zot - most barragrugous - good readers and listeners, but that 58 explosive minutes of SDI remain! Again, I am unable to clear even the always provocative Dave Furlotte regarding 20 questions prodded and gouged from sensibilities outraged anew!

Be that as it may newcomer Roger Marsh, the director of communications for MUFON, outlines a new ufological consciousness venue for MUFON uber-grande artists, writers, and contributors at examiner.com.

Area 51 Legend Glen Campbell visits inspiration even as he travels what he indicates is "irrelevant" and "disappointing" ground. Damn.

Frank Feschino at last puts paid to previous if errant and otherwise erroneous estimations of well earned credibility. He, at once, at great cost, and from over four arduous years unceasing litigation, resurrects face, justice, and victory for himself, Stanton Friedman, and an aviation war history in plain sight all the time... but missed by everyone else! Crow hors d'oeuvres will be served with brandy and cigars on the poop deck.

Alfred Lehmborg rounds out with some gobsmackers! Did Glen Campbell invent the ufological internet?

It was a time of known toads, "known" to be knowing not - knowing _still_, brothers and sisters! Know that toad!

Ufological sensibilities empowered are the listener's own! Listen!

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Gildas/Don (and List):

Thank you both for your comments!

We can't find new answers in religion about UFOs and alien
abductions. There's totally tired theses there, testimonies too,
and more speculation.

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UFO Spotted Over Bristol

A man in Bristol has captured video footage of what he believes to be a UFO flying over Britain.

Andy Hadlington saw the mysterious blob silently hovering around and filmed it from the window of his office.

The mysterious grey object glided around the residential area of Knowle, Bristol, at 5.30pm on Sunday without making a sound.

UFO experts have been trying to verify the sighting and are hoping to speak to more witnesses and views of the eerie episode.

Computer game writer Andy, 36, said: "It was the freakiest thing I have ever seen in my life. I was sitting in my office and saw it out of the corner of my eye.

"We're not far from the airport so I thought it could even have been a low-flying plane, so I was quite alarmed.

"It was quite exciting =96 it sort of hovered past the houses. There was no sound. I ran downstairs and out of the garden to see where it went but I couldn't see anything.

"My fianc=E9e was out at the time but I'm sure other people must have seen it. It was so clear."

Denis Plunkett, of the British Flying Saucer Bureau, based in Winterbourne, near Bristol, was unable to comment on the video but said there were ways to verify its authenticity.

Mr Plunkett, 78, said: "There are ways to sort out good from bad. Firstly they are silent, there will be no noise.

"They can also become invisible. They can go in and out of MoD radar. They can change speed, direction and height in seconds.

"The best thing is if there are multiple witnesses to the sighting. If more people saw this I'd be very interested."

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These gentlemen are copying the old XIX century - around 1870's
- dogmas in the newspapers expressed both by protestants and
catholic that angels were the only authorized and true ETs
among the vast universe.

Nothing new under the Sun.

Joaquim Fernandes, PhD
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PRG Press Release - 5/14/09

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Date: Thu, 14 May 2009 16:34:10 -0700
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Subject: PRG Press Release - 5/14/09

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Paradigm Research Group

PRG Press Release - May 14, 2009
New York Times Article

Washington, DC/Bethesda, MD - The advocacy work of PRG has been featured in a May 14, 2009 New York Times article by Anne C. Mulkern of Greenwire, a leading environment and energy on-line publication. Greenwire is part of Environment & Energy Publishing (E&E).

"A climate solution that's out of this world" was triggered by the recent lobbying registration with the U. S. House and Senate by PRG executive director, Stephen Bassett, on behalf of the Exopolitics Institute. Mr. Bassett has been lobbying since 1996 on behalf of a number of organizations regarding issues surrounding extraterrestrial-related phenomena including a government imposed "truth embargo." The "energy" issue was added to these registrations during the past year.

"What is at issue here is "Disclosure" - the formal acknowledgement by world governments of an extraterrestrial presence engaging the human race," says Bassett. "Extraterrestrial derived technology, most likely from crashed or shot down vehicles, is the prize in the Disclosure Crackerjack Box. It could be transformative in dealing with the growing number of crises facing the world's nations and peoples. This technology is not going to be brought forward for peaceful development until the UFO/ET truth embargo is over. End the embargo, get the tech."

Ms. Mulkern's piece correctly states the focus of the Disclosure movement is now on the new President of the United States. This focus is spearheaded by the "Million Fax on Washington" which has directed thousands of letter, faxes and emails to President Elect Obama from November 5, 2008 to January 20, 2009 and to President Obama from January 21 to May 31, 2009. "The third phase of this petitioning process will be announced worldwide on June 1. Added Bassett, "The goal of the Million Fax on Washington is nothing less than 'tripping the switch' which makes Disclosure inevitable during 2009 - either by the United States or another first- or second-world nation."

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I-Team: Chasing UFOs On The River

One year ago, residents in the tri-state area of Nevada, Arizona, and California saw something weird blaze out of the sky and crash on the banks of the Colorado River, south of Needles.

Reports about the needles UFO were sent all over the world and brought a lot of visitors, including men-in-black types to that region. Residents have had a year to think about the object that crashed and to ponder some new, similar sightings from the past few months.

A trio of yapping dogs, excited about something outside their Bullhead City home is what caused Tutu Martin and her husband Paul to awaken just after 3 a.m. on May 14, 2009. "The whole bedroom lit up, like they had lights on it, so I pushed the blinds back and looked," said Tutu.

The glowing object blazed across the sky in a southwest direction and appeared to slow down, then speed up. Minutes later, Martin says, she saw and heard a formation of helicopters as they sped south past the Laughlin skyline. "They were definitely following the river heading south. About another 20 minutes or so, they were coming back," she said.

"It was bright -- bright enough that it illuminated the ground," said former police chief Frank Costigan.

A few miles away, a cantankerous cat caused Frank Costigan to awaken. He also got a good look at the streaking object, saw it slow down, then speed up, then zip below the horizon. "I expected to hear a boom or siren or something," he said.

Down on the Colorado, a fisherman we call Bob on the River had the best view of all. The oblong object with a turquoise hue lit up the water and then smashed into the sandy bank 100 yards away. "It didn't look like a meteor. I've seen meteors before. It looked like a plane crashing," he said.

Within minutes, Bob says, the air was buzzing with helicopters, and then a large sky crane somehow attached the object, picked it up, and carried it away.

In Bullhead City, Brad Allen watched the aerial procession with his son. "I looked thru the binoculars and below one of them was a green object. It was glowing a faint green," he said.

Tutu Martin saw the same procession. An hour or so later, she says the Laughlin Airport, located just below her home, was invaded by several 737's which were identical to the famed Janet

planes used to transport workers from Las Vegas to the Area 51 military base. "It was white with a red stripe," she said.

In the days that followed, residents in and around Needles reported encounters with mysterious men-in-black types in odd unmarked vehicles with government plates.

Radio station owner Dave Hayes says the vehicles were similar to, but not exactly like, a government convoy the I-Team ran across. The group the I-Team stumbled upon turned out to be a team from the agency which transports nuclear weapons.

In the year since the needles UFO incident, plenty has happened. Hayes' station, KTOX, which is also where Costigan works, has become an unofficial clearinghouse for UFO reports.

Most are explainable or not believable, he says, but Costigan thinks there's no question the object that crashed near Houseboat Bob was the real deal, though every military unit within 200 miles denies knowing anything about it.

Although the story has raised the public profile of the area and has drawn curious tourists, sort of like Roswell on the River, Costigan says the locals think it's a serious matter, even if it was a military test of some sort, which is the prevailing view.

"I think it was military or the military was tailing it or knew it was coming down. But my gripe, why didn't we get warning we were in danger of something falling out of the sky? We want answers," he said.

Residents of Lake Havasu would also like answers about what's been flying over their heads in recent months. In March and again in April, eyewitnesses saw a large triangle, some say boomerang, cruising over the lake in the wee hours. The craft was flanked or followed by warplanes. The reports are similar to huge triangles seen all over the world in recent years.

A Las Vegas think tank known as NIDS found an apparent correlation between the sightings and military facilities, but the Pentagon denies having anything this big in operation.

Costigan says the Havasu sightings ring true to him. "It was seen up and down the whole West Coast. I've got several descriptions, but always with a military presence," he said.

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Friday, May 15, 2009

Is This The Answer To Bristol UFO?

An eagle-eyed Bristol Evening Post reader thinks she may have uncovered the mystery of the UFO filmed over Knowle.

In the story we featured the object flying over houses filmed by video game maker Andy Hadlington.

But people were quick to point out that it looked like airborne rubbish.

[Video]

Nicola Saunders, a 45-year-old mum of three, who lives on Wells Road, Knowle, thinks she might have found a possible explanation.

She said: "A couple of weeks ago our neighbours were having a velux window fitted to their roof.

"As stones were falling onto our garage roof, the builder put the large cardboard box that the velux window came in on top of our garage roof to protect it from the debris.

"Last week, either Thursday or Friday, the day that we had strong winds, I heard a loud bang and looked out to see the cardboard flying through the air.

"It landed up in the tree in our garden. When I looked out again it was somewhere else in the garden.

"The cardboard was about a metre in length and width, maybe bigger. It may be a coincidence."

Mr Hadlington, 36, said: "It was the freakiest thing I have ever seen in my life. I was sitting in my office and saw it out of the corner of my eye.

"It appeared to come past twice and the second time I got it on camera. I thought it was a piece of metal but it was too far away to tell."

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6/05/2009

Online Peek At Jackson's Sci-Fi Movie

A replica Lancaster bomber destined for the film Dambusters is not the only tantalising peek that Peter Jackson has revealed of his projects.

A trailer for Jackson's first big budget science-fiction movie, District 9, filmed in South Africa, is now online.

It features gigantic saucer-like spaceships hovering over Johannesburg and insect-like aliens being interrogated by human officials.

The film is produced by Jackson and co-written and directed by South African Neill Blomkamp, who was to have directed Jackson's mothballed Halo sci-fi movie in Wellington.

District 9 will be released in the United States in August and New Zealand in October. The film has a gritty documentary-style look, similar to Blomkamp's short film Alive in Joburg, which can also be seen online.

Jackson told Rolling Stone magazine District 9 was about aliens arriving 20 years ago in a dead, derelict mothership, which hovers above Johannesburg.

"It's enormous, like the size of 10 football fields. The aliens have ended up in a Soweto-style township beneath the ship.

"It's clear that they're not really integrating into society. They like to scavenge things, rip up train tracks. So the authorities shift them 200 miles away, into the African veldt. They've built a concentration camp. The residents of Joburg want them gone."

Some of the visual effects for the film were done by Wellington's Weta Digital.

"[But] the aliens are so mundane and so part of the geography that you don't really focus on them at all," Jackson said.

"The film has a documentary rawness to it. It's original, which is good because the film industry today only wants to remake every 70s TV show and superhero graphic novel."

Trailer:

<http://www.flicks.co.nz/trailer/district-9/1097/>

Film's Website - with another version of the trailer and more:

<http://www.d-9.com/>

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Autistic Petition For UFO Hacker

Alien link in celebrity backing
By Mark Ballard

The National Autistic Society (NAS) has petitioned Prime Minister Gordon Brown to protect Pentagon hacker Gary McKinnon and other people afflicted with autism from being extradited.

NAS president Jane Asher, the television celebrity who appeared in 1955 classic alien invasion film *The Quatermass Xperiment*, launched the petition. She joins a gaggle of stars supporting Gary, who hacked into US military computers while searching for UFO secrets.

The campaign has called for people to sign an e-petition on the prime minister's website. It asks for people with autism to be protected from extradition.

Asher said she was "horrified" at the way Gary was being treated by the criminal justice system. People with Asperger Syndrome, a form of autism, might appear normal but are often "extremely vulnerable," she said.

Experts have warned that if Gary were extradited to face a long sentence in a US penitentiary his mental condition could be so aggravated that he might take his own life. People with Asperger Syndrome suffer from something like social claustrophobia. He faces up to 70 years in a high-security US federal prison.

A petition of 4,000 people failed in February to persuade the UK attorney general to prosecute Gary in the UK where he could face the ordeal of a trial and a likely prison sentence with the support of his family. The latest e-petition has less than 2,000 signatures.

Yet some big names have come out in support of Gary, including Terry Waite, Peter Gabriel, Sting, Pink Floyd Guitarist David Gilmour, artist and Scots national treasure Peter Howson, London Mayor Boris Johnson, elder statesman Tony Benn, and swinging sixties star Julie Christie.

[Thanks to Dave Haith for the lead]

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Changing Notions Of Science In American Culture

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Review - Science Talk
Changing Notions Of Science In American Culture
by Daniel Patrick Thurs

Rutgers University Press, 2008
Review by Taede A. Smedes, Ph.D.

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As a European, I am fascinated by the apparent paradox that exists in the US concerning views of science. In the words of Richard Dawkins (quoted by Thurs), it is "bafflingly paradoxical that the United States is by far the world's leading scientific nation while simultaneously housing the most scientifically illiterate populace outside the Third World" (2). This extremely stimulating and exciting book by the historian of science Daniel Patrick Thurs tries to make clear where the complex and ambiguous relationship of Americans with science comes from. Thurs looks at several historical case studies of public debates over the scientific status of certain ideas: phrenology, Darwin's evolutionary theory, Einstein's relativity theory, and UFOs. Thurs concludes this book by giving a brief look into a more recent controversy: Intelligent Design.

The discussion about phrenology raged from about 1820. Nowadays phrenology is no longer considered a science, but in the 1820s it presented itself as such and was accepted by many. Critics of phrenology, as Thurs makes clear, had a hard time claiming why phrenology was nonsense, since the scientific standards we now have were not yet established. Science simply had no clear boundary. "It was much easier to claim something was legitimate science than to justify why it was not," writes Thurs (33). By focusing on the controversy over phrenology, Thurs is able to cover many elements of early nineteenth-century discourse on science: the notion of Baconian science, the manners in which religion and science were intertwined, rhetorical strategies, the democratic nature of science, the focus on the utility of science, etcetera.

"Over the course of the 1800s, much of Anglo-American experience with science remained informal and unstructured", writes Thurs. "Even after mid-century, there was as yet no robust scientific establishment, no powerful arbiters of what science was and was not, no groups of people or sources of information that could claim uncontested authority to determine correct scientific practice or resolve debates over scientific knowledge" (58). This changed, however, during the last half of the nineteenth century, when slowly a formalization of science took place and more stress was put on the idea of scientific method. This was

largely due to the growing influence of Darwin's evolutionary theory, which "provided a vehicle for asserting the presence and role of a possible scientific orthodoxy" (63). But as science became more professionalized, it also became more fragmented. Boundaries emerged, for example between science and religion, but also between scientific and popular knowledge, and between "professionals" and "amateurs."

Scientific discourse stabilized between 1920 and 1940 and began to appear as we know it today. However, with Einstein's theory something new happened: science became separated and even alienated from the public. Technology became the link between the scientific and the ordinary world of experience. As science became detached from common sense, journalists took it as their task to intermeditate between science and the public. But where science grew more remote from other discourses, scientists often transgressed the boundaries to make quasi-scientific claims about other realms, such as religion.

The UFO-hype which reached its zenith in the 1950s focused on science and on technology but also showed a transgression of boundaries. The era between 1950 and 1970 was the "age of the scientist" where science was given ultimate authority and the scientific establishment became a closed fortress. Science grew even more remote from the public, which also gave rise to suspicion. Scientists initially showed interest in the UFO-phenomenon (mainly because they were asked by the US Air force to study UFOs), but when that interest waned, the discourse about UFOs was taken over by pseudo-scientific, religious ideas and conspiracy theories. Such ideas were considered "pseudo science" by established scientists, but proved resistant and remained present alongside more scientific attitudes. As Thurs describes, this persistence of pseudoscientific ways of thinking was partly due to the remoteness of science from the general public. Because science became alienated from the broader public, "science had become both incredibly powerful and eminently ignorable" (156).

In recent debates over Intelligent Design, Thurs highlights "the ambivalent role of science in the rhetoric of ID": "Like those seriously interested in UFOs, ID's supporters celebrated science, pointed out its limits, and sought to create a self-conscious alternative, more easily accessible, and deeply meaningful scientific enterprise" (161). The success of ID among the broader American public is rooted in the attempts of ID to bridge the historically grown chasm between science and culture. Moreover, where science had grown into a separate discourse among many other cultural discourses, ID tried to build bridges between the different discourses (especially between the discourse of science and that of religion). The "unity of knowledge" which was the focus of nineteenth-century science and had become fragmented during the twentieth century, was reestablished as the aim of ID. Thurs thus shows that in the controversy over ID, it becomes clear that "the meaning of science is actively constructed, not only by scientists but by everyone" (178).

This, finally, is the situation which we nowadays encounter, or at least this is Thurs' claim: "science" has become a construction. We often tend to think that science is made by scientists, but in this book Thurs makes it perfectly clear that this is only partially the case. Scientists may claim to have privileged discourse when it comes to making scientific statements, but this is a situation that has gradually emerged over time from the early nineteenth century until now. And nowadays in the US, advocates of Intelligent Design try to demolish that privileged discourse by claiming that contemporary science has become ideological and needs to be supplanted by real scientific discourse that only has recourse to the bare facts.

Thurs thus concludes: "Those who claim to speak for scientific knowledge in public realms cannot claim to speak for science as a cultural category in quite the same way. They participate in its construction rather than totally determine it. Science as a category exists because we construct and reconstruct it thousands of times a day. Such efforts are not mere word games, but rather means of creating, within the limits of the rhetorical tools available and the idiosyncratic ability to make new ones, the world we live in" (180). This conclusion is rather controversial and will probably be appalling to working

scientists who do not see their activity as a social construction at all. Moreover, Thurs' conclusion made me wonder: have we nowadays come full-cycle? Just think about it: in the 1800s, there was no stable notion of science. This notion had to be carved out, fought over and defended -- which happened during the last part of the nineteenth and the entire twentieth century. Now, with the advent of ID, it seems that Thurs is claiming that again the notion of "science" has lost its stability. What is considered science is in the eyes of the beholder. But in that case, ID-advocates have as much right to claim privileged scientific discourse as mainstream scientists. There is no objective agency who determines who makes scientific claims and who does not. This seems to me too strong a claim, but I do not see how Thurs can avoid this as a consequence.

All in all, this book contains extremely stimulating stuff for one who is interesting in the history of science, the dynamics between science, culture, and society, demarcation controversies over science and pseudoscience. Thurs perhaps could have structured his book slightly more; often it seems as if his writing is associative, hopping from one topic to the next without some internal structure keeping things within limits. The lucidity and clarity of his writing style also fluctuates. But besides these critical remarks, Thurs shows just how remarkable and multifaceted the history of American science is.

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Tue, May. 19, 2009

Tonight: That's No UFO
By Peter Mucha
Inquirer Staff Writer

If you see a bright light low in the southern sky tonight, forget thoughts of close encounters.

Like the giant NASA research balloon that baffled folks in Arizona and New Mexico yesterday, this will be an IFO - identified flying object.

If, as expected, the skies stay clear tonight, an Air Force Minotaur 1 rocket will be launched from Wallops Island, Va.

South of Delaware on the Delmarva Peninsula, the launch location is a little west of due south from Philadelphia, although the rocket's trajectory will carry it southeastward.

Binoculars might prove handy to those hoping to spot it. To view the launch online, go to:

<http://sites.wff.nasa.gov/webcast>

The launch window is from 7:35 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. Tomorrow's the backup date, same time frame.

Yesterday afternoon, the Federal Aviation Administration was deluged with calls about a mysterious round object floating overhead in the Southwest.

It resembled a "gigantic bubble from The Wizard of Oz," said Jennifer McCoy, who runs Ye Olde UFO Store in Sedona, Ariz., with her husband.

"Established before mankind," quips the Website:

www.sedonaufostore.com

even though the shop actually opened last Thanksgiving.

A NASA spokesman said the balloon, which floats at 130,000 feet, measures gamma ray emissions.

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Tuesday, May 19, 2009

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Reader Submitted Report
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5-18-09

Found your website in a random search, didn't know who I should contact about this so I'll drop you a line.

It's 1:20 a.m. 5/21...I have a rooftop patio with clear view of the LA night sky. I was sitting having a drink when I looked up and saw something unusual floating by high in the sky. It was V-shaped, with the nose leading the way, the size of a small aircraft. It had what looked like several circular nodules on it's underside, didn't look like any plane I've ever seen before, though it moved at the speed of one...

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Monday, May 18, 2009

Idaho Woman To Host Second UFO Meeting In Longview
By Leslie Slape

It's been nearly 30 years since Joy French lost an entire night near Lake Merwin - the night she believes aliens abducted her, then erased her memory and returned her.

The Idaho woman is going to undergo hypnosis this week in Longview to see if the secret can be revealed.

"I'll be anxious to see what the heck went on," said French, 85.

Saturday, she'll host a UFO meeting at the Cowlitz PUD for anyone who believes in extraterrestrials - and where she hopes to be able to share the untold story of what happened that night at Merwin.

She said alien abduction is the only explanation she can come up with for the strange goings-on that night in the 1980s when a sudden bright light came from nowhere, her car died and everything else is a blank until the next day. Drugs and alcohol were not involved, she said.

This is French's second public meeting in Longview. A meeting in August 2008 attracted about 35 people, she said.

French, a former Longview resident who lives in Coeur d'Alene, began holding the meetings in 2007 as a way to open closed minds and make a "safe place" for people to feel comfortable discussing the subject without fear of ridicule.

IF YOU GO

What: UFO meeting; open to anyone who has had an experience with extraterrestrials or who wishes to meet those who have

When: 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, May 23

Where: Cowlitz County PUD meeting room

Cost: Donation

Information: Joy French, (208) 755-8942

[For more on Joy French see:

<http://www.ufoupdateslist.com/2008/jul/m30-003.shtml>]

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>before, though it moved at the speed of one...

>[More...]

The UFO-ALERT Network in Quebec, had a recent case which
decribed exactly the same details reported above. A 'black'
triangle was seen over Baie-Comeau, a large town in North-
Eastern Quebec on May 13, 2009 at 12:40 a.m. and it raised "flat
white discs" under the triangle!

The object flew over the city rapidly and silently, moving from
the West towards the East.

More on this case:

www.ovni-alerte.com/signaler-un-ovni-en-savoir-plus.php?id_alerte=148

All information on the UFO-ALERT website is in French, but you can use
Babelfish to translate.

In the LA case, above, there seems to be a serious error
relating to the date of the event. Thursday May 21? We are
only on May 19!

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Cox Back To The Future

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<http://tinyurl.com/CoxToTheFuture>

Monday, May 18, 2009

Back To The Future
By Billy Cox

Sometimes the banal and arbitrary nature of government censorship can look pretty dumb. Take last week's partial declassification of a briefing summary of a famous case known as Citizens Against UFO Secrecy vs. the National Security Agency.

Back in 1980, CAUS sued America's code-crackers for access to what it was learning about the phenomenon outside our borders. The Agency admitted it was sitting on 239 documents, 156 of which were communications intelligence reports (eavesdropping) gathered from 1958-1979.

Arguing that releasing more than a few breadcrumbs of this stuff would compromise sources and methods, the NSA's Office of Policy Chief Eugene Yeates submitted a 21-page summary of its reasoning in federal court. CAUS sued for release of Yeates' synopsis. In 1982, a federal judge ruled that releasing an unredacted summary would undermine national security.

What CAUS ultimately got its hands on were so many blacked out pages - each one stamped "Top Secret Umbra" - the feds' insistence it wasn't hiding anything about UFOs became a laughing stock on the lecture circuit. Most prominently exploiting the incongruity was investigator Stan Friedman, who turned the docs into prominent visual aids.

"Remember, these were the early days of FOIA," Friedman recalls from his home in New Brunswick, Canada. "In their arrogance, they never thought anybody was gonna fight back."

In 1997, censors started stripping away the black tape and, sure enough, much of what came out involved the protection of intelligence acquisition sites and modes of operation. What also became a little clearer was that elusive bogeys exhibiting advanced technology were violating sovereign airspace across the world. The NSA scarfed up reports of "luminous spheres," "balls of light" and an "elongated ball of fire" capable of being observed and tracked.

The latest public installment of the Yeates briefing:

www.governmentattic.org/2docs/NSA_YeatesInCameraAffidavit_1980.pdf

released last Tuesday - is a shadow of its portentous original incarnation. Words, phrases, paragraphs and entire pages now confront taxpayers who subsidized its darkest secrets.

Since its last version came out in 2005, we now know that the NSA - created in 1952 to gather cryptologic intelligence - was spying on "foreign governments," including the "Soviet Union".

We now know many of those texts were "decrypted" from "ground" radio operators and "ground" radar stations, that some targets were "military" and some were "non-military".

What we didn't know in 2005 is that "soldiers" from a still unnamed foreign country reported seeing a UFO somewhere. Equally shocking is that public disclosure of our "third party arrangements" could erode the "confidence in the capability of the U.S. officials to keep secrets." (Remember - this explosive revelation has been on ice since 1982.)

Perhaps most amazing is how, on page 13, the article "the" has now been declassified prior to describing some still-censored passages - not once, not twice, but three times. On a single page. Unfortunately, since our last episode four years ago, the word "in" has been reclassified on page 20, and the word "two" was reclaimed by the censors in a passage on page 12.

Friedman, who has filed in vain for the closeted raw UFO data, doubts we'd learn a whole lot even if the NSA were to dump everything he's asking for into the public domain. "I imagine what they're sitting on is duller than hell", he says. "The Russians have got good UFO cases, just like we do. So what?"

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The Shadow People Among Us

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Source: Anomalist Books - Jefferson Valley, New York, USA

<http://www.anomalistbooks.com/offutt.html>

April 24, 2009

Darkness Walks: The Shadow People Among Us
by Jason Offutt
Published April 2009

They lurk in obscurity. Looming human figures, blacker than darkness. Millions across the globe see them. The unfortunate feel their touch. And some awake in horror to their red, unblinking stare. Join Jason Offutt, who has interviewed dozens of eyewitnesses, as he shines some light on the world of the Shadow People, viewing these beings through the lens of science, religion, and metaphysics. Are they ghosts, demons, hallucinations, or something else entirely?

From the Foreword by Brad Steiger:

Jason Offutt's excellent study of the phenomenon presents us with the most thorough and complete work yet written regarding the mysterious beings that we have come to call collectively, the Shadow People. Jason may not have any ultimate answers, but no one has done a better job of defining who or what these shades might be.

[More...]

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Nuking The Moon [was: Debunkers & ETH]

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Date: Tue, 19 May 2009 14:57:03 -0600
Archived: Tue, 19 May 2009 17:07:16 -0400
Subject: Nuking The Moon [was: Debunkers & ETH]

>From: David Rudiak <drudiak.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Tue, 5 May 2009 12:33:00 -0700
>Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

>>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Wed, 29 Apr 2009 16:16:12 -0400
>>Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

>>>From: David Rudiak <drudiak.nul>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>>Date: Wed, 29 Apr 2009 10:40:58 -0700
>>>Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

>>>>From: Steven Kaeser <steve.nul>
>>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>>>Date: Wed, 29 Apr 2009 10:45:32 -0400
>>>>Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

>>>>>From: David Rudiak <drudiak.nul>
>>>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>>>>Date: Tue, 28 Apr 2009 16:10:44 -0700
>>>>>Subject: Debunkers & ETH [was: New Peer Review & Educational Magazine]

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While committing a cosmic act of war. Yikes.

Jay Nelson

http://www.space.com/news/spacehistory/nuke_moon_000514.html

14 May 2000

Air Force Had Plans to Nuke Moon

The U.S. Air Force developed a top-secret Cold War plan to detonate a nuclear bomb on the moon in the 1950s.

In a letter to the journal Nature, physicist Leonard Reiffel, leader of the effort which was called Project A 119, wrote that the Air Force wanted to explore the effects of exploding a nuclear bomb on the moons face. The Air Force wanted the explosion to be clearly visible from Earth.

Reiffel wrote that the military leaders did not seem concerned with the loss to science that would have resulted from a large atomic explosion on the moons surface. Let alone what it may have done to the appearance of the "man in the moon."

Part of the team researching the hypothetical explosion was a young Carl Sagan, who was recruited to study how the mushroom cloud would expand and collapse under the moons lighter gravity. Sagan proposed that a legitimate scientific purpose for the explosion could have been examining the cloud for possible organic material.

Years later, Sagan apparently presented some of the results of his research on the project in an application for an academic fellowship. Reiffel believes that by doing so Sagan breached national security, as the primary secret of the project was its very existence. This breach of security was discussed in a recent biography of the astronomer, but was not detailed in that book.

Striking the moon with one of the then-available Intercontinental Ballistic Missiles (ICBMs) was entirely feasible, Reiffel wrote, to an accuracy within a couple of miles - kilometres.

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<http://www.llewellyn.com/bookstore/book.php?pn=3DH526>

Pub. Date: May 2009

Messages: The World's Most Documented Extraterrestrial Contact Story
by: Stan Romanek
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ISBN 9780738715261
Price \$16.95

We are not alone. And Stan Romanek can prove it.

Romanek's gripping tale-augmented by video footage, photographs, and physical evidence-is the world's most documented extraterrestrial contact case.

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But what's most shocking are the strange messages these unearthly visitors communicate to Romanek=97authentic equations relating to space travel and planetary diagrams pinpointing what could be an auspicious date for the human race.

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CIA's 'Media' Classification

From: Larry W Bryant <overtci.nul>
Date: Wed, 20 May 2009 00:22:15 -0500
Archived: Wed, 20 May 2009 07:07:14 -0400
Subject: CIA's 'Media' Classification

Why Is The CIA Unable To Learn From Its Mistakes?

I happen to share John Cook's plight [blow] at the hands of a recalcitrant agency that continues to have a perverse disregard for the letter/spirit of the U. S. Freedom of Information Act. Despite what now stands as established case law, as solidified by the National Security Archive's months-long litigation and relitigation - see:

<http://www.gwu.edu/~nsarchiv/news/20081105/index.htm>

the U. S. Central Intelligence Agency can't resist trying to prescribe the parameters of what constitutes newsworthiness; that judgment, however, depends upon the news medium's expertise only.

We're talking definition here - namely, the definition of what constitutes a 'representative of the news media' - RNM. If the agency persists in ignoring and/or trying to circumvent the clarification of that term as codified by the FOIA-amending U.S. Open Government Act of 2007, then by all means, Mr. Cook, do appeal the denial of your own RNM status.

Meantime, once the complaint in my own lawsuit of Larry W. Bryant v. Central Intelligence Agency gets filed this week, I shall post its contents to my blog:

<http://ufoview.posterous.com>

My winning this challenge will of course lift the agency's jugular grip upon my FOIA-foraging amidst the vast storehouse of CIA-housed records; it also will give more hope to such other RNM requesters as John Cook, not to mention benefitting the public interest in prying open doors arbitrarily shut by officials fearful of our right-to-know.

On 5/19/09, John Cook <jjcook.nul> wrote:

I recently had a FOIA request to the CIA classified as an "Other" request rather than a "Media" request for purposes of assessing fees.

I write for Gawker, a web site that - while it's value may be debated by some - is indisputably a media entity with a large audience that comments on matters of public and general interest.

When I called the CIA to ask why, in the hope that a simple error had been made rather than something I'd actually have to appeal, the CIA FOIA caseworker didn't dispute Gawker's status as a media entity, but started quibbling with the content of my request.

He contended that it's not the nature of the requestor, but the nature of the request itself that needs to be taken into account when assessing fees.

If the CIA decides the records I seek aren't newsworthy, then I

have to pay for processing. If it decides they are newsworthy, then I don't have to pay.

Has anyone encountered this argument before? I never have, in the course of hundreds of requests, many of which are clearly fishing expeditions with no evident news value.

I've had had requests for expedited processing denied on those grounds plenty of times, but never status for assessing fees. I asked the CIA caseworker very clearly, "You're saying that if a reporter for the New York Times made the same request, you wouldn't classify it as a media request?" And he said, "Yes, I am saying that."

I had the same thing happen with a DOD request this month, too, though I haven't yet inquired as to their reasoning.

Does anyone know if this is a new thing? None of my many CIA requests in the past have gotten this treatment.

Thanks,

john

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Larry W. Bryant
Columnist UFO Magazine

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Call For Article Submissions For Darklore Volume 4

From: **Greg Taylor** <greg.nul>
Date: Wed, 20 May 2009 22:11:55 +1000
Archived: Wed, 20 May 2009 08:44:41 -0400
Subject: Call For Article Submissions For Darklore Volume 4

Hi Folks,

Just wanted to inform UFO UpDates subscribers that I'm currently on the lookout for articles for the next volume of our Fortean/paranormal anthology, Darklore:

<http://darklore.dailygrail.com>

We generally feature 3 or 4 articles per release on the UFO topic, so if you have an idea for a really great article, please do contact me off-list.

Contributions to Darklore earn a generous royalty - part of the anthology's raison d'etre is to directly support quality research and writing on these strange topics.

More information here:

<http://dailygrail.com/news/darklore-4-submissions>

Kind regards,

Greg

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>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
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Simple organic molecules like amino acids can form in space in
the absence of any life. There are carbonaceous meteors and
sticky and tarry organic substances in comets, which have
actually been collected and analyzed by sampling our upper
atmosphere - looks like popcorn balls, with the tarry stuff
gluing together the inorganic material. While carbonaceous
meteors were known about, the other organic materials were not
in the late 1950s. There may have been some question, though,
whether a young moon was had some similarities to a young earth
with a proto-atmosphere in which organics could be synthesized.

So finding some minute amounts of organic material on the moon
even in the absence of life wasn't totally out of the question.
Still a stupid reason to nuke the moon.

As for nuking an alien base, our ability back then to target
something a quarter million miles away was so poor that we
couldn't hit the broad side of a barn. Our first moon rockets,

the Ranger camera probes of the early 1960s, sometimes missed the moon entirely. It wasn't until 1964 that a Ranger probe managed to land within a few miles of the intended target, probably still not good enough to take out a base, even with a large H-bomb.

David Rudiak

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This could well be a misunderstanding. "Organic material" does not necessarily mean material associated with living organisms. Organic chemistry is just the chemistry of carbon compounds, called this because it used to be believed that such compounds were always associated with living organisms. They aren't. Similarly, inorganic chemistry - chemistry of metals etc - used to be thought irrelevant to life processes. It isn't. Organic compounds are the basis of life as we know it, and no doubt Sagan thought that discovery of them in lunar material would have been interesting as illuminating the processes by which life arose in the solar system, but this doesn't mean that he thought there were living beings on the moon in the 1950s.

>http://www.space.com/news/spacehistory/nuke_moon_000514.html

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There wouldn't be a mushroom cloud on the moon. It's caused by a column of hot low-density gases rising through the denser atmosphere to an altitude where pressure equalises, and this is where the mushroom cap spreads out. There is no atmosphere on the moon. The explosion would expand as a spherical shell disrupted where it intersects the surface of the moon.

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UFOs Over Vail Valley Colorado

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Archived: Wed, 20 May 2009 14:50:00 -0400
Subject: UFOs Over Vail Valley Colorado

Source: The Vail Daily - Colorado, USA

<http://tinyurl.com/UFOsOverVailCO>

Wednesday, May 20, 2009

UFOs Over Vail Valley Colorado
By Bob Fiske
newsroom.nul

Recently there have been reports of Unidentified Flying Objects around the area, including five in Eagle County. As an investigator for the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) in this area, I wanted to inform the public and make them aware of these reports, in the hope of finding additional witnesses. In brief, there was a report from Basalt on April 26 where an 18-year-old male walking home at 2:30 a.m. had a close encounter with a craft and entities.

On Monday, May 4, at 3:30 p.m. a witness in Frisco heard a jet going over and saw an F-16 flying low over the valley. Looking towards Buffalo Mountain, he spotted a silvery disc hovering there.

On Wednesday, May 6, a witness riding a chairlift at A-Basin at 3:15 p.m. spotted a fast-moving silent craft overhead and was able to get a quick photo of the object, which he estimated was moving at 1,500 mph.

On Thursday, May 7, there were three sightings along the I-70 corridor, with an early morning sighting in Edwards where at 4:30 a.m. a witness observed a disc-shaped UFO with flashing lights that hovered to the northwest. The disc appeared to drop a diamond-shaped object that descended to the ground, and then the disc departed at high speed to the northwest.

That evening about 8 p.m., two witnesses in Avon reported seeing a disc with flashing lights that appeared to be over the main entrance to the Beaver Creek Resort. This disc moved rapidly to the northeast, then went at a slower speed to the east before ascending into a cloud. Later that night a woman in Eagle saw brightly flashing strobe lights in the sky that moved around and did not appear to come from any aircraft.

On Saturday morning, May 9, a witness in Vail saw a white cigar-shaped UFO flying from west to east in the sky north of Vail. The UFO went into a small cloud as it headed east but did not come of the other side. This craft may have been followed by an USAF jet.

Additional information on these sightings can be found at UFOs Northwest site www.ufosnw.com. Included is a drawing of the craft seen in Basalt and the photo taken at A-Basin. If you may have witnessed any of these sightings, or had an additional sighting lately, you can report them at www.mufon.com. or at the UFOs Northwest Web site. Also please feel free to call me at home.

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Bob Fiske
Vail

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Re: Nuking The Moon [was: Debunkers & ETH]

From: Jay Nelson <jnelson.nul>
Date: Wed, 20 May 2009 12:38:16 -0600
Archived: Wed, 20 May 2009 14:52:00 -0400
Subject: Re: Nuking The Moon [was: Debunkers & ETH]

>From: David Rudiak <drudiak.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Wed, 20 May 2009 09:49:40 -0700
>Subject: Re: Nuking The Moon [was: Debunkers & ETH]

>>From: Jay Nelson <jnelson.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Tue, 19 May 2009 14:57:03 -0600
>>Subject: Nuking The Moon [was: Debunkers & ETH]

>>>From: David Rudiak <drudiak.nul>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>>Date: Tue, 5 May 2009 12:33:00 -0700
>>>Subject: Re: Debunkers & ETH

>><snip>

>>>So it could be he was simply covering his ass to advance his
>>>career. On the other hand, Sagan was part of the crazy top-
>>>secret U.S. military scheme in 1958-59 to nuke the moon as a PR
>>>ploy. The existence of this project (called Project A119) didn't
>>>come out until a biography of Sagan was published by Keay
>>>Davidson in 2001. The project is still classified. (So much for
>>>the government can't keep big secrets for decades.)

>><snip>

>>The only reference I've ever run across a plan to nuke the Moon
>>before was in the Disclosure Briefing book, but apparently the
>>article pasted below confirms the idea, anyway. In the book, it
>>was said that the experiment was actually tried with a 100-
>>megaton device, I think, but nothing happened due to alien
>>interference.

>>Whether or not this took place, though, Carl Sagan was in on the
>>plan...

>>And check this: "Sagan proposed that a legitimate scientific
>>purpose for the explosion could have been examining the cloud
>>for possible organic material."

>>Seems to me that even back then, scientists were quite confident
>>that the Moon was completely lifeless. The only way, then, you'd
>>get organic material from a dead world would be if the explosion
>>vaporized a lunar base.

>Simple organic molecules like amino acids can form in space in
>the absence of any life. There are carbonaceous meteors and
>sticky and tarry organic substances in comets, which have
>actually been collected and analyzed by sampling our upper
>atmosphere - looks like popcorn balls, with the tarry stuff
>gluing together the inorganic material. While carbonaceous
>meteors were known about, the other organic materials were not
>in the late 1950s. There may have been some question, though,
>whether a young moon was had some similarities to a young earth
>with a proto-atmosphere in which organics could be synthesized.

>So finding some minute amounts of organic material on the moon
>even in the absence of life wasn't totally out of the question.

>Still a stupid reason to nuke the moon.

>As for nuking an alien base, our ability back then to target
>something a quarter million miles away was so poor that we
>couldn't hit the broad side of a barn. Our first moon rockets,
>the Ranger camera probes of the early 1960s, sometimes missed
>the moon entirely. It wasn't until 1964 that a Ranger probe
>managed to land within a few miles of the intended target,
>probably still not good enough to take out a base, even with a
>large H-bomb.

True enough, but a nuclear detonation seems like an enormous effort to get samples. Especially considering what it would do to the supposedly pristine environment up there.

But speaking of the Ranger probes, there were an awful lot of failures. Four went into solar orbit and 2 hit without returning data. It doesn't seem out of the question that one of them might have been that alleged H-bomb instead of a probe.

Another interesting thing to consider is that whether one was aiming at a base or not, it would be only prudent to have information about the target beforehand. How could mission planners have had enough confidence before all the survey missions to be certain just what (or who) they were shooting at, even with the inaccuracy of the times?

Jay Nelson

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From: Michael Lennick <xxxxx.nul>
Date: Wed, 20 May 2009 14:56:20 -0400
Archived: Wed, 20 May 2009 18:22:33 -0400
Subject: A Rare TV Alert

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From: **Jerome Clark** <jkclark.nul>
Date: Wed, 20 May 2009 18:21:06 -0400
Archived: Wed, 20 May 2009 20:37:40 -0400
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>From: Michael Lennick <xxxxxx.nul>
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From: **Stanton T Friedman** <fsphys.nul>
Date: Wed, 20 May 2009 21:05:57 -0300
Archived: Wed, 20 May 2009 20:41:37 -0400
Subject: Re: A Rare TV Alert

>From: Michael Lennick <xxxxx.nul>
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From: Jerome Clark <jkclark.nul>
Date: Wed, 20 May 2009 23:16:02 -0400
Archived: Thu, 21 May 2009 07:17:16 -0400
Subject: Re: A Rare TV Alert

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>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Wed, 20 May 2009 18:21:06 -0400
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Whose guest was... Stephen Colbert. Who'da guessed?

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Re: A Rare TV Alert

From: Mark Center <marklcenter.nul>
Date: Wed, 20 May 2009 18:05:09 -0700
Archived: Thu, 21 May 2009 07:50:54 -0400
Subject: Re: A Rare TV Alert

>From: Stanton T Friedman <fsphys.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Wed, 20 May 2009 21:05:57 -0300
>Subject: Re: A Rare TV Alert

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Hi Stan,

Regarding your book Flying Saucers And Science.

Why haven't you bothered to answer Joseph Clawson's questions
and queries he sent you those many, many months ago? These are
not easy questions, granted, but good nonetheless.

A Fan,

Mark Center

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From: **John Rimmer** <j.rimmer.nul>
Date: Thu, 21 May 2009 09:55:59 +0100
Archived: Thu, 21 May 2009 07:59:06 -0400
Subject: Saved!

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<http://tiny.cc/wL287>

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John Rimmer

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From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <post.nul>
Date: Thu, 21 May 2009 08:42:21 -0400
Archived: Thu, 21 May 2009 08:42:21 -0400
Subject: Famed Remote Viewer Reveals Alien Secrets

Source: George Filer's National UFO Center - Lindenwold,
New Jersey, USA

<http://www.nationalufocenter.com/>

May 20, 2009

Famed Remote Viewer Reveals Alien Secrets

Ingo Swann, a gifted natural consciousness researcher was one of the first and most influential members of the U.S. government's super-secret remote viewing program. He reveals astonishing secrets about alien activity in his book Penetration: The Question Of Extraterrestrial And Human Telepathy.

Swann helped develop the process of Remote Viewing at the Stanford Research Institute. He is commonly credited with proposing the idea of Coordinate Remote Viewing, a process in which viewers would view a location given nothing but its geographical coordinates, which was developed and tested by Harold Puthoff and Russell Targ with CIA funding. Swann says this group used to meet in an underground facility near Washington, D.C., but was so secretive that it left no paper trail. He says the only secrecy oaths he took were verbal and they have expired, so now he can reveal some of his official knowledge concerning UFOs and aliens.

Swann was part of CIA and Army agencies that were collecting intelligence on Soviet operations and UFOs. He was taken to a remote lake in Alaska where he witnessed a large triangular UFO at close range suck up the water from the lake. Swann was reportedly told that this kind of craft emerged from the Alaskan lake every day. Apparently we are an oasis in space where aliens refuel.

Swann's main concern is the undeveloped nature of human telepathy and its contrast with "the probable existence of fully developed alien telepathy."

His book describes his experiences with an ultra-secret government agency where he was asked to remote view the 'dark-side' of the Earth's Moon.

They observed mining and manufacturing operations along with human looking extraterrestrials.

An E.T. base had extensive buildings, roads, and human forms digging.

His book discusses lunar anomalies and government-military-science-media cover up of UFOs, lunar activity and psychic phenomena - telepathy, in particular.

He also describes his experience with a female E.T. in a Los Angeles supermarket. A friend warns him that there are many extraterrestrials, that many are 'bio-androids' and they are

aware that their only foes on Earth are psychics.

Swann makes it very clear that our government is very much intimidated by these ETs. "They are not friendly."

He concludes that extraterrestrials are living on earth in humanoid bodies. He also talks about the fact that denial of the ETs is a patent fact. The question is why?

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Re: Nuking The Moon

From: Michael Tarbell <mtarbell.nul>
Date: Thu, 21 May 2009 00:11:04 -0600
Archived: Thu, 21 May 2009 08:55:00 -0400
Subject: Re: Nuking The Moon

>From: Martin Shough <parcellular.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Wed, 20 May 2009 18:15:28 +0100
>Subject: Re: Nuking The Moon [was: Debunkers & ETH]

>>From: Jay Nelson <jnelson.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Tue, 19 May 2009 14:57:03 -0600
>>Subject: Nuking The Moon [was: Debunkers & ETH]

<snip>

>>Part of the team researching the hypothetical explosion was a
>>young Carl Sagan, who was recruited to study how the mushroom
>>cloud would expand and collapse under the moons lighter
>>gravity.

>There wouldn't be a mushroom cloud on the moon. It's caused by a
>column of hot low-density gases rising through the denser
>atmosphere to an altitude where pressure equalises, and this is
>where the mushroom cap spreads out. There is no atmosphere on the
>moon. The explosion would expand as a spherical shell disrupted
>where it intersects the surface of the moon.

As far as its effects on the lunar surface, including the debris
cloud dynamics, a nuclear explosion on the moon would be
virtually indistinguishable from a meteor impact.

However, the 'yields' are not directly equivalent. In a surface
nuclear burst, only a fraction of the total yield will couple to
the solid substrate, whereas in a meteor impact the energy is
nearly fully coupled.

A 100 MT surface nuclear burst on dry soft rock, at moon surface
gravity, would produce a crater of relatively modest size (by
lunar standards), perhaps ~1.5 km in diameter.

A roughly equivalent crater would be produced by normal
(perpendicular) impact of a 20 m diameter sphere of dense rock
traveling at 15 km/sec, with a kinetic energy of only ~350 KT.
E.g., see:

http://www.lpl.arizona.edu/tekton/crater_c.html

Mike

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Date: Thu, 21 May 2009 10:59:39 -0400
Archived: Thu, 21 May 2009 10:59:39 -0400
Subject: UFO TV Series To Be Feature Film

Source: Variety - Los Angeles, California, USA

<http://tinyurl.com/UFOTVSeriesForFilm>

Wed., May 20, 2009

Robert Evans & ITV Team For 'UFO' Film
Ryan Gaudet, Joseph Kanarek writing script
By Michael Flemin

CANNES -- Robert Evans is teaming with ITV Global on a feature film based on the 1970s British TV series "UFO."

Evans is producing with Avi Haas and Henri M. Kessler. Ryan Gaudet and Joseph Kanarek are penning a script.

The series debuted in 1970 and ran for three years, with characters created by Gerry Anderson. It was set in 1980 and revolves around Shado (Supreme Headquarters Alien Defense Organization), a covert military organization that thwarts an alien race that has been kidnapping and killing humans for decades, then using the body parts. Shado headquarters is hidden beneath a Hollywood studio, and the studio mogul is actually the Shado commander.

The movie will be set in the year 2020.

The Robert Evans Co. has a first-look deal at Paramount, which will be first stop for the project. "We know the importance of the 'UFO' series brand to ITV Global, and we will work closely with them to build this into a franchise," Evans said.

Evans has a deal with Paramount and HBO Films to develop a six-hour miniseries on Chicago attorney Sidney Korshak.

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Archived: Thu, 21 May 2009 11:08:49 -0400
Subject: Re: Saved!

>From: John Rimmer <j.rimmer.nul>
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[Begin Quotation]

The government has in its possession "extraterrestrial vehicles," lobbyist Stephen Bassett said. As in flying saucers. Imagine the power source, he said, behind a 30-foot wide saucer that weighs the same as a tractor-trailer yet hurtles through galaxies at 20,000 miles per hour. "What is the energy system operating that craft?" Bassett said. "They're not burning kerosene."

[End Quotation]

The number gremlins have got in there: You wouldn't be able to hurtle through too many galaxies at a mere 20,000mph! At that speed they almost could be burning kerosene.

MS

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Date: Thu, 21 May 2009 17:54:17 +0200 (CEST)
Archived: Thu, 21 May 2009 12:53:36 -0400
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>Date: Thu, 21 May 2009 14:09:56 +0100
>Subject: Re: Saved!

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>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Thu, 21 May 2009 09:55:59 +0100
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Yes indeed. Our Voyager probes travel at nearly twice that rate
- a speed at which it would still take over 70,000 years to get
to the nearest star. The 20,000mph quoted is obviously the speed
the extraterrestrial vehicles travel before engaging their
hyperdrives or disappearing into a wormhole.

Best wishes,

Nick Pope

<http://www.nickpope>

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YouTube & 'The Secret NASA Transmissions 2'

From: Ray Dickenson <r.dickenson.nul>
Date: Thu, 21 May 2009 17:45:13 +0100
Archived: Thu, 21 May 2009 12:56:50 -0400
Subject: YouTube & 'The Secret NASA Transmissions 2'

Hello List

Some of you might know that Graham Birdsall's second interview with Martyn Stubbs, titled 'The Secret NASA Transmissions 2', recently disappeared from Youtube.

I contacted Martyn - he was surprised and checked it out and found that some "group" had made Youtube take it down, by falsely claiming copyright.

It's a short 7-part set, where Martyn and Graham clear up some 'hidden' facts, show more clips, and explain how NASA is now expensively encoding their transmissions so as keep things even more secret.

Martyn says he's told the apparent offenders to cease and desist. He says that if he has to, he'll post the set again himself.

Hope to let you know shortly.

Cheers

Ray D

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From: **Paradigm Research Group** <PRG.nul>
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Archived: Thu, 21 May 2009 15:11:02 -0400
Subject: Re: Saved!

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>hurtle through too many galaxies at a mere 20,000mph! At that
>speed they almost could be burning kerosene.

For the record.

Reporters makes quoting mistakes all the time, particularly when
they are working from hand written notes, as in this case, and
not from tape. I, of course, did not say that saucers "hurtle
through galaxies," but rather spoke of high velocities and non-
inertial maneuvering in Earth's atmosphere. No problem. Ms.
Mulkern got the key points right and the article was
constructive.

Steve Bassett

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Re: A Rare TV Alert

From: Carol Maltby <carolmaltby.nul>
Date: Thu, 21 May 2009 15:10:15 -0400
Archived: Thu, 21 May 2009 15:28:41 -0400
Subject: Re: A Rare TV Alert

>From: Michael Lennick <xxxxx.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Wed, 20 May 2009 14:56:20 -0400
>Subject: A Rare TV Alert

>[Non-subscriber post]

>I'm not a huge fan of the show I'm about to recommend, the
>frequently brilliant but mockingly pedantic Colbert Report.
>Personally I find it a bit grating for that time of night, but
>Stephen's guest this evening is a fellow who's recently become a
>new and good friend, the SETI Institute's senior astronomer Dr.
>Seth Shostak. Seth is basically the Harlan Ellison of tweedy
>intellectuals, and he and Colbert should be a hoot together,
>hence the unprecedented heads up.

I don't quite see your Harlan Ellison analogy, though my usual
response to Shostak makes me recall an Ellison title, "I have No
Mouth and I Must Scream."

I enjoy Colbert (though I don't watch him regularly), so I tuned
in to see if Shostak would say anything entertaining. It was a
non-event, vague and random chitchat meant only to set the stage
for the 'money shot', the current book prominently displayed for
the camera.

It had no more substance than the Elizabeth Edwards book promo
on The Daily Show 30 minutes earlier, where a manic, wired,
Edwards fenced with John Stewart before setting up the book
promo shot.

All empty calories, no nutritive value, I'm afraid. While it may
push book sales, a fast interview like this is not set up to
offer anything remotely resembling information, depth or
insight, no matter who the author is.

Carol Maltby

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Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

From: Kentaro Mori <kentaro.mori.nul>
Date: Thu, 21 May 2009 18:16:31 -0300
Archived: Thu, 21 May 2009 18:06:20 -0400
Subject: Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

>From: Vincent Boudreau <vincentboudreau.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Fri, 08 May 2009 01:21:34 -0400 (EDT)
>Subject: Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

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Regards,

Kentaro Mori

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Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

From: Greg Boone <Evolbaby.nul>
Date: Thu, 21 May 2009 18:21:34 EDT
Archived: Thu, 21 May 2009 21:20:28 -0400
Subject: Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

>From: Kentaro Mori <kentaro.mori.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Thu, 21 May 2009 18:16:31 -0300
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Jaime Maussan has been sharing some info about this thing and
I've mentioned to him over and over that no matter how amazing
it may seem, the science has to prove the claims.

A glance at it is fine, and Jaime is a nice guy, but full
analysis and cross examination is needed. Jaime is not a
scientist but he does know how to cut through bs when he wants
to.

He should have his final report soon and then we'll look at it
and find solid data or we won't.

Best,

Greg
ufomafia.com/blog

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Re: Famed Remote Viewer Reveals Alien Secrets

From: Dave Haith <visions1.nul>
Date: Thu, 21 May 2009
Archived: Fri, 22 May 2009 06:21:58 -0400
Subject: Re: Famed Remote Viewer Reveals Alien Secrets

>Source: George Filer's National UFO Center - Lindenwold,
New Jersey, USA

<http://www.nationalufocenter.com/>

>May 20, 2009

>Famed Remote Viewer Reveals Alien Secrets

>Ingo Swann, a gifted natural consciousness researcher was one of
>the first and most influential members of the U.S. government's
>super-secret remote viewing program. He reveals astonishing
>secrets about alien activity in his book Penetration: The
>Question Of Extraterrestrial And Human Telepathy.
(snip)

All very interesting but what's new about this?

Swann's book above was published in 1998!

In the UK, Amazon's cheapest copy is =A3325 so maybe somebody's
trying to cash in!

But you can read it free on the web here:

<http://tiny.cc/W0wwR>

Dave Haith

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Re: A Rare TV Alert

From: **Greg Taylor** <greg.nul>
Date: Fri, 22 May 2009 09:34:59 +1000
Archived: Fri, 22 May 2009 06:23:24 -0400
Subject: Re: A Rare TV Alert

>From: Stanton T Friedman <fsphys.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Wed, 20 May 2009 21:05:57 -0300
>Subject: Re: A Rare TV Alert

>I would also appreciate his email address. He may be upset
>about my chapters on the Cult of Seti, star travel, large scale
>scientific studies of UFOS... about which he is apparently still
>totally unaware.

Hi Stan,

There's nothing too esoteric about finding Seth's email address.
It's on his SETI bio page, along with his phone number:

<http://www.seti.org/Page.aspx?pid=455>

You may prefer to phone him - he has told me previously that his
time replying to emails is limited and so he prefers a phone
call for any substantive discussion.

Kind regards,

Greg

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Close Encounters Of The Earliest Kind

From: Terry Colvin <fortean1.nul>
Date: Fri, 22 May 2009 04:33:53 -0400 (EDT)
Archived: Fri, 22 May 2009 07:25:00 -0400
Subject: Close Encounters Of The Earliest Kind

<http://tinyurl.com/pckee3>

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Close Encounters Of The Earliest Kind
by Ron Genini

During November of 1896 the United States experienced its first publicized UFO flap, and it is perhaps not surprising that it should have occurred in California. After all, Erich von Daniken would have us believe that the prehistoric petroglyphs in Inyo County represent interplanetary flight; Fray Geronimo Boscana, the missionary at San Juan Capistrano, described a "two-tailed comet" overhead in 1823; and in 1883 the scientist John J. Montgomery began his heavier-than-air experiments by putting a glider into the air over the sun-browned hills of Otay Mesa, south of San Diego.

All this, though, was pretty small change compared with the arrival of 'The Great Airship'.

On Tuesday, the seventeenth of November, the sun set at 4:41 P.M. through overcast skies. Sacramentans reading their evening Bee may have noticed a quoted telegram from New York stating that someone would leave the Eastern metropolis on Friday and arrive in the West two days later. Since the Southern Pacific's trains could only complete such a run in four or five days, this was news. And since the sender declared that the transportation would be aerial, the message had to have sparked curiosity. In any case, between six and seven clock "hundreds of people" on the streets noticed "an electric arc lamp propelled by some mysterious force" coming from the Northeast and traveling southwesterly. Moving slowly over K Street, it could be seen for most of an hour, rising and descending to avoid roofs and steeples.

Full article at URL...

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Flying Saucers From Canada

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Date: Fri, 22 May 2009 04:53:59 -0400 (EDT)
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Subject: Flying Saucers From Canada

Source: American Heritage.Com

<http://tinyurl.com/rx4v2o>

Flying Saucers From Canada

They're a staple of B movies and pulp magazines, but in the late 1950s the U.S. government was seriously interested

By Robert G. Douglass

The earliest known jet airplane flew - briefly - almost twenty-nine years before the Luftwaffe's famous Heinkel He 178. One December morning in 1910 a young inventor pilot named Henri- Marie Coanda was testing a crude turbojet attached to a plywood aircraft, both of his own design, at Issy-les- Moulinaux, a suburb of Paris. When he throttled up his engine, a ball of flame ignited the plane as soon as it became airborne. It climbed steeply for a few seconds, barely clearing a stone wall, then turned on its side and slid earthward. The pilot fell out, and the plane crashed and burned to cinders. Coanda was shaken and perhaps a little singed, but he escaped serious injury.

The plane's avant-garde engine was equipped with a slotted flap at its rear yet another Coanda discovery. The inventor had been searching for a way to bend, or 'steer', the flow from the jet nozzle attached to the wing. Placing a flap directly in its path would do the trick, but unfortunately such a flap would also quickly burn up. When he placed the flap just under the nozzle, however, the jet flow adhered to its surface and could be made to deflect downward at varying angles. The flow also pulled outside air along with it, creating a vacuum above the wing, which added lift. This phenomenon became known as the Coanda effect.

Forty-five years later Coanda, by then a respected scientist, was addressing the Wings Club in New York City. He summed up his speech with these words:

- "- In aviation we have allowed ourselves to be hypnotized too long by the principle of the kite.
- Since 1909, I have wanted to go forward in a different direction.
- The only future in the air is in the 'flying saucer'."

Coanda was born to a French-Romanian family in Bucharest in 1885 and studied an assortment of subjects at schools in Jassy, Romania; Berlin; Liege, Belgium; and Paris. Aeronautics was his passion, and after working under A. G. Eiffel on aircraft-wing design (in the course of which research he took a nighttime ride on a locomotive's cowcatcher), he developed his primal turbojet. Following its fiery crash, he could not find funding to rebuild it. He continued his aviation researches, served in the French army during World War I, and then pursued numerous other interests in and out of aeronautics, including a failed venture building Edison-style poured-concrete houses. By 1933 he was

applying his Coanda effect in circular form, exhibiting a working flying-disk model.

More at URL... includes John C. M. Frost & Avro Canada

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Source: The Sarasota Herald Tribute - Florida, USA

<http://www.heraldtribune.com/article/20090521/blog32/905219954>

Thursday, May 21, 2009

Memory-Metal Files Are Missing
By Billy Cox

With a boost from Sarasota resident Tony Bragalia, the enduring Roswell UFO controversy is about to swing the spotlight onto one of the most successful research and development entities in America - Battelle Memorial Institute in Columbus, OH.

At issue are some missing reports from Battelle's study of a nickel/titanium alloy called Nitinol, renowned for its resilience as a "memory metal". Contracted by the U.S. Air Force to assess and exploit its compelling properties in the late 1940s, Battelle participates in or manages six national laboratories for the U.S. Department of Energy, including Oak Ridge, Lawrence Livermore, and Brookhaven.

The problem is, neither Battelle nor the USAF can produce copies of what the scientific literature refers to as the Second Progress Report on Contract AF33 (038)-3736. Bragalia suspects that's because the data is still highly classified due to its source - a flying disc that crashed outside Roswell, N.M., in 1947.

"Personal testimony is one thing.", says Bragalia, whose research skills have been polished by his business as an executive-search consultant. "But when you start talking about documents and the history of science, unlike testimonials, their provenance is not questioned."

Bragalia's work is showcased in a just-released update of Witness To Roswell (\$16.99, New Page Books) by Tom Carey and Don Schmitt. Bragalia says his curiosity about the Roswell debris began accelerating in 2007, shortly after a retired Army Air Force veteran from Ellenton named Ben Games told De Void a tale that no one had ever heard before - in July of 1947, he flew Gen. Laurence Craigie to Roswell during the furor over the alleged UFO recovery.

As chief of the Research and Engineering Division at AAF headquarters, Craigie had offices at the Pentagon and at present-day Wright-Patterson AFB in Ohio. In October 1947, he became Director of Research and Development for the U.S. Air Force. At the end of the year, he authorized the first-ever USAF study of flying saucers. From 1948-50, he served as commandant of the USAF Institute of Technology at Wright-Pat.

In 1991, retired brigadier general Arthur Exon confirmed for author/investigators Schmitt and Kevin Randle that the Roswell debris was transferred to Wright Field in '47. Civilians and military personnel who handled the stuff compared some

components to aluminum foil, except that it would conform to its original shape after being crumpled.

Exon, a lieutenant colonel on base at the time, said lab chiefs in charge of testing the material "knew they had something new in their hands. The metal and material was unknown to anyone I talked to." However, Exon, who was promoted to Wright-Pat base commander in 1964, never had access to the debris.

But who did? And if, as skeptics contend, the thing that went down in Roswell was simply a classified but hardly exotic balloon project, why did Craigie make a hurried flight to New Mexico from Washington?

Enter Nitinol, which made its debut in 1939. The nickel/titanium metal was created as a byproduct of another project and initially studied for its crystalline structures. Bragalia was unable to find any research on its shape-recovery properties until encountering references to a WPAFB contract with Battelle produced in 1949.

Its Second Progress Report - authored by Battelle employees listed only as C.M. Craighead, F. Fawn, and L.W. Eastwood - implies a first progress report, for which Bragalia could find no references at all. Although unable to get his hands on the "Second Progress Report", Bragalia lists four references to its existence in 1952, 1965, 1972, and 1984.

Bragalia didn't read the Second Progress Report because nobody appears to know where it is. Kemberly Lang, manager of the Battelle Library, couldn't find a copy, and neither could Annette Sheppard, special collection librarian at WPAFB. Lang reconfirmed to De Void her futility at learning anything about the 60-year-old project beyond published references to it.

"There's something strange going on here, but there is no copy of the contract. And Wright-Patterson doesn't have it, either. Evidently it was never submitted for retention." says Lang, who coordinated her search efforts with WPAFB. "Both sides have miraculously lost their copies of it.

I don't know what's in it, I don't have a clue. I don't think there's anything malicious going on, but it's kind of in my 'open' file now. It's a mystery."

Bragalia doubts the USAF farmed out the actual Roswell debris to Battelle. More likely, he suspects its scientists were tasked to simulate its morphing abilities through Nitinol, which requires 99.99 percent purity and the application of heat.

Curiously, Braglia says military reports announcing the unveiling of Nitinol as a memory metal cite every year from 1959 to 1963 as its point of discovery. The last word from the U.S. Naval Ordnance Lab lists its debut as 1962 or 1963.

Today, Nitinol has blossomed into the commercial sector, finding its way into everything from medical hardware to bendable eyeglass frames. Among the most ambitious firms incorporating the latest generation of metallic elasticity into a vast array of products is LiquidMetal Technologies, a publicly traded R&D company headquartered in Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif.

Attributing its "amorphous alloys" to researchers from California Institute of Technology - managed by Battelle in cooperation with Lawrence-Livermore - LiquidMetal's Web site says it has collaborated on "numerous shuttle missions for NASA scientists to study its technology in space first hand."

"The NASA connection is huge.", says Bragalia. "When you begin taking stuff into space and testing it under microgravity conditions, it allows you to develop material of exceptional purity."

Battelle, listed as a charitable trust exempt from taxation, is most famously known in UFO circles for producing a 1954 Air Force Project Blue Book study called Special Report No. 14. Concluding that 21.5 percent of UFOs in the military database were unknowns, Battelle directly contradicted then USAF Secretary Donald Quarles' assertion that only 3 percent of its sightings were unknown.

"Battelle is very artful at concealing its connections.", says Bragalia. "When people say 'the government' knows about UFOs, I wonder. Especially when you consider that Battelle has more or less privatized six of our national laboratories."

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How Swede It Is

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <post.nul>
Date: Fri, 22 May 2009 16:07:57 -0400
Archived: Fri, 22 May 2009 16:07:57 -0400
Subject: How Swede It Is

Source: The Sarasota Herald Tribute - Florida, USA

<http://www.heraldtribune.com/article/20090520/blog32/905209934>

Wednesday, May 20, 2009

How Swede It Is
By Billy Cox

When the worldwide newsflash broke a couple of weeks ago - "Nu öppnar svenska UFO-arkivet för allmänheten, och den intresserade kan botanisera i över 18 000 rapporter som gjorts om oidentifierade flygande farkoster i Sverige" - De Void wasn't sure what to make of it because Sweden is such a mystery.

With limited resources and a ripped pocket for travel expenses, De Void tried to understand the culture by dusting off some bouncy old ABBA tunes, and nearly got weepy over classics like "Fernando" and "Chiquitita".

The Internet headlines - "UFO Sweden Releases 18,000 Swedish UFO Reports Into Public Domain" - made it sound as if government authorities were joining countries like Ireland, England, Brazil, Denmark, et al., in publicizing its official UFO material. Here's the English translation of the lead in Expressen, the online zine that broke the story:

"Now open the Swedish UFO archive for the public, and interested parties can browse over 18,000 reports made on oidentifierade aircraft in Sweden. One of the most interesting cases, when two people saw a flying craft topple and fall in the Lake Nammajaure early 1980s, 'says Clas Svahn who is chairman of UFO-Sweden."

After several close readings, a tentative consensus of neurons submitted that UFO-Sweden was a private concern that had been fielding Scandinavian reports since 1973. And no, UFO-Sweden wasn't going to do an online data dump the way the UK did last year. Additional translations:

"The archive will be open the ninth and tenth in May initially. - But if someone wants to come and see another day, they can hear themselves. The reason we did not show the collection because we did not have staff, but you have now on a part-time,' says Clas Svahn."

So what happened that weekend in Sodertalje where, according to Svahn, "we now have a 250 square meter large archive in Norrköping" for public inspection of those 18,000 reports? According to something called The Local, 175 people turned out for the introductory lectures that Saturday, and 70 attended Sunday's grand opening. However, according to The Local:

"The archive is now closed once more, as the association works on a voluntary basis and does not have the time to do more than show the archive to, for example, researchers."

They don't sound very stressed out up there. Maybe De Void will buy a house in Sweden.

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Re: Nuking The Moon

From: Don Ledger <dledger.nul>
Date: Fri, 22 May 2009 18:45:05 -0300
Archived: Fri, 22 May 2009 21:03:23 -0400
Subject: Re: Nuking The Moon

UFO UpDates - Toronto wrote:

>From: Michael Tarbell <mtarbell.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Thu, 21 May 2009 00:11:04 -0600
>Subject: Re: Nuking The Moon

>>From: Martin Shough <parcellular.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Wed, 20 May 2009 18:15:28 +0100
>>Subject: Re: Nuking The Moon [was: Debunkers & ETH]

>>>From: Jay Nelson <jnelson.nul>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>>Date: Tue, 19 May 2009 14:57:03 -0600
>>>Subject: Nuking The Moon [was: Debunkers & ETH]

><snip>

>>>Part of the team researching the hypothetical explosion was a
>>>young Carl Sagan, who was recruited to study how the mushroom
>>>cloud would expand and collapse under the moons lighter
>>>gravity.

>>There wouldn't be a mushroom cloud on the moon. It's caused by a
>>column of hot low-density gases rising through the denser
>>atmosphere to an altitude where pressure equalises, and this is
>>where the mushroom cap spreads out. There is no atmosphere on the
>>moon. The explosion would expand as a spherical shell disrupted
>>where it intersects the surface of the moon.

>As far as its effects on the lunar surface, including the debris
>cloud dynamics, a nuclear explosion on the moon would be
>virtually indistinguishable from a meteor impact.

>However, the 'yields' are not directly equivalent. In a surface
>nuclear burst, only a fraction of the total yield will couple to
>the solid substrate, whereas in a meteor impact the energy is
>nearly fully coupled.

>A 100 MT surface nuclear burst on dry soft rock, at moon surface
>gravity, would produce a crater of relatively modest size (by
>lunar standards), perhaps ~1.5 km in diameter.

>A roughly equivalent crater would be produced by normal
>(perpendicular) impact of a 20 m diameter sphere of dense rock
>traveling at 15 km/sec, with a kinetic energy of only ~350 KT.
>E.g., see:

>http://www.lpl.arizona.edu/tektion/crater_c.html

100 MT would be out of range for the nukes in the mid 1950s.
Seems to me the Soviets had a 60MT weapon in the mid 1960s that
they didn't test. Getting one of these to the Moon in the first
place was undoable in that time frame. I can just imagine the
outcry if this experiment was ever made public; a non-existent
100MT nuclear device being lofted into space with rockets that
blew up on the launch pad half the time. You gotta give them 0

for optimism however.

Don Ledger

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Richard Doty's Latest Lie

From: Robert Hastings <hastings444.nul>
Date: Fri, 22 May 2009 22:34:28 +0000
Archived: Fri, 22 May 2009 21:14:11 -0400
Subject: Richard Doty's Latest Lie

All,

As I mention in my "Operation Bird Droppings" (OBD) article,

<http://ufoupdateslist.com/2009/apr/m05-016.shtml>

<http://ufoupdateslist.com/2009/apr/m09-009.shtml>

Richard Doty has frequently used the name "Paul McGovern" when emailing people over the last few years, especially in relation to the Doty-disseminated Project Serpo hoax. This fact was discovered by the researchers at Reality Uncovered. A detailed discussion regarding Richard Doty pretending to be Paul McGovern may be found at <http://www.realityuncovered.com/expose8.shtml>.

Earlier today, "McGovern" emailed me (below) in response to my mass-emailed message about my upcoming appearance on the Paracast radio show, which airs this Sunday, May 24th. Please go to the bottom of the email chain below and read up. As you will see, Doty/McGovern accuses me of once having physically run away from Doty. Given that I have never met the man, that's an interesting claim. In short, "McGovern's" email to me is more of the classic Doty bluff and bluster, and lying of course.

As noted in my OBD article, the Reality Uncovered folks also exposed as lies Doty's claims--in Bob Collins' 2005 book Exempt from Disclosure--of having graduated from law school and having passed the New Mexico bar exam. This fact was brought to Collins' attention as early as 2006 and yet Collins has not removed or amended Doty's false claims in the latest edition of his book. Birds of a feather...

All of this is just the tip of the iceberg. In short, Richard "Falcon" Doty and Robert "Condor" Collins are liars and frauds. These are the same guys who want you and everyone else to believe what they say about MJ-12, Serpo, and the rest of the nonsense they have been spreading around for the last 25 years. Please listen to the Paracast this Sunday. It will also be available in the Paracast Archives at a later date.

Robert Hastings

From: hastings444.nul
To: pmcgovernnts.nul
Cc: figaro.nul ; ohio52.nul
Date: Friday, May 22, 2009 11:41 AM
Subject: Doty/McGovern

Hi Rick,

Still pretending to be "Paul McGovern" I see. Are you still pretending to have completed law school and the New Mexico bar exam too? I mention that on the show.

You and Collins are indeed liars and frauds and I hope to be

able to prove that in a court of law someday. I think I will call the NM State Police later today and find out whether they ever did an investigation into your threats and false claims to Shawna [Connolly] at Reality Uncovered.

Well, at least you spelled everything correctly in your email to me. Spell check is marvelous, isn't it?

Robert Hastings

From: Paul McGovern
To: hastings444.nul
Cc: Mc ; Richard Doty ; ohio52.nul
Date: Friday, May 22, 2009 9:26 AM
Subject: Re: Robert Emenegger responds

You had absolutely nothing to do with the UFO program. Everything you say or write is second and third person. How do you expect anyone to believe your nonsense. We were involved in this program and it was FACT. You are a pathetic human being. I hear you ran from Doty when he tried to speak with you. What a coward.

From: "hastings444.nul" <hastings444.nul>
To: hastings444.nul
Date: Thursday, May 21, 2009 11:58:40 AM
Subject: Robert Emenegger responds

After I e-mailed the Heads-up message (below) to several people, Robert Emenegger sent me this response.

If you don't recognize his name, Google it, together with "UFO"

From: Robert Emenegger
To: hastings444.nul
Date: Wednesday, May 20, 2009 10:39 PM
Subject: re MJ12 & BIRDS

At last someone is going for it... to expose the birds and their droppings for all the pigeons to see. I cheer you on.

Bob

All,

Heads-up! This Sunday, May 24th, Don Ecker and I will be guests on the Paracast, discussing the MJ-12-related disinformation/boolsheet being disseminated nowadays by Bob "Condor" Collins and Richard "Falcon" Doty.

This broadcast is a in-depth follow-up to my recent "Operation Bird Droppings" article (and OBD Updates 1 and 2) which are now online.

While some persons seem oblivious to the importance of challenging Collins' and Doty's shenanigans, on an ongoing basis, I suspect that most of you will benefit from tuning in.

Doty and Collins are liars and frauds. Learn the facts about MJ-12!

--Robert Hastings
www.ufohastings.com;x-html>

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After 10 Years SETI Has No Results

From: **Steven Kaeser** <steve.nul>
Date: Fri, 22 May 2009 23:05:16 -0700
Archived: Sat, 23 May 2009 12:57:00 -0400
Subject: After 10 Years SETI Has No Results

Source: CNN - Atlanta, Georgia, USA

<http://tinyurl.com/After10Years-Nothing>

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SETI uses the Arecibo telescope in Puerto Rico to record radio signals from the sky. Those signals are broken down and sent to home computers, which help analyze the data.

Here's more on how the project works, from the SETI.nul Web site:

One approach, known as radio SETI, uses radio telescopes to listen for narrow-bandwidth radio signals from space. Such signals are not known to occur naturally, so a detection would provide evidence of extraterrestrial technology.

Radio telescope signals consist primarily of noise (from celestial sources and the receiver's electronics) and man-made signals such as TV stations, radar, and satellites. Modern radio SETI projects analyze the data digitally. More computing power enables searches to cover greater frequency ranges with more sensitivity. Radio SETI, therefore, has an insatiable appetite for computing power.

In the 10 years that SETI has been active not a single extraterrestrial signal has been heard.

This could lead us to believe that maybe we are truly alone in this vast universe. No one knows for sure, of course. The debate has intensified since the Roswell incident of 1947.

Arguments can be made against spending money and time in search of other life in the universe. The money spent on funding the SETI project that could have been put towards fighting hunger or doing cancer research, for example.

On the flip side, our universe is extremely large and the time it takes radio signals to travel can take many years for them to make it to Earth if they are coming from another planet or spaceship. Ten years just isn't enough for us to examine what could be out there.

What are your thoughts on SETI?

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Re: After 10 Years SETI Has No Results

From: Greg Boone <Evolbaby.nul>
Date: Sat, 23 May 2009 13:27:29 EDT
Archived: Sat, 23 May 2009 14:52:46 -0400
Subject: Re: After 10 Years SETI Has No Results

>From: Steven Kaeser <steve.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Fri, 22 May 2009 23:05:16 -0700
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I'll say it again.

What if aliens don't have ears?

Just because we do doesn't mean it's a constant.

Yes I'm being facetious but it does count.

Mayhaps life forms use a form of advanced telepathy or
communication we've either not yet discovered or refuse to
confront as a possibility?

I recall vaguely a study some years ago regarding cells that
communicated over great distances that appeared instantaneous.
Anyone recall it? It was a story on ABC's 20/20 program.

Scientists took some cell samples from a subject and put them in
a petrie dish and sent the subject some blocks or miles away.
When the subject was stimulated with pain or surprise the cells
in the petrie dish responded in kind.

Now how could cells communicate over large distances without the
neural network that normally does this?

Were we to put a petrie dish of a subject's cells on the Space
Shuttle and follow the same stimulus procedure would the cells
react?

Perhaps our physical structures are the result of some other
source or combination of sources our science either hasn't
detected or refuses to acknowledge?

Communication is the key here and using radio signals appears
not to work. Perhaps another form of communication needs
discovering.

Best,

Greg
ufomafia.com/blog

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Re: After 10 Years SETI Has No Results

From: Eleanor White <ewraven1.nul>
Date: Sat, 23 May 2009 15:22:10 -0400
Archived: Sat, 23 May 2009 18:16:50 -0400
Subject: Re: After 10 Years SETI Has No Results

>From: Steven Kaeser <steve.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
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>What are your thoughts on SETI?

They wouldn't tell the public if they found something.

Eleanor White

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From: Eleanor White <ewraven1.nul>
Date: Sat, 23 May 2009 15:24:26 -0400
Archived: Sat, 23 May 2009 18:18:08 -0400
Subject: Re: After 10 Years SETI Has No Results

>From: Greg Boone <Evolbaby.nul>
>To: post.nul
>Date: Sat, 23 May 2009 13:27:29 EDT
>Subject: Re: After 10 Years SETI Has No Results

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Refuses.

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From: **Steven Kaeser** <steve.nul>
Date: Sat, 23 May 2009 13:10:57 -0700
Archived: Sat, 23 May 2009 19:20:00 -0400
Subject: Re: After 10 Years SETI Has No Results

Greg,

I agree with you for the most part and posted the article just for reference.

I would note that SETI isn't really looking for evidence of radio or television signals, or communication, per se. The search is for energy output that would indicate that a civilization may exist in that location.

The radiation we emit is in the form of RF for the most part, and it's assumed (perhaps incorrectly) that an alien civilization would likely leave an RF beacon in the emptiness of space.

A good "WOW" event hasn't occurred yet, and ufology will likely never be pleased with SETI's effort. It's too narrow focused and many ufologists aren't looking to find a civilization in space, they're trying to identify the one's they believe are already here.

Steve

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Re: First Crop Circle Researcher Pat Delgado Passes

From: Dave Haith <visionsl.nul>
Date: Sat, 23 May 2009 23:39:24 +0100
Archived: Sat, 23 May 2009 19:25:00 -0400
Subject: Re: First Crop Circle Researcher Pat Delgado Passes

From: Colin Andrews <cprandrews.nul>
To: cprandrews.nul
Sent: Saturday, May 23, 2009 6:42 PM
Subject: The first crop circle researcher Pat Delgado has sadly passed away.

Pat Delgado, famous for being the person who started serious research into what became known as crop circles, passed away at 8.30 AM (U.K.) today in Winchester Hospital, Hampshire, England.

Pat was a very young 90 years of age, when cancer struck and took a very rapid toll in recent weeks.

He was a compassionate and sensitive human being, an excellent engineer and reputable healer. He was a dear friend and my co-author who was largely responsible for one of the happiest periods of my life.

I send my deepest and most sincere condolences to Norah (his Wife), Jan (only Daughter) and Guy (Grandson) who did all they could in such distressing circumstances. Love to you all.

My dedication:

<http://www.colinandrews.net/Research-Dedication-PatDelgado.html>

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Re: After 10 Years SETI Has No Results

From: Ray Dickenson <r.dickenson.nul>
Date: Sun, 24 May 2009 00:52:04 +0100
Archived: Sun, 24 May 2009 06:16:18 -0400
Subject: Re: After 10 Years SETI Has No Results

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>discovering.

Right Greg,

The article makes two assumptions - that 'extraterrestrial
voices' would come only via radio, and that SETI seriously wants
to detect ETs who might be capable of more than radio.

I don't think either are true.

Ray D

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Re: Nuking The Moon

From: David Rudiak <drudiak.nul>
Date: Sat, 23 May 2009 17:39:36 -0700
Archived: Sun, 24 May 2009 06:37:44 -0400
Subject: Re: Nuking The Moon

>From: Don Ledger <dledger.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Fri, 22 May 2009 18:45:05 -0300
>Subject: Re: Nuking The Moon

>>From: Michael Tarbell <mtarbell.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Thu, 21 May 2009 00:11:04 -0600
>>Subject: Re: Nuking The Moon

>>>From: Martin Shough <parcellular.nul>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>>Date: Wed, 20 May 2009 18:15:28 +0100
>>>Subject: Re: Nuking The Moon [was: Debunkers & ETH]

>>>>From: Jay Nelson <jnelson.nul>
>>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>>>Date: Tue, 19 May 2009 14:57:03 -0600
>>>>Subject: Nuking The Moon [was: Debunkers & ETH]

>><snip>

>>>>Part of the team researching the hypothetical explosion was
>>>>a young Carl Sagan, who was recruited to study how the
>>>>mushroom cloud would expand and collapse under the moons lighter
>>>>gravity.

>>>There wouldn't be a mushroom cloud on the moon. It's caused by a
>>>column of hot low-density gases rising through the denser
>>>atmosphere to an altitude where pressure equalises, and this is
>>>where the mushroom cap spreads out. There is no atmosphere on the
>>>moon. The explosion would expand as a spherical shell disrupted
>>>where it intersects the surface of the moon.

>>As far as its effects on the lunar surface, including the debris
>>cloud dynamics, a nuclear explosion on the moon would be
>>virtually indistinguishable from a meteor impact.

>>However, the 'yields' are not directly equivalent. In a surface
>>nuclear burst, only a fraction of the total yield will couple to
>>the solid substrate, whereas in a meteor impact the energy is
>>nearly fully coupled.

>>A 100 MT surface nuclear burst on dry soft rock, at moon surface
>>gravity, would produce a crater of relatively modest size (by
>>lunar standards), perhaps ~1.5 km in diameter.

>>A roughly equivalent crater would be produced by normal
>>(perpendicular) impact of a 20 m diameter sphere of dense rock
>>traveling at 15 km/sec, with a kinetic energy of only ~350 KT.

>100 MT would be out of range for the nukes in the mid 1950s.
>Seems to me the Soviets had a 60MT weapon in the mid 1960s that
>they didn't test. Getting one of these to the Moon in the first
>place was undoable in that time frame. I can just imagine the
>outcry if this experiment was ever made public; a non-existent
>100MT nuclear device being lofted into space with rockets that
>blew up on the launch pad half the time. You gotta give them 0
>for optimism however.

The plan, I believe, was to use a relatively modest A-bomb, not H-bomb, detonated near the edge of the moon, creating both a noticeable flash and a plume of dust rising from the edge. It was Sagan's classified job to calculate how visible the detonation was and how best to convincingly detect it, so that the world would acknowledge we had done it.

Remember, this was all conceived of in the first days of the space race when the Russians were widely acknowledged as being way ahead of us. Many were touting Russian science and technology and some in the Pentagon thought we needed a display of power and prowess for propaganda purposes. That was the purpose of this lame-brain and still-classified project.

Nuking a supposed alien base was out of the question back then. We just didn't have that capability in terms of rocket throw weight and accuracy for at least another half dozen years, probably more. It was only with the later Apollo flights that we landed with the accuracy necessary to perhaps take out a base with a big nuke. Our first attempts to reach the moon generally failed miserably, either falling short or missing the moon entirely.

David Rudiak

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Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

From: Vincent Boudreau <vincentboudreau.nul>
Date: Sun, 24 May 2009 00:01:16 -0400 (EDT)
Archived: Sun, 24 May 2009 07:20:00 -0400
Subject: Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

>From: Greg Boone <Evolbaby.nul>
>To: [post](#).nul
>Date: Thu, 21 May 2009 18:21:34 EDT
>Subject: Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

>>From: Kentaro Mori <kentaro.mori.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[post](#).nul>
>>Date: Thu, 21 May 2009 18:16:31 -0300
>>Subject: Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

>>>From: Vincent Boudreau <vincentboudreau.nul>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[post](#).nul>
>>>Date: Fri, 08 May 2009 01:21:34 -0400 (EDT)
>>>Subject: Re: The Screamin' Demon Of Mexico

>>>This one is much too large for the animal captured and it is
>>>evident, judging from the size! of the animal and the size of the
>>>trap, that this is a _montage_.
>>>It's a hoax.

>>Indeed. I posted an update on the case on:
>><http://forgetomori.com/2009/skepticism/demnio-capturado-no-mxico/>

>>It's simply a small, skinned primate. The whole story related to
>>it is spurious, with verifiedly false claims, as pointed out by
>>fellow researcher V-J Ballester Olmos.

>Jaime Maussan has been sharing some info about this thing and
>I've mentioned to him over and over that no matter how amazing
>it may seem, the science has to prove the claims.

>A glance at it is fine, and Jaime is a nice guy, but full
>analysis and cross examination is needed. Jaime is not a
>scientist but he does know how to cut through bs when he wants
>to.

>He should have his final report soon and then we'll look at it
>and find solid data or we won't.
Meanwhile, I see no reason no turn off scientific observation and
act as though one cannot think by himself.

This thing walks and quacks like a duck.

The strings are evident.

How come you don't see them?

You won't even look at the data and you are willing to let
somebody else to tell you what to think?

This is debunkery: debunking the truth.

A belief system.

Vincent Boudreau

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Re: After 10 Years SETI Has No Results

From: Paul Scott Anderson <paulscottanderson.nul>
Date: Sat, 23 May 2009 21:33:00 -0700
Archived: Sun, 24 May 2009 07:42:52 -0400
Subject: Re: After 10 Years SETI Has No Results

>From: Steven Kaeser <steve.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Sat, 23 May 2009 13:10:57 -0700
>Subject: Re: After 10 Years SETI Has No Results

>A good "WOW" event hasn't occurred yet, and ufology will likely
>never be pleased with SETI's effort. It's too narrow focused and
>many ufologists aren't looking to find a civilization in space,
>they're trying to identify the one's they believe are already
>here.

There have been quite a few possible detections, although
nothing confirmed still, as in repeated observations of a signal.
There was a report of another one just a few days ago:

<http://tinyurl.com/owfu7k>

That's the only place I've seen it mentioned so far.

Paul

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Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=525243773>

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Re: After 10 Years SETI Has No Results

From: Paul Scott Anderson <paulscottanderson.nul>
Date: Sat, 23 May 2009 21:47:24 -0700
Archived: Sun, 24 May 2009 08:45:00 -0400
Subject: Re: After 10 Years SETI Has No Results

>From: Greg Boone <Evolbaby.nul>
>To: post.nul
>Date: Sat, 23 May 2009 13:27:29 EDT
>Subject: Re: After 10 Years SETI Has No Results

>Communication is the key here and using radio signals appears
>not to work. Perhaps another form of communication needs
>discovering.

There is a good overview of the Optical SETI searches now being
done, on The Planetary Society web site:

http://www.planetary.org/programs/projects/seti_optical_searches

Paul

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Dalnegorsk USSR UFO Report - 01

From: Terry Colvin <fortean1.nul>
Date: Sun, 24 May 2009 02:46:03 -0400 (EDT)
Archived: Sun, 24 May 2009 08:47:00 -0400
Subject: Dalnegorsk USSR UFO Report - 01

While searching through old RIs (routing indicators) I came across this FBIS - Foreign Broadcast Information Service - message which was re-addressed by the Joint Staff (Joint Chiefs of Staff, U.S.).

The e-mail was prepared for another List (CommCenter-4) as a virtual teletype message.

Final section of two follows shortly.

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SUBJ: STRIP MINING POLLUTES DALNEGORSK, MARITIME KRAY
SOURCE: MOSCOW CENTRAL TELEVISION FIRST PROGRAM AND ORBITA NETWORKS
IN RUSSUAN 1030 GMT 28 OCT 91
TEXT: //((A. KRUTOV VIDEO REPORT; FROM THE "TV INFORM" PROGRAM
((TEXT)) A TENTH OF THE TOTAL TERRITORY OF OUR COUNTRY, 290
RAYONS, ARE CONSIDERED ECOLOGICALLY DAMAGED. HERE IS A REPORT BY
ALKSANDR KRUTOV FROM THE CITY ON DALNEGORSK OF THE MARITIME KRAY:
((BEGIN RECORDING)) ((KRUTOV)) SEVERAL YEARS AGO, AN
UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT CRASHED ON THIS HILL. UNFORTUNATELY, AS

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THE EYEWITNESSES WERE CLIMBING TOWARDS THE SCENE OF THE EVENT, IT
DISAPPEARED. AS WE UNDERSTOOD FROM OUR TALKS WITH THE RESIDENTS OF
DALNEGORSK, THE UFOS ARE A COMMON OCCURRENCE HERE. THE LOCAL
UFOLOGISTS HAVE EVEN ESTABLISHED CONTACT WITH OUTER SPACE, AND ONE
DAY EXPECTED THE LANDING OF A UFO IN THE CITY STADIUM. FOR UNKNOWN
REASONS, THE ENCOUNTER DID NOT TAKE PLACE, BUT THE UFOLOGISTS HAVE
NOT LOST HOPE.

SO WHAT ATTRACTS VISITORS FROM OUTER SPACE TO DALNEGORSK? COULD
THIS DEAD LAND BE IT? ((VIDEO SHOWS SIGHTS IN DALNEGORSK TAKEN FROM
HELICOPTER, CUTS TO SHOW WHAT LOOKS LIKE A STRIP-MINING SITE)) IT
CERTAINLY IS SUITABLE ONLY FOR THE LANDING OF A SPACESHIP. THIS
MOON-LIKE LANDSCAPE IS WHAT HAS BEEN LEFT BEHIND BY THE INDUSTRIAL
ASSOCIATION 'BOR'. THEY WERE LOOKING FOR CHEAP DEAL AT THE TIME,
AND THIS IS HOW THEY MINED, BUILDING TENANT HOUSES AND A HOSPITAL
RIGHT IN THE INDUSTRIAL ZONE, CLOSE TO THE PLACE OF WORK. AS A
RESULT, DUST AND SUSPENDED MATTER COVERS THE TOWN AND CLOGS THE
LUNGS OF ADULTS AND CHILDREN, ((VIDEO SHOWS INTERVIEW WITH G.
PILIPCHIK, A GYNECOLOGIST))
((PILIPCHIK)) THE STATE OF HEALTH OF OUR WOMEN, AND ACTUALLY THE
STATE OF HEALTH OF ALL THE POPULATION OF OUR RAYON, DOES NOT GIVE US

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THE MEDICS CAUSE FOR OPTIMISM. LATELY, THE GROWTH OF BIRTH DEFECTS
AMONG THE NEWBORN AND THE HIGH RATE OF MORBIDITY IN THE FIRST MONTHS
OR YEARS OF LIFE HAVE BEEN OBSERVED, AND WE THE MEDICAL WORKERS
CONNECT IT TO THE DAMAGING INFLUENCE OF OUR CHEMICAL AND MINING
INDUSTRY.

((KRUTOV)) CONSTRUCTORS DO NOT EVEN USE WATER FROM THE CITY'S
RIVER, AND I DO NOT MEAN FOR DRINKING -- FOR MIXING CEMENT. THE
WATER IS SO BAD THAT THE CEMENT CRUMBLES. DALNEGORSK IS CALLED THE
CHERNOBYL OF THE FAR EAST. ((VIDEO SHOWS MORE AERIAL SHOTS OF THE
CITY, CUTS TO A INTERVIEW WITH L. SPITSYN, MACHINIST AT THE 'BOR'
INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATION))

((SPITSYN)) THE PREDATORY LOOTING THAT WENT ON ALL OVER THE
COUNTRY EXISTS HERE TOO. I MEAN THE MAIN THING WAS TO GRAB, NO
MATTER HOW, WHAT, OR WHERE. GRABBING IS THE MAIN GOAL. THE ECONOMY
SHOULD BE ECONOMICAL, SO LET US ECONOMIZE BY STARTING WITH THE
ENVIRONMENT.

((KRUTOV)) YOU SAY THAT YOU ARE FIGHTING WINDMILLS. WHOM ARE
YOU FIGHTING?

((SPITSYN)) I HOPE THAT TODAY, AFTER THE 19TH ((OF AUGUST)), THE
SITUATION WILL CHANGE SOMEHOW. BUT BEFORE THAT... WELL, AT THE TIME

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Dalnegorsk Russia UFO Report - 02

From: Terry Colvin <fortean1.nul>
Date: Sun, 24 May 2009 02:49:53 -0400 (EDT)
Archived: Sun, 24 May 2009 10:29:19 -0400
Subject: Dalnegorsk Russia UFO Report - 02

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UNCLAS 35/LD STV FINAL SECTION OF 02
WHEN MY CANDIDACY FOR A DEPUTY WAS ADVANCED BY THE FACTORY, I
THOUGHT THAT THE BAD GUYS WERE ALEKHIN, GENERAL DIRECTOR OF THE
ASSOCIATION, OR SIDOROV, OR PETROV. BUT WHEN I SAW ALL OF THIS WITH
MY OWN EYES, WHEN I SAW ALL THESE DOCUMENTS, THE REQUIREMENTS THAT
WERE MADE, I REALIZED THAT NEITHER ALEKHIN, SIDOROV, OR PETROX WERE
TO BLAME; THE SYSTEM WAS TO BLAME. WHAT IT DEMANDS IS BAD, SO IT IS
NOT FEASIBLE TO DO GOOD EITHER ECONOMICALLY OR ADMINISTRATIVELY; IF
YOU DO NOT DO THE BAD THING YOU WILL SIMPLY BE KICKED OUT, THE
SYSTEM WILL REJECT YOU. ((VIDEO SHOWS RESIDENTS OF DALNEGORSK))
((KRUTOV)) IT IS DEFFICULT TO SAY WHEN AND HOW THE SYSTEM WILL
CHANGE, AND NO CHANGES ARE MEANWHILE VISIBLE. NO ONE WANTS TO TAKE
UNDERGROUND MINING. MAYBE THIS IS THE REASON THAT THE RESIDENTS OF
DALNEGORSK ARE WAITING FOR VISITORS FROM OUTER SPACE, HOPING THAT

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THEY CAN HELP SOLVE THE TERRESTRIAL PROBLEMS. ((END RECORDING))
((ANNOUNCER__ AND HERE ARE A FEW NUMBERS -- UNTIL RECENTLY, NINE
BILLION ROUBLES WERE INVESTED IN ECOLOGY, WHILE DAMAGE FROM THE
BARBARIC TREATMENT OF NATURE AMOUNT TO 43 BILLION ROUBLES.
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Re: Galileo Mystery - Rendlesham

From: Nick Pope <nick.nul>
Date: Sun, 24 May 2009 16:09:24 +0200 (CEST)
Archived: Sun, 24 May 2009 10:30:52 -0400
Subject: Re: Galileo Mystery - Rendlesham

A new show on the Rendlesham Forest incident will be broadcast on June 5 on Galileo Mystery, a German series on the ProSieben channel:

<http://www.prosieben.de/wissen/galileomystery/>

On past form (e.g. with a show they devoted to the Cosford incident) someone will post the documentary on YouTube.

Best wishes,

Nick Pope

<http://www.nickpope.net>

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From: Viktor Golubik <Diverge247.nul>
Date: Sun, 24 May 2009 13:01:20 EDT
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Subject: Re: After 10 Years SETI Has No Results

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>Date: Sun, 24 May 2009 00:52:04 +0100
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When we hit a bumpy road in research, I often sit back and let my country cousin's logic take the high ground. Sort of ask myself what would "Uncle Jed" from the classic television show "The Beverly Hillbillies" would do. I realize that often nature has already solved any problem we big brains have been trying to solve and has done so with such efficiency that it gets overlooked.

For example my earlier point about cellular communication. How cells apparently communicate over long distances at faster than light speed or at light speed. How can cells of a subject that are placed in a petrie dish respond to that subject's emotions from miles away with no visible, or detectable way of connection? That alone says there's more to nature's use of our universe for communication than we're acceptable of or able to perceive.

Science is always getting one upped by reality. Just recently a fossil of a primate with characteristics pointing to a possible ancestor of ours was presented as being tens of millions of years older than science has accepted possible. I know when I was in college the famous Lucy fossil had pushed the date back a few million years earlier than that day's science. This new fossil was discovered just a few years after I was in college in the 80's and is now presented. History books rewritten again for the umpteenth time. We're catching up to how nature solves problems and one thing we have to take in account is that we can't assume other life forms solve problems the way we do. To postulate, what if the majority of intelligent life out there don't go through the same development we do in regard to civilization and optimum survival. What if IQs in the majority of intelligent life forms hit ten times what we're able or willing to exhibit? No need for wars and so forth, they just see what's needed to survive and get things done. No politics or ethnic and social nonsense either. What if we are the pardon my term here, retards? Nature gets things done in it's time frame not ours. We don't breed for intelligence, we breed for aesthetics and social reasons and physical performance. Some, if not most of our fellow life forms on Earth do the same. We're a fuss and fightin' planet and it's harshness may have impeded our

reaching levels of optimization.

Telepathy or better yet, more efficient means of communication to avoid the stigma attached to the term telepathy, is a real phenomenon and as yet hasn't been qualified and quantified by our mainstream scientists. It's not that it doesn't exist, it's just that it's not something that our testing can get a hold of. One day we might be able to. Whether that'll be a good thing or not will have to be determined later. The point is, we may not be the sharpest tools in the shed by a long sight in some regards and may be quite awesome in other abilities other space forms are bewildered at or afraid of. The way Aunt Martha decorates her flower garden might be something of a rarity to the majority of life forms. Sure they can design technologies that boggle the mind but can they do with paint and clay what our kindergarteners do?

The successful life form has communication abilities that guarantee survival at an optimum level. Mayhaps our cells, our minds, are already in communication with like structures that the limits of space don't inhibit. There are those that theorize our memories aren't stored in our brains but exist in force forms or force fields on a quantum level of storage and processing. We need to study further and not be so mule headed that what we discover today that gets the grant money is the be all and end all of what we should know.

We develop massive communities in the billions. Other intelligent species may not need billions to survive, maybe just a few hundred thousand individuals and then it's up to synthetic life forms to do the dirty work.

I'm hinting at something here.

Best,

Greg
ufomafia.com/blog

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Date: Sun, 24 May 2009 14:59:19 -0400
Archived: Sun, 24 May 2009 15:34:35 -0400
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>From: Paul Scott Anderson <paulscottanderson.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Sat, 23 May 2009 21:33:00 -0700
>Subject: Re: After 10 Years SETI Has No Result

>>From: Steven Kaeser <steve.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Sat, 23 May 2009 13:10:57 -0700
>>Subject: Re: After 10 Years SETI Has No Results

>>A good "WOW" event hasn't occurred yet, and ufology will likely
>>never be pleased with SETI's effort. It's too narrow focused and
>>many ufologists aren't looking to find a civilization in space,
>>they're trying to identify the one's they believe are already
>>here.

>There have been quite a few possible detections, although
>nothing confirmed still, as in repeated observations of a signal.
>There was a report of another one just a few days ago:

><http://tinyurl.com/owfu7k>

>That's the only place I've seen it mentioned so far.

It's possible that the astronomy community has been looking at
communications signals without recognizing them for what they
are.

Paul Laviolette argues in his book, Decoding The Message Of The
Pulsars that some pulsar signals are best interpreted as
designed by intelligent entities. This view is compatible with
that of Michio Kaku who proposes the existence of Type II or
Type III civilizations that would be able to engineer such
pulsar signals.

What kind of signal would it take for SETI to acknowledge the
possibility that it might be intelligently designed? Maybe one
that contained a message encoded in ascii? But wait a minute,
there was one in a crop formation in a field in England. I guess
that wasn't the right kind of nail for their hammer.

William

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Utah Has Mountains Of Mysteries

From: Dave Haith <visions1.nul>
Date: Sun, 24 May 2009 20:13:57 +0100
Archived: Sun, 24 May 2009 15:50:00 -0400
Subject: Utah Has Mountains Of Mysteries

UFOs mentioned here and one wonders whether the bigfoot stories are merely UFO humanoid cases - without a UFO being seen.

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Richard Doty's Latest Lie Pt. II Of III

From: Robert Hastings <hastings444.nul>
Date: Sun, 24 May 2009 23:06:08 +0000
Archived: Sun, 24 May 2009 21:18:46 -0400
Subject: Richard Doty's Latest Lie Pt. II Of III

All,

Well, I hope you get to read this message before Bob Collins' appearance on Coast to Coast AM tonight. Doty, below, makes a number of explosive charges about Collins. Hopefully, George Knapp will ask Collins about these charges on the show.

The problem is that Doty also makes a number of very strange but totally false charges about me too. So, how does one separate the signal from the noise?

In any case, Doty tried to pull the same trick with Shawwna Connolly at Reality Uncovered (RU), accusing her of having a criminal background. At the time, Shawwna was investigating Doty's false claims about having attended law school and passing the New Mexico bar exam. Their email exchange is at:

<http://realityuncovered.com/expose6.shtml>

I have the original emails from the Doty/Connolly exchange, courtesy of Shawwna, and they are identical to what RU published online.

Now, here is a question for Mr. Doty: If Collins, not you, falsely claimed that you had attended law school and passed the NM bar exam, why didn't you tell Shawwna that in your emails to her?

Instead, Mr. Doty, you threatened Shawwna with supposedly factual information about her background (just as you did with me today) and told her that if she would keep quiet about your false claims, you would not expose her supposedly dark past.

Isn't that blackmail, Mr. Doty? Is blackmail part of a New Mexico State Policeman's training?

Anyway, as anyone who has read the material in the link above knows, Doty's threats backfired on him and this bizarre little episode involving me will too. Stay tuned.

Anyway, I will be widely circulating Doty's email today, so at least some of the Coast to Coast listeners will know what he is now claiming about Collins.

Doty and Collins - Falcon and Condor - are the guys who brought you the MJ-12 hoax, the Serpo hoax, and lots of other bird droppings. So, these are the individuals you would trust to divulge the U.S. government's secrets relating to UFOs and aliens?! Bend over, pigeons!

Robert Hastings

From: RICK DOTY
To: hastings444.nul

Cc: Victor Martinez ; Paul McGovern ; [hammons55.nul](#)
Sent: Sunday, May 24, 2009 11:35 AM
Subject: Re: You are a Liar

Mr. Hastings,

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Robert the Pot-Stirrer (and Truth-Seeker)

From: Mc
[To: Robert Hastings and a bunch of other folks]
Sent: Sunday, May 24, 2009 1:16 PM
Subject: Re: RICK DOTY: "You are a LIAR about me, my past and career Mr Hastings!"

I think right now we have two mental cases. Rick is not telling the facts. He was listed in the 2005 edition as a co-author. That was changed in the 2006 edition. He agreed then that he was to be listed as a contributor. As for the Law School that was corrected in the 2007 edition, I understood that he did graduate from Law School, but never took the Bars, my mistake. Rick is a very private person.

As for agreeing to be a contributor I did send him an updated version of the book, 2008. He even accepted a \$300 check for part payment as a contributor, see attached canceled check. In 1999 I paid Rick \$2000 for his contributions then as part of the Firmage contract, have canceled check here.

Below is what Rick said about the 2005 edition, it was 65% correct. All later editions were corrected.

Regards

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10/24/2005 2:38 PM: RICK DOTY wrote:

Bob:

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that he read in the Digest. I don't remember it the same way he does, although it is pretty close. I agree, no MJ12 documents are listed in the annex to the Digest. But not all information regarding the program or our historical views are contained in the Digest. I can think of numerous things. None of Blue Book Files are contained in the Digest! Project Blue Book is mentioned but none of the files, especially file 13, are not enclosed. How can Paul explain that? What about the exchange program. None of that is mentioned in the Digest. Paul mentioned some emails ago that Yellow Book contained the visitors story. Well, Paul, as you must know, the Yellow Book only went up to just before Roswell. Ebe 2, provided us with additional information from that point on. JROD was a codename for an Entity, I agree, not Ebe 2 but another one. I read the information and I know Paul isn't correct in his statement about JROD.

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The Gate 3 incident occurred in the early 80s, not 2002! you got that wrong.

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From: Nick Pope <nick.nul>
Date: Mon, 25 May 2009 13:18:58 +0200 (CEST)
Archived: Mon, 25 May 2009 07:58:59 -0400
Subject: Re: After 10 Years SETI Has No Results

You're gonna need a bigger radio telescope.

<http://www.skatelescope.org/>

Best wishes,

Nick Pope
<http://www.nickpope.net>

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Date: Mon, 25 May 2009 14:09:54 -0300
Archived: Mon, 25 May 2009 16:16:22 -0400
Subject: Re: Nuking The Moon

>From: David Rudiak <drudiak.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Sat, 23 May 2009 17:39:36 -0700
>Subject: Re: Nuking The Moon

>>From: Don Ledger <dledger.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Fri, 22 May 2009 18:45:05 -0300
>>Subject: Re: Nuking The Moon

>>>From: Michael Tarbell <mtarbell.nul>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>>Date: Thu, 21 May 2009 00:11:04 -0600
>>>Subject: Re: Nuking The Moon

<snip>

>>>A roughly equivalent crater would be produced by normal
>>>(perpendicular) impact of a 20 m diameter sphere of dense rock
>>>traveling at 15 km/sec, with a kinetic energy of only ~350 KT.

>>100 MT would be out of range for the nukes in the mid 1950s.
>>Seems to me the Soviets had a 60MT weapon in the mid 1960s that
>>they didn't test. Getting one of these to the Moon in the first
>>place was undoable in that time frame. I can just imagine the
>>outcry if this experiment was ever made public; a non-existent
>>100MT nuclear device being lofted into space with rockets that
>>blew up on the launch pad half the time. You gotta give them 0
>>for optimism however.

>The plan, I believe, was to use a relatively modest A-bomb, not
>H-bomb, detonated near the edge of the moon, creating both a
>noticeable flash and a plume of dust rising from the edge. It
>was Sagan's classified job to calculate how visible the
>detonation was and how best to convincingly detect it, so that
>the world would acknowledge we had done it.

>Remember, this was all conceived of in the first days of the
>space race when the Russians were widely acknowledged as being
>way ahead of us. Many were touting Russian science and
>technology and some in the Pentagon thought we needed a display
>of power and prowess for propaganda purposes. That was the
>purpose of this lame-brain and still-classified project.

>Nuking a supposed alien base was out of the question back then.
>We just didn't have that capability in terms of rocket throw
>weight and accuracy for at least another half dozen years,
>probably more. It was only with the later Apollo flights that we
>landed with the accuracy necessary to perhaps take out a base
>with a big nuke. Our first attempts to reach the moon generally
>failed miserably, either falling short or missing the moon
>entirely.

And that's my point. To ground out ongoing beliefs that the
technology in those days was greater than it was. It shows up
all of the time in UFOdom. The CIA touted the Blackbird as a
reason for UFO reports; a straight-courseline, highly un-
maneuverable, jet airplane that flew missions at 70 plus
thousand feet. If seen at all it was another contrail and no big

deal since no one can really tell how high a contrail is without instruments and meteorological reports.

How often have we heard the theory that the UFO phenomenon is a result of some unknown technology that is top secret. I've yet to find it but these hopeful stories pop up from time to time from old letters and documents that suggest that , hmmm, maybe there was some top secret stuff around that wasn't public. But in the meantime to keep the secret intact let's keep blowing them up on the pads. Though very expensive it makes for a great cover.

Don Ledger

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>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Sun, 24 May 2009 14:59:19 -0400
>Subject: Re: After 10 Years SETI Has No Results

<snip>

>Paul Laviolette argues in his book, Decoding The Message Of The
>Pulsars that some pulsar signals are best interpreted as
>designed by intelligent entities. This view is compatible with
>that of Michio Kaku who proposes the existence of Type II or
>Type III civilizations that would be able to engineer such
>pulsar signals.

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Eleanor White

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From: **Stanton T Friedman** <fsphys.nul>
Date: Mon, 25 May 2009 21:20:06 -0300
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Thanks John. It is always good to start the day With a bit of humor. Rogerson clearly hasn't done his homework. I do not claim alien spacecraft doing interstellar jaunts are using Fusion propulsion systems. Here is a direct quote from my paper Star Travel? YES!:

"I personally believe that our alien visitors are using techniques about which we know nothing" --Page 131, MUFON 1999 Symposium.

Of course I write and talk about nuclear fusion. Every advanced civilization will know about fusion because it is the energy production process in the stars. We didn't figure that out until 1938. We did put it to use in 1952 when we exploded Mike-Ivy a 10 megaton H.Bomb. In 1962 I worked on a study of fusion propulsion for the USAF. Papers were published. Using the right isotopes one can eject charged particles having 10 million times as much energy per particle as in a dumb old chemical rocket. Somehow the noisy negativists want to ignore both fusion and fission propulsion. We tested many fission systems in the 1960s. There are more details in "Flying Saucers And Science". But then debunkers never let the Facts get in the way of their debunking.

Stan Friedman

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Source: UFO ExaminerCom - Phoenix

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Memorial Day Tribute Missing In Action For Those Lost
In UFO Quest

While we pause as a nation to recognize members of our armed forces who gave the ultimate sacrifice in order that we may enjoy the freedom and lifestyle that is our legacy, a few unknown heroes will not be remembered.

Our national tradition, like the mainstream media that glorifies it, tends to be confined to that which is within the 'box of context' of the allowable paradigm. This is a disservice to the servicemen and women who gave their lives for their country in a manner deemed politically unspeakable.

Because the official position of the United States Air Force has been since the conclusion of the Condon Report that the unidentified flying object do not present a security threat to the United States, it is awkward to the point of un-doability to honor those killed in the pursuit of UFOs. Their sacrifice will be shrouded in silence this Memorial Day.

We may never know the full story of U.S. Military loss of life related to UFO/ET activities until the truth embargo is lifted, if then. A few incidents=97largely unknown to the American public=97have been discussed in the UFO literature.

Here are but three.

The United States Air Force was officially less than one day old when a B-25 Mitchell=97a type famous for its use in the Jimmy Doolittle raid on Tokyo=97crashed shortly after takeoff from McCord Field near Kelso Washington, killing the pilot, Capt. William L. Davidson and co-pilot, 1st Lt. Frank M. Brown. On August 3, 1947, an AP news report said the men died investigating flying saucers. The direct cause of the crash was a fire in the left engine and the failure of the fire suppression system to operate.

The more indirect=97and perhaps more accurate=97cause of the crash may have been the fact that it was carrying a box filled with material that was claimed to have been ejected from a UFO hovering over a boat near Maury Island. This report is shrouded in mystery and involves one of the key figures of the early UFO era, no less than Kenneth Arnold, whose sighting less than a month earlier of 9 silvery objects provoked the term 'flying saucer' to enter the American lexicon.

The B-25 was returning to Hamilton Field California with a load

of disk fragments intended for later analysis, when it caught fire 20 minutes out of McCord Field. Rumors of sabotage surrounded the incident and Tacoma Times reporter Ted Morello was repeatedly called by an anonymous informant who indicated that the B-25 had in fact been shot down by 20mm cannon fire. That was not the least of the mysterious events connected with the death of two Air Force pilots carrying UFO material in the service of their country. Shortly after the publication of his article on the story, a writer for the Tacoma Times was dead and a 36 hour long autopsy could not determine why.

Six months later, an Air Force pilot was lost in an incident more directly connected to a UFO. On January 7, 1948 a F-51 Mustang fighter piloted by WWII veteran Captain Thomas F. Mantell crashed after pursuing what Mantell described over the radio as an object "[which] looks metallic and of tremendous size". Mantell and the three other members of his Kentucky Air Guard flight were returning to Godman Field, which serviced Fort Knox when the tower requested that they investigate an object that was reported south of the field.

One member of Mantell's flight was low on fuel and proceeded to land at Godman, while Mantell and two wingmen gave chase to the object. The wingmen elected to let the object go somewhere around 20,000 feet, but despite not having oxygen on board, Mantell risked his life to continue to close with the object. It was a gamble he would lose. Mantell's F-51 crashed at 3:18 PM, according to his wrist watch.

Richard T. Miller, who was in the Operations Room of Scott Air Force Base in Belleville, Illinois also made several profound statements regarding the crash. He was monitoring the radio talk between Mantell and Godman tower, and heard this statement very clearly. "My God, I see people in this thing!" =97 Above Top Secret Forum

The ensuing investigation by the Air Technical Intelligence Center officers from Wright-Patterson AFB was cursory. They demanded all evidence be turned over and then declared the investigation complete.

[Video]

The planet Venus was initially reported as the cause of the object Mantell lost his life trying to identify, but it strains credulity that a veteran fighter pilot would confuse a star with a metallic object of tremendous size. A later theory would emerge that the UFO was in fact a secret NAVY Skyhook Balloon, but that does not explain the reports of the UFO near the ground both before and after the incident that cost Capt. Mantell his life.

Five years later, as the Air Force was just getting used to being in the Jet Age, another UFO incident cost the lives of two USAF airmen, pilot 1st Lt. Felix E. "Gene" Moncla and radar operator Lt. Robert Wilson. Moncla and Wilson had scrambled their F-94C out of Kinross Air Force Base, Michigan to intercept, under ground control, an unidentified target that appeared on radar over Lake Superior. After vectoring the pilots to the UFO, ground controllers watched the two blips merge into one and then wink off of the radar scope.

That was the last solid fact about the incident, the remainder of the reports and investigations are inconclusive and contradictory. The Air Force maintains that Moncla and Wilson were chasing an RCAF C-47, but the RCAF denied they had any aircraft in the vicinity that night. Two separate USAF reports were made to Moncla=92s widow regarding the accident. One officer told her that Moncla had flown too low and had crashed in the lake. A second AF officer later indicated the jet had exploded at a high altitude, destroying the plane and pilots.

UFO researcher Donald Keyhoe, an ex-Marine and director of the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP) documented the incident in his 1973 book 'Aliens from Space' and made the connection between the blip on the GCI radar and UFO's, speculating that Moncla and Wilson had been 'taken' by the UFO.

No oil slick or debris of the F-94 was ever found, although in 2006 a report from the Great Lakes Dive Company claimed to have sonar imaging of a mostly intact F-94 on the lake floor. The twin USAF accounts that the interceptor exploded at altitude or impacted the lake surface in a high speed dive are both inconsistent with an intact airframe and the GLDC has disappeared.

Whatever the case, two more United States military personnel were lost in pursuit of an Unidentified Flying Object.

How many others since these brave Americans were lost have gone unreported?

What will it take for the government and our society to honor them in the same manner we honor all the servicemen and women who gave the ultimate sacrifice in service to their country?

When will their story be told?

Did not our servicemen and women lay down their lives in defense of an ideal of truth and freedom, of the ability of a properly informed citizenry to chart its own destiny?

We memorialize those who died in the civil war, in WWI and WWII, in Korea and Vietnam, in Iraq and Afghanistan, around the world, across the decades in defense of the ideals upon which this nation was founded.

But what about the men and women who died in quest of the truth of the UFO?

Who plays taps for them?

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Eleanor, Steve,

A spread spectrum signal is an engineered signal with a defined
frequency spread. In order to look for such a signal, one would
first have to know what the distribution pattern is. Therefore,
this is not feasible. Spread spectrum signals are used and
designed to code signals to prevent detection and/or jamming.

But, if you first found a signal of interest one might then
start looking for more complex signals patterns from the same
source at different frequencies to determine if some
relationships exist between them - again, an indication of some
type of intelligent design at a deeper level.

VG

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The review states; "Shostak clearly has a love hate relationship with ufologists, who write him nasty emails, accuse him of being narrow minded etc. but never provide any real evidence to back up their claims."

First of all, who are these 'ufologists', one wonders. I've never written Seth because I don't think he's experienced enough in the UFO area to make judgments. Seth and his brethren usually lump investigative researchers and the fringe element together. And it is a given that if the facts were laid out, as evident to other scientists who have actually read them, Seth would still ignore them; he has to...both his profession and his living rely on a selectively blind disregard of the UFO evidence.

Rogerson's review states "He [Seth] is clearly right in his arguments against the ETH explanation of UFO reports, at least in the naive form propounded by his chief antagonist Stanton Friedman who really does imagine that aliens will use the nuclear fusion powered spaceships he helped to the drawing board back in the 1960s."

It's been my experience that Stan Friedman claims nothing of the sort. He explains how nuclear rocketry worked in his book, 'Flying Saucers and Science' but he never claims that this is the transportation mode of some possible ET intelligence. But that is standard fare for the debunker; make a false claim that the reader has to explore to discover that it isn't true. In most cases the reader won't follow up to see if the statement is true or not.

So here we have Rogerson making false and unsubstantiated claims about Stan Friedman to the bird choir which buys the lie without question.

You could have easily checked out this claim yourself John but that would not have helped your argument. Aren't you as the owner-by definition editor- of the Magonia Blog supposed to do a minimum of fact checking of any article submitted to you, or do you use the Skeptical Inquirer magazine's standard of fact checking; which is none?

One of the sad traits of these magazines and blogs is their continual stroking of each other's egos and the bowing and scraping that goes on is pathetic. Never once have I seen distention. Every standard argument, misrepresentation or lie is accepted at face value. Scientific method goes out the window.

The arguing and often volatile disagreement seen on this list and others about UFO cases shows more scientific integrity than I see coming from the self important, 'running scared bunker's' cabal.

Don Ledger

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Steve and Eleanor,

If, in fact, civilizations in other parts of our galaxy use
electromagnetic emanations for communication purposes, they
might appear to us to be simply white noise.

I agree with Steve's assessment that any such communications
might employ "spread spectrum" technology ("SST"), but not the
type of SST we use on this planet, which separates a signal, and
then transmits part of the signal on different frequencies,
and/or at different times. This type of manipulation of a
signal is a special case of SST.

The general case of SST uses a very broad bandwidth..."DC to
daylight...", with a virtually infinite number of bands. Under
these circumstances, a receiver would have to be programmed, in
order to extract the signal from the noise, because the radiated
signal would look like white noise...like background static.

There was a company in Seattle during the 1970's, Cryptext Corp.

http://www.sectorpages.us/r/499864_2/Cryptext-Corp.html

which proposed to build encryption devices, using the principle
I cite above. However, the U. S. Patent Office, at the request
of the National Security Agency, put the "kibosh" on their
patents, issuing a secrecy order on the patents, and therefore,
effectively ending the business.

However, U. S. Senator Warren G. Magnuson (D-WA) intervened on
behalf of the company, and with a single telephone call to
Admiral Bobby Inman, Director of NSA, reversed the secrecy

order, although too late for the company to survive.

A short summary of this incident/case appears in an issue of the WSJ in the fall of 1976, I believe the date was.

It does not take too many Earth-years or -decades for a developing technology to realize that electromagnetic radiation can be "buried" in the static, and yet still convey a message. I suspect that any advancing technology would quickly realize that there might be advantages to remaining concealed in the galaxy, and hidden from view. Hence, they would embrace spread spectrum technology that would allow them to both communicate, and remain discrete.

I hope this helps!

Peter Davenport NUFORC

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Re: Memorial Day Tribute For Those Lost In UFO

From: John Rimmer <j.rimmer.nul>
Date: Tue, 26 May 2009 14:42:42 +0100
Archived: Wed, 27 May 2009 07:15:26 -0400
Subject: Re: Memorial Day Tribute For Those Lost In UFO

>Source: UFO ExaminerCom - Phoenix

><http://tinyurl.com/MemorialDayTribute>

>May 25 2009

>Memorial Day Tribute Missing In Action For Those Lost
>In UFO Quest

Is it just me, or does anyone else think this is a distasteful
piece of cynicism trying to link memorial day to the UFO
'Disclosure' campaign?

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John Rimmer

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Re: After 10 Years SETI Has No Results

From: **Steven Kaeser** <steve.nul>
Date: Tue, 26 May 2009 21:59:55 -0400
Archived: Wed, 27 May 2009 07:24:53 -0400
Subject: Re: After 10 Years SETI Has No Results

>From: Peter Davenport <director.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Tue, 26 May 2009 10:56:17 -0700
>Subject: Re: After 10 Years SETI Has No Results

>>From: Steven Kaeser <steve.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Tue, 26 May 2009 07:39:42 -0400
>>Subject: Re: After 10 Years SETI Has No Results

>>>From: Eleanor White <ewraven1.nul>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>>Date: Mon, 25 May 2009 15:54:54 -0400
>>>Subject: Re: After 10 Years SETI Has No Results

<snip>

All,

I think a point that I was trying to make was that civilization, in and of itself, in the creation and utilization of energy, emits signals into space that are different than those inanimate planets. I don't believe the original SETI goal was to hear a newscast from space and prove the existence of aliens, but rather to listen for any evidence of a signal that was different than the normal background noise.

If any of you have participated in SETI Online, you know that small segments of the EM spectrum, from a small area of space, are analyzed extensively. This takes a lot of processing power and they were the first group to prove the value of distributed processing of data. While they haven't detected anything of interest, they're process of analysis has been adopted by medical groups to plough through mountains of data that's collected.

But this is all guesswork. Maybe ET uses 'ether'-based walkie-talkies to communicate - as opposed to the EM spectrum - knowing that we haven't even detected it yet... <grin>.

Steve

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The_UFO_Chronicles] Roswell Debris Confirmed As ET

From: Frank Warren <frank-warren.nul>
Date: Tue, 26 May 2009 10:45:41 -0700
Archived: Wed, 27 May 2009 08:25:00 -0400
Subject: The_UFO_Chronicles] Roswell Debris Confirmed As ET

Roswell Debris Confirmed As Extraterrestrial: Lab Located, Scientists Named!

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Ron Pandolfi's Comments To Hastings Re. Doty

From: Robert Hastings <hastings444.nul>
Date: Tue, 26 May 2009 21:41:45 -0600
Archived: Wed, 27 May 2009 08:27:00 -0400
Subject: Ron Pandolfi's Comments To Hastings Re. Doty

To: Victor Martine" <VictorGM.nul>

Hi Victor,

Here is the guy you are defending: A lying, hoaxing fraud.

Robert

From: rspandolfi.nul
To: Robert Hastings
Date: Tuesday, May 26, 2009 1:01 PM
Subject: Re: Email exchanges between RH and the birds (2 of 3)

He threatened me for exposing his hoaxing of other people's identities via phony yahoo accounts. I gave the e-mails to Ryan Dube.

From: Robert Hastings
To: Ronald Pandolfi
Sent: Tuesday, May 26, 2009 12:55 PM
Subject: Re: Email exchanges between RH and the birds (2 of 3)

Hi Ron,

I had email problems, hence the delay in responding.

Thanks for your input on Doty. Why did he threaten you? Do you still have the emails from him?

Robert

From: Ronald Pandolfi
To: hastings444.nul
Date: Sunday, May 24, 2009 6:38 PM
Subject: Re: Email exchanges between RH and the birds (2 of 3)

Doty also threatened me several times. The strangest threat was he would have the New Mexico State Police Association harass me. These are the people who call on the phone to ask for donations.

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Help Keep UFO Hunters On The Air

From: **Larry W Bryant** <overtci.nul>
Date: Wed, 27 May 2009 01:34:25 -0500
Archived: Wed, 27 May 2009 09:30:00 -0400
Subject: Help Keep UFO Hunters On The Air

Update: Tonia is signer No. 845! Also, Katharina Wilson of The alienjigsaw.com has added Her signature.

What's more: this petition is becoming an exosociologist's dream! -- 00

<http://www.petitiononline.com/uf0hunt/petition.html>

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Re: Memory-Metal Files Are Missing

From: Steve Sawyer <stevesaw.nul>
Date: Wed, 27 May 2009 03:18:15 -0700
Archived: Wed, 27 May 2009 09:32:00 -0400
Subject: Re: Memory-Metal Files Are Missing

>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>To: - UFO UpDates Subscribers - <ufo-updates-list.nul>
>Date: Friday, May 22, 2009 1:01 PM
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Memory-Metal Files Are Missing

>Source: The Sarasota Herald Tribute - Florida, USA

><http://www.heraldtribune.com/article/20090521/blog32/905219954>

>Thursday, May 21, 2009

>Memory-Metal Files Are Missing
>By Billy Cox

>With a boost from Sarasota resident Tony Bragalia, the enduring
>Roswell UFO controversy is about to swing the spotlight onto one
>of the most successful research and development entities in
>America - Battelle Memorial Institute in Columbus, OH.

>At issue are some missing reports from Battelle's study of a
>nickel/titanium alloy called Nitinol, renowned for its resilience
>as a "memory metal". Contracted by the U.S. Air Force to assess
>and exploit its compelling properties in the late 1940s,
>Battelle participates in or manages six national laboratories
>for the U.S. Department of Energy, including Oak Ridge, Lawrence
>Livermore, and Brookhaven.

>The problem is, neither Battelle nor the USAF can produce copies
>of what the scientific literature refers to as the Second
>Progress Report on Contract AF33 (038)-3736. Bragalia suspects
>that's because the data is still highly classified due to its
>source - a flying disc that crashed outside Roswell, N.M., in
>1947.

>"Personal testimony is one thing.", says Bragalia, whose
>research skills have been polished by his business as an
>executive-search consultant. "But when you start talking about
>documents and the history of science, unlike testimonials, their
>provenance is not questioned."

>Bragalia's work is showcased in a just-released update of
>Witness To Roswell (\$16.99, New Page Books) by Tom Carey and Don
>Schmitt.

<snip>

>Enter Nitinol, which made its debut in 1939. The nickel/titanium
>metal was created as a byproduct of another project and
>initially studied for its crystalline structures. Bragalia was
>unable to find any research on its shape-recovery properties
>until encountering references to a WPAFB contract with Battelle
>produced in 1949.

>>
>Its Second Progress Report - authored by Battelle employees
>listed only as C.M. Craighead, F. Fawn, and L.W. Eastwood -
>implies a first progress report, for which Bragalia could find
>no references at all. Although unable to get his hands on the
>"Second Progress Report", Bragalia lists four references to its
>existence in 1952, 1965, 1972, and 1984.

>Bragalia didn't read the Second Progress Report because nobody
>appears to know where it is. Kemberly Lang, manager of the
>Battelle Library, couldn't find a copy, and neither could
>Annette Sheppard, special collection librarian at WPAFB. Lang
>reconfirmed to De Void her futility at learning anything about
>the 60-year-old project beyond published references to it.

<snip>

>Bragalia doubts the USAF farmed out the actual Roswell debris to
>Battelle. More likely, he suspects its scientists were tasked to
>simulate its morphing abilities through Nitinol, which requires
>99.99 percent purity and the application of heat.

>
>Curiously, Braglia says military reports announcing the
>unveiling of Nitinol as a memory metal cite every year from 1959
>to 1963 as its point of discovery. The last word from the U.S.
>Naval Ordnance Lab lists its debut as 1962 or 1963.

<snip>

>Battelle, listed as a charitable trust exempt from taxation, is
>most famously known in UFO circles for producing a 1954 Air
>Force Project Blue Book study called Special Report No. 14.
>Concluding that 21.5 percent of UFOs in the military database
>were unknowns, Battelle directly contradicted then USAF
>Secretary Donald Quarles' assertion that only 3 percent of its
>sightings were unknown.

>"Battelle is very artful at concealing its connections.", says
>Bragalia. "When people say 'the government' knows about UFOs, I
>wonder. Especially when you consider that Battelle has more or
>less privatized six of our national laboratories."

Hi List,

The implications and suggestions by Anthony Braglia of an
alleged Battelle-Roswell-Nitinol linkage are quite dubious, to
say the least.

Now Braglia has made further extraordinary claims, without
substantiation or documentation, in a May 26th article at:

<http://ufocon.blogspot.com/>

Roswell Debris Confirmed As Extra-Terrestrial: Lab Located,
Scientists Named, Braglia makes a series of fantastic
assertions which, if true or provable, would amount to a
ufological 'holy grail'. However, while the article claims
several provocative things, there is no evidence he has produced
so far to establish any of them as being true.

The article concludes by noting there will be "forthcoming"
details "on the Battelle-Roswell Connection". Caveat emptor,
indeed.

I would like to see precisely what he wrote in the new "expanded
and revised" edition of Carey and Schmitt's book, Witness To
Roswell before commenting further, but I have done some
preliminary research, and find no basis in fact for Braglia's
claims.

Perhaps someone can send me a copy of the new material by
Bragalia excerpted from the book, or post it here on the List so
that informed discussion can ensue?

Steve

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UFO Experts Descend On Galena Golf Course

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <post.nul>
Date: Wed, 27 May 2009 11:11:23 -0400
Archived: Wed, 27 May 2009 11:11:23 -0400
Subject: UFO Experts Descend On Galena Golf Course

Source: The Galena Gazette - Illinois, USA

<http://tinyurl.com/GalenaUFOConference>

5/26/2009

UFO Experts Descend On Galena Golf Course

GALENA -- Galena will host the Illinois Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) Out Of This World UFO conference and golf tournament Thursday, May 28 - 31 at Eagle Ridge Resort & Spa.

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Attendees will be able to engage in serious discussion with the very experts they have seen in the media for years.

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- Stanton Friedman: Star Travel... Yes!
- Kathleen Marden: Captured: The Betty & Barney Hill Case
- Jesse Marcel, Jr.: Roswell The Untold Story
- Richard Dolan: Life After Disclosure
- Ted Phillips: Into The Marley Woods
- Donald Schmitt: Breaking The Silence"
- Kevin Randle: Moving Ufology Into The Scientific Arena
- Sam Maranto: Awe Inspiring New Sightings

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Re: Memorial Day Tribute For Those Lost In UFO

From: **Jerome Clark** <jkclark.nul>
Date: Wed, 27 May 2009 08:36:06 -0400
Archived: Wed, 27 May 2009 11:13:38 -0400
Subject: Re: Memorial Day Tribute For Those Lost In UFO

>From: John Rimmer <j.rimmer.nul>
>Date: Tue, 26 May 2009 14:42:42 +0100
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Subject: Re: Memorial Day Tribute For Those Lost In UFO Quest

>>Source: UFO ExaminerCom - Phoenix

>><http://tinyurl.com/MemorialDayTribute>

>>May 25 2009

>>Memorial Day Tribute Missing In Action For Those Lost
>>In UFO Quest

>Is it just me, or does anyone else think this is a distasteful
>piece of cynicism trying to link memorial day to the UFO
>'Disclosure' campaign?

Cynical in intention, probably not, though perhaps in effect.
Borderline distasteful, surely. Silly, unquestionably.

It is perhaps superfluous to add that Maury Island was a
confessed hoax, whatever else the writer would have the
unwitting believe. That doesn't make the deaths of the Air Force
investigating officers any less tragic, of course, but some real
context is certainly in order.

Jerry Clark

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Judging Honesty By Words Not Fidgets

From: Nick Pope <nick.nul>
Date: Wed, 27 May 2009 16:09:42 +0200 (CEST)
Archived: Wed, 27 May 2009 12:15:00 -0400
Subject: Judging Honesty By Words Not Fidgets

This recent article from the New York Times may be of interest, as it deals with the developing science of differentiating between truthful and bogus testimony:

<http://tinyurl.com/qpbhba>

Best wishes,

Nick Pope

<http://www.nickpope.net>

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Re: Roswell Debris Confirmed As ET

From: Viktor Golubic <Diverge247.nul>
Date: Wed, 27 May 2009 12:23:18 EDT
Archived: Wed, 27 May 2009 16:35:18 -0400
Subject: Re: Roswell Debris Confirmed As ET

>From: Frank Warren <frank-warren.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Tue, 26 May 2009 10:45:41 -0700
>Subject: [The_UFO_Chronicles] Roswell Debris Confirmed As ET

>Roswell Debris Confirmed As Extraterrestrial: Lab Located,
>Scientists Named!

><http://tinyurl.com/RoswellDebrisIsET>

Nitinol's memory is set at a given temperature and it's set point determined by composition. The Nitinol we have come to know was discovered in 1962 and shown on Public television in the mid to late 1960's - only years after it's discovery. It is not suited for aircraft exterior parts because an aircraft is exposed to large unpredictable temperature changes. One would actually have to expend energy and integrate energy sources to maintain temperature, or the use of electricity to do the same, to prevent unwanted conversions. The larger the surface area the greater the energy.

The memory aspect can be reprogrammed to new shapes but one must supply an 'outside force' to do it at the right temperature. Once set, it can only transition from one type of shape into another. It does not have the ability to change to any shape unless it is once again reprogrammed. Therefore, you can not implement any anticipatory type changes to it's shape in an unpredictable environment.

In summary: If you have a lot of energy available, want to move from one predictable environment into another, and have an outside force available to re-bend the metal to the shape you desire, it will have use. The fact that you have to supply an outside force and achieve the desired temperature to reshape it, necessitates against it's use in the first place. However, there are always clever ways to ameliorate or circumvent some of these undesirable properties but you definitely have to deal with them.

Metal fatigue and how many useful lifecycle changes (crystal group transitions) it can undergo are other troubling aspects.

VG

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Dozens Report Seeing UFOs Over Merseyside

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Archived: Wed, 27 May 2009 17:41:37 -0400
Subject: Dozens Report Seeing UFOs Over Merseyside

Source: The Telegraph - London, England, UK

<http://tinyurl.com/UFOsOverMerseyside>

27 May 2009

Dozens Report Seeing UFOs Over Merseyside

They claimed to have seen glowing orange lights moving slowly across the sky between 10.30pm and 11pm on Sunday evening.

Sightings were reported from Southport to South Liverpool, and at spots including Ainsdale, Garston and Mossley Hill.

All had seen up to four glowing, orange-red balls hovering in the sky some time between 10.30pm and 11pm.

An air traffic control source said similar lights had been witnessed previously in the north west - but had failed to appear on radar.

Jackie Hardaker, of Mossley Hill, said: "They were like red balls, they looked like fire and when planes went past they just dimmed.

They went past the window and just faded. When I looked out again one went across Rose Lane and dropped something that looked like fire.

It was so interesting to watch them but at the time it totally freaked me out."

Other callers also reported an object dropping from one of the lights, describing it "as if a plastic bag was on fire".

Phil Daley also saw something similar from Allerton Road at the same time. "They appeared similar to stars, but were much brighter," he said,

As they passed over us, each light appeared to be made up of either two or three smaller lights.

I initially assumed they must be satellites since their arc suggested an orbit, but I was surprised at the speed and pace which they moved across the sky."

They were photographed by Liverpool Echo's head of images, Barrie Mills.

"Apparently there have been quite a few sightings of these orange lights in recent years," said Mr Mills,

I was indoors watching the TV, with the lights on, so the light in the sky had to be quite bright for me to notice it at all."

Another witness described three orange lights appearing to move

slowly in formation from South East to North West.

One then remained stationary for several minutes before heading in the opposite direction.

The Ministry of Defence said that although it is not unknown for military aircraft to fly across Merseyside, it would not speculate on the cause of the lights.

Mike Howell, air traffic services manager for Liverpool John Lennon Airport, said: "We have checked and are not able to associate the reports with any aircraft movements at Liverpool at those times."

A coastguard source speculated that any orange glow could be attributed to the annual Eta Aquarids meteor shower. Liverpool-born UFO expert John Rimmer said it was a "rule of thumb" that mysterious lights in the sky generally turn out to be floating Chinese lanterns.

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http://www.space.com/scienceastronomy/tunguska_event_040812.html

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Russian Alien Spaceship Claims Raise Eyebrows, Skepticism
By Robert Roy Britt
Senior Science Writer

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The new ET claim is "a rather stupid hoax," one scientist said today. And it's one with a rich history.

The latest claim was written up by news wires and was making the Internet rounds Thursday morning. According to Agence France Presse, the scientists say they've found "an extra-terrestrial device" that explains "one of the 20th Century's biggest scientific mysteries," a catastrophe that flattened some 800 square miles of Siberian forest in a region called Tunguska.

Various other news reports told of a "technical device" and "a large block made with metal." The researchers were said to chip a piece off for laboratory study.

Most scientists think the Siberian devastation was caused by a large meteorite which, instead of hitting the ground, exploded above the surface.

'Plan to uncover evidence'

The Russian research team is called the Tunguska Space Phenomenon foundation and is led by Yuri Labvin. He said in late July that an expedition to the scene would seek evidence that aliens were involved.

"We intend to uncover evidences that will prove the fact that it was not a meteorite that rammed the Earth, but a UFO," Labvin was quoted by the Russian newspaper Pravda on July 29.

"I'm afraid this is a rather stupid hoax," said Benny Peiser, a researcher at Liverpool John Moores University in the UK. "The Russian team stupidly stated long before they went to Siberia that the main intention of their expedition was to find the remnants of an 'alien spaceship!' And bingo! A week later, that's what they claim to have found."

Peiser studies catastrophic events and related scientific processes and media reports. He runs an electronic newsletter, CCNet, which is among the most comprehensive running catalogues on the subject.

"It's a rather sad comment on the current state of the anything-goes attitudes among some 'science' correspondents that such blatant rubbish is being reported - without the slightest hint of skepticism," Peiser told SPACE.com.

Longstanding mystery

Asteroid experts don't have all the answers for what happened at Tunguska. There were few witnesses in the remote region and the explosion left no crater.

But the available evidence, along with modern computer modeling and general knowledge of space rocks, leaves little doubt in most scientific minds as to what happened.

Author Roy Gallant spent 10 years investigating the scene of the event for his book, "Meteorite Hunter: The Search for Siberian Meteorite Craters" (McGraw-Hill, 2002).

In an interview with SPACE.com when the book was published, Gallant said scientists are gathering "accumulating evidence tending to support the notion that the exploding object was a comet nucleus. This is the collective opinion of most Russian investigators; although some say they cannot confidently rule out a stony asteroid."

Peiser said there is a "general consensus" among experts worldwide that the culprit was an exploding comet or asteroid.

"Not surprisingly, the blast did not leave any remains of the object intact," Peiser said. "However, researchers claim to have found evidence of increased levels of cosmic dust particles in Greenland ice cores which are dated to 1908 and which they link to the Tunguska event of the same year."

Longstanding speculation

Speculation about aliens and Tunguska go way back. And there is a reason: No other visitor from space - natural or otherwise - has had such a well-documented impact on daily life in modern history.

The explosion on June 30, 1908 was equivalent to 20 million tons of TNT.

"Witnesses twenty to forty miles from the impact point experienced a sudden thermal blast that could be felt through several layers of clothing," writes Jim Oberg in "UFOs & Outer Space Mysteries" (Donning Press, 1984). The blast was recorded as an earthquake at several weather stations in Siberia."

In Europe, it didn't get dark that night. People said they could read the newspaper by the light of the mysterious blast, Oberg reports. Telescope operators in America noticed degraded sky conditions for months.

No crater was found, and wild speculation ensued.

Enter sci-fi

Struck by the similarity of Tunguska and Hiroshima decades later, a science fiction writer named Kazantsev wrote a story in which the Tunguska blast was the exploding nuclear power plant of a spaceship from Mars, according to Oberg.

A few Russian scientists took up the cause and claimed to find various bits of evidence - never substantiated - for a civilized alien explanation. Oberg wrote in 1984 that even then, as evidence built for a natural cause, a handful of "spaceship buffs seem to have grown more desperate, but no less effective, in corralling the public's attention." He said annually some unsuspecting journalist would stumble on the claims and write about them, setting off a fresh round of public speculation.

On that front, little has changed since 1984.

Astronomer Philip Plait, author of the myth-debunking book *Bad Astronomy* (Wiley & Sons, 2002), agrees with Peiser that the Russian researchers intention for finding ET-evidence hurts their case.

"They are not undertaking a scientific expedition, that is, an unbiased investigation to see what happened," Plait said Thursday via e-mail. "They are going to try to prove their preconceived ideas. That's not science, that's religion. And it almost certainly means that they are more willing to ignore or play down any evidence that it was a comet or rock impact, while playing up anything they find consistent with their hypothesis."

Prove it

Whatever anyone believes, Plait points out that proof is what's important.

"I am not saying they didn't find an alien ship. I am saying that it's a) unlikely in the extreme, and b) they are predisposed to make such claims, which means we need to be very skeptical, even more so than usual in such cases. If they provide sufficient evidence, then scientists are obligated to investigate, of course. But given everything I've read, their evidence to even consider a non-natural cause is pretty weak."

Plait has even thought about what evidence might be necessary. A chunk of debris would help, but not just any sort of material.

"It would need a weird ratio of isotopes, for examples, or clear evidence of long duration space travel," he said. "Even then they must be careful; manmade space debris rains down on Earth all the time."

Plait, a naturally skeptical person, is willing to wait and see.

"Let's see what these guys bring back," he said. "In the end, it's not what they can claim but what they can support with factual evidence that counts. The burden of proof is clearly - and heavily - on them."

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FYI...

A rare film of Kulik's first expedition is probably still
available at Arizona State University, see:

<http://meteorites.asu.edu/>

Other sources of information on the event:

http://knowledgerush.com/kr/encyclopedia/Tunguska_event/

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tunguska_event

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Re: Judging Honesty By Words Not Fidgets

From: Rick Nielsen <nilthchi.nul>
Date: Wed, 27 May 2009 19:10:15 -0700 (PDT)
Archived: Wed, 27 May 2009 23:00:10 -0400
Subject: Re: Judging Honesty By Words Not Fidgets

>From: Nick Pope <nick.nul>
>To: post.nul
>Date: Wed, 27 May 2009 16:09:42 +0200 (CEST)
>Subject: Judging Honesty By Words Not Fidgets

>This recent article from the New York Times may be of interest,
>as it deals with the developing science of differentiating
>between truthful and bogus testimony:

><http://tinyurl.com/gpbhba>

Thanks Nick!

Most of the research behind the article was done in the 1960's and 70's, by Paul Ekman and Wallace Friesen. The FOX [US] TV series is based on this work.

I know about this stuff because I use it in my work. Among my other responsibilities, I train criminal justice staff in the techniques, mostly to avoid seeing guilt where there is none.

But it's not perfect.

Although not completely accurate all the time, the ability to detect micro-expressions usually equals the ability to detect deceit and truth.

Unsarcastically, I wonder if alien abduction researchers, those with lots of witnesses and testimonies, would consider and use these same techniques to weed out the bogus among their testifiers. But, they may only be interested in the anecdotal data they have already obtained.

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From: Gord Heath <gordheath.nul>
Date: Wed, 27 May 2009 19:52:57 -0700
Archived: Thu, 28 May 2009 09:48:09 -0400
Subject: Re: Memorial Day Tribute For Those Lost In UFO

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I have extensively researched the Kinross case, and I have found there is no conclusive documentary evidence that clarifies the identity of the unknown which merged with the jet interceptor, which was an F-89C, not an F-94 as incorrectly stated in the article. The pilot's widow did tell me that the person who delivered the news to her of her husband's disappearance was Truax Field commander Lt. Col. Harry Shoup who was accompanied by the base chaplain. It was Shoup who told Moncla's widow that he believed that her husband had banked to avoid the unknown target and flown into <?xml:namespace prefix = st1 ns = "urn:schemas-microsoft-com:office:smarts" />Lake Superior. At the time of the intercept, both aircraft were flying at about 7000 feet above the lake surface. It was years later that Mrs. Moncla's brother in law, Texas attorney, J. D. Koctar, wrote to Donald Keyhoe and told him that another USAF officer had later told Mrs. Moncla that her husband's plane had exploded in mid air. I believe this was just another theory advanced to explain the sudden disappearance of the F-89 radar return and IFF signal when the plane merged with the unknown. The F-89 and unknown were tracked by several radar stations in the US and possibly also one or more stations in Canada. Both were also tracked by separate height finding radar which was needed to supply altitude directions from GCI controllers to the pilot.

Ironically, it was the USAF at the Pentagon who told Keyhoe that the F-89 had been scrambled to identify an unknown intruder over Soo Locks. This was a direct contradiction with the "official explanation" provided by the USAF that the F-89 had been scrambled to identify an RCAF C-47 which was flying 30 miles off course in an easterly direction over Lake Superior. The location of the intercept was about 20 miles north of the US / Canadian border in the middle of the lake.

It is my conclusion that GCI Controller, Lt. Douglas Stuart was possibly under some duress to provide a false alibi in his statement and testimony. This being the part of his statement that the jet was scrambled because the RCAF plane was flying off course. This has been repeatedly denied by the RCAF and emphatically denied by the pilot of the C-47, Gerald Fosberg,

when he was interviewed by David Cherniack for "The Moncla Memories" documentary. I have not communicated directly with any of the operators at the radar ground stations who witnessed the intercept, but I was told by one former member of the radar station on the Keeweenaw Peninsula (which was responsible for the later half of the intercept), that the disappearance of the F-89 was hushed up on base and that members of the station picked up rumors of the incident while visiting the nearby town of Calumet, Michigan.

The quoted article refers to the alleged discovery of the F-89 in 2006 by the "Great Lakes Dive Company". There is virtually nothing of the alleged discovery which could be confirmed and no one was able to find any evidence that the company had ever existed, let alone been involved in sonar searches for wrecks on Lake Superior. The real identity of the hoaxers has never been discovered and revealed to the public. The propagation of the hoax into UFO lore has been remarkable and suggests that it requires very little effort to disperse disinformation through the Internet as a tactic to "muddy the waters" of any particular mystery.

Although I have found no conclusive evidence that suggests any "extraterrestrial" origin for the unknown in this case, I am fairly certain that Moncla and Wilson were captured by "aliens" that night. This is based on several personal experiences that suggest this is what happened to them.

I have met many of pilot Lt. Moncla's surviving family members and they generally feel they were not told the truth of Moncla's disappearance by the USAF. I can only wonder how many other families were similarly misled by the government and military when their family members were killed or disappeared in UFO related incidents.

I don't know how many other fatal accidents or disappearances of USAF planes and crew involved UFOs, but I do believe there were probably many such incidents based on my research. I also believe that there have been similar incidents in Canada and many also involving civilian aircraft such as the renowned Valentich disappearance.

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Re: Dozens Report Seeing UFOs Over Merseyside

From: John Rimmer <j.rimmer.nul>
Date: Thu, 28 May 2009 12:04:43 +0100
Archived: Thu, 28 May 2009 09:51:07 -0400
Subject: Re: Dozens Report Seeing UFOs Over Merseyside

>Source: The Telegraph - London, England, UK

><http://tinyurl.com/UFOsOverMerseyside>

>27 May 2009

>Dozens Report Seeing UFOs Over Merseyside

>They claimed to have seen glowing orange lights moving slowly
>across the sky between 10.30pm and 11pm on Sunday evening.
>Sightings were reported from Southport to South Liverpool, and
>at spots including Ainsdale, Garston and Mossley Hill.

>A coastguard source speculated that any orange glow could be
>attributed to the annual Eta Aquarids meteor shower. Liverpool-
>born UFO expert John Rimmer said it was a "rule of thumb" that
>mysterious lights in the sky generally turn out to be floating
>Chinese lanterns.

I really wanted to get them interested in the story of the
Liverpool Leprechauns, but they wouldn't take the bait!

<http://magonia.haaan.com/2009/leprechauns/>

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The whole tenor of the article is towards making the government
disclose the 'truth' about these deaths, in a way that would not
be the case if they were due to mechanical malfunction, pilot
error or other such events. It still seems to me like a
contrived attempt to link UFOs to Memorial Day.

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Ronnie Milione

From: Philip Mantle <philip.nul>
Date: Fri, 29 May 2009 09:47:51 +0100
Archived: Fri, 29 May 2009 06:45:33 -0400
Subject: Ronnie Milione

Dear Colleagues,

A number of you have had dealings with Ronnie Milione in the past and you know as well as I do that he is a faker and a fraudster. Unfortunately the message about this man has still not got out there as he has been invited to speak at the event below. I have contacted the organisers to let them know exactly what Milione is and thought perhaps you might like to take this opportunity to do the same.

<http://area51event.com/>

sales.nul

Yours sincerely,

Philip Mantle

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Re: Tunguska Claims Raise Eyebrows Skepticism

From: Roderick Dyke <rododyke.nul>
Date: Thu, 28 May 2009 12:04:13 -0700
Archived: Fri, 29 May 2009 08:25:41 -0400
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Did anyone else notice that this was an old story that was released in August 2004?

Rod

Roderick B. Dyke
Archives for UFO Research [AUFOR]

[This moderator did and in view of the

Scientist Claims UFO Collided With Tunguska Meteorite To Save Earth report that is circulating, Space.Com updated the original. Hence the posting of the above here. --ebk]

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Date: Fri, 29 May 2009 08:29:41 -0400
Archived: Fri, 29 May 2009 08:29:41 -0400
Subject: UFO Destroys Meteorite Saves Earth?

Source: Universe Today.Com - Burnaby, British Columbia, Canada

<http://tinyurl.com/UFOsavesEarth>

May 26th, 2009

Scientist Claims UFO Collided With Tunguska Meteorite To Save Earth

Written by Nancy Atkinson

Original Source: Mina

<http://macedoniaonline.eu/content/view/6868/56>

Classify this under news of the weird. A Russian scientist claims that aliens downed the Tunguska meteorite 101 years ago to protect our planet from devastation. Yuri Lavbin says he found unusual quartz crystals at the site of the massive Siberian explosion. Ten crystals have holes in them, placed so the stones can be united in a chain, and other have drawings on them. "We don't have any technologies that can print such kind of drawings on crystals," said Lavbin. "We also found ferrum silicate that can not be produced anywhere, except in space".

OK, just a few holes in this story, too.

Photograph from the Soviet Academy of Science 1927 expedition led by Leonid Kulik

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The Tunguska Event was a powerful explosion that occurred in an uninhabited and desolate area near the Tunguska River in Russia, on June 30, 1908. Although the cause of the explosion is the subject of debate, it is commonly believed to have been caused by the explosion of a large meteoroid or comet fragment, occurring in Earth's atmosphere about 5=9610 kilometers (3=966 miles) high. The blast flattened an estimated 60 million trees over 2,150 square kilometers, but no crater or "smoking gun" meteorite has ever been found. Different studies have yielded varying estimates of the object's size, but there is general agreement that it was a few tens of meters across.

A couple of expeditions have gone to the remote site of the crash. Lavbin says that one expedition located the unusual crystals.

While I'm not a chemist, I couldn't find any information on "ferrum silicate". Seemingly, it doesn't exist.

One small, nondescript photo accompanied Lavbin's claims, published by the Macedonian International News Agency.

This isn't the first time a UFO has been claimed to associated

with the Tunguska event. Another report from 2004 said a scientific expedition to the site found blocks of an extraterrestrial technical device, and one 50-kilogram piece of the stone was brought to the city of Krasnoyarsk to be studied and analyzed. No subsequent reports or analysis could be located during an internet search.

Other claims of exploding alien spaceships or alien weapons detonating to "save the Earth from an imminent threat" appear to originate from a science fiction story "A Visitor From Outer Space" written by Soviet engineer Alexander Kazantsev in 1946, in which a nuclear-powered Martian spaceship, seeking fresh water from a lake blew up in mid-air. This story was said to be inspired by Kazantsev's visit to Hiroshima in late 1945.

Many events in Kazantsev's tale were subsequently confused with the actual occurrences at Tunguska. A "reveal-all" book was published in 1976 (The Fire Came By) but was written by two television drama critics =97 so much for a scientific background. In 1998 the television series The Secret KGB UFO Files was broadcast on Turner Network Television, and referred to the Tunguska event as "the Russian Roswell" and claimed that crashed UFO debris had been recovered from the site.

However, not one proponent of the Tunguska/UFO hypothesis have ever been able to provide any significant evidence for their claims.

Lavbin says the stones, when put together form a map, and might be part of a navigational system of a spaceship.

But Lavbin says what proves his hypothesis is a strange portrait of a strange person on one of the stones.

Hmm, strange looking person on a stone=85.sounds like=85.pareidolia. Check out the Bad Astronomer's take on that phenomenon.

Just as in any other UFO claim, this one fails to deliver any evidence.

[Thanks to Dave Haith for the lead]

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UFO Conference Descends On Galena
By Bekah Porter TH staff writer

GALENA, Ill. -- Richard Dolan says he's seen them twice.

Calling them "strange in-the-light experiences," the New York native brushes off his encounters with UFOs -- or unidentified flying objects.

"They are nothing compared with what others have seen," he said.

Dolan has dedicated his life to documenting witness accounts of the unnatural.

The author of "UFOs and the National Security State: An Unclassified History" will serve as one of several guest speakers at this weekend's Out of This World UFO Conference at Eagle Ridge Resort and Spa in Galena. Other speakers include a man who has held Roswell evidence and a chief investigator with the Mutual UFO Network.

Dolan took time between local book signings to talk to the TH about his beliefs:

Question: How does one become a full-time UFO researcher?

Answer: It was in the mid-'90s, and I was working on a degree in history, studying the Cold War. And then I started seeing these documents, and I thought I'd like to look and see if UFOs are a legitimate part of our history. I wasn't trying to determine if UFOs were real.

The problem was I got involved in it for a few months, and I decided there was a very good case for the existence of UFOs.

Question: What convinced you?

Answer: There are some 50 to 100 really good documents -- reliable and from government officials. Of course, there are thousands of UFO documents, but these 100 or so are especially compelling. I had to ask myself, how many documents does a person have to read to decide this issue is of serious importance? The amount of physical evidence and data we have to prove there is a genuine UFO phenomenon is overwhelming. There's not just thousands of pages of military documents, but there are many eye-witness accounts. And then there are the scientific analyses of the ground where these objects were, and then there are the leaks galore coming from the military.

Question: How do you define a UFO?

Answer: To me, it's an object that is seen typically in the atmosphere, but it could be in space or it could be underground. But it is an object that is seen doing things that are not conventional or explainable. Now, that does not necessarily mean it is alien. That could be something that is humanly manufactured and is being worked on in secret. But it is entirely possible that some of these UFOs are not of our making and come from other beings or people that are not from our civilization.

Question: Do you think there is a stigma associated with those saying they have seen a UFO?

Answer: I have spoken to hundreds and hundreds of UFO witnesses. Some are brilliant, some are not so bright. Some are educated. Some are not. They are black, white, young, old, rich, poor. It's the entire spectrum. What ties them all together is that very few of them report what they've seen. Want to talk stigma? It's intense.

Question: Do you believe in other life forms?

Answer: They're not just out there. They're down here. They're doing stuff.

Q: If the government knew about UFOs and extraterrestrials, why wouldn't they tell the public?

A: Pretend you're Harry Truman and a general just told you that he's recovered technology that doesn't appear to be humanly manufactured. What should you, the president, do? Tell the world? Maybe not yet, you decide. And you gather a top team of people around you to research this and figure out what its repercussions will be. How much will people panic? How will it affect the economy? You don't necessarily plan to keep it a secret forever, but then comes in the problems. You have these major companies developing technology similar to this UFO's technology, and these companies are making a ton of money. There's no motivation for giving up the goose that is laying the golden egg. I don't think the people involved in this are keeping the lid on this issue for fun. I think it's more like they have a tiger by the tail, and if they let it loose, that tiger just might eat them.

Q: How can somebody know if they have seen a UFO?

A: The only way to know is to use your brain. You have to rule out things. Could it have been a plane? A bird? A balloon? A natural phenomenon? To really know if you have seen a UFO, one has to educate oneself on the things that can happen in the sky. And if you can rule everything else out, then you are left with a UFO.

Q: Why should the public consider attending this conference?

A: It will open your minds to ideas that you may not have even considered possible. It could open the doorway into a new of understanding your reality, and what could be more cool than that?

Out Of This World UFO Conference Lecture Schedule:

Friday, May 29

10:30 a.m. - Silencing the Roswell Witnesses, Don Schmitt

1:15 p.m. - Moving UFOlogy into the Scientific Arena, Kevin Randle

Saturday, May 30

9:45 a.m. - Coverup Exposed: Past, Present and Future, Richard Dolan

1:30 p.m. - UFOs: Very Close Encounters of a Second Kind, Ted Phillips

3:15 p.m. - Roswell: Case Open, Jesse Marcel, Jr.

Sunday, May 31 - Star Travel? Yes! Stanton Friedman

1:30 p.m. - Captured: The Betty and Barney Hill UFO
Experience, Kathleen Marden

* Question and Answer sessions will be held with speakers, and
several dinners and receptions will be held. Additionally,
guests can attend sky watches and ghost tours. For more
information, call Sam Maranto at 708-460-7606.

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Friedman's Pseudo-Science Of Anti-Ufology

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Pseudo-Science Of Anti-Ufology
By Stanton T. Friedman
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ABSTRACT

There have been a number of remarks by people calling themselves scientists attacking the notion that any flying saucers are of alien origin. The arguments aren't scientific, but rather represent research by proclamation rather than investigation. We can learn a lot about how to deal with these attacks by focusing on the claims that are made and what is irrational or illogical or just plain wrong about them. This is worth doing because often the claims are left unchallenged and college level students in science and journalism and the general public are taught baloney as if it were truth. They need ammunition from those of us in the scientific Ufological community in order to deal with the false arguments and illogicality of the pseudo-scientific anti-Ufologists. There are a number of demonstrably false claims which have been put forth such as there is no evidence, one can't get here from there, Governments can't keep secrets, if aliens were visiting they would want to talk to me, or land on the White House lawn. They also falsely claim that Occam's Razor rules out UFO reality. Moreover, they claim that no scientists have seen a UFO. Phil Plait of the blog Bad Astronomy falsely claims that no astronomers or amateur astronomers have seen a UFO. This paper provides a guide for the perplexed about UFOs and their critics.

SUMMARY

For more than 60 years the primary approach by the media and scientific communities to the subject of UFOs and Flying Saucers has been based on pseudo-science. Proclamations and attacks, often given the appearance of being scientific, have been launched at every aspect of the phenomena. Despite an enormous array of real evidence and data, we have been treated to false claims, false reasoning, bias and ignorance. The basic rules of pseudo-science have been followed, including especially that there are no good reasons to present solid scientific information, that absence of evidence in the hands of the writers and proclaimers is proof of absence of such evidence, that everything claimed by a debunker must be true, that everything claimed by a believer is false, that one must denigrate "believers". and "buffs"., but accept all attacks as legitimate.

NEED TO LOOK AT EVIDENCE

Most graduate students are taught to begin a new research project with a literature search. See what has already been published before doing ones own work. No sense reinventing the wheel and certainly don't make claims that can be destroyed by those more familiar with relevant past publications. Yet one of the most common and distressing aspects of the pseudo-scientific anti-Ufological literature is the failure of the pseudo-scientists to do their homework before putting their mouths or computers in gear. I am referring to evidence about large scale studies of sightings, landings, abductions, multiple witness radar visual cases, saucer crashes, government cover-ups, etc. As somebody very much concerned with advanced nuclear and space technology, I have been appalled by the silly pseudo-scientific statements that have been made about space travel, high acceleration travel and interstellar travel. As the original civilian investigator of the Roswell Incident, and a long-term investigator of the abduction of Betty and Barney Hill, I am equally appalled at the unscientific arguments made against these two bell-weather cases. The common features of these attacks include:

A. A failure to look at the literature that is available about all of these.

B. An unwillingness to recognize that the "specific details of how something is to be done". are very much more important than broad general notions about the laws of physics.

C. An enormous arrogance in thinking that if certain things were true or certain technologies were real, these all-wise pseudo-scientists would know about them. They don't, so the notions must not be true. None of this is to say that there hasn't been a lot of pro-UFO garbage published as well. But Ufologists tend to be critical of their own kind. The pseudo-scientific anti-Ufologists never seem to want to critique another debunker no matter how false the claims. They repeat the claims rather than pointing out the fallacies.

Some of my concerns go back to the time I spent in industry on highly classified advanced technology programs for big industrial concerns. Everything you wanted to publish outside the company, or at a professional meeting, had to be approved by more than one level of management. After all, the company's good name was involved. Double-check everything. Equally relevant for me were the weekly science commentaries I did (for 6 years) for the Fredericton, New Brunswick, CBC radio station. I covered a huge range of topics and, since some people would believe me no matter what I said, I felt I had to check things out. I read widely and covered, medical, nuclear, Ufological, technological, etc, topics. I found that often the summaries and conclusions at the beginnings of the articles did not accurately reflect the actual findings. Axes were being ground. I found government agencies had no qualms about being pseudo-scientific, if it suited them. For example, I had done a radio piece on the importance of adequate intake of magnesium to assure a healthy cardiovascular system. Then I was surprised to see that the Canadian government had issued a new Recommended Daily Allotment that I felt was much too low. I found the person who had written the justification and wondered why there was no mention of the importance of Mg to a healthy heart. He said there was no connection. I rattled off some references. He changed direction and said there were no epidemiological studies. I asked about the outstanding work of Dr. Heikki Karppanen of Finland. The government "expert". hadn't heard of any of HK's six studies. HK had found a region of Finland where the people lived entirely off their own land and their Mg intake was determined by the local geology, since the amount in beef, grain, water, etc reflected local numbers. The greater the Mg level, the lower the heart disease problems. Such studies would be very hard to do in the USA or Canada. The official was speaking from ignorance. Sounded very much like a conversation with a pseudo-scientific anti-Ufologist.

I did a report on another highly touted study supposedly showing that everybody should reduce his or her intake of cholesterol. The small print in the back showed that the study was of the effectiveness of a cholesterol-reducing drug. The very large scale, long term, double blind placebo controlled (and very expensive) study included only men over the age of 40 whose cholesterol levels were in the top 10% or so. The results,

highly touted in the press, could not at all be interpreted as showing that men and women, young and old, should use their drug. As a matter of fact the death rate was higher for stomach cancer amongst those on the drug than on the placebo. What is that old line about statistics and lies?

NOT ENOUGH DATA

One of the least scientific and most often claimed aspects of UFO sightings is that the only reason sightings can't be explained is that there isn't enough data. For more than 50 years this false, inaccurate, unsubstantiated claim has been repeated over and over again.

Here are some examples:

1. "The reliable cases are uninteresting and the interesting cases are unreliable. Unfortunately, there are no cases that are both reliable and interesting". Dr. Carl Sagan, Astronomer, *Other Worlds*, Bantam, 1975, p. 113
2. "The unexplained sightings are simply those for which there is too little information to provide a solid factual basis for an explanation." Ben Bova, Editor, *ANALOG*, December 1975.
3. "Almost every sighting is either a mistake or a hoax. These reports are so riddled with hoaxes and the flying saucers enthusiasts have so many cranks, freaks and nuts among them that Hynek [Dr. J. Allen] is constantly running the risk of innocently damaging his reputation by being confused with them." Dr. Isaac Asimov *The Rocketing Dutchman*, *FANTASY and Science Fiction*, February 1975, p.132
4. "All non-explained sightings are from poor observers." Dr. Donald Menzel, Astronomer, *PHYSICS TODAY*, June 1976

Perhaps the above 4 examples are all derived from this obviously (seemingly) scientific claim:

5. "On the basis of this study we believe that no objects such as those popularly described as flying saucers have over-flown the United States. I feel certain that even the unknown three percent could have been explained as conventional phenomena or illusions if more complete observational data had been obtained". Donald A. Quarles, Secretary of the United States Air Force, October 25, 1955, Dept. of Defense press Release 1053-55. Very widely published in the press.

All the comments falsely sound as if they are based upon careful study of a large number of cases by professionals. Perhaps the first four represent an echo of the fifth. Obviously there could be no higher authority than the Secretary of the USAF. The strange thing is that the press release, though given very wide distribution, never gave the title of the "study". on which the conclusions were supposedly based: "Blue Book Special Report Number 14". (Ref.1) More important, none of the data in 240 charts, tables, graphs and maps, were actually included in the supposed summary that accompanied the release. The release also didn't mention who did the work: "Battelle Memorial Institute". So far as I have been able to determine, none of the many newspapers that carried the release bothered to ask about any of these items. As far as the first four comments above went, no sources or references were cited. This is pseudo-science, especially considering that all the comments are totally and completely false... not just slanted or biased.

I have made a habit of starting most of my more than 700 college and professional group lectures with the data from BBSR 14. I also ask how many have read it; Typically 1-2%, sometimes 0. I discuss the actual facts at length in Chapter 1 of *Flying Saucers And Science*. (Ref.2). In summary, the UNKNOWNS were 21.5% of the 3201 cases which were evaluated. (not 3%) They were completely separate and distinct from the 9.3% listed as Insufficient Information, despite the lie told by Quarles. It was also found that the better the quality of the sighting report, the more likely it was unexplainable. It was found that UNKNOWNS were observed for longer than KNOWNNS. It was found that the probability that the UNKNOWNS were just missed knowns, based on a chi squared statistical comparison between the two groups, was less than 1%. Fewer than 2% were hoaxes despite Asimov's false claim. How in the world can any professional continue, as

they do, to make false claims such as those noted above? Why isn't BBSR 14 cited in the debunking books? I know that Menzel had a copy from correspondence in his files at Harvard. Carl Sagan has volumes in which the data appear. I sent copies of data tables to Ben Bova and Isaac Asimov. Totally ignored. The rule is clearly "don't bother me with the facts, my mind is made up".

I found it very interesting when I read the University of Colorado "Scientific Study of UFOs (The Condon Report)".(Ref.3) that, despite its length (965 pages), and the presence of a whole chapter on government involvement in UFO investigations, that it, too, makes no mention of BBSR 14 which covered more than 25 times as many cases as Condon. I had written a letter to Condon talking about it, and he acknowledged it. This is pseudo-science, as was the press release sent out implying that nothing of interest to science came from the \$539,000 study. As a matter of fact, according to a special UFO subcommittee that had been established by the world's largest group of space scientists, the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics,(Ref.4) "The opposite conclusions [to Condon's negative statements] could have been drawn from the content of the report, namely that a phenomenon with such a high ratio of unexplained cases (30%) should arouse sufficient scientific curiosity to continue its study". And yet numerous pseudo-scientific anti-Ufologists have acted as though the Condon report with its very strange statement of approval from Condon's colleagues at the National Academy of Sciences,(no investigations had been checked) answered the question once and for all. Dr. Susan Clancy a pseudo-scientific abduction debunker totally misrepresented both the Condon Study and abductions in her book (Ref.5). I have detailed many of these in my review at www.stantonfriedman.com.

An important aspect of the scientific method is the requirement for focusing on the data relevant to the problem at hand. That most isotopes are not fissionable, or fusionable, does not mean none are; and that most metals are not heavier than uranium and don't have melting points higher than that of tungsten does NOT mean that none do. That most possibly beneficial drugs do not cure any disease, doesn't mean that none do. That most UFO sightings wind up, after investigation, as being Identifiable Flying Objects, does NOT mean that none are intelligently controlled extraterrestrial spacecraft, Their behavior and appearance indicate that they couldn't have been built here, because we couldn't then build things that look like that or fly like that. If we Earthlings could have, they would have been used in warfare.

A much more recent example of pseudo-science than those cited above occurred during a 3 hour debate on Coast to Coast Radio between myself and Dr. Michael Shermer, Editor and Publisher of SKEPTIC Magazine on August 1, 2007. We and host George Noory and others had appeared on Larry King 2 weeks earlier. Michael's major activity on LK besides making false claims had consisted of playing with small alien dolls. Many asked why I hadn't just punched him out (not my style). Anyway, he started on C to C by claiming that the only reason some sightings can't be explained is that, as with other paranormal events, there is always in such matters a residue of about 5% that can't be explained. Needless to say I blasted that bit of pseudo-science by quoting the numbers from BBSR 14 and the Condon report (21.5% and 30%) and from the other key sources noted above and below. It was interesting that Michael still had done no homework. In the interval I had examined two of his books and was able to quote from him as to why debunkers believe what they believe

1".Smart people believe weird things because they are skilled at defending beliefs they arrived at for non-smart reasons".p.297
"Why People Believe Weird Things". Owl Books, 2002, p.297

2. The Confirmation Bias: "The tendency to seek or interpret evidence favorable to already existing beliefs, and to ignore or reinterpret evidence unfavorable to already existing beliefs".
Why People Believe Weird Things". p. 299.

Obviously these are right on about the pseudo-scientists. The vote taken of listeners at the end was that 80% thought I had won the debate and 20% voted for Michael.

ANECDOTES

There are all kinds of comments to the effect that all there is on the UFO scene is anecdotal data. This is more pseudo-science. "Anecdote". is defined as "a short account of an interesting incident or event, often biographical". (Webster's Encyclopedic Dictionary); also "a short story narrating a detached incident or fact of an interesting nature; a biographical incident; a single passage of private life". (New Webster's Dictionary).

Only a pseudo-scientific anti-Ufologist could ignore the myriad of detailed investigations of important sightings that have been published. An excellent sampling of these is included in the US Government publication Symposium On Unidentified Flying Objects, July 29, 1968, Hearings By The House Committee on Science And Astronautics. (Ref.6) The 246 page volume includes papers by 12 scientists covering a wide range of backgrounds.

The best paper (71 pages long) is by Dr. James E. McDonald, which covers 41 cases. The famous RB 47 case involves detailed testimony from a well trained military crew of 7 flying a very sophisticated USAF RB-47 aircraft whose encounter with a UFO lasted almost an hour and was visually observed and by radar on the ground as well. This is absolutely not a detached incident and certainly not an anecdote. Of course the pseudo-scientific anti-Ufologists ignore it. Another important source, also ignored is, Richard Hall's The UFO Evidence. (Ref.7), 1964) and the updated 1999 (Ref.8) version. Of particular concern is the avoidance, especially by pseudo-scientific anti-Ufologist astronomers, of the book "The UFO Experience". by Dr. J Allen Hynek (Ref.9). After all he was the USAF Project Blue Book scientific consultant for more than 20 years. He was head of the Astronomy Department at Northwestern University. He contributed to the Congressional hearings as well. I suppose it is understandable that the astronomers so enamored with SETI (the Silly Effort to Investigate) and astrobiology would want to stay as far away as possible from data indicating the planet is being visited by aliens, especially when collected by a fellow astronomer. Who would then need SETI? I discuss this in detail in chapter 5 The Cult Of SETI. in Flying Saucers and Science. (Ref.2).

Several astronomers, most notably Phil Plait, who writes a Bad Astronomy column (I agree with some pieces he has written, not about UFOs) is totally uninformed about the UFO evidence. They have tried to claim that if aliens were visiting, astronomers would be expected to see them, but never do. I discuss (Ref.2) their failure to pay any attention to the surveys showing astronomers, both amateur and professional, do see UFOs even if they, like most others, are reluctant to report them; both Hynek and McDonald and Dr. Peter Sturrock, a Stanford Astrophysicist, discussed sightings by astronomers. It is pseudo-scientific for a so-called scientist to make false claims and ignore the very data he claims doesn't exist, even when published by noted colleagues..

It is also amusing how often the SETI cultists bring up the Drake Equation, which supposedly allows one to determine the number of advanced civilizations in the galaxy. One might as well use a dartboard with numbers on it. It is not a scientific equation. People get all kinds of answers because the choices for certain terms are completely arbitrary and without factual basis. For example, what is the average life span of a civilization? We have data on one planet in one solar system. There are a few hundred billion stars in the galaxy. The Drake Equation assumes no colonization and no migration; this goes along with the silly assumption that nobody is coming to Earth despite all the evidence.

The radio astronomers not only assume nobody is coming, but that some aliens somewhere are sending signals in our direction to attract our attention and that we are so smart we can determine what techniques they are using, what frequencies, what kind of modulation, whether they are analog or digital. If the latter, there is no way for us to interpret the signals. (Generally if they are using lasers or gravitational waves or Who knows what, WE KNOW NOTHING)

TRAVEL

The astronomical community has, not surprisingly, a long history of making totally false pronouncements about flight. After all,

there is nothing in their training or education that gives any professional insight about the aeronautical and astronautical aspects of flight. The best known American astronomer of the 19th Century, Dr. Simon Newcomb (1835-1909), had written:

"The demonstration that no possible combination of known substances, known forms of machinery, and known forms of force can be united in a practical machine by which man shall fly long distances through the air, seems to this writer as complete as it is possible for the demonstration of any physical fact to be".

He was so prominent and highly respected that his funeral was attended by numerous dignitaries including the President of the United States; his expertise involved the making of accurate determinations of the positions of the heavenly bodies and mathematical procedures for using that data for navigation and related problems. None of this has anything to do with flight. The first sustained powered flight by the Wright brothers took place only 2 months later. They, and others, had made numerous measurements determining the influence of various factors on lift and drag.

In the course of preparing Chapter 2 (You Can Get Here From There) of Flying Saucers And Science.(Ref.2) and while working on a new book, But It's Impossible, with my co-author Kathleen Marden, I ran across numerous false or pseudo-scientific claims about flight in the atmosphere and then in space by smart people who didn't know what they were talking about. These savants said it would be impossible to fly across the ocean, to sink a battleship with a bomb dropped from an airplane, to go faster than the speed of sound, etc.

The attacks on the feasibility of space flight also showed ignorance. For example, Dr. Alexander Bickerton in a paper presented to the British Association for the Advancement of Science in 1926 showed that because our best explosive had only 1/10th the energy per pound required to move at orbital velocity, that it would be impossible to give anything sufficient energy to place it in orbit,. He obviously didn't know that other chemical combinations give more energy per pound in a rocket and are easier to use than explosives. He also neglected the small detail that it is the payload that needs to go into orbit, not the propellant. Another astronomer Dr. John Campbell of Canada in 1941 scientifically (really pseudo-scientifically) calculated the required initial launch weight for a rocket able to get a man to the moon and back as a million tons. Less than 30 years later, 3 men were sent to the moon with a chemical rocket whose initial launch weight was all of 3000 tons. To say he didn't know what he was talking about would be a gross understatement.

He made a host of really inappropriate (stupid would be a better word) assumptions that he wouldn't have made if he had studied research papers that had been published years earlier. He assumed a single stage rocket, limited to 1-G acceleration, providing all the energy for the trip, launched vertically, requiring a retrorocket to slow it down when returning, and assuming a very low exhaust velocity for the propellant.

The engineers responsible for planning our lunar excursions used a multistage rocket, a much higher but appropriate exhaust velocity, a much higher maximum acceleration, launched from as close to the equator as possible to the East, and used the earth's atmosphere to slow it down upon return, but being sure to get the entry angle correct. They, of course, used the gravitational field of the moon (hence a launch window), the rotation of the earth and good sensible engineering. Launching from near the equator takes advantage of the fact, apparently unknown to the pseudo-scientists that the earth rotates at about 1000 miles per hour there. The moon also provides some energy, free, if the timing is right. The atmosphere charges nothing for providing the energy to slow the rocket down; as a matter of fact all our deep space probes have used as much cosmic freeloading as possible to reduce the propellant load. Mother nature can be very helpful.

The British Astronomer Royal, Sir Richard van der Riet Wooley (1906-1986) made many silly claims about space flight including when speaking to Time Magazine in 1956:

"It's utter bilge. I don't think anybody will ever put up enough money to do such a thing. What good would it do us? If we spent the same amount of money on preparing first-class astronomical equipment we would learn much more about the universe. It is all rather rot".

This was one year before Sputnik, and 13 years before the first manned landing on the moon. Isn't it ironic that Astronomy has been so enriched by data obtained by such extraordinary space based observatories as Hubble, Chandra, Fermi, Spitzer and many more?

I suppose it is safe to say today that most astronomers recognize that man has indeed gone to the moon and back and has sent probes past all the planets except Pluto. Some have left the solar system. In another excellent example of pseudoscience, we have the statement by Hayden Planetarium director Dr. Neil de Grasse Tyson that our fastest spacecraft, the Voyager would take 70,000 years to go the distance to the nearest star, 4.3 light years. He said this on the Peter Jennings ABC TV Mockumentary of February 24, 2005. This is as pseudo-scientific and misleading as Dr. Campbell's work. Voyager has no propulsion system on it. It has been coasting much as a balloon or kite might in the sky or a bottle tossed into the ocean.

But can we seriously talk about going to the stars less than 70 years into the space age? Depends, as one might expect, on the details. The usual objection is to point to Albert Einstein's relativity and the conclusion that nothing can go faster than the speed of light. However, Einstein also noted that the closer one gets to the speed of light, the more time slows down for things moving that fast. Sounds crazy, but this crazy notion has been verified. How much slower time moves for the high speed systems depends on how close one gets. At 99.9% of the speed of light it only takes 20 months pilot time to go 37 light years. At 99.99 % of the speed of light it would only take 6 months pilot time to go 37 light years... and so on. Now at this point the pseudo-scientists jump in "but relativity also indicates that the closer one gets to the speed of light, the more one's mass increases and the more energy it takes to keep accelerating". True? Not necessarily. The pseudo-scientists assume one must be accelerating by carrying along propellant, which is sent out the back of the rocket. However, if one uses nuclear fusion reactions such as those between Deuterium (heavy Hydrogen) and Helium 3 (light Helium), the charged particles produced in these reactions are born with more than 10 million times as much energy per particle as they can get in a chemical rocket. They are not "accelerated". by the rocket, but are born that way and electromagnetically shipped out. Furthermore it also takes no energy to take advantage of the gravitational acceleration by massive bodies such as the moon, the sun, Jupiter, nearby stars, very dense black holes, maybe even twin neutron stars as suggested by Physicist Freeman Dyson. Be in the right place at the right time.

The devil is in the details. At Aerojet General Nucleonics in the early 1960s we did a serious study for the USAF on deep space fusion propulsion systems using D-He-3. Reports and papers were written and published such as Ref. 10. Naturally the pseudo-scientist anti-Ufologists never reference these studies. In my 1999 MUFON Paper, Star Travel? YES!, I gave more details and also noted the problems with pseudo-scientist-anti-Ufologist Dr. Lawrence Krauss.

The debunkers don't even reference the successful ground testing of a number of nuclear fission rockets in the 1960s by Westinghouse Astro-nuclear Laboratory, Aerojet General, and Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory. The most powerful one was the Phoebus 2B of LASL which was less than 7' in diameter and operated at a power level of 4400 Megawatts... twice the energy output of Grand Coulee Dam. Do they really think chemical rockets are the ultimate? Are they still using slide rules for their scientific computations (not that I am sure any do any SC)?

It seems to me that every advanced civilization will determine that its star produces its energy by nuclear fusion. We tested the first successful fusion device, a bomb, of course, in late 1952 in the Pacific. It produced the same explosive energy release as exploding 10 million tons of TNT. It created a fireball diameter of 3 miles. By comparison the biggest non-

nuclear bombs dropped during WW 2 were 10-ton blockbusters. The Soviets later actually exploded a fusion weapon releasing the energy of 57 million tons of TNT.

Remember that we Earthlings only figured out fusion as the energy producing process in the stars in 1938. Surely other civilizations figured out Nuclear fusion long before we did. (A thousand or million or billion years ago??) They probably also figured out something much more powerful a long time ago. One suggestion might be that they noted that as one goes from the big atom to the small nucleus, the size goes way down, but the energy goes way up per particle. This sounds crazy, but is not. What if we figure out how to get inside the small quarks of which neutrons, protons, etc are made? Will the energy go way up per particle?

It is almost laughable how silly some of the reactions are to these scientific facts. For example, UK debunker Peter Brookesmith in a review (Ref.11) of FSS claimed that sure the mass increases, but people would hardly be able to move their bodies, lift their arms etc. This is nonsense. The change in mass occurs from the viewpoint of the observer not the high speed person.

Perhaps I better add that hydrogen and helium are the lightest and most abundant elements in the universe, which means they can be found wherever one is going. That is not true of uranium used in fission systems.

Another sticky wicket to some people is to assume that one would accelerate half way out to a target star and then decelerate the other half, all the while carrying all the propellant needed for the round trip. Obviously when one drives from Fredericton to Miami, one refuels along the way rather than carrying all the fuel for the trip from the beginning. One doesn't keep the gas pedal to the floor; incidentally at 1G acceleration, it only takes a year to get close to the speed of light.

Some have suggested in campus classes that I have conducted that it would take a decade, century, or millennium. A Nobel Prize winning Physicist, Dr. Edward Purcell, assumed accelerating at 1 G for 5 light years and then decelerating for 5 years and repeating the pattern in reverse to get home (from a star 10 light years away) and of course carrying all the fuel for the whole trip from the start. Not much payload fraction for such an absurd trip profile. This is the equivalent of assuming that a 747 keeps at full throttle when it gets to altitude instead of going into cruise mode. And of course it refuels when it lands. Many military planes refuel on the fly for most long missions. How many alien fuel storage stations are out there? Maybe like the coaling stations set up by England to facilitate ocean crossings a century ago!

SAUCERS COULDN'T CRASH

Another silly assumption is that it would be ridiculous to suggest that very sophisticated spacecraft from another solar system could possibly crash. Let us, of course, ignore the tragic loss of TWO space shuttles. I try, not always so gently, to point out that crashes occurring near Roswell and Aztec (in New Mexico), Varginia in Brazil, seem to involve relatively small craft as opposed to the huge 'mother ships' observed for example in the JAL Case on November 17, 1986, over Alaska or the Yukon Case of December 11, 1996. and so ably investigated by engineer Martin Jacek...

A useful analogy here is that different systems are designed for different environments. The US Navy operates massive nuclear fission powered aircraft carriers, which can run for 18 years without refueling. Each carries about 75 very much smaller non-nuclear powered jets, which can fly for a few hours at most. Different environments, and one has different systems. The space between stars is very different than that in the vicinity of a planet with an atmosphere and a high gravitational field. and heating and drag.

Some have demanded how could such an advanced tech system possibly crash. I point out that unexpected events and circumstances have often caused aircraft and rocket accidents. How about a sudden lightning and hailstone storm? How about bird strikes, pilot error, unexpected radio or radar signals, that

interfered with navigation or propulsion systems?

ACCELERATION LIMITS

Over and over again pseudo-scientific anti-Ufologists claim that the reported acceleration of flying saucers is far more than man can stand. "It is impossible.", they shriek.

One silly book (Ref.12) even claimed that when one gets to 9 G-s one dies!. Sure, if one slams into a brick wall or much of anything else while being accelerated at 9Gs. But properly trained and constrained (seat belts etc) and with the force acting in the proper direction with reference to the body, one can stand quite high accelerations. For example, pilots can perform a tracking task while being accelerated at 14Gs for 2 minutes. That is about 300 miles per hour per second. Astronauts are launched on their back because they can stand much more acceleration back to front than foot to head. The escape rocket on the Apollo Lunar excursion module would provide 13Gs in the event of a quick escape because of a fire down below. Colonel John Paul Stapp (1910-1999) once withstood 41Gs when a rocket sled very rapidly slowed down from 620mph in less than a second, and lived to tell the tale. Properly constrained one can stand 30Gs for 1 second... That is 600 miles per hour per second. Obviously it may be that aliens create artificial gravity and are not accelerated in their reference system.

NATIONAL SECURITY and UFOs

The pseudo-scientists claim that secrets can't be kept, that there would no reason to keep secret the recovery of a crashed saucer or alien visitations and that they would, using their own protocol, immediately make the world aware of the most important discovery of all time reception by a SETI specialist of a an alien signal...

What would be the big deal, except to improve their funding, of a reception of a possibly intelligent signal from a star hundreds of light years away? I suppose if it said "arriving in 2011 your time frame. Please prepare dinner for 175 and arrange for a guided tour. No need to RSVP", that might be useful.

Do they really expect the signal would help us solve our problems? Would we pay any attention if they said, "Your birth rate is too high, you are destroying your planet, you need to learn to live at peace with each other, your religions are based on myths that we created.... We give you 10 years to straighten up...", that might be useful, but the presence and observation of high performance craft in our atmosphere not only tells us we are not alone, but might lead to better military systems for flight, for attack, for defense, for reconnaissance.

The best systems for monitoring flight performance would be airborne or space borne and would produce data that is born classified. Wouldn't any country with access to such technology want to keep it for themselves and not want to make their enemies aware?

The Brits developed radar around 1938. They fooled the Germans into thinking they had no radar for the entire war... very important for winning the battle of Britain. They didn't share it. They broke the German enigma codes; should they have announced that? It took 25 years for that little detail to be released after the war was over. The first nuclear chain reaction (leading to fission reactors and atomic bombs) was in December 1942. Should the US have published a paper about it? We had broken the Japanese codes. Should that have been published?

In Chapter 4 The Cosmic Watergate of FSS I note several multi-billion dollar, multi-year development programs conducted in secret for long periods of time. The SETI people are delighted, as they should be, with Paul Allen's 35 million dollar contribution to the Hat Creek Observatory. A single B-2 bomber cost more than 2 billion dollars.

I keep reminding people - who think of research as being conducted at universities by a small group of professors and a bunch of graduate students who are very anxious to publish lest they perish - that way back in 1958, I was working as a nuclear physicist at the General Electric Aircraft Nuclear Propulsion Department near Cincinnati. We employed 3500 people full time of

whom 1100 were engineers and scientists. We spent \$100,000,000 that year. That was a great deal of money in 1958. The test data were all classified. And that wasn't a 'Black' program.

MOTIVATIONS FOR VISITATIONS

I am truly shocked by claims that there would be no good reason for alien visitors to come here or to be frightened of us Earthlings.

I have an entire chapter in FSS about what is special about Earth and why aliens would, of course, be interested in coming here, besides the simple fact that we provide many opportunities for thesis research on a primitive society (us) whose major activity is clearly tribal warfare.

Have we forgotten that we destroyed 1700 cities and killed 50 million Earthlings during WW 2 and that many millions more have been killed since?

I would bet that we would be able to go to the stars before 2100 using new developments in nuclear propulsion. Everybody in the neighborhood would rightfully be concerned. We also have a plethora of natural resources that may have been used by them for millennia.

An awful lot of people traveled difficult journeys during the 19th century in search of gold to California, Alaska, Australia...

We spend 10s of billions of dollars on defensive and offensive weapons and on elaborate reconnaissance activities on the ground, in the air, and in space.... To make sure nobody will surprise us with an attack.

Remember Pearl Harbor? The United States alone has tested 331 nuclear weapons. Peaceful Planet? Are Earthlings peaceful?

Every new frontier is a new place to do battle. Of course others in the neighborhood would be worried about us with our advanced nuclear destruction technology. We are not talking slingshots vs. laser weapons. It is easy to forget that the rate of the new development of advanced military technology has been exponential, mostly because of the enormous expenditures that have been made, despite all the starvation.

Look at the changes in just the past 62 years since Roswell. Earthlings can go much faster, and higher now than ever before at least in the past several thousand years. Think of lasers, microwaves, DNA, incredible devices for storing information, manipulating, and transmitting it. Think of Terabyte hard drives, cell phones, the internet, etc....

PSEUDO-SCIENTIFIC INVESTIGATIONS

It is very interesting, and distressing to look at debunkerdom. Basically it is based on several underlying assumptions:

1. There cannot be any alien visitors to Earth.
2. Governments cannot keep secrets.
3. There is no scientific data about flying saucers. Only anecdotal tales from uneducated observers. Please ignore the PhD Theses.
4. People are notoriously poor observers... except, of course, when we depend on their testimony to make identification. He must have been observing Venus because the characteristic behavior and location, as described by the witness, point to Venus.
5. There is no need for collection of large-scale studies because, after all, there are none.
6. There is certainly no physical evidence, so we can neglect the so-called physical trace cases, (Ted Phillips has collected several thousand cases from almost 90 countries) the radar visual cases, photographs that can withstand careful investigation.

7. The best way to investigate UFO sightings is to repeat the explanations of other debunkers. Proclaim, don't investigate. Spreading the word, wrong though the explanations might be, is an effective way to suppress reportage and investigation by open minded people.

8. Always cast doubt upon the honesty and capability of witnesses and serious investigators alike. Whenever possible use such terms as believers, buffs, profit seekers, paranormal., new age.

RE ROSWELL

If at all possible, don't mention that the military group involved; the 509th, was the most elite military group in the world having dropped atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki in 1945 and two more at Operation Crossroads in the Pacific in 1946.

Avoid the testimony of retired General Thomas Jefferson DuBose as to the instructions he received as Chief of Staff to General Roger Ramey head of the 8th Air Force from Ramey's boss, General Clements McMullen - "cover it up, send some wreckage here, don't talk about it again".

Ignore the fact that Major Jesse Marcel, was the intelligence Officer of the 509th, the only atomic bombing outfit in the world and the first military man to collect wreckage from the debris field.

Ignore the testimony of Colonel Jesse Marcel Jr. Medical doctor, flight surgeon,, helicopter pilot with 225 combat flying hours in Iraq and somebody who handled wreckage in 1947.

Ignore the testimony of William Brazel (son of the rancher Mack Brazel) who also handled wreckage.

Ignore the testimony of 27 first hand witnesses on the DVD "Recollections of Roswell". (Ref.13). Don't mention that Colonel Blanchard, base commander, went on to be a 4 star General and Vice Chief of Staff of the USAF.

Focus on the Roswell Daily Record of July 9, 1947; ignore the many front page stories across the country from Chicago West on July 8, published before rancher Brazel had been reprogrammed..

Claim that witnesses came running to me and Bill Moore, Don Schmitt, Tom Carey, and Kevin Randle seeking attention, when in fact we all spent a huge amount of time and money seeking them out.

Claim, as the head of the Committee for Skeptical Inquiry has on several occasions, that nothing happened, but an inexperienced public relations man put out an unauthorized press story to garner attention.

In summary, "Don't bother us debunkers with the facts, our minds are made up." This is pseudoscience.

Ref. THE BETTY AND BARNEY HILL CASE

Constantly claim that Betty and Barney only saw a bright light in the sky, everything that came out under hypnosis is suspect.

Claim Barney only repeated the stuff of Betty's dreams since she was always telling him about them. Don't mention the strange spots on their car, or the warts on his groin, or the analysis of Betty's dress.

The missing time is only because they got lost on the country roads, Barney must have watched a special TV program. Betty was a UFO buff before her so called abduction.

Sources are never given for these outlandish claims.

The facts indicate that Betty and Barney saw the flying object FROM within a few hundred feet. Barney using binoculars saw beings behind a double row of windows. The object was seen in front of the moon (strange behavior for Jupiter) all without hypnosis.

As a direct comparative analysis by Kathleen Marden in Captured! The Betty and Barney Hill UFO Experience, (Ref.14), shows, Barney's testimony did not match Betty's dreams, and on and on.

Numerous debunkers have picked up on the false claims despite their being made up. Pseudoscience is once again in the forefront.

PERSONAL

Then of course there are the personal attacks. I have been told that I was only in Ufology for the money. "Why do you say that?" "I see you on a host of TV programs."

"I don't get paid for them".

"Really? Not even Larry King?".

"No... I spend 2 days of my life to go to Los Angeles; they put me up at a hotel and cover transportation. They don't provide meals or money for them and there is no fee."

"Oh.. But you get publicity for your books."

"Yes, and why not? They make a lot of money by selling commercials."

At one point Wikipedia had an article claiming I had only worked on paper studies in industry. I did a lot of expensive experiments while working in industry on a number of large budget programs. I guess they don't count.

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I'm glad more people are taking into consideration that some UFO
related experiences may well be with other beings who've evolved
or been modified on this planet.

The ETH and the TH can go well in hand and could balance things out. It doesn't have to be either or either. Nature molds pretty well. It may be violent or gentle but the batter she makes turns into a good cake.

The one thing I've found out after the UFological studies I've done over the years is to sometimes toss out the conventional if it doesn't explain past, present, and postulated phenomena. It works or it don't.

Again, our scientists don't know everything about everything yet and that's the most difficult hurdle to clear it seems is to remind the high and intellectual that it's a never ending process.

Mr. Friedman has his evidence that points to the ETH and others have evidence of a more TH origin however that doesn't mean that the twain can't meet.

Best,

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No - we could be looking anywhere for our visitors and will
perhaps find them everywhere ultimately, but I believe Stan
Friedman's position is reflective that the preponderance of the
evidence, such as it is hotly debated, supports ETH by far and
away more than any other hypothesis - the one most satisfying a
rational Occam... even as one remembers that "UFOs don't have to
be there" at all. Booga-booga!

Sure, it may be inter-dimensional pickle people in bunny pants, but where's the remotely credible evidence as can be produced more easily as in the case of ETH, across 6 categories of same?

This is evidence of such width and girth that even unrepentant-Friedman-Critic Paul Kimball has allowed for the greater likelihood of ETH more than once -you know... if you _have_ to have a problematic alternative intelligence sharing your universe, at all - even as he would besmirch and decry evidence of ETH so thick it can be cut with a knife... as is the case with Frank Feschino's Shoot Them Down, for example.

This is without regard, by the way, to how one might feel about the Air Force, today, if they lost over 180 aircraft and some of the persons flying them to "equipment malfunction", "errant fuel-lessness" and "pilot error"... in a one month period. Over a hundred and eighty F-15s and 16s in a one month period. A one _month_ period...

Don't ya think you'd cock an eyebrow?

Put together that these aircraft were lost during a period of high UFO incursion into sensitive airspace areas -the highest in history- and that these men and machines lost had standing orders to shoot those UFOs down. Maybe that bumps both brows?

This happened in 1952 during the summer of saucers and has all manner of unsettling implications attendant, eh? I mean here is ETH walking right up and spitting in your eye and then charging for eyewash, am I right? Real "up close and personal" ETH. ETH shooting your ass down!

We're not going to encounter visitors steadfastly refusing to acknowledge them - even self-dribbling bejeweled basketball people from beyond the deviational rift. Our hubris in this regard disserves us, I expect.

Friedman can be congratulated, I think, more than he can be criticized.

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Alfred,

I don't have a problem with close encounters of any kind. I agree with Stan and 99% of this list that there are encounters of many kinds. I have had a few myself.

Any one of them can be explained by close encounters with a third kind: an ancient, shy, advanced civilization.

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I don't see how anyone could distinguish a forty million year old earth evolved civilization from a forty million year-old civilization from Zeta.

Ed

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>>>Friday, May 29, 2009

>>>Pseudo-Science Of Anti-Ufology
>>>By Stanton T. Friedman
>>>c.2009

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>>>CONCLUSION

>>>If one makes an appropriately objective and careful examination
>>>of the pro and anti-UFO arguments, one finds that the evidence
>>>is overwhelming that Earth is being visited by intelligently
>>>controlled vehicles of extraterrestrial origin and that only
>>>pseudo-scientific arguments of a vocal but small group of
>>>debunkers stand in the way of reaching that conclusion... along
>>>with a fear of ridicule for being logical. Take courage. I have
>>>had only 11 hecklers at more than 700 lectures and 2 of them
>>>were drunk.

>>Stan,

>>Yes, earth has other beings. I agree 100%. But your article does
>>not make a convincing case for ET. Yes Betty and Barney were
>>abducted. So were many others. And there are also many physical
>>trace cases. But everything you've written could just as well
>>apply to an ancient civilization, evolved here on earth, which
>>for whatever reasons, has chosen to remain somewhat hidden. I'm
>>not a debunker, but I can certainly see why most scientists
>>remain skeptical of the ETH. They're probably just as skeptical
>>of ancient civilizations, but at least the physics doesn't get
>>in the way as it does for ETH.

>>Very little is known about the early history of mammals which
>>stretches across a time span of one hundred and eighty million
>>years. This is enough time for many civilizations to have come
>>and gone and never to have left a scrap of evidence that they
>>existed. With enough time these civilizations could have
>>developed the same technologies that we've mastered, and more.

>>We should be looking closer to home for our visitors.

>No - we could be looking anywhere for our visitors and will
>perhaps find them everywhere ultimately, but I believe Stan
>Friedman's position is reflective that the preponderance of the

>evidence, such as it is hotly debated, supports ETH by far and
>away more than any other hypothesis - the one most satisfying a
>rational Occam... even as one remembers that "UFOs don't have to
>be there" at all. Booga-booga!

>Sure, it may be inter-dimensional pickle people in bunny pants,
>but where's the remotely credible evidence as can be produced
>more easily as in the case of ETH, across 6 categories of same?

>This is evidence of such width and girth that even unrepentant-
>Friedman-Critic Paul Kimball has allowed for the greater
>likelihood of ETH more than once - you know... if you _have_ to
>have a problematic alternative intelligence sharing your
>universe, at all - even as he would besmirch and decry evidence
>of ETH so thick it can be cut with a knife... as is the case
>with Frank Feschino's Shoot Them Down, for example.

>This is without regard, by the way, to how one might feel about
>the Air Force, today, if they lost over 180 aircraft and some of
>the persons flying them to "equipment malfunction", "errant
>fuel-lessness" and "pilot error"... in a one month period. Over
>a hundred and eighty F-15s and 16s in a one month period. A one
>_month_ period...

>Don't ya think you'd cock an eyebrow?

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Hi Al,

186 aircraft in one month in the early 1950s is astounding.
Surely there was soul searching going on during this period.

That is an excessive loss rate even if you counted in Korean War
losses. This bugga-boo attitude about shoot down orders seems to
be a lack of understanding of mission objectives for an armed
force that is in existence to do just that when it comes to
bogies or unidentifieds. What else would be expected of the
USAF, RCAF, RAF etc. when these unidentified targets began
popping up on their screens? There was a cold war on after all
with weapons of mass destruction in play. Nerves were frayed.

A UFO is is a UFO whether it be a man made or 'other' machine.
You get an unidentified target where it shouldn't be, you go
after it. If it stays Unidentified and defies interception
orders [if they even went that far in the 50s - light aircraft
and airliners must carry them on board now - you would try and
shoot it down because you don't know its intentions or payload.

In the early 50s there was still some confusion as to whether
these were or were not Soviet aircraft. Why wouldn't you go
after them? However, somewhere in the armed forces there had to
be suspicions and real concerns about a phenomenon they had been
encountering since the early days of WWII. This wasn't new to
them.

I must admit that I have been ambivilant about this 'shoot down
order' thing up until recently. Stan Friedman needs to be
applauded for keeping it on the front burner and Feschino for
struggling/suing to get his butchered book back under his
control and for doing the research in the first place.

Don Ledger

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How long would it take any rational observer to find the
massively fatal flaws in this argument - if we can dignify it
as 'argument'? Five seconds? Four? Three? One and a half?

Or, alternately, we could start a thread in which we offer up a
'theory' that the earth is flat as a coin, on which horizontal
surface Homo sapiens occupies the top (northern, so to speak)
side and a hidden advanced civilization the lower (metaphorical
southern) side. And then let's defy anybody to disprove it and
accuse all who reject it of being close-minded bigots or, just
as likely, CIA disinformers.

Jerry Clark

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Inner Outer Space Circle
By ItsMrLucky
Community Blogger

Friday May 29th, 2009 -

Galena, IL -- One of the things I'm most proud of in my life is the number of interesting communities I've had a chance to become part of. I'm a part of the standup comedy community and the radio community and the pro wrestling community and the sports card dealer community, at least in the Milwaukee and Chicago areas. Now I'm adding yet another one to that list.

I'm really enjoying the people I'm meeting at the Out Of This World UFO Conference and I can totally see myself becoming a part of this community too. I'm very interested in the topic and always have been and everyone here has been very friendly. I feel totally at home with these people and that doesn't happen very often for me. I like the vibe a lot.

It starts right from the top as it usually does in every good organization. When I first did a comedy convention in Los Angeles back in the '90s I knew the Perret family were some of the nicest people I've ever met and we're still friends today. Gene Perret is the head of the family and the convention but the whole bunch are classy people and I saw it quickly.

I'm finding the same thing here in Galena. Sam and Julie Maranto are also some of the sweetest and most sincere people I've come across in a long time and so are all the others I've met so far. They've associated with only top quality professionals and it's a fun event all around. I've learned a lot and can see myself hanging in these circles more and more.

People who are interested in these kinds of topics get unfairly branded as kook bags and I think that really stinks. I'll be the first to admit I'm a one man whack pack myself but it's got nothing to do with the fact that I'm interested in learning more about the UFO scene.

I've never seen a flying saucer and don't claim to be an abductee myself but I can safely say it sure is fun to eat dinner and have someone tell me they have. They had my attention from their first words and I enjoyed hearing some amazing stories. Whether or not they're true isn't something I can say for sure but nobody was mean and I really got a lot out of it.

I talked with some of the presenters and there is professional jealousy just like we have in comedy and I laughed when I heard

about it. People are people and it's bound to have a place in every field of endeavor. None of the weenies are here this week though and all of the people I talked to had nothing but great things to say about the Marantos. I sure agree.

They've got me helping out a little but basically it's just a chance to schmooze and meet new people to be guests on the Mothership Connection. I've found a few already and I am glad I made it a point to come out here this week. Everything about the place is first class. If I had to take a week off of working comedy clubs this was the perfect way to handle it.

The food is wonderful and the accommodations are totally top shelf and the weather has been absolutely perfect. We all had fun today but I came back home to go do WGN in the morning with Jerry's Kidders. Doing it on the phone makes it harder for everyone and I'd rather just drive in and do it right - but I'll head right back to Galena for more UFO fun.

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Can A Harmless UFO Obsessive Stricken By Autism Be Saved From 70 Years In A Brutal American Jail?

By Geoffrey Wansell
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The fate of self-confessed 'bumbling computer nerd' and UFO spotter Gary McKinnon - who faces extradition to the U.S. and a possible 70-year prison sentence after hacking into 97 military and Nasa computers - hangs in the balance.

In just a few days, this softly-spoken 43-year-old, who suffers from Asperger's Syndrome (a form of autism), will go to the High Court in London for a judicial review that might allow him to appeal again against his extradition.

This will be his last chance to stop the British Government sending him for trial in the U.S., where, if found guilty, he could spend what's left of his life in a maximum security jail in New Jersey.

McKinnon's crime was to hack into U.S. military computers in a naive attempt to unearth secrets about the existence of alien life.

It was thoughtless technological vandalism, certainly.

Yet in an astonishingly heavy-handed campaign, the U.S. authorities have sought to have McKinnon extradited using an agreement to aid the prosecution of terror suspects.

His case hasn't gone unnoticed.

A bandwagon of celebrities who wouldn't disgrace an A-list party have lined up to campaign for the cause of this Glaswegian-born geek, who has been fascinated by UFOs since the age of ten.

Sting, actress Julie Christie, Terry Waite, the Mayor of London Boris Johnson, Jane Asher, Peter Gabriel, Tony Benn, former Home Secretary David Blunkett - not to mention Lib Dem MP Chris Huhne and The Proclaimers - have all expressed their heartfelt sympathies.

It's astonishing that such a case has become such a cause celebre.

McKinnon is gaunt, shy and naive - a very unlikely hero.

Julie Christie has written to the Home Secretary expressing her hope that he 'will not become yet another victim of the American

judicial system'.

Terry Waite says 'common sense' is needed because McKinnon's mental condition made him 'irrationally obsessive'.

He also asks: 'Was Gary a spy? Was he attempting to bring down the mighty military force of the U.S.?'

'As far as I know, he was not. He was simply looking for little green men.'

Meanwhile, Boris Johnson has argued: 'It is brutal, mad and wrong even to consider sending this man to America for trial.'

'How can the British Government be so protoplasmic, so pathetic, so heedless of the well-being of its own people, as to sign a warrant for his extradition?'

Former Pink Floyd guitarist David Gilmour has also sung in support of McKinnon on a compilation CD and rock band Marillion have promised to play at a concert backing the hacker.

But when McKinnon finally appears on the steps of the Royal Courts of Justice, his celebrity backers will mean little as he faces judgment accompanied by just his mother, Janis, and solicitor Karen Todner.

Despite the sympathy, the family are not exactly awash with financial donations from their famous supporters.

Indeed, McKinnon's 'Free Gary' campaign website was financed by a family friend.

Janis is the one keeping up her frail son's spirits.

The heartbreak of their seven-year legal battle has certainly taken its toll - McKinnon even attempted suicide, believing his parents would be better off without him.

'It's brought the whole family to the brink of despair,' Janis says. 'Gary's life is in ruins. He has panic attacks. He jumps out of his skin when the doorbell goes - and that's apart from his problems with Asperger's.'

But how did it come to this?

Caught up in his obsession with aliens - and given to smoking cannabis and staying up late into the night - McKinnon's crime was that over a period of two years, starting in 2000, he used his home computer in North London to infiltrate, examine and, allegedly, crash parts of the U.S. military computer network, before and after the 9/11 attacks in New York.

The actions of this gentle man have been called 'the biggest military computer hack of all time' - even though the U.S. is supposed to have the most sophisticated computer security systems in the world.

At one point, McKinnon was even alleged to have wiped important files at the Earle Naval Weapons Station near New Jersey, paralysing munitions supply for the U.S. Atlantic fleet.

He's also alleged to have shut down 2,000 Army computers for 24 hours - posting a notice on the military website saying: 'Your security is cr*p.'

The Americans are, unsurprisingly, furious. 'This was a gross intrusion into a vital military computer system at a time when we, as a nation, had to summon all our resources against further attack,' explained one Assistant U.S. Attorney.

The trouble is, McKinnon didn't stop there. Once he'd started hacking, he couldn't stop.

In the wake of the 9/11 attacks, McKinnon went so far as to post a message on the website under his online pen name 'SOLO'.

It read: 'U.S. foreign policy is akin to government-sponsored terrorism these days . . . It was not a mistake that there was a huge security standdown on September 11 last year. . . I am SOLO. I will continue to disrupt at the highest levels.'

U.S. authorities now allege that McKinnon caused =A3;500,000 worth of damage to their computers, a charge he fiercely denies.

Despite his denials, as one attorney put it: 'There are some Americans who want to see Gary fry.'

McKinnon was caught when investigators traced software he used back to his girlfriend's email account. The British police first knocked on his door in 2002.

Initially, the authorities were laid-back about the supposed cyber-terrorist in their midst.

'Don't worry,' police told him, 'There's no evidence that you've caused any damage. You're looking at six months community service.'

'They also said that, out of all the computers they'd examined, Gary was one of the only people whose computer had no pornography on it,' his mother tells me with a faint smile.

They even suggested he might try for a job in their high-tech unit once the case was over - so great were his computer skills.

McKinnon has never claimed innocence - indeed, quite the opposite. 'What I did was illegal and wrong, and I accept I should be punished.'

'But I am not a member of Al-Qaeda and I am not a terrorist. The American reaction has been out of all proportion. They want to destroy me.'

The British Crown Prosecution declined to press charges against him after this first arrest - but that didn't deter the American authorities.

They started to press hard for his extradition.

In June 2005, he was re-arrested and sent to Brixton prison.

'Gary was held overnight in a cell with a Scottish murderer,' Janis tells me. 'He was beside himself.'

The following morning, McKinnon was taken to court. 'I could see he was terrified,' says his stepfather, Wilson Sharp.

'I thought "He's not going to survive being locked up."

'He's a gentle guy. He's a vegetarian and a pacifist - a musician. I was so relieved when he was given bail.'

But the bail was to cost McKinnon dear. One of the conditions of his freedom was that he could not use a computer to connect to the internet - a terrible blow for a man who lived with a keyboard in front of him day and night, often sitting in front of his computer in his dressing gown, drinking beer.

His notoriety also cost him his relationship with his girlfriend, Tamsin, saw him kicked out of two different flats, and lose a string of jobs.

He now lives on benefits in rented accommodation.

But one good thing did come out of McKinnon's notoriety.

In 2007, after he appeared on television to argue his case against extradition, his behaviour onscreen led a string of medical experts - including Professor Simon Baron-Cohen of Cambridge University, one of the world's leading authorities on autism - to contact the show's producers to suggest that he could have Asperger's Syndrome.

The experts pointed out that McKinnon's monotone voice, his lack of hand expressions and his 'overly literal' view of the world were all symptoms of the condition.

It all made sense to Janis.

She remembered that Gary had been an introverted and sensitive child who taught himself to play the piano by the age of seven.

'One day, we came in to find him playing the Moonlight Sonata,' she recalls. 'He spent all his time composing music alone in his room.'

As McKinnon grew up, so he retreated farther and farther into his obsessive world, launching a life-long obsession with aliens - joining the British UFO Research Association at the age of ten.

It was this obsession that led McKinnon to hack into the military computer systems.

He was convinced that the Pentagon and Nasa had secret evidence of extra-terrestrial life.

Deluded, even a little mad you might think, but hardly the hallmark of a terrorist.

Yet American authorities clearly want to send a message to the computer hackers of the world - and are using McKinnon to do it.

McKinnon says: 'I would gladly face trial in the UK now under the Computers Misuse Act. Britain is the only country in the world that will extradite its own nationals without prima facie evidence.'

His newly-discovered medical condition forms the basis of this last High Court appeal, in an attempt to establish whether his condition had an impact on his actions - and whether a lengthy period of imprisonment might damage his frail psyche.

Janis remains hopeful. 'Gary's Asperger's doesn't excuse what he did, because if you commit a crime, you commit a crime.'

'But I would say to both Gordon Brown and David Cameron: you both know about having young, vulnerable sons.'

'Should we really be extraditing our vulnerable adults and letting them serve so long abroad? Seventy years for looking for UFOs?'

'Gary just wants to be tried in his own country.'

But right now, McKinnon is 'just waiting', according to his mother.

'The only thing that is getting him through is cooking,' she says.

'He loves to cook vegetarian food. He is so precise. Each mushroom has to be cut to exactly the same size. Right now, that's what keeps him together.'

As for Janis, all she can do is spend every minute of the day campaigning for him.

'We've been told of stun guns and male rape in these American penitentiaries.'

'I have awful nightmares of what will happen to Gary in one of those hell-holes.'

She now pins all her hopes on the judicial appeal.

Whatever the rights and wrongs of her son's actions, it is heart-rending to hear the desperation in her voice as she speaks of her son's future.

When her bewildered boy walks into the High Court, the only people who can save him from an American maximum security jail, and the possibility of life behind bars, are the judges on the bench.

Additional reporting by Zoe Brennan

[Thanks to Dave Haith for the lead]

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Again, since we don't know the real history of this planet we're
on any number of possibilities could hold ground.

Just recently a fossil was presented of a creature that now
throws primates tens of millions of years back than what we'd
believed possible. Now if you had theorized that up until now
you would have been ridiculed. Now the history books have been

upended again. It seems like the one stable thing in science is that if we keep looking, we'll find more things to study.

The ETH and TH of some UFO encounters both have lots of evidence to support both now. Debaters will ask where the ancient civilizations and their massive cities are. Who says they had to have massive cities? Just because we solve problems that way doesn't mean other intelligent life forms would do the same. We may not be the sharpest tools in the shed. We're very emotional and combative creatures as the constant hot debates on this list alone validate. We fight tooth and nail over everything from which sports team should win, which political groups we should support and worst of all religion.

Just about every major religion talks about peace but that's the last place you'll find some.

Perhaps the successful civilizations resolve these issues early on with something called sanity.

Archaeology doesn't have the manpower to dig up this planet. I'd bet if we took all the ground covered by archaeology in the past 200 years it would probably cover an area no bigger than an 18 hole golf course. All the dirt dug up might not even fill one of our trash landfills.

I recall very early in my archaeological studies from the early 70's as a youngster the painstaking process of excavation. I was fortunate to have contacts with people friends of the Leaky family. It's grueling work and often the best stuff is found by accident from people who had no desire to find fossils. Mr. Cremona brings many an argument with devices and fossils that don't fit the present paradigm. In the past 100 years alone the Earth's age has gone back from millions to billions of years old.

Could there have been pockets of life forms that reached levels of intelligence to advance to high tech and they in turn lifted up the life forms they found affinity for? The way we treat dogs and cats with affection one day they might start walking on two legs and using computers. Evolution doesn't always take tens of millions of years. Recent examples of fish who mutate within a generation or two pretty much shocked scientists.

So yes, the preponderance of evidence points to the ETH but that shouldn't be the only viewpoint as there is no physical proof we've identified yet. We waste our time trying to get our government to disclose information but they won't and I don't even ask my friends in government anymore about the matter because they'll talk about everything except UFOs. They don't say no, they just won't get anywhere near a yes and that says much more than if they were to get to flapping their gums.

I've said it before and I'll say it again, we don't need our government to validate what is real. We need our government to disclose to us our responsibilities in any area we encounter. That's our birthright in the U.S., the covenant made to us by our government.

So the bottom line is we can say to the public, yes, without a doubt some UFOs are of extraterrestrial origin and some are of terrestrial origin and the phenomena has been recorded by historians since the earliest of our species' records. We can also say that governing powers are not only negligent in disclosing information in regard to the issue but are also reticent in doing so. This is a people's issue and we'll have to resolve it ourselves. Now unfortunately when one day soon we do resolve it, the governments that held back that info will be out on the streets looking for new jobs.

Best,

Greg
ufomafia.com/blog

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Re: The Real History Of This Planet

From: **Gerald O'Connell** <goc.nul>
Date: Sun, 31 May 2009 15:34:33 +0100
Archived: Sun, 31 May 2009 13:25:00 -0400
Subject: Re: The Real History Of This Planet

>From: Ed Gehrman <egehrman.nul>
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>Date: Sat, 30 May 2009 17:01:56 -0700
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>I don't see how anyone could distinguish a forty million year
>old earth evolved civilization from a forty million year-old
>civilization from Zeta.

You only need to reflect upon the evolutionary pathway of
whales and dolphins - sea to land and back to sea - to
understand the utter futility of this discussion. I am referring
not just to this thread but also to all the other threads that
have picked over the bones of this ideological corpse.

Forty million years? That's long enough to start out on
Earth/Zeta, migrate to Zeta/Earth and come back 'home'
unrecognisable as the species that first left its 'original'
solar system - several times over...

I'm all in favour of a dose of creative speculation, but to
raise one line of thought into a near-theological dogma is sheer
folly. Far better to understand and embrace the myriad
possibilities that abound, and to allow that to serve as an
inspiration for the collection and analysis of real evidence.

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Re: Shoot 'Em Down

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <alienview.nul>
Date: Sun, 31 May 2009 11:37:48 -0500
Archived: Sun, 31 May 2009 13:28:00 -0400
Subject: Re: Shoot 'Em Down

>From: Don Ledger <dledger.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Sun, 31 May 2009 10:48:34 -0300
>Subject: Shoot 'Em Down [was Friedman's Pseudo-Science Of Anti-Ufology]

>>From: Alfred Lehmborg <alienview.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Sat, 30 May 2009 16:03:08 -0500
>>Subject: Re: Friedman's Pseudo-Science Of Anti-Ufology

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>>people from beyond the deviational rift. Our hubris in this
>>regard disservices us, I expect.

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>>criticized.

>Hi Al,

>186 aircraft in one month in the early 1950s is astounding.
>Surely there was soul searching going on during this period.

>I must admit that I have been ambivilant about this 'shoot down
>order' thing up until recently. Stan Friedman needs to be
>applauded for keeping it on the front burner and Feschino for
>struggling/suing to get his butchered book back under his
>control and for doing the research in the first place.

Hiya Don...

Yeah, around twenty large passed through three law firms over
four years but the first book is officially dead - all ties and
entanglements severed. The book aforementioned, a published
distortion of facts as they were reported to the publisher, can
at best be treated as a distorted comic book -all respect to
comic books- badly describing the actual incident, a work
legally found to be failing its contract with Frank to report
his arduous research adequately. Criticism based on that volume
is irrelevant.

The aforementioned and thoroughly repudiated book is officially
declared a false start. Feschino begins now. Buckle-up, eh?

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From: Frank Warren <frank-warren.nul>
Date: Sun, 31 May 2009 09:24:07 -0700
Archived: Sun, 31 May 2009 16:18:14 -0400
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>>Put together that these aircraft were lost during a period of
>>high UFO incursion into sensitive airspace areas -the highest in
>>history- and that these men and machines lost had standing
>>orders to shoot those UFOs down. Maybe that bumps both brows?

>>This happened in 1952 during the summer of saucers and has all
>>manner of unsettling implications attendant, eh? I mean here is
>>ETH walking right up and spitting in your eye and then charging
>>for eyewash, am I right? Real "up close and personal" ETH. ETH
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Ed, Alfred, Don, et al,

Just a note to say that Stan is on the road, and presumably
won't be able to respond in a timely fashion . . .

Cheers,

Frank

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Re: Galena Conference 'Civilian' Report

From: **Bruce Maccabee** <brumac.nul>
Date: Sun, 31 May 2009 15:48:05 -0400
Archived: Sun, 31 May 2009 16:23:37 -0400
Subject: Re: Galena Conference 'Civilian' Report

>Source: On Milwaukee.Com

><http://onmilwaukee.com/myOMC/blog/show/2855>

>May 30, 2009

>Inner Outer Space Circle
>By ItsMrLucky
>Community Blogger

>F>riday May 29th, 2009 -

>Galena, IL -- One of the things I'm most proud of in my life is
>the number of interesting communities I've had a chance to
>become part of. I'm a part of the standup comedy community and
>the radio community and the pro wrestling community and the
>sports card dealer community, at least in the Milwaukee and
>Chicago areas. Now I'm adding yet another one to that list.

>I'm really enjoying the people I'm meeting at the Out Of This
>World UFO Conference and I can totally see myself becoming a
>part of this community too. I'm very interested in the topic and
>always have been and everyone here has been very friendly. I
>feel totally at home with these people and that doesn't happen
>very often for me. I like the vibe a lot.

<snip?

>The food is wonderful and the accommodations are totally top
>shelf and the weather has been absolutely perfect. We all had
>fun today but I came back home to go do WGN in the morning with
>Jerry's Kidders. Doing it on the phone makes it harder for
>everyone and I'd rather just drive in and do it right - but I'll
>head right back to Galena for more UFO fun.

Nothing like the 'lighthearted' approach to ufology. After all,
if the people are nice and th food is good...what more do you
need? UFOs and the implications of TRUFO reality? Who needs that?
Just keep the good times coming.

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MUFON Anniversary

From: **Terry Groff** <terry.nul>
Date: Sun, 31 May 2009 14:58:17 -0500
Archived: Sun, 31 May 2009 17:25:00 -0400
Subject: MUFON Anniversary

To the list

FYI

MUFON was founded this day in 1969 in Seguin, Texas

Terry Groff
Deputy Director of Investigations
MUFON International

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Source: Frank Warren's Blog The UFO Chronicles

<http://tinyurl.com/InterceptionCaseClosed>

Sunday, May 31, 2009

Time And Perseverance Ends The Interception

Interception Case Closed
By Dennis Balthaser

After 12 years my experience with alleged United States Air Force OSI, (Office of Special Investigation Agents) can finally be put to rest. The end results are not what other researchers that worked with me on it expected at the time of the incident, but it is reassuring to know that after all this time, I can now publicly state what we believe took place and I can move on to other investigations.

For those not familiar with "the Interception" back in June 1997, a full account of the incident can be read at:

<http://tinyurl.com/nsb4og>

As a brief recap of the event, I'll try to summarize it in this editorial, and propose the conclusion arrived at with the help of other researchers that became involved 12 years ago.

I had been volunteering at the UFO Museum in Roswell less than a year as the UFO investigator, when a phone call was received from a gentleman in Oklahoma that stated his dad had been involved with the Roswell Incident as a military policeman, and he had a piece of metal from the debris field that he wanted to get rid of.

Several phone calls took place between the son and myself to arrange a meeting in Oklahoma to interview his Dad and get the metal for testing.

Only three people at the UFO Museum - the Museum Director, Deon Crosby, two founders of the Museum, mortician Glenn Dennis and Max Littell - were aware of the phone calls and the pending trip I would make to Oklahoma. Since my son was going to college at Oklahoma State in Stillwater, where the gentleman's son's phone calls originated from, I used a visit to my son as a cover story for anyone that questioned why I wasn't at the Museum.

Upon arriving in Oklahoma I was unable to make contact with the gentleman's son, during 3 phone calls I made to the only phone number I had, leaving a message on their recorder each time.

About 3:30 a woman returned my call and said to meet them at a Denny's restaurant at 7 PM. I went to Denny's, and a man and woman came in fitting the clothing description she had given me on the phone. The gentleman asked, "Are you Dennis?", and I said, "Yes". He said, "The gentleman you planned on meeting will not

be here." I asked, "Who are you?" He said, "We're Special Agents of the United States Air Force, Office of Special Investigations." I said, "How did you know I was coming over here" and he said, "We knew Monday that you'd be here Friday." I asked, "Is my phone tapped" and he said, "You know how we do business."

That meeting at Denny's lasted three and a half hours, talking about the gentleman that allegedly had the metal, the Roswell Incident, Area 51 and other UFO related events. He had a New Mexico map and we talked about the crash sites, and he had drawings of UFOs that we discussed.

Not knowing who I was dealing with and uncomfortable with the situation I was in, I didn't take any notes during the meeting with these two people. The younger lady with him didn't talk much during the meeting. During our discussions he did mention things that I could verify, but also made statements about the Roswell Incident that I hadn't heard before.

Upon returning to my hotel, I made a cassette recording of everything I could remember from the meeting, and on my drive back to Roswell made notes when I remembered something else.

I made several more phone calls to the son upon returning to Roswell, describing my disappointment with the events that had taken place and each time someone would come on the phone claiming to be representing the United States Air Force, OSI office.

For about 5 days I was paranoid, putting tape on my vehicle hood and fender, (an old police trick), and not knowing what I'd find when returning to my residence each night.

I lost weight over the next few weeks and finally contacted Stanton Friedman, since I was now in a situation I had never been in before. Stanton suggested that I go public with the 'Interception' for my own protection, which I did by combining my notes into a lecture presentation that I presented at the UFO Museum in October 1997 to a crowd of over 200 people.

Stanton was right, and I did feel relieved when I publicly exposed the experience. I had also confided in Don Schmitt, another well-known Roswell researcher, as they were both researchers I'd worked with and respected their experience.

Shortly after I went public, another researcher, Frank Warren, got involved with my attempt to determine who I had been dealing with and more importantly, what their motive was by having me come to Oklahoma and being unable to get the results I was seeking.

Frank had been involved with UFO research since the 1970's, and today Frank's research has evolved into one of the most informative blogs on the Internet,

www.theufochronicles.com

and we have had an outstanding relationship for the past 12 years. I am forever indebted to Frank for the untiring research he has done, particularly his perseverance into the 'Interception'.

OSI Badge & Shield

Frank has discovered that I was set up or hoaxed by the 'Interception' and that it wasn't the first time this guy claiming to be an OSI agent has scammed someone.

Perhaps his motive was the UFO Museum, but as the Volunteer UFO Investigator for the Museum - as determined by the then staff - I was the victim.

The woman at the meeting turned out to be the ex-wife of the alleged agent who met with me and has admitted to her ex-husband perpetrating such hoaxes on other occasions, to other individuals.

For the past few years when doing the 'Interception' lecture or discussing the event, I have contemplated legal action against this individual, since it turned out that he was impersonating

Federal agents and that I was hoaxed by him. It would seem to me that the United States Air Force would be interested in knowing that someone is impersonating their agents, or perhaps the FBI would be interested in putting an end to such an individual's actions.

When it went down in 1997 I really believed that I was on to something, as did other researchers that I confided in pertaining to the Roswell Incident, however I think it's also credible that the truth has come out thanks to our research and teamwork.

The admission that the 'Interception' was a hoax is to me an example of how good research can produce positive results and a conclusion to an event or incident.

I've learned a lot about such a situation, in the event an opportunity such as this came up again and I'm thankful that I have access to other researchers that share my same desire to find the truth.

The 'Interception' happened just as I described it and it precipitated an investigation, in which the end result exposed a fraud.

I will leave the 'Interception' experience posted on my website - adding this final account to it - and hope that it will serve as an example of good research.

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