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Orange County's Moment In UFO history
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<http://tinyurl.com/yl7xoxf>

Is The Truth Out There?
Irvine Times
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Flint UFO Sighting Was Likely Plane In Low Clouds, FAA Says
The Flint Journal - MLive.com
<http://tinyurl.com/ygupq5t>

Ukraine Releases UFO National Archive
NRCU - Ukrainian Radio
<http://www.nrcu.gov.ua/index.php?id=148&listid=103160>

From 'The Norm':

Plasma Surrounding UFOs
<http://www.hyper.net/ufo/video-footage.html>

H.R. Giger: Father of the alien
On the 30th anniversary of his most famous creation, the artist behind the creature is still annoyed at how he was treated by Hollywood
<http://www.nationalpost.com/arts/story.html?id=2164373>

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Re: It's Just Not Science

From: Jason Gammon <boyinthemachine.nul>
Date: Sun, 01 Nov 2009 00:26:50 -0400
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Subject: Re: It's Just Not Science

>From: Ray Dickenson <r.dickenson.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Fri, 30 Oct 2009 16:32:52 -0000
>Subject: Re: It's Just Not Science

>>From: Jason Gammon <boyinthemachine.nul>
>>To: post.nul
>>Date: Thu, 29 Oct 2009 12:42:05 -0400
>>Subject: Re: It's Just Not Science

<snip>

>>Care to mention the sources of our "psyche" being able to affect
>>the material world? The reason I ask is that I was under the
>>impression that Bell's Theorem explained away all that "spooky
>>magic stuff" about the observer and the observed in Quantum
>>Mechanics.

>Hi Jason,

>Try the P.E.A.R page (it was still there last check) -

>Scientific Study of Consciousness-Related Physical Phenomena:

>http://www.princeton.edu/~pear/human_machine.html

>Cheers

>Ray D

Thanks Ray.

You might also try this webpage for a more skeptical view to the
now defunct P.E.A.R.

<http://www.skepdic.com/pear.html>

-Jason

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UFO Theory In Anniversary Of Egyptair Flight

From: **Greg Boone** <Evolbaby.nul>
Date: Sun, 1 Nov 2009 10:26:32 EST
Archived: Sun, 01 Nov 2009 10:33:32 -0400
Subject: UFO Theory In Anniversary Of Egyptair Flight

This is very interesting in that the U.S. and Egypt are at odds with what was behind EgyptAir Flight 990's crash.

<http://tinyurl.com/yh5tu6c>

I noticed in the story the term UFO. That got my attention as the story is from UPI.

I then noticed that it is just that, a designation for Unidentified Flying Object. Just a flying object that is unidentified that the pilot was trying to avoid.

Why would the Egyptian Civil Aviation Authority propose that the First Officer may have lost control trying to avoid a collision and then have another one of those aviation experts from MIT be so critical stating that:

"When evading a UFO is your best argument for why an aircraft did that, you're on pretty weak ground."

More info on this story would be nice to read without it being so far out of context. Just to see behind the scenes of these types of investigations as safety is the foremost concern.

Best,

Greg
ufomafia.com/blog

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Subject: UFOs: The Secret History DVD Box Set

David Cherniack's

UFOs: The Secret History

is undoubtedly the best UFO documentary to date... and the 'extras' discs are a phenomenal resource!

ebk

The 3 DVD Box Set or individual discs may be ordered from:

<http://tinyurl.com/allinonefilms>

Subtitled for the Hearing Impaired

Professionally produced for broadcast with historically accurate 3d animations. includes key interviews with leading ufologists who normally decline to talk to the media

This ground breaking, feature length, documentary is a cultural history of the UFO phenomenon... from the dawn of the modern era in the late '40s, all the way up to the present moment.

It shows that the narrative history of UFOs can not be separated from the cultural context of each period... How the powerful thematic of extraterrestrial visitation=85taken seriously by Air Force Intelligence from the start=85quickly became a problem of national security as the public's fear and fascination created a powerful and unpredictable mythology that in turn became manipulated by the intelligence agencies, at first because of the Cold War, but more recently, for as yet unknown reasons...

with Michael Swords, Jerry Clark, David Jacobs, Eddie Bullard, Budd Hopkins, Travis Walton, Robert Friend, Bruce Maccabee, J. Gordon Melton, David Rudiak, Tracy Torm=E9, Stanton Friedman, Kathleen Marden, Ann Druffel, William Hartmann, Linda Howe, Frank Joyce and others...

Disc 2 - The ETH and Contact - 44 minutes

A two-part discussion.

- Part 1 examines the Extra-terrestrial Hypothesis - the notion that some UFO reports are probably explained by extra-terrestrial visitation. The topic is covered from historical, scientific, and cultural points of view.

- Part 2 looks at why visitation might not include official contact... and examines the potential impact on our civilization. Strategies for how an advanced culture might initiate contact with a less advanced culture are discussed.

=46rom extended interviews done for UFOS: The Secret History

with Jerry Clark, Wendy Connors, Jan Aldrich, Michael Swords, Robert Friend, Mark Rodeghier, Hal Puthoff, Bernie Haisch, Bill Hartmann, Eddie Bullard, and Al Harrison.

Disc 3 - Abductions - 143 minutes

An in depth discussion of the abduction phenomenon...probably the most detailed ever to be put on film. It includes:

- Historical discussion of the modern phenomeon
the impact of Budd Hopkins, David Jacobs, The Roper Poll,
& John Mack
- Evidence and Methodology
- Psychological Perspectives
- Alternate Reality Perspectives
- An Experiencer's Viewpoint

=46rom extended interviews done for UFOS: The Secret History

with Jerry Clark, David Jacobs, Eddie Bullard, Travis Walton, Mark Rodeghier, Al Harrison, Steven J. Lynn, Stuart Appelle, Janet Colli, Ann Druffel, and Will Bueche.

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From: Jason Gammon <boyinthemachine.nul>
Date: Sun, 01 Nov 2009 00:49:34 -0400
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Subject: Re: Abduction Debunking Has Already Begun

>From: Steve Sawyer <stevesaw.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Sat, 31 Oct 2009 02:05:40 -0700
>Subject: Re: Abduction Debunking Has Already Begun

>>From: Jason Gammon <boyinthemachine.nul>
>>To: post.nul
>>Date: Fri, 30 Oct 2009 01:49:55 -0400
>>Subject: Re: Abduction Debunking Has Already Begun

<snip>

>>Basically oust the Keelians, the Valleeians, and other
>>cultists who prescribe to "theories" that are not rooted in a
>>physical reality and literally stand no chance of ever being
>>scientifically proven.

>Hi, Jason/List---

>So you consider Vallee some kind of "cultist"? I don't think you
>have studied his writings thoroughly or understood them very
>clearly then. Have you ever read his paper "Five Arguments
>Against the Extra-terrestrial Origin of Unidentified Flying
>Objects"?

My use of the term "Valleeians" refers to Vallee's dedicated
followers.

No, I have never read that paper, nor the paper below.

>See: <http://bit.ly/1jgCex>

>Or his paper with Eric Davis, "Incommensurability, Orthodoxy and
>the Physics of High Strangeness: A 6-layer Model for Anomalous
>Phenomena"

>See:

><http://bit.ly/1fXEjk> and related slides at: <http://bit.ly/Kkk4P>

>Vallee simply posits that UFOs are not necessarily
>extraterrestrial craft piloted by aliens, but does not rule out
>the ETH. He thinks the UFO phenomenon may indicate a far more
>complex and richer source or origin than the basic "nuts and
>bolts" school of mainstream ufology in regard to defining the
>ETH or other alternative considerations as to the possible
>nature and sources of UFO phenomenology.

Vallee would make the phenomena far more mysterious than it
already is, or even ought to be.

>"High strangeness" cases, as defined by both Hynek and Vallee,
>among many others, simply states that many cases of UFO
>incidents, including multiple-witness cases which include radar
>and other sensor-based technologies recording a genuine
physical >phenomena, such as the famous 1957 RB-47 case, for
just one >example, have aspects of phenomena, behavior,
appearance or >other definite patterns of both frequency and
repetition that have >to include and consider elements of "high

strangeness" reports >and evidence, not exclude them, in order to obtain a more thorough >and scientific basis for genuine research and empirical investigation >of the whole body of facts in a wide variety of reports and cases >of UFOs, not just selecting those which one may personally >consider "credible"-- to do otherwise is not science, which based >on your prior statements in this thread, I assume you consider >a quite important starting point.

Yes Steve, if you re-read my comments I refer to this. I wrote about not getting rid of the cases that involve cars dying during a sighting, but tossing the strange cases of occupants handing out space-pancakes.

-Jason

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>From: Greg Boone <Evolbaby.nul>
>To: post.nul
>Date: Sat, 31 Oct 2009 16:17:38 EDT
>Subject: Re: The Dudley's Merry Hill UFO Video

>>From: Don Ledger <dledger.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Fri, 30 Oct 2009 11:33:47 -0300
>>Subject: Re: The Dudley's Merry Hill UFO Video

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Don Ledger

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Date: Mon, 2 Nov 2009 01:51:00 +0000
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Gerald O'Connell
<http://www.onlyport.com>

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UFO Expert To Share Perspective At Library
Journal and Courier
<http://www.jconline.com/article/20091101/NEWS/911010349>

Exclusive: Mystery Of Brean UFO 'Plane In Flames' Sighting Solved?
Burnham-On-Sea
<http://tinyurl.com/yfcuz9f>

More Canadians Visiting UFO Museum
Nova News Now
<http://tinyurl.com/yaeroa>

Flash Forward Offers Glimpses Into The Future And Perhaps A UFO
UFODigest
<http://www.ufodigest.com/news/1109/flashforward.php>

Woman On UFO Site Claims Object Spotted In Pavilion Area
The Batavian
<http://tinyurl.com/ydpl14f>

From Greg Boone:

Victoria Alexander's Review Of The Fourth Kind
<http://www.filmsinreview.com/2009/11/01/the-fourth-kind/>

From Frank Warren's The UFO Chronicles:

UFOs 'Solid and Under Intelligent Control,' Confirms Brazilian
Military Document
<http://tinyurl.com/ye6r72b>

Russia Hopes Nuclear Ship Will Fly Humans To Mars
<http://tinyurl.com/y9xkjg3>

MY UFO Experience:
Rush Hour Drivers Witness Florescent Green UFO In Boston MA
<http://tinyurl.com/yh7djya>

Vidcast:
Perpetrators of Meteorite Hoax Face \$26,000 Fine!
<http://tinyurl.com/yjgprt>

The Difference Between A Conspiracy Theorist And A Conspiratologist
<http://tinyurl.com/yh2pcud>

'Zamora UFO' Spotted within 24 Hours In Santa Fe!
<http://tinyurl.com/ybe34v4>

My UFO Experience: Air Traffic Rerouted At La Guardia Airport
While Dozens Witness Cylindrical Shaped Craft
<http://tinyurl.com/ygs7gz2>

From 'The Norm':

Rational and Irrational Thought: The Thinking That IQ Tests Miss
<http://tinyurl.com/yklodto>

More information on the complete November 2009 edition of Scientific American Magazine is at
<http://www.scientificamerican.com/sciammind/?contents09-11>

Why Smart People Do Stupid Things
Thinking rationally demands mental skills that some of us don't have and many of us don't use.
<http://tinyurl.com/mo7ugv>

Ghost Worlds: The Search For Other Earths
<http://tinyurl.com/yafre3u>

Is Disclosure Imminent?
<http://tinyurl.com/y9wa5ay>

Disinformation
<http://www.binnallofamerica.com/sos10.29.9.html>

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Alien Jigsaw Update: 01-11-09

From: **K Wilson** <K.Wilson.nul>
Date: Mon, 02 Nov 2009 09:50:51 -0600
Archived: Mon, 02 Nov 2009 11:37:03 -0400
Subject: Alien Jigsaw Update: 01-11-09

Here's What's New at The Alien Jigsaw

Double Trip
By Danion Kell

Danion Kell shares his experience and beautiful illustrations involving a very wise ET with dark skin in his encounter titled 'Double Trip'.

http://www.alienjigsaw.com/Whats_New/Whats_new.html

K. Wilson
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Date: Mon, 2 Nov 2009 11:14:30 EST
Archived: Mon, 02 Nov 2009 11:41:18 -0400
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>From: Gerald O'Connell <goc.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
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<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nurflugel/>

<http://tinyurl.com/horten-nurflugels>

Ok Gerald, you've got yourself about ten years worth of reading
to do to catch up.

Best,

Greg
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Re: Percentages Of 'Real' Sightings

From: Gildas Bourdais <bourdais.gildas.nul>
Date: Mon, 2 Nov 2009 17:41:47 +0100
Archived: Mon, 02 Nov 2009 12:45:00 -0400
Subject: Re: Percentages Of 'Real' Sightings

>From: David Rudiak <drudiak.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Wed, 28 Oct 2009 23:26:09 -0700
>Subject: Re: Percentages Of 'Real' Sightings

>>From: Ray Dickenson <r.dickenson.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto" <post.nul>
>>Date: Wed, 28 Oct 2009 11:18:39 -0000
>>Subject: Percentages Of 'Real' Sightings

>>Watching I Know What I Saw and noted that the French
>>representative, talking of GEPAN's conclusions, said that "15%
>>of cases were unidentified." - while the UK rep stuck to the
>>US/UK line that "only 5% are unidentified".

>The only reason the USAF final Blue Book percentage ended up
>around 5% (actually 6%) was because they received marching
>orders in 1953 (Air Force Regulation 200-2, issued soon after
>the CIA Robertson Panel recommending public debunkery of UFOs)
>to reduce the number of unknowns down to a minimum, ideally 0%.
>Prior to this, Blue Book unknown percentages were always well
>over 20%. The Battelle study (Blue Book Special Report #14),
>issued in 1955 whittled down the AF unknowns to a "mere" 21.5%,
>but after AFR 200-2, the yearly unknown percentages from Blue
>Book typically plummeted down into the 1% or 2% range.

>In addition, we know that most of the really important cases
>after AFR 200-2 actually got sent to other newly formed units to
>investigate, out of the public eye, leaving Blue Book largely
>with the prosaic cases, another way to whittle down the
>percentage of unknowns. Good cases still in the public domain
>were largely "explained" with totally absurd explanations.

>Maybe he UK just followed the U.S.'s lead in UFO debunkery.

>>Wonder if the difference is down to the more pragmatic nature of
>>French people - either those reporting or those investigating?

>The French investigations (GEPAN/SEPRA/GEIPAN) were under the
>auspices of the French space agency and were conducted more
>scientifically than Blue Book ever was. Last I looked, the true
>unknown figure was around 14% of all cases studied, but when you
>throw in the fact that over 40% of all the cases studied were
>deemed to have insufficient information and instead consider
>only the higher quality cases deemed to have sufficient
>information to make a determination, the percentage of unknowns
>rises to around 25%, very similar to the early days of Projects
>Sign, Grudge, and Blue Book before the debunkery directive of
>1953.

David,

I think that your presentation is quite right.

The percentage of unknown at Geipan is similar to the one in
Report 14 of the Battelle Institute and Blue Book.

The percentages of 2 or 5 % are obtained when cases are not

selected well enough, not eliminating cases with insufficient data.

Gildas Bourdais

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Date: Mon, 2 Nov 2009 11:34:04 EST
Archived: Mon, 02 Nov 2009 12:48:00 -0400
Subject: Re: The Dudley's Merry Hill UFO Video

>From: Don Ledger <dledger.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Sun, 01 Nov 2009 18:35:43 -0400
>Subject: Re: The Dudley's Merry Hill UFO Video

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>for you?

I have no idea where you come up with these off the rail
extrapolations.

The aircraft are real. I've been told to my face two different
stories of their origins. One is that they're ours but top
secret, another is that they are not ours which means they're
somebody else's.

That means they're from another country or some other source if
we're to believe the sources. I went to the history books to
study up on the flying wing technologies of the past 100 years.
I drove the JPL and NASA guys crazy with UFO inquiries as well
as the aviation experts from dozens of countries. Since you're
hatted in the history of aviation here are two links that have
data that you can easily recognize and do some digging yourself
regarding the flying wing tech.

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/nurflugel/>

<http://tinyurl.com/horten-nurflugels>

You should easily recognize some of the names on that list and if not just introduce yourself and you should make some awesome friends who are equally as interested and working in the aviation industry. The sites are highly technical but also have a vast amount of valuable aviation, aeronautics history. It's really a treasure trove for fans and enthusiasts alike.

So again, the bottom lines are, these delta winged and triangle craft are real. Whom they belong to has been debated and official sources say they're not in the U.S. arsenal but unofficial sources say otherwise. We've seen in historical disclosure before that top secret craft the public thought were UFOs were actually experimental and operational craft of top secret origin Like the SR 71 and our own Stealth Bomber.

There's no telling what technologies we have as secret and I wouldn't disclose them if I knew about them. Why tell the enemy? My best knowledge says that if push came to shove I personally wouldn't be worried about the U.S. being able to defend itself and I'm glad about that.

UFOs are just that, unidentified flying objects. You know as well as I that there are several theories as to the origin of some of these UFOs. Some theories are popular and acceptable and some aren't, however just like in theoretical physics, physical anthropology, astronomy and any area of research that the new idea or theory, like the theory that man could achieve sustained flight, often face the gauntlet of the status quo who either can't think outside of the box or won't think out of the box. Remember how the NY Times stated that manned flight and the Moon landings were unachievable? How about the development of nuclear fission or quantum mechanics?

Best,

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Date: Mon, 02 Nov 2009 13:41:57 -0400
Archived: Mon, 02 Nov 2009 14:06:48 -0500
Subject: Re: The Dudley's Merry Hill UFO Video

>From: Sean Jones <Sean.Jones.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Wed, 28 Oct 2009 21:39:07 +0000
>Subject: Re: The Dudley's Merry Hill UFO Video

>Warning, this is long!

>>From: Don Ledger <dledger.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Wed, 28 Oct 2009 02:20:05 -0300
>>Subject: Re: The Dudley's Merry Hill UFO Video

>Good Evening again Don

I was away for three days.

<snip>

I've cut some of this because I don't have the time to keep going over the same thing over and over.

>Planes do fly at night. I am also certain the stealth planes fly at night as well. So, how many night time sightings of UFO's could be planes mis-identified.

I never said that planes don't fly at night - but when they do it's under certain rules plus it takes skill to fly at night. Everything changes. I imagine some planes are mistaken for UFOs but often what the witness reports is not matchable to current technology. And actually and it also depends on who is seeing it/ reporting it. And of course stealth planes fly at night, that's how they stay stealthy.????

>I'm pretty sure I can be 100% confident of that as well.

>>>Just because you refuse to accept it, doesn't mean that it isn't possible. There is a distinct lack of supporting evidence that some UFO's are from other planets, doesn't mean that people stop believing it either <g>

>>UFOs are unidentified flying objects not alien spacecraft.

>Careful, that's bordering on heresy around here! <g>

No it is not. And since when has this become a religion? Keep that out of it.

>A UFO is just that, an unexplained flying object. The theories of where they come from is what the nub of the matter is really isn't it.

>>>None to your knowledge.

>>None so far.

>A hundred pounds, dollars or currency of your choice to a charity of your choice if one is made public before this decade is out. Care to take me up on this bet?

You are missing the point. Finding out there is a top secret aircraft flying around means nothing. That doesn't solve a lot of these cases. If you can find me one - particularly a very large craft - that can hover silently and very low - say 3500 feet - displaying multicolored lights of non-aviation sanctioned colors over populated areas then speeds away at high Mach numbers that is admitted to with technical data by some military on this planet [and that it has been doing so for years] then you are on.

>>>I just think it is too easy for the UFO buffs to trot out the >>>same rubbish every time and expect to be believed.

>>So 'I'm' trotting out rubbish. Come on Sean, the rubbish is >>coming from you this time.

>Actually, I'm not doing any more than playing devils advocate & >positing alternative ideas. My first post was commenting about >the similarity of this sighting (before it was concluded that it >was a hoax) and one that I had previously investigated. But I >suppose all "black triangle" sightings could be compared in the >same way.

Now that is a cop-out... the old 'devils advocate' ploy. How many times have I heard that one.

>As for rubbish trotted out by UFO buffs (and I don't mean to >include you in "trotting out this rubbish") I have heard myself >personally, (and I'll never forget the quote) "Whilst we was >watching this UFO they must have read our mind that we was >watching it because it morphed into a plane to make us stop >watching it". Scary!

That's your reason for ignoring other better investigated cases. Why is it you guys always trot out this nonsense that most experienced investigators would not spend 5 minutes on. I see this ploy all too often these days particularly when a debunker is talking to the media; they use these shit cases as examples to explain away the phenoemnon al the while knowing that these are not worth the time to explore.

>>If it happens then it's by accident and then the crap hits the >>fan. Controlled airspace is sacrosanct. I know as a lay person >>you do know nothing about ICAO air regs and you can't just look >>on the internet for them; you have to spend thousands of dollars >>to train and learn many of them then study and keep updating >>yourself. There are thousands of air regulations governing >>flying in controlled and uncontrolled airspace.

>I bow to your superior knowledge on this.

>And <http://www.icao.int/> to those interested.

>>In congested areas at low levels near airports is where most >>accidents happen. Military of civilian some one's ass is going >>to fry. Most airforces of the world don't suffer hotdog antics >>in civil airspace. The cost is too high in human life and >>aircraft costs.

>And rightly so.

>>Let me ask you this. If the MoD claims that UFOs pose no threat >>to national security-where then are these coming from?

>I assume, and this is my assumption only, that if they >consider that they pose no threat it is because "they" know what >they are, or where they are from???

This could be turned around to mean that they can't do anything about what they know.

>>Certainly >>not from the UK top-secret aircraft; the UK doesn't have any.

>To my knowledge, which is admittedly weak in this area, all >plane developments from the UK have been in conjunction with >various of our European neighbours for the past thirty or so >years?

And none of them are of the top secret variety. The Tornado fighter i8s the best example.

>>So are these French or Russian perhaps

>There is more than France in Europe :) And the Russians have
>been caught with the proverbial pants down spying on us numerous
>times, and this has been reported in our press.

What's that got to do with anything. It's mostly all spy
satellites these days, not airplanes.

>>If so how then can the MoD
>>claim there there is no threat to national security if they
>>can't secure the skies over their shopping centers?

>Speaking generally, I can offer several suggestions. One as
>above, two is that radar anomalies happen all the time and
>amount to nothing when investigated. Another suggestion would
>be that the MoD don't much care for the reports of civilians who
>they claim aren't credible witnesses. And as for mobile phone
>footage such as this, they no doubt write it off as a hoax
>straight away.

The MoD, the DoD [US] and the DND here in Canada have spouted the
same mantra-"UFOs are no threat to national security" which is a
cope-out by air forces that can't match the ability of these
things and are outclassed by them. They can't do anything about
them so to avoid embarrassment they ignore them.

>>Are the
>>Americans roaming around your skies willy nilly with top secret
>>aircraft showing off to the locals.
>
>
>Top Gun?? <g>

Top Gun takes place in the American Southwest. It's an exercise
not the bilge that was in the movie.

>>There is great deal of absurdity being postulated as sober
>>reasoning coming from some debunkers in the UK-particularly when
>>it concerns aviation.

>Please don't confuse me with the debunkers. I am a sceptic. I
>don't accept at face value the sighting reports without
>investigation. From my own personal experience well over ninety
>percent of UFO sightings could be resolved when investigated
>thoroughly. The remaining few is where the "fun" lies.

I don't accept that. Once you get into the aircraft side you are
not working with information that can be useful. If you know very
little about aviation how can you come to an informed opinion as
to what is and what is not likely a top secret aircraft or an a/c
of some other ilk. Your remarks about gliders thermalling over the
heat from exhaust and pavement at a shopping center pretty much
gives away your skill level in that department.

Gliders do not fly at night-legally. They have no electrics and
therefore carry no lights. They have a couple of instruments-an
airspeed indicator and a rate of climb indicator. They might have
a hand-held aviation radio on board. It's all about weight with
gliders. They are launched into the air in three ways, airplane
tow, vehicle tow and cable, and winch launch. Each of these
methods requires a ground support crew.

The field I've been flying out of for the last 30 years had
gliders operating for about 25 of them. They shut down about 3
years ago after they lost three 'glider rated' pilots during a 2
year period.

These gliders were launched by a winch mounted on a truck that
played out 5,000 feet of cable that when implemented pulled the
glider up to about 1,800 to 2,000 feet before the glider pilot
released the cable. Each glider launch required 4 or 5 ground
support personnel plus the winch operator a mile away. Most of
them thermalled around - if the conditions were right - at about
3-4,000 feet in the vicinity of the field.

The more experienced glider pilots could go many miles and get
up a couple of miles [max 12,500 feet without oxygen] but they
stayed well away from the populated areas preferring to glide
over areas where there were fields available where the pilot

could land if that pilot could not make it back to the field.

Glider pilots with just that certificate have no night training nor is the aircraft legal to fly at night due to the lack of instruments and lighting.

Now you didn't know any of this until I just told you. Your argument was that you have seen them flying at dusk. That is not nighttime. No one wants a glider flying around in airspace when you have no way of know it's there. They are hard enough to see in daylight due to their slim sillouettes.

>>But if this makes them feel comfortable,
>>good enough. Whatever floats your boat.

>Water generally <g>Seriously. I think to provide a balanced
>argument you need to look at both sides.

No, you need to look at facts. You have ignored a whole sector of the phenomenon that must agree to what is real and what is just fairytale nonsense about aviation.

>Don, whilst you may consider some of my arguments "horse manure"
>others may consider them valid.

It doesn't matter what they think - it's what is fact. If they want to run off hell west and crooked with uninformed belief, that's their problem.

>Whilst your experience in the
>aerospace/pilot industry gives you greater knowledge in certain
>areas, this also could cloud your judgement to new, radical
>ideas.

These aren't radical ideas, Sean. Don't be silly. This stupid top secret argument has been flogged for years by people who know dick about aviation or what's up in the military sector. A prime example is Greg Boone who I now see mentions "our airfield".

>I consider myself fairly open minded and will consider
>alternative arguments even if I think they are too way out
>there, or plain ludicrous, but I will always check them out
>before laughing.

That's your attitude you see. It's laughable whether you have the facts or not. Don't fool yourself, Sean, you are more the debunker than a skeptic.

>
>I hope in our discourse you don't think I am in idiot or
>debunker, or even a looney left fringe flower power hippy, I am
>not. I am just a regular guy who happens to have spent (on &
>off) over twenty five years investigating UFO reports at ground
>level.

Yeah but you missed one impotent section re UFOs-what is and what isn't kosher in aviation.

>All the best

Back at you,

Don Ledger

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Date: Mon, 02 Nov 2009 14:53:08 -0400
Archived: Mon, 02 Nov 2009 15:56:22 -0500
Subject: Re: The Dudley's Merry Hill UFO Video

>From: Greg Boone <Evolbaby.nul>
>To: post.nul
>Date: Mon, 2 Nov 2009 11:34:04 EST
>Subject: Re: The Dudley's Merry Hill UFO Video

>>From: Don Ledger <dledger.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Sun, 01 Nov 2009 18:35:43 -0400
>>Subject: Re: The Dudley's Merry Hill UFO Video

>>>From: Greg Boone <Evolbaby.nul>
>>>To: post.nul
>>>Date: Sat, 31 Oct 2009 16:17:38 EDT
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>>>>From: Don Ledger <dledger.nul>
>>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>>>Date: Fri, 30 Oct 2009 11:33:47 -0300
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>>>We know what we've seen, touched, photographed. I have a huge
>>>family in the U.S. we were here way before there was a U.S. we
>>>work in all branches of government and society and we
>>>communicate. There are names of forebearers on monuments going
>>>back to the Revolutionary War for their service. New ones from
>>>Iraq and Afghanistan. Like you I do things the old fashioned way
>>>by asking and going to see for myself. I trust the collected
>>>phenomena and when all the pieces fit it says something is
>>>there. I also trust my own senses especially when there are
>>>others present. Just because the others present don't trust our
>>>own government, press, and people in the UFO field doesn't mean
>>>that data doesn't exist. It takes manners, trust, and time.

>>Just so we are clear, your take on - just for example - the
>>Hudson Valley of the early 1980s event is that these were top
>>secret American aircraft? Barring that, some of these were top
>>secret aircraft of some other country on this planet? In other
>>words what we call the UFO phenomenon is simply US technology on
>>the march or again that of some other country? So, case solved
>>for you?

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Below is the current link to that illicit usage of my intellectual property:

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I hope to be in contact with a copyright lawyer and the Federal Bureau of Investigation about this illicit use of my copyrighted material later today, or tomorrow, at latest.

Also, you have really sunk your ship of desperation about the Socorro CE III event with your clearly desperate and ridiculous distortion of facts in your latest manufactured set of myths and distortions about the case. I've got you. Yes, Tony, I've really got you now (and did, in fact, before), because of your fantasized distortions about the old USAF reports. You do yourself and your 'case' no favors with those highly fact-distorted propagandistic claims about evidence of pyrotechnics, burned paper, and particulate matter, as I shall show the world.

If you really believe that crock you posted on the above-linked blog, stand up like a man and defend it, or let the UFO community see you cower like the wimp many of us suspect you to be!

I hereby challenge you to the debate you weaseled out of when George Knapp invited us to debate the Socorro case, saying you would when you can name the perpetrators. What a joke and self-deception! Well, dream on, because there were no perpetrators of a hoax in the Socorro CE III case.

I'm, hereby, asking George Knapp to invite the two of us to debate both your earlier ridiculous claims alleging the Socorro CE III case was a student prank, and your silly, make-believe fantasies about materials collected at the Socorro site allegedly substantiating a student prank.

You really are desperate, Tony, now realizing after all the weeks that you cannot name the alleged Socorro pranksters, so now you try to dig old records of which you prove you know next to nothing, and trying to turn them into 'evidence' to support your silly earlier claim and that of Sterling Colgate, whose comments you clearly distorted to your own purposes, as others have shown on the internet.

If you refuse to debate now, if George Knapp will invite me to go ahead and expose your ridiculous claims independently of you (while you hide behind claims that you will debate after future impossible revelations to support your side), I shall go ahead and expose every one of your silly claims for the utter foolishness they are.

So, tell me, Tony, if George Knapp agrees, will you chicken out again? Or will you be a man willing to try to stand behind

your ludicrous claims by debating me as you desperately try to support of your defenseless (and I suspect you _know_ that) claim of the Socorro case being a student prank. Oor would you like me to go ahead alone and 'behead' your completely indefensible claims, with you deliberately and desperately not there, while figuratively hiding like some chicken frightened that George Knapp (if he accepts this offer) and I shall have an old-fashioned chicken plucking and some nice barbecued 'Bragalia-BS' drumsticks for a post-midnight snack? Well, whether you show up or not, if George agrees, I'm planning a barbecue, spiced up with a sauce of demonstrable facts, while your claims shall go up in the smoke of chicken fat.

The jig's up, Tony. If you're really a man, put up your dukes and fight for your totally unsubstantiated claims and uninformed speculations that you've been trying to feed an uninformed public.

Ray Stanford
Author of Socorro Saucer in A Pentagon Pantry (1976)
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From: Carol Maltby <carolmaltby.nul>
Date: Mon, 2 Nov 2009 15:02:47 -0500
Archived: Mon, 02 Nov 2009 17:10:00 -0500
Subject: JJ Mercieca Contact Info Needed

I need to get in contact with JJ Mercieca (John Joseph Mercieca) of MUFOR (Malta UFO Research). His website at mufor.org is no longer available, and the WHOIS for the site is under a private registration.

Mercieca was owner of the Yahoo Cydonia List, and for the last several years Mac Tonnie was the sole moderator there.

One of the regulars has volunteered to take over that task, but we'd need access information for him. The address we have for him in that group's membership List is listed as bouncing emails.

Has anyone been in touch with Mercieca recently, and have up-to-date contact information?

Carol Maltby

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Okay you've only presented info we already know. Why don't you
present us with what you've found out or theorized as to whom
the ownership of these craft is?

They've been reported by most major and smaller countries going
on for decades and no one has claimed ownership.

You've admitted they've been detected over your country as well.

So since you're the expert in this field and no one else can be
except you, what's your theory and explanation?

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Best,

Greg
ufomafia.com

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From: **Stephen Bassett** <PRG.nul>
Date: Tue, 03 Nov 2009 01:09:25 -0500
Archived: Tue, 03 Nov 2009 07:07:49 -0500
Subject: PRG Update - November 3, 2009

PRG
Paradigm Research Group

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Coast to Coast AM w/ George Noory - Wednesday, Nov 4
www.coasttocoastam.com

PRG executive director Stephen Bassett will guest the third hour of the Wednesday Coast to Coast AM talking about the recent Europe Speaking Tour and recent predictions on the web about Disclosure.

PRG Speaking Plans
www.paradigmresearchgroup.org/speaking&eventschedule.html

Stephen Bassett will be speaking at an informal gathering in Sedona, AZ on November 11 at 7 pm. Space is limited. For more info contact Bill Hassel at: wfhassel.nul

The tour of northern Europe went so well plans are in the works for a tour of southern Europe in January/February. Queries will go out soon seeking hosts for cities in Portugal, Spain, southern France, Italy, Greece and Turkey.

Conferences
www.paradigmresearchgroup.org/conferences.html

Nov. 6-8 - Crash Retrieval - Las Vegas (Bassett)
Nov. 9 - UFO Symposium 4 - Tinley Park, IL
Nov. 14-15 - Alienevent - Los Angeles (Bassett)
Nov. 20-22 - Secrets: Energy Revolution - Tempe, AZ

Brazil Developments
www.ufo.com.br (utilize the Google translation function)

A. J. Gevaerd is the editor of Brazilian UFO Magazine, the coordinator of the Brazilian Committee of UFO Researchers (CBU) and a National Director of MUFON. He continues to do outstanding work in developing working relationships with the Brazilian government, obtaining the release of UFO files and bringing forward testimony from high officials.

Brazil has one of the strongest currencies in the world and has been taking a range of measures to increase its global standing. It now must be considered a serious candidate as the first nation to formally act on Disclosure

The Conspiracy Show w/ Richard Syrett
<http://www.TheConspiracyShow.com>

Richard Syrett has consistently worked to provide a platform for the political aspects and implications of the UFO/ET phenomenon. In part due to this commitment he has been bumped around. Now he has a new Internet television show

and PRG encourages all to support this program.

Exopolitics World Network (EWN)
www.exopoliticsworld.net

The EWN continues to expand. The newest countries include: the Netherlands, Poland, Czech Republic, Mauritius and Ireland. That leaves about 170 countries without sites. Contact PRG if you are interested.

IONS, Edgar Mitchell and the Lost Symbol
www.ions.org
<http://tinyurl.com/yfltllo> (Lost Symbol at Amazon)

Best selling author Dan Brown has made the Institute of Noetic Sciences, founded by Dr. Edgar Mitchell, a key part of his new book The Lost Symbol. With an initial print run of 5 million, this book will raise the public awareness of IONS as never before and bring great benefit to this organization. A wonderful gift from the cosmos.

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East Texas UFO?
KLTV
<http://www.kltv.com/Global/story.asp?S=11423506>

Man Investigates Paranormal For 50 years
Washington Observer Reporter
<http://tinyurl.com/yjngpyf>

UFOs - We Were Not Mistaken!
Tivyside Advertiser
<http://tinyurl.com/y8haqpt>

Red Phone: UFOs In South Valley?
Gilroy Dispatch
<http://tinyurl.com/yayrk9g>

NASA And X Prize Announce Winners Of Lunar Lander Challenge
<http://tinyurl.com/ylntz62>

From Scott Corrales:

Argentina: Resident of La Pampa Stood Under a "Flying Saucer"
<http://inexplicata.blogspot.com/>

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From: **Martin Shough** <parcellular.nul>
Date: Mon, 2 Nov 2009 22:44:35 -0000
Archived: Tue, 03 Nov 2009 08:12:00 -0500
Subject: Re: Ray Stanford's Open Letter To Tony Bragalia

>From: Ray Stanford <opus22.nul>
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Hi Ray

Yes, he knows it. Like you and others I can see the crude lashings and sticky tape holding this so-called "case" together and Mr Bragalia knows it because he did the sticking and lashing and is (if he has any self-knowledge at all) anxious and even a little guilty about that in those quiet but ghastly moments of reflection that surely show him to himself as others see him.

The crude lashings and tape holding together this hoaxed cardboard UFO are an emblem and projection of the manner of its invention by Mr Bragalia.

He has not built a motor that runs, he has plaited insinuations with rumours to make a tenuous yarn of faux-copper speculation which is then wound around an armature of non sequiturs in the hope that if it resembles a motor sufficiently then it will run like a motor.

It doesn't.

I'm frankly sickened by this sort of crap, which does nothing but poison the well of conscientious scepticism. There may be an explanation of the Socorro case but, if there is, when it emerges it won't smell anything like this.

Regards

Martin Shough

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From: **Gerald O'Connell** <goc.nul>
Date: Tue, 3 Nov 2009 13:24:10 +0000
Archived: Tue, 03 Nov 2009 09:15:00 -0500
Subject: Re: The Dudley's Merry Hill UFO Video

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Congratulations on a successful return to consensus reality
Greg.

The question you pose is, in itself, an explanation for why this
is 'UFO Updates' and not 'Plane Spotting Updates'.

It was a long trip but you are back in the right place.

--

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

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Subject: Re: Ray Stanford's Open Letter To Tony Bragalia

>From: Martin Shough <parcellular.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Mon, 2 Nov 2009 22:44:35 -0000
>Subject: Re: Ray Stanford's Open Letter To Tony Bragalia

>>From: Ray Stanford <opus22.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Mon, 02 Nov 2009 15:23:36 -0500
>>Subject: Ray Stanford's Open Letter To Tony Bragalia

>>Anthony Bragalia,

>I'm frankly sickened by [AB's] sort of crap, which does nothing
>but poison the well of conscientious scepticism. There may be an
>explanation of the Socorro case but, if there is, when it
>emerges it won't smell anything like this.

I remind everyone that this fatuous "Tony Baggadonuts" wouldn't even get off the launching pad but that unrepentant slanderer Rich Reynolds and his real or imagined "RRR" plethora charge his facile after-burner.

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Re: Ray Stanford's Open Letter To Tony Bragalia

From: **Jerome Clark** <jkclark.nul>
Date: Tue, 3 Nov 2009 08:32:21 -0500
Archived: Wed, 04 Nov 2009 08:55:54 -0500
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>I'm frankly sickened by this sort of crap, which does nothing
>but poison the well of conscientious scepticism. There may be an
>explanation of the Socorro case but, if there is, when it
>emerges it won't smell anything like this.

"Conscientious skepticism"? Come on, Martin. Put those violins
away.

The current silliness re the Socorro case only typifies how
"skepticism" is applied to puzzling UFO reports. (Pardon the
scare quotes, please; I'm afraid they're going to be necessary.)
It's how "conscientious skepticism" - an animal much more
imagined than observed - works, even if in the present instance
the principal theorist happens not to be a debunker in other
contexts. But when it suits their purposes, UFO proponents are
quite able, as history amply demonstrates, to take lessons from
pelicanist birders, who long ago winged away with "skepticism"
and all adjectives, including the just-cited c-one, preceding
it. Mogul balloon, anyone?

As a general principle in a perfect world, skepticism - as in
proper caution and doubt - is a very good and necessary thing.
In rhetorical practice, when applied to the UFO phenomenon and
other heresies, however, it's simply a set-in-stone
predisposition against anomalous reports.

In the real world, "conscientious skepticism," at least as
Martin means it (in the spirit, one might say, of the triumph of
hope over experience), amounts to an oxymoron. Far better, in
fact and practice, to investigate, analyze, and let the facts
fall where they may without ritual mouthing of worn-out
rhetorical tropes. Whether it pretends to be conscientious or
not, "skepticism" long ago lost any actual meaning in
ufological/anomalistic discourse, except as a more respectable-
sounding expression of the hard-right ideology otherwise known
as the disbelief tradition.

The larger point, which everybody appears to have missed, is
that Zamora's sighting did not take place in a vacuum. It was
followed in the next few days by other alleged close encounters
in New Mexico (e.g., the intriguing incident at La Madera on
April 26, two days after the Socorro incident). Allen Hynek, who
was at the Socorro site for Blue Book, was ordered not to
investigate anything else. That's the reason - not their lesser
potential significance - that other reports have passed out of
historical memory and it's possible to treat Socorro as if it
stands (or, more to the point,
falls) alone.

Jerry Clark

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Re: he Dudley's Merry Hill UFO Video

From: Don Ledger <dledger.nul>
Date: Tue, 03 Nov 2009 12:23:31 -0400
Archived: Wed, 04 Nov 2009 09:00:46 -0500
Subject: Re: he Dudley's Merry Hill UFO Video

>From: Greg Boone <Evolbaby.nul>
>To: post.nul
>Date: Mon, 2 Nov 2009 21:36:09 EST
>Subject: Re: The Dudley's Merry Hill UFO Video

>>From: Don Ledger <dledger.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Mon, 02 Nov 2009 14:53:08 -0400
>>Subject: Re: The Dudley's Merry Hill UFO Video

>>>From: Greg Boone <Evolbaby.nul>
>>>To: post.nul
>>>Date: Mon, 2 Nov 2009 11:34:04 EST
>>>Subject: Re: The Dudley's Merry Hill UFO Video

<snip>

>Okay you've only presented info we already know. Why don't you
>present us with what you've found out or theorized as to whom
>the ownership of these craft is?

Bull; you didn't know the history of the implimentation of
contracts for the B-2 and the begin time on the prototype and
the first completion or even rolloput time until I told you
[then perhaps you can now Google it]otherwise you would not have
tried to make the B-2 - an aircraft that didn't even exist at
the time - the culprit in the Hudson Valley sightings. You did
what all of the lightweights do, you see two shapes that look
the same and are in the sky, do nil research put two and two
together and come up with 11. > >They've been reported by most
major and smaller countries going >on for decades and no one has
claimed ownership.

Startling news.

>You've admitted they've been detected over your country as well.

Admitted... like it was being dragged out of me? I've published
some of them. See CUFOS International UFO Reporter, Fall 2002,
Volume 23, Number 3. I've also present papers on these things at
UFO seminars, etc.

>So since you're the expert in this field and no one else can be
>except you, what's your theory and explanation?

Talk about a left handed/back handed compliment. And incidentally
- others can be experts; you just have to immmerse yourself in
aviation for years, follow the technology, watch trends, stuff
like that.

>Since you've stated that no craft can perform as these have been
>reported to do such as hover and accelerate at supersonic
>speeds, then who does have the technology to do so?

Jesus I think you are finally getting the hang of this. Isn't
that the whole point of this business; the process of
elimination to the point where we are left with some pretty
wild-and to some, unacceptable-possibilities. You have been on
this list long enough to know how it works and its purpose.

Science, police work and this business works by the process of elimination, whatever is left...

I don't know what the hell it is; I have my suspicions.

But I know what it isn't.

Don Ledger

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Re: Ray Stanford's Open Letter To Tony Bragalia

From: Don Ledger <dledger.nul>
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Archived: Wed, 04 Nov 2009 10:18:38 -0500
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>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Mon, 02 Nov 2009 15:23:36 -0500
>Subject: Ray Stanford's Open Letter To Tony Bragalia

>Anthony Bragalia,

>I demand that you and/or Rich Reynolds remove my copyrighted
>(1976) illustration of beings beside the Socorro object,
>illicitly lifted from my Socorro book, page 21, _immediately_.

>Below is the current link to that illicit usage of my
>intellectual property:

>www.ufocon.blogspot.com

Ray Stanford did the best work on this case back when it was happening. His boots on the ground, tape and other measuring equipment, the live witnesses to interview. He wrote it all in a book which is there for all to read.

Anthony Bragalia comes along with an unsupportable story backed up by that the pretty lame bunch of so-called 'media people' on Rich Renold's RRR Group website. We all know how expert the media can be re the UFO phenomenon; pronouncement rather than investigation in the majority of the cases.

Reynolds came up with more lame explanations himself on this List a few years back including everything for an non-existent, wayward, Lunar Module to a automobile sized hot air balloon capable of lifting its own weight, two small people, the burner apparatus, fuel and a space to contain the two 'pilots'.

When that didn't pan out there was the 500 foot teather leading up to a huge balloon with the 'capsule on the bottom end.

This is a pure case of attacking the witness rather than addressing the evidence. And from what I've read an attempt to introduce a bunch of squirrel tracks across the moose trail in order to try and divert attention from the real evidence.

What a waste of time this whole exercise is. No proof of the existance of Bragalia's so-called hoaxters who seem to be shy for some reason and recently a piece of cardboard tubing found at the site that was discarded as important but over 45 years later is claimed to be a whiz-bang.

You see with Bragalia's type of 'work' there is no need to prove anything he says, it is sufficient to just try and cast some doubt with veiled and unsupportable claims; and he can keep doing this until the cows come home because he doesn't have to prove anything. He wasn't there, didn't do the work, and frankly he doesn't have the chops for the job to begin with.

It is unfortunate that we have to go through these exercises every few years with the easily impressed who sit in a comfortable chair in front of a screen and wait for the phone to ring.

Don Ledger

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Re: The Dudley's Merry Hill UFO Video

From: **Greg Boone** <Evolbaby.nul>
Date: Tue, 3 Nov 2009 12:05:33 EST
Archived: Wed, 04 Nov 2009 10:22:55 -0500
Subject: Re: The Dudley's Merry Hill UFO Video

>From: Gerald O'Connell <goc.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Tue, 3 Nov 2009 13:24:10 +0000
>Subject: Re: The Dudley's Merry Hill UFO Video

>>From: Greg Boone <Evolbaby.nul>
>>To: post.nul
>>Date: Mon, 2 Nov 2009 21:36:09 EST
>>Subject: Re: The Dudley's Merry Hill UFO Video

>>Since you've stated that no craft can perform as these have been
>>reported to do such as hover and accelerate at supersonic
>>speeds, then who does have the technology to do so?

>Congratulations on a successful return to consensus reality
>Greg.

>The question you pose is, in itself, an explanation for why this
>is 'UFO Updates' and not 'Plane Spotting Updates'.

>It was a long trip but you are back in the right place.

No one said it was 'Plane Spotting Updates'. Perhaps along that
road to consensus reality you're the one who took the detour to
'Arrogance Alley' and 'Condescending Blvd'.

We've been discussing aircraft within the parameters of the
analysis of UFO data. Often this takes us to where we need to
look at aircraft and their performance from the past, present,
and theorized.

So why don't you tell we regular folks who is responsible for
the boomerang-shaped, triangle-shaped aircraft that have been
spotted for decades on end.

I saw Nick Cook's documentary, last night, UFOs: The Secret
Evidence, and sure enough there was a chap in the video
describing an incident with a giant boomerang craft from back in
the '50s.

You can see the video on Google video nowadays.

So in the meantime we'll be awaiting your professional theory on
the subject of the triangles, boomerangs.

Best,

Greg
ufomafia.com

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Lonnie Zamora Passes

From: Ray Stanford <dinosaurtracker.nul>
Date: Wed, 04 Nov 2009 10:18:11 -0500
Archived: Wed, 04 Nov 2009 11:25:00 -0500
Subject: Lonnie Zamora Passes

It is with great sadness that I have learned that Lonnie Zamora has just died, and, alas, in the totally inappropriate and dishonest shadow of aspersions being cast by upon his absolutely outstanding reliability as a witness, by claims he was fooled by a balloon flying off directly the wind, preceded by pyrotechnics!'

Ray Stanford
Author of the 211-page book on the Socorro CE III case

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Re: It's Just Not Science

From: William Treurniet <wtreurniet.nul>
Date: Tue, 03 Nov 2009 21:44:48 -0500
Archived: Wed, 04 Nov 2009 12:16:25 -0500
Subject: Re: It's Just Not Science

>From: Jason Gammon <boyinthemachine.nul>
>To: post.nul
>Date: Fri, 30 Oct 2009 12:40:46 -0400
>Subject: Re: It's Just Not Science

>>From: William Treurniet <wtreurniet.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Wed, 28 Oct 2009 22:49:39 -0400
>>Subject: Re: It's Just Not Science

>>>From: Jason Gammon <BoyintheMachine.nul>
>>>To: post.nul
>>>Date: Wed, 28 Oct 2009 12:03:06 -0400
>>>Subject: Re: It's Just Not Science

>>>You should know that my use of the word "real" is regarding the
>>>physical Universe, not part of the supernatural.

>>I was not referring to the supernatural. I understand there was
>>a time when reality was that the earth was both flat and the
>>center of the universe. Consensus reality is a model in our
>>minds that changes.

>Yes, there was a time when the earth was considered flat.
>Our observations indicate the earth is flat. It took Science to
>prove otherwise. It had nothing to do with "consensus reality".

Consensus reality is the description of reality that most of us
agree with. Science can change that description as you say, so
the last sentence above is nonsense.

>>>Exactly what evidence allows one to conclude that Subconscious
>>>Projections are a possible explanation for the UFO phenomena?
>>>Because Science works from drawing conclusions from the
>>>evidence, not making something up and then seeing if there's any
>>>evidence to support it.

>>I don't think I agree with that. People have been inspired by a
>>new idea, then found evidence to support it. There's the story
>>about the scientist who came up with the idea of the benzene
>>ring from a dream about a snake eating it's tail.

>Yes, but Stradonitz had already been pondering the arrangement
>of the molecule prior to his dream.

So what's your point? The idea of the arrangement came before
the proof that it was correct. You were arguing that the
conclusion always follows the data.

>>>You have to prove Subconscious Projections exist and explain how
>>>they operate before you could make the claim that they could
>>>appear on radar. We know that solid craft exist and can appear
>>>on radar. We don't know that Subconscious Projections exist,
>>>therefore we can't claim they can appear on radar. We do not
>>>have the luxury of claiming it is true because it is possible in
>>>our imaginations.

>>I'm not making the claim that Subconscious Projections exist. I do
>>propose the idea as one worth considering given the described

>>interactions between some ufos and their observers. Then it's an
>>empirical question whether or not they reflect radar. Maybe they
>>don't, since we have reports of visual sightings that do not appear
>>on radar.

>You are assuming subconscious projections exist per your
>question of how do we know they don't appear on radar. That's
>very close to claiming they exist.

I'm saying let's determine if subconscious projections exist. If
they do, then lets see if they reflect radar. I merely suggested
that we may already have an indication about the latter. Sorry
about getting ahead of myself.

>>>Yes, in a way the realm of Quantum Mechanics is like fantasy
>>>land. Strange things happen there. But guess what? The realm we
>>>live in, governed by physics doesn't behave in such manner.

>>The atomic bomb seems like a good example of a macro effect
>>resulting from interactions at the quantum level.

>When is the last time you walked through a wall? When is the
>last time you were in two places simultaneously? When is the
>last time you were in two different states, like being alive and
>dead, at the same time?

If I were to give you specific times, you would just say I was
imagining it. That's your standard reaction to reports of "high
strangeness", isn't it?

>>>There is no other tool. It's either Science or Magic.
>>>I for one would rather not return to the Dark Ages.

>>An alternative to the scientific method is the acquisition of
>>knowledge by direct experience. For example, practiced
>>meditators experience things that give them deep insight into a
>>different reality. You and I might not understand because we did
>>not have the same experience. You would probably write it off as
>>someone's fantasy strictly on the basis that the particular
>>experience is not observable by someone else. I, on the other
>>hand, might have the urge to learn to meditate so that I could
>>have a similar experience and 'know' this reality for myself.

>>A more mundane example is the phenomenon of one-trial learning.
>>When a child puts his hand on a red hot stove, he acquires
>>knowledge without repeated testing and verification of an
>>hypothesis. So knowledge can be gained without resorting to the
>>scientific method. And yet, no one would say this was magic.

>>All of us could acquire the same knowledge by touching the stove
>>or by learning to meditate ourselves, and we could build up a
>>revised consensus reality without knowing anything about the
>>scientific method.

>William you are arguing for magic again. You would take us right
>back to the Dark Ages.

Like most living organisms, you are susceptible to one-trial
learning. Shocking, isn't it, to discover that you participate
in this magical process?

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From: **Stephen Bassett** <PRG.nul>
Date: Tue, 03 Nov 2009 22:14:16 -0500
Archived: Wed, 04 Nov 2009 14:34:11 -0500
Subject: PRG Update - November 4, 2009

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Paradigm Research Group

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Open Minds Production launches website

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[From Alejandro Rojas] Open Minds Production has a staff of UFO researchers, writers, and professionals that represent decades worth of UFO research. From television production to Audio/Visual services for UFO conferences, Open Mind's goal is to take UFO research to the next level

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Exopolitics Search Engine Milestone

PRG recently became aware that a proper assessment of Google search returns for "Exopolitics" required searching on "Exopolitic" for reasons that are not clear.

Presently a Google search on "exopolitic" returns 1,110,000 pages. A Yahoo search on "exopolitics" returns 885,000 pages.

The only use for this term, singular or plural, is in the UFO/ET context.

V

The new ABC series is clearly drawing upon concepts developed in the intervening years since the first series. References to the Catholic Church's position on ETs was noted as was the increase in post-contact church attendance. As for reptilians amongst us? Let's face it, we can never get enough of that meme. The cast is good and the production values are high. It might last.

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Another Birmingham England Video

From: Sean Jones <Sean.Jones.nul>
Date: Wed, 4 Nov 2009 13:25:07 +0000
Archived: Wed, 04 Nov 2009 14:36:32 -0500
Subject: Another Birmingham England Video

Whilst discussing the fake Merry Hill footage with a friend online, he pointed me to this.

To me this is clearly more fake than the one we have already been discussing as the black of the night is too dark, and there are no stars or back ground light pollution. Birmingham, UK is a large city with enormous light pollution so there is no way the black in this video could be this black without a glow somewhere.

<http://www.allnewsweb.com/page9299896.php>

Regards

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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More On Lonnie Zamora's Passing

From: Ray Stanford <dinosaurtracker.nul>
Date: Wed, 04 Nov 2009 14:31:28 -0500
Archived: Wed, 04 Nov 2009 16:20:22 -0500
Subject: More On Lonnie Zamora's Passing

Rosary for Lonnie Zamora, who died Monday night of heart failure, is Friday at 7:00 PM, San Miguel Catholic Church, Socorro, New Mexico.

Church data:
San Miguel Church
www.sdc.org

403 El Camino Real St
Socorro, NM 87801-5106
(575) 835-1620

Mass for Lonnie will be at 9:00 AM Saturday, same church, with burial to follow.

The funeral arrangements are by:

Steadman-Hall Funeral Home
maps.google.com

309 Garfield Ave
Socorro, NM 87801-4490
(575) 835-1530

Very sadly, and in highly respectful memory of the finest witness (of the hundreds) I've ever interviewed,

Ray Stanford

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Re: Lonnie Zamora Passes

From: **Jerome Clark** <jkclark.nul>
Date: Wed, 4 Nov 2009 10:30:03 -0500
Archived: Wed, 04 Nov 2009 16:22:44 -0500
Subject: Re: Lonnie Zamora Passes

>From: Ray Stanford <dinosaurtracker.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Wed, 04 Nov 2009 10:18:11 -0500
>Subject: Lonnie Zamora Passes

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>has just died, and, alas, in the totally inappropriate and
>dishonest shadow of aspersions being cast by upon his absolutely
>outstanding reliability as a witness, by claims he was fooled by
>a balloon flying off directly the wind, preceded by
>pyrotechnics!'

How sad.

I met Zamora once - about 15 years ago - and was impressed. He was a man of warmth and humor, clearly liked and well regarded by his colleagues.

Jerry Clark

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Re: Lonnie Zamora Passes

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <alienview.nul>
Date: Wed, 4 Nov 2009 12:10:30 -0600
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>Ray Stanford
>Author of the 211-page book on the Socorro CE III case

Additionally, as it pertains to anyone without some specious axe
to grind, Zamora was an altogether fine man - sober, reliable,
and dependable - to the end of his time.

What a shame that someone of Rich Reynolds' rapacious caliber
would cack on his last days. What a shame. What a needless and
avoidable shame. How Reynolds must cackle obscenely and rub his
spotty hands, eh?

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From: **Gerald O'Connell** <goc.nul>
Date: Wed, 4 Nov 2009 15:30:37 +0000
Archived: Wed, 04 Nov 2009 17:28:00 -0500
Subject: Re: Ray Stanford's Open Letter To Tony Bragalia

>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Tue, 3 Nov 2009 08:32:21 -0500
>Subject: Re: Ray Stanford's Open Letter To Tony Bragalia

<snip>

>As a general principle in a perfect world, skepticism - as in
>proper caution and doubt - is a very good and necessary thing.
>In rhetorical practice, when applied to the UFO phenomenon and
>other heresies, however, it's simply a set-in-stone
>predisposition against anomalous reports.

You may have a point here, but I don't think that justifies
giving up on the real meaning of terms that ought to be
perfectly serviceable. 'Scepticism' and 'conscientious' are two
such terms.

>In the real world, "conscientious skepticism," at least as
>Martin means it (in the spirit, one might say, of the triumph of
>hope over experience), amounts to an oxymoron.

I disagree - I think it is more of a tautology. Proper
scepticism needs to be carried out in good faith - hence
Martin's qualification. I think it does the job quite nicely,
and reminds us what scepticism is supposed to be about:
intellectual honesty.

>Far better, in
>fact and practice, to investigate, analyze, and let the facts
>fall where they may without ritual mouthing of worn-out
>rhetorical tropes. Whether it pretends to be conscientious or
>not, "skepticism" long ago lost any actual meaning in
>ufological/anomalistic discourse, except as a more respectable-
>sounding expression of the hard-right ideology otherwise known
>as the disbelief tradition.

I'm with you there Jerry, but I have to disagree with your
response to the problem. These terms need to be reclaimed for
what they are, and their misuse needs to be opposed. The
alternative is linguistic impoverishment.

Scepticism is only scepticism when it is even-handed in its
application. The fun comes when knee-jerk sceptics who do
violence to the term's real meaning are required to apply
scepticism conscientiously to their own arguments. The more I
think about Martin's neologism the more I like it.

Gerald O'Connell
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>"Conscientious skepticism"? Come on, Martin. Put those violins
>away.

I'm not sure why my complaint about Bragalia's "explanation" so ruffles your feathers, Jerry. You object to my phrase but then you go on to say that scepticism is proper and necessary, and since I can't imagine any sane argument against conscientiousness, you appear to agree that conscientious scepticism is a desirable mind-set, one that we can only wish was more widely aspired to (even if none of us perfects it). The implication, then, is that you are accusing me of exploiting the phrase insincerely, and saying that my criticism is only crocodile tears from someone who is really neither more conscientious nor more properly sceptical than Bragalia.

If you intended that insult I'd like to know what your grounds are for making it. If you didn't, I'd like to know what meaning you did intend as the rest of your post does not clarify.

>The current silliness re the Socorro case only typifies how
>"skepticism" is applied to puzzling UFO reports. (Pardon the
>scare quotes, please; I'm afraid they're going to be
>necessary.)

The only sensible interpretation here is that you are conceding the value of scepticism if applied conscientiously, whilst objecting to the way in which the notion of scepticism is in practice abused or perverted (by people - such as Bragalia - who are by definition not acting or reasoning conscientiously). Your tone implies that I am expected to disagree with this, but since it is in fact what I myself said this implication is totally mysterious.

>It's how "conscientious skepticism" - an animal much more
>imagined than observed - works, even if in the present instance
>the principal theorist happens not to be a debunker in other
>contexts. But when it suits their purposes, UFO proponents are
>quite able, as history amply demonstrates, to take lessons from
>pelicanist birders, who long ago winged away with "skepticism"
>and all adjectives, including the just-cited c-one, preceding
>it. Mogul balloon, anyone?

This is opaque, but as far as I can tell I am guilty of using a phrase so corrupted by prior misuse (it wouldn't surprise me, but I am totally unaware of it) that it no longer has a place in honest discourse. The "c-word" must be whispered behind a hand. Presumably, although "scepticism" (= "proper caution and doubt") and "conscientiousness" are individually admirable qualities, together they have become either a red flag of two-

face prejudice masquerading as sincerity, or an invitation to be sneered at as naive. You must enlighten the list as to which target you had in mind.

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>proper caution and doubt - is a very good and necessary thing.
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>other heresies, however, it's simply a set-in-stone
>predisposition against anomalous reports.

Now at last, the fresh air of a plain insult. I regard myself as having a sceptical approach to anomalies. So this means I have a set-in-stone negative prejudice against evidence of novelty. Right, at least we know where we stand.

>In the real world, "conscientious skepticism," at least as
>Martin means it (in the spirit, one might say, of the triumph
>of hope over experience), amounts to an oxymoron.

In the real world, Jerry, what I mean when I use the phrase (excuse me for presuming to intend a meaning other than the one your set-in-stone presumption insists that I ought to mean) is the thorough, objective, non-prejudicial evaluation of evidence in the light of reason and science to which I myself aspire (no doubt pitifully inadequately). As the present exchange itself illustrates, this is a difficult trick to pull off without being accused of closet debunkery, just because the atmosphere if the debate is so prejudicial. My complaint is that my aspiration (which I believe is one we should all share) is not well served by having the likes of Bragalia making it still easier for lazy, credulous rumour-mongering to steal the clothes of robust scepticism.

>Far better, in
>fact and practice, to investigate, analyze, and let the facts
>fall where they may without ritual mouthing of worn-out
>rhetorical tropes. Whether it pretends to be conscientious or
>not,

Do I so pretend? I see, then by all means have at me with your investigations, your analysis and your facts proving that my efforts to be conscientiously sceptical are no more than the pretence of a hard-right ideological disbeliever (to borrow your colourful rhetoric) and I promise that never will another worn-out ritual rhetorical trope pass my lips on this List.

"skepticism" long ago lost any actual meaning in
>ufological/anomalistic discourse, except as a more respectable-
>sounding expression of the hard-right ideology otherwise known
>as the disbelief tradition.

Well, that's thoroughly put me in my place. I'll tell you what, Jerry - with friends like you, who needs enemies?

Martin Shough

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Examiner.Com
<http://tinyurl.com/yhvzntt>

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Examiner.Com
<http://tinyurl.com/ylj459p>

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AMCtv.com
<http://tinyurl.com/yfhyoag>

The Fourth Kind: Movie Review
ScreenCrave.com
<http://tinyurl.com/y8hv8jx>

Man Sees UFO
Uxbridge Gazette
<http://tinyurl.com/yjsq8ek>

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Re: It's Just Not Science

From: William Treurniet <wtreurniet.nul>
Date: Wed, 04 Nov 2009 12:57:08 -0500
Archived: Thu, 05 Nov 2009 04:41:17 -0500
Subject: Re: It's Just Not Science

>From: Alfred Lehmborg <alienview.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Sat, 31 Oct 2009 11:35:19 -0500
>Subject: Re: It's Just Not Science

>>From: William Treurniet <wtreurniet.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Fri, 30 Oct 2009 13:55:33 -0400
>>Subject: Re: It's Just Not Science

>>>From: Jason Gammon <boyinthemachine.nul>
>>>To: post.nul
>>>Date: Thu, 29 Oct 2009 12:42:05 -0400
>>>Subject: Re: It's Just Not Science

<snip>

>>>Also, are you self-publishing?

>>>I guess you could say that. If I thought a geophysics journal
>>>would publish results about earthquakes based on a model of the
>>>Mayan calendar from a non-geophysicist working without the
>>>cachet of an academic or research institution, then maybe I
>>>would take the time to submit a paper.

><snip>

>I suspect that no one has to qualify, explain, or remotely
>apologize - even in the explanatory sense - for the gift of self-
>publishing, Mr. Treurniet.

>Indeed, I further suspect that this boon of the capability to
>self-publish is perhaps a reaction of sorts.

>See, perhaps this new actuality of self-publishing is the
>offended reaction of "such" - ollective consciousness? -
>lately appalled at what a traditional scientific, editorial
>entity, publishing house, peer review, or mainstream critique...
>has either "let passed" or "restricted" through its conflicted
>"filters," allowing, to our credit, the "end run" of these
>aforementioned damaged and very corporate entities.

>It may be that these aforementioned entities, who regularly
>demonstrate their cowardice, lack of imagination, facile and
>self-interested pecuniary concerns, intellectual bankruptcy, and
>presently reigning supreme, are put on well-deserved notice by
>this ability to speak-out entirely apart from some mainstream
>"OK" to do so.

>I'm a PC guy, though I've a huge appreciation for Apple. It's
>Apple, you see, who's kept the PC remotely on its toes, or we'd
>all have boxes of brain-dead garbage only masquerading as
>computers.

>You're an Apple computer, Mr. Treurniet, and, appalled at an
>obviously failing system, I aspire to same. Such may be so.

Thank you, Mr. Lehmborg, for that fine analysis in support of

self-publishing.

William

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Re: The Kauai Triangle UFO

From: William Treurniet <wtreurniet.nul>
Date: Wed, 04 Nov 2009 16:15:15 -0500
Archived: Thu, 05 Nov 2009 10:14:46 -0500
Subject: Re: The Kauai Triangle UFO

>>From: Carol Maltby <carolmaltby.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Fri, 30 Oct 2009 14:55:02 -0400
>>Subject: Re: The Kauai Triangle UFO

>>>From: William Treurniet <wtreurniet.nul>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>>Date: Thu, 29 Oct 2009 21:48:42 -0400
>>>Subject: The Kauai Triangle UFO

>>>I took a picture a couple of years ago in Hawaii that shows a
>>>triangular shaped object adrift in the clouds with obviously
>>>uncloud-like appendages and things that look like landing pads
>>>at the vertices.

>>>Some people on this list have extensive knowledge about
>>>aeronautical hardware, and I would like know if anyone
>>>recognizes this aircraft. That is, is it one of ours or is it
>>>'theirs'?

>>>See the object at:

>>><http://tinyurl.com/ygfpg9z>

>>>I'm not seeing anything in your blow-ups that isn't digital
>>>compression artifacts.

To correct a possible misapprehension, the objects in what you call 'blow-ups' are not enlarged but are about the same size as in the original photograph. See this by clicking on the second word in the first sentence, which is a link to the original photo. Note that the cropped photos in the first row were displayed reduced in size in order to fit on the page, and that might be causing confusion.

The point is that digital compression artifacts were not magnified, and the apparent objects are too large to be compression artifacts. Therefore, the patterns were in the original scene. Since clouds don't arrange themselves in hexagonal and other angular geometric patterns, it seems most likely that the object is not natural.

Taken as a whole, it's easy for me to see the object as the underside of a craft that has the ability to hover. No wheels required, so we have landing pads. The hexagon shape is found in some antenna designs, and the orthogonal circles could also be antennae. I'm curious if anyone else sees this as a plausible interpretation of the image. Please respond off-list if you prefer.

William

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Re: Another Birmingham England Video

From: Don Ledger <dledger.nul>
Date: Wed, 04 Nov 2009 18:31:31 -0400
Archived: Thu, 05 Nov 2009 10:16:19 -0500
Subject: Re: Another Birmingham England Video

>From: Sean Jones <Sean.Jones.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Wed, 4 Nov 2009 13:25:07 +0000
>Subject: Another Birmingham England 'UFO' Video

>Whilst discussing the fake Merry Hill footage with a friend
>online, he pointed me to this.

>To me this is clearly more fake than the one we have already
>been discussing as the black of the night is too dark, and there
>are no stars or back ground light pollution. Birmingham, UK is a
>large city with enormous light pollution so there is no way the
>black in this video could be this black without a glow
>somewhere.

><http://www.allnewsweb.com/page9299896.php>

I like the song. Sounds like the New Zealand girl who sang the
Golum's[sp] song in Lord of the Rings.

Don't know about the video.

Don Ledger

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>implication, then, is that you are accusing me of exploiting the
>phrase insincerely, and saying that my criticism is only
>crocodile tears from someone who is really neither more
>conscientious nor more properly sceptical than Bragalia.

What I objected to, Martin, was what struck me as your pious
tone. I hoped that you didn't really mean it - after all, we
don't write UpDates posts as we write material for formal
publication between covers; nuance, in other words, often gets
lost here - and that's why I attempted to address you personally
as minimally as possible. I was trying to make a broader point
which evidently you missed. Let me try again:

"Skepticism" - again, pardon the scare quotes; necessary, I'm
afraid - is not a delicate endangered species needing your or
anybody's protection. "Skepticism" in the context of anomalies
discussions has long been an ideological construct, and a
profoundly powerful one, in whose name UFOs and other alleged
anomalies have been driven out of polite society and scientific
attention. It is not a good thing. It has retarded knowledge and
warped judgment. It is not to be confused with ordinary,
necessary sound critical thinking in which (in all kinds of
varying degrees, this being a complicated world) some claims are
rejected, some embraced, others left to wait in an intermediate
state pending further developments. "Skepticism" is not about
well-considered doubt but about reflexive negative certainty.

It's sound, critical thinking, which "skeptics" practice no more
than do credulous fools, that is the delicate endangered
species. That is what needs protection. "Skepticism," with or
without soothing adjectives (such as the c-word "conscientious")
in front of it, has been an enormously destructive force in our
effort to research, investigate, analyze, and discuss anomalous
claims in any meaningful fashion. "Skepticism," in other words,

has strayed so far from its intended definition (which, as you rightly observe, should be unexceptionable) that it ought to be jettisoned, its absence treated as an occasion of relief freeing properly thoughtful consideration to proceed.

I bear you no animosity - to the contrary, much respect - but your wording just happened to touch a nerve. Sorry; nothing personal was meant.

Jerry Clark

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Re: Ray Stanford's Open Letter To Tony Bragalia

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>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Tue, 3 Nov 2009 08:32:21 -0500
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>>From: Martin Shough <parcellular.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Mon, 2 Nov 2009 22:44:35 -0000
>>Subject: Re: Ray Stanford's Open Letter To Tony Bragalia

>"Conscientious skepticism"? Come on, Martin. Put those violins
>away.

<snips>

>"skepticism" long ago lost any actual meaning in
>ufological/anomalistic discourse, except as a more respectable-
>sounding expression of the hard-right ideology otherwise known
>as the disbelief tradition.

Well, that's thoroughly put me in my place. I'll tell you
what, Jerry - with friends like you, who needs enemies?

Martin Shough

I wouldn't worry too much Martin. Jerry always has difficulty
agreeing with people who agree with him. Vide his, and Peter
Rogerson and my views on David Hufford's book 'The Terror That
Comes In The Night'. I doubt that any neutral observer could get
a cigarette paper between us, but Jerry insists that we have
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Maybe it's that he just can't bear not to be thought of as the
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John Rimmer

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Dennis Balthaser On Knell's Piracy

From: Frank Warren <frank-warren.nul>
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Subject: Dennis Balthaser On Knell's Piracy

Greetings Listers,

Dennis Balthaser recounts his recent experience and "proactive stance" with criminal Bill Knell, after learning that that he too was a victim of DVD piracy:

Piracy: A Silent Plague on Ufology

To quote a Chinese Proverb: "When someone shares something of value with you and you benefit from it, you have a moral obligation to share it with others", which is what I'll try to do in this article.

I have been working closely with my Webmaster, researcher Frank Warren, www.theufochronicles.com and Aztec researchers Scott and Suzanne Ramsey for the past 12 years, on various UFO cases, highly respecting them for their honesty and thorough investigations. We have dealt with debunkers, skeptics and critics of all sorts, and have even welcomed their comments, if and when, the information they presented was factually worthy of review.

There is another, quieter element in Ufology, aside from debunkers, skeptics, and critics. They are the hucksters who use other researcher's work without doing their own; those who take from other's research, or articles, and publish the work as their own (plagiarism). Then there are still other scoundrels who market or sell researchers' works, such as DVDs of lectures, books, or documentaries, without permission or financial arrangements made with the researchers (piracy). I have recently found that I am myself, a victim of piracy, and this is what I feel a moral obligation to share with my readers...

The rest of the article here:

<http://tinyurl.com/yc9g437>

Cheers,

Frank

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Rimmer & Clark On Hufford [was: Ray Stanford's...]

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>Comes In The Night'. I doubt that any neutral observer could get
>a cigarette paper between us, but Jerry insists that we have
>totally opposing opinions.

First of all, patient and gentle Listfolk, imagine that you hear
a sigh of modest despair passing audibly from the deepest region
of Jerome Clark's lungs.

Second:

John's self-serving view - essentially that in some fashion or
other Hufford's book validates his (John's) variant, such as it
is, of the disbelief tradition - was akin to exactly the
misreading of his work that Hufford complained to me about. The
Terror subverts the sort of "skepticism" without which there
would be no Magonia and no Clark-bashing UpDates communications
from Rimmer. The book isn't simply, as John appears to believe,
Hufford's idiosyncratic version of it.

For his part, Rogerson, for whom John presumes to speak,
understood that my reading of Hufford's book was so different
from his own (also self serving) that he complained - on this
List and perhaps elsewhere - that I had utterly misread it. Of
course I hadn't, as Hufford himself informed me soon after I'd
written an extended review of Terror on the occasion of its
publication. To the contrary, he remarked that I was among the
very few reviewers who grasped his argument; others, he
reported, thought it validated "skepticism". He went on to
write a generous endorsement of my work on the back cover of The
UFO Encyclopedia, 2nd ed.*

John, it's characteristic of you, as I've had occasion to note
in the past, to embrace criticisms as expressive your views all
along when you can't answer them. As UpDates readers know, in
any event, you and I do have occasional areas of agreement, and
happily so. Hufford's work, however, is not among them. If you
really did embrace Hufford, you wouldn't be a "skeptic"
recycling all the usual disbelief-tradition rhetorical

strategies.

>Maybe it's that he just can't bear not to be thought of as the
>sole source of ufological wisdom!

Gee, John, are you sure you're not gazing into a mirror? I could
have sworn that you and your fellow Magonians were in charge of
all ufological wisdom.

Your actual complaint, I take it, is that I fail to find the
wise in your wisdom.

Jerry Clark

"Clark's UFO Encyclopedia, a work of monumental proportions,
brings together an enormous quantity of material, well
organized, lucidly written and accompanied by extensive lists of
references. Clark not only surveys reports and publications, he
provides very solid discussion, analyzes and weighs arguments,
and places events in their historical context. This book will be
an indispensable reference work for many, many years."

-- David J. Hufford, Ph.D.,
Professor of Humanities, Penn
State College of Medicine and
author of The Terror That
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Re: Another Birmingham England Video

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Subject: Re: Another Birmingham England Video

>From: Sean Jones <Sean.Jones.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Wed, 4 Nov 2009 13:25:07 +0000
>Subject: Another Birmingham England 'UFO' Video

>Whilst discussing the fake Merry Hill footage with a friend
>online, he pointed me to this.

>To me this is clearly more fake than the one we have already
>been discussing as the black of the night is too dark, and there
>are no stars or back ground light pollution. Birmingham, UK is a
>large city with enormous light pollution so there is no way the
>black in this video could be this black without a glow
>somewhere.

><http://www.allnewsweb.com/page9299896.php>

Listers:

The music is the give away. Isn't it? Very creative imagery,
though.

KK

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Open Minds' New Website

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Date: Wed, 4 Nov 2009 09:47:24 -0800
Archived: Thu, 05 Nov 2009 14:16:44 -0500
Subject: Open Minds' New Website

OpenMinds.tv

Open Minds Production launches their new website!

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<http://tinyurl.com/ybqj9g2>

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Bernard Thouanel Interview

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Date: Thu, 5 Nov 2009 20:05:51 +0000 (GMT)
Archived: Thu, 05 Nov 2009 17:56:42 -0500
Subject: Bernard Thouanel Interview

Hi,

You will find an interview with journalist Bernard Thouanel here:

<http://tinyurl.com/ycq7jb8>

Regards

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Lonnie Zamora: Eulogy...

From: Ray Stanford <opus22.nul>
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Subject: Lonnie Zamora: Eulogy...

Lonnie Zamora (1933 - 2009): Eulogy, to a Man of His Word, and The Finest Witness One Could Ever Interview...

By Ray Stanford, author of the 211-page book on the Socorro case

On Monday night, November 2, 2009, 'Lonnie' Zamora, likely North America's most highly respected witness to something that the U.S. Air Force's chief scientific investigator of UFOs eventually admitted was, to use his own term, a "close encounter of the third kind" died of what a Socorro Police spokesman described as a heart attack.

The April 24, 1964 (5:50 - ~ 5:53 PM), Socorro, New Mexico, case of a well-documented, multi-witness, UFO landing is so well-known that it need not be described in any great detail here. Instead, our focus is upon the quality and character of Lonnie Zamora, at the time a Socorro policeman, who reluctantly became the 'central' and closest witness to the landing of, occupants of, take-off and high-speed departure of, an ~ 18' UFO shaped like an elongated egg. After the encounter, Zamora's ability as an accurate and careful observer was attested to by the famous meteor tracker, Dr. Lincoln la Paz, because of the extraordinary accuracy of meteor-trail coordinate data Zamora had earlier provided him, in helping search for a fallen meteorite.

Before April 24, 1964, policeman Zamora would have laughed at the suggestion that UFOs are anything about which a sensible person should be concerned. When he had seen a brilliant 'flame' in the sky and, then, the whitish, elongated object with two figures no larger than "ten-year-old boys" in what looked like white coveralls beside it, Zamora didn't think "Wow! A UFO with humanoids beside it!". Absolutely not. He thought, at first sight of the 'flame', of a nearby dynamite shack blowing up, and upon first sight of the landed UFO and occupants, that a car or van might have rolled or tumbled down into the ravine bottom, and that the two well-under-five-feet-tall bipedal figures in white might be children, perhaps escaped from what he had taken to be a car in the ravine bottom.

Such was the character of the policeman, concern for safety and certainly not about turning anything he saw into a UFO and occupants. Until less than two minutes later, UFOs were absolutely not a part of Lonnie Zamora's 'world view'.

Well, most readers know the rest of the story, but in remembering Lonnie Zamora, let's have a brief look into a personal moment of his family life, as a window into understanding the man.

After years of research into the case and publication, in 1976, of my 211-page book thoroughly documenting it, five more years had passed when I received a totally unsolicited letter in 1981. It was from Lonnie Zamora's daughter!

She wrote the following: "I just read your book, SOCORRO 'SAUCER' IN A PENTAGON PANTRY. For once I felt like I was finally finding out the truth about what my dad experienced on April 24, 1964. As you well know, my dad is not a very verbal man, and the only things my brother and I ever knew about my

dad's sighting was what we read in papers or books, and you know how distorted those stories were. I was five years old at the time of the sighting. I'm now 23. It was seventeen long years ago."

She continued by writing, "My dad, as I mentioned, has never been willing to discuss the sighting with me. Finally a few days ago he let me have your book and a box full of letters, articles, and other books that he had saved. (All letters unanswered.)"

Zamora's daughter concluded that letter by saying, "Reason for my letter? I'd like to talk with you...", and she gave me her phone number in a location that was not Socorro, so she said that if I'd be more comfortable that she was who she said, it would be O.K. to send a letter to her father's address in Socorro, and that he would forward it to her.

I trusted the young lady and telephoned her. She was delighted, saying, "...After all those years, dad handed me your book and said it would tell me everything anyone could know about the sighting. Dad said, emphatically, you're the only writer who told the story, everything, and with total accuracy. He wanted me to know that, unlike all other accounts he had read, your book had everything right...So what I want to know is whether you've learned anything more about the case since finishing your book."

Of course, I told Lonnie's daughter what I had learned since the book, but at that time, it wasn't very much.

After the nice conversation with her, I began to ask myself what it was in Zamora's character that might make him hesitant to personally tell the details of his sighting to his own children.

For one thing, the experience was both frightening (Those who know the details will understand immediately.) and probably a bit painful to Zamora. You see, he was, upon contemplating what had happened afterward, forced to admit to himself that highly extraordinary, small-occupant-bearing craft are flying around and sometimes landing. He didn't like to talk about that reality - not to the media, not even to his own daughter and son. Yet, I think there was more to Zamora's hesitancy to talk freely about the occupants. By contrast, he had talked very freely about them to Dr. J. Allen Hynek and me, along with State Police Sergeant Samuel Chavez, who was the fourth and only other person allowed at the site on the morning of April 29, 1964, the fifth day after the landing. [See for reference, page 61 of the U.S. hard-cover edition of my book on the case.]

As things had happened, sometime after 7:00 P.M. on the evening after Zamora's terrifying encounter, Federal Bureau of Investigations agent J. Arthur Byrnes, Jr., had interrogated the witness. Upon hearing Zamora tell in no uncertain terms that he had seen the two diminutive, white-clad, bipedal beings standing right beside the NW landing leg of the craft and with their head tops coming to only "well below" (Zamora's words) the 5' 2" creosote bush's uppermost part, the F.B.I. agent firmly told Zamora (The words are reported here exactly as Zamora later confessed them to me.), "It will be better if you don't publicly mention seeing the two small figures in white. No one will believe you anyhow."

Now please note the following fact carefully: ZAMORA AGREED NOT TO TELL about the "as though in white coveralls", diminutive beings he had seen by the creosote bush, adjacent to the NW landing strut. Zamora had served in the U.S. army, and respecting government authority, had taken his promise to the F.B.I. agent as an oath to officialdom. Resultantly, until later when Zamora got suspicious that the government was trying to hide something they didn't want the public to learn about, when asked about his initial description of the beings, would simply say things like, "Well, I did see something like a couple of pairs of white coveralls, kinda' like hanging on a clothesline, you know..." He never explained how one of the two pair of coveralls, upon seeing his police car top the mesa, had, "...jumped, kinda' like startled, you know..." Personally, I think the white coveralls hanging on a clothesline comment was really just a sarcastic quip, because of the non-disclosure promise agent Byrnes had extracted from him. Whatever its origin, Hynek referred to it in his media conference on April

29, in a continuing government attempt to obfuscate the sighting of very much alive humanoids occupying those 'coveralls'.

After reading my Socorro book, Hynek confessed to me that he said that only because he had been there in an official-investigator capacity for the USAF. After all, Zamora had carefully, within the hour just before the media conference described to Hynek and me the occupants wearing those 'coveralls'. :-)

Secondly, about the red shape Zamora saw on the middle-side of the ellipsoid-shaped craft: ZAMORA HAD, in his own mind, TAKEN ANOTHER OATH TO THE GOVERNMENT HE LOVED: On that same April 24, 1964, evening, Captain Ord/C, Richard T. Holder, U.S. Army, 095052, Up-Range Commander at White Sand's Stallion Site, had told the witness, as Zamora described to me, after much coaxing, on April 29, 1964, "If I were you, I wouldn't describe the symbol you saw on the side of the vehicle to anyone except official investigators."

Well, Zamora agreed. Then, I have reasons to believe, Holder drew the now familiar vertical arrow with an arc over it and a line under it [A copy of that original, clearly drawn in its first version by Holder - just compare it to Zamora's copies of that fake symbol - is in my files.] and then Holder had Zamora sign under it, as though THAT were what he saw. I am now convinced enough to tell anyone - since Lonnie Zamora is now gone, and there is no risk to embarrass him for participating in the cover-up - the vertical arrow with an arc over it and the line under it IS NOT WHAT ZAMORA SAW. Lonnie kept that promise to Holder, not to reveal what he actually saw, for the rest of his life. Zamora had agreed with Holder that putting out the fake symbol would conveniently identify any copy-cat hoaxers because they would describe the fake symbol instead of the REAL one. I agree that Zamora made the right choice, in that case, because it surely set a trap for hoaxers and even for hallucinating persons.

The Fake (Substituted) Symbol:

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What Zamora Really Saw And Reported To His Co-Workers And To Captain Richard T. Holder:

1bd3f66.jpg

Every law-enforcement officer who talked to Zamora within minutes to an hour or so after the event, including police dispatcher Mike Martinez, told me unequivocally that what Zamora really saw on the object was, as Martinez quoted Zamora in Spanish, "...un 'V' invertido, con tres l=EDneas debajo," meaning exactly what it says, "an inverted 'V' with three lines beneath it", and not the thing he was drawing and telling others that he saw, after Holder's request.

I am very relieved, now that Lonnie has passed on and I don't have to be concerned about publicly embarrassing him, that I now can finally stop equivocating about which shape Zamora did or didn't see on the object.

Some persons 'engaged in UFO research' will be annoyed with me for saying the following: I commend Lonnie Zamora, a man of his word, for keeping his promise in not revealing what he actually saw in red on the side of the object. I comment Captain Richard T. Holder for his thoughtfulness in asking Zamora to obfuscate the real appearance of the red thing he saw, so that any copy-cat hoaxes could be nipped in the bud.

I also comment Zamora for his patriotism (however ill-conceived some persons might consider it to be) to things he deemed important to do for his country.

In turn, I deeply respect Zamora, since he did not want to break his word to Captain Holder, and, thus refused to tell his two children anything, in preference to telling them something that would break his promise(s) to the government., and realizing he could, when they grew up, let them guess the truth for themselves, in his saying that I got everything right in the book.

So, what did Zamora do? He, in fact, gave my book to his account-insistent daughter, and told her I was the only writer who got everything right. Surely he had in mind my book's Appendix A, titled, "An Obfuscated Red Insignia?", which reveals what really happened concerning the red shape on the object, without actually saying for sure that Zamora agreed to an investigations-useful cover-up of the appearance of the real shape on the object, and leaving a final conclusion to the reader, because of wanting to protect Zamora for his, in my opinion, wise decision to comply with holder's explained and very reasonable obfuscation request. In the book's front illustrations of the event, I used the substituted (fake) shape for what Zamora saw, but explained in the appendix that I did it so that persons who have believed the fake symbol would not refuse to read my book, thinking I didn't really know what the symbol was (in their mistaken opinions).

So now, Lonnie's 45-year-old secret is out and I have declared my reasons for respecting his decisions to abide what Holder asked him to do.

In later years, Zamora became highly suspicious and even disgusted at the USAF's refusal to return New Mexico State Policeman Ted V. Jordan's reportedly irradiated first-after-the-event photos, or even copies of whatever turned out on the film. As Lonnie has said publicly, that made him begin to suspect that the government is unjustifiably hiding something, and that the something might be visitation to earth by beings and a technology that could not have originated here.

In closing this eulogy, I should tell you that at least a couple of weeks before Lonnie died last Monday, November 2, 2009, he learned of Anthony Bragalia's irresponsible (because Bragalia did not bother to tell people it was only one man's totally unsubstantiated claim, made in desperation of disbelief in the possibility of visitation from outside this planet) internet headline declaration that the Socorro case had been exposed as a student hoax. Bragalia knew his case is so totally insubstantial that he refused (and still refuses) to debate me on Coast-to-Coast AM, with George Knapp.

People have now asked me if I think Bragalia's insistence that Zamora was just a fool for an imaginary student's pyrotechnics and balloon (which would have had to have flown off directly into the wind) being mistaken for something the policeman never believed in to begin with, could have caused him such anger as to induce a fatal heart attack. Perhaps my questioners never got the chance to see, years back, on the TV show Unsolved Mysteries, Zamora's obviously completely - no stress-on-his-face - at-ease statement that he didn't care whether anyone believes or disbelieves what he saw and experienced.

Now, after due reflection on that question, I must declare: ABSOLUTELY NOT. Zamora could not have personally cared what a false-rumor monger trumpets as though the monger were a hero.

But, come to think about it, Bragalia's trumpeting Sterling Colgate's delusion about what happened at Socorro supports such utterly ridiculous 'constructs' about how a student hoax might hypothetically have been performed (forget the hoax's fly over of some Colorado tourists' car, almost taking the roof and its radio antenna off, that it made enough sound on landing and take-off as to be clearly heard over half a mile away, and that after takeoff it reached a speed of somewhere between 3,000 and 7,000 miles per hour in less than 30 seconds), that knowing good old Lonnie Zamora, with a little persuasion, I might become convinced that the truth is:

Lonnie Zamora _died_laughing_!

He was the most objective, unwilling to embellish, witness I've ever interviewed, among hundreds, across my more than 56 years of actively researching UFOs.

Memory of Lonnie Zamora will endure in history as a witness so credible that the USAF officially had to take its hat off to him and declare what he saw to be a truly unidentified flying (and landing) object.

May the beloved Lonnie Zamora rest in peace. That is, if he can ever stop laughing at Bragalians fantasies about his well-

substantiated encounter.

Laugh on, dear friend.

Ray Stanford, who literally wrote the book on the Socorro case
Founder and Director, Organization for Physical UFO Science

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Larry W. Bryant's UFOview
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'Fourth Kind' Fragmented And Frivolous
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Review: The Fourth Kind (PG-13) **
MiamiHerald.com
<http://tinyurl.com/y9rwttl>

Jovovich's 'Fourth Kind' Caught Up In Alien Abduction
USA Today
<http://tinyurl.com/yz5rpy7>

Men Who Stare At Goats (2009)
New York Times
<http://movies.nytimes.com/2009/11/06/movies/06themen.html>

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Derek's Close Encounter
Basingstoke Gazette
<http://tinyurl.com/yaw5wgk>

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Clip from documentary, UFOs: It Has Begun - Lonnie Zamora
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From: Carol Maltby <carolmaltby.nul>
Date: Fri, 6 Nov 2009 11:30:08 -0500
Archived: Fri, 06 Nov 2009 20:35:16 -0500
Subject: Re: Lonnie Zamora Eulogy...

>From: Ray Stanford <opus22.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Thu, 05 Nov 2009 16:10:21 -0500
>Subject: Lonnie Zamora: Eulogy...

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From: Michael Tarbell <mtarbell.nul>
Date: Fri, 06 Nov 2009 09:32:26 -0700
Archived: Fri, 06 Nov 2009 20:37:48 -0500
Subject: Re: Lonnie Zamora Eulogy...

>From: Ray Stanford <opus22.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Thu, 05 Nov 2009 16:10:21 -0500
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A trivial point perhaps, but the attached image of the 'real'
symbol would probably be described in Spanish as "... un 'V'
invertido, con tres l=EDneas a trav=E9s de ella", or words to that
effect, i.e., an inverted 'V' with three lines across or
through it, rather than beneath it.

The Martinez quote suggests something different than the
attached image, although "beneath it" could conceivably be
interpreted as meaning that if the symbol were in the horizontal
plane, then the three lines would be (vertically) 'beneath' or
'below' the inverted "V", i.e., the "V" is superimposed on top
of the three lines. This seems like an odd description for such
a figure, at least compared to the one suggested above,
particularly given that the "V" and the lines were the same
color (red).

Per Ray's book (in chapter The Hours Just After, also Appendix
A), Zamora apparently made his own drawing of the symbol just
prior to the arrival of Sergeant Chavez, and independent of the
drawing produced in collaboration with Captain Holder. Does
anyone know the disposition or whereabouts of this first
drawing?

The symbol details are not crucial to the overall story, but it
would be nice to be able to confirm or refute it's alleged
resemblance to, say, a Hughes Aircraft logo. Difficult to do
that when it's actual appearance is poorly established.

Mike

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Re: News Links 03-11-09 [The Fourth Kind]

From: **K Wilson** <K.Wilson.nul>
Date: Fri, 06 Nov 2009 10:59:14 -0600
Archived: Fri, 06 Nov 2009 21:55:26 -0500
Subject: Re: News Links 03-11-09 [The Fourth Kind]

>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>To: - UFO UpDates Subscribers - <ufo-updates-list.nul>
>Date: Wed, 04 Nov 2009 20:04:59 -0500
>Subject: UFO UpDate:

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>From 'The Norm'

>4 True Stories of Alien Abduction
>Close Encounters of The Fourth Kind
>By Nicholas Redfern
><http://tinyurl.com/y8nwrh8>

Here's a refreshing take on the movie, 'The Fourth Kind.' It looks like Nicholas Redfern actually bothered to do some research before writing a piece about this movie.

The often referred to 'actual cases,' which most all of the reviewers imply are not 'real,' may be real after all.

Excerpt from:

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Close Encounters of The Fourth Kind
By Nicholas Redfern November 02, 2009

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'The plot of Universal Pictures' The Fourth Kind a thriller set in modern-day Alaska, in theaters November 6--is an intriguing one. A disproportionate number of the population of Nome, Alaska has been reported missing every year. Despite multiple FBI investigations of the region, the truth has never been discovered. In this remote region, people began reporting bizarre nightmares that are disrupting their sleep. During videotaped sessions with some of the traumatized patients, psychologist Dr. Abigail Tyler (Milla Jovovich) unwittingly discovers some of the most disturbing evidence of alien abduction ever documented.

The story behind the making of the film is equally intriguing. In October 2004, The Fourth Kind director Olatunde Osunsanmi met a psychologist living in the Carolinas who had relocated there from a remote town along the Bering Sea. While in Alaska, she had conducted a sleep disorder study where her patients, under hypnosis, exhibited behaviors that suggested encounters with non humans.

Using never-before-seen archival footage integrated into the film, Osunsanmi exposes the terrified revelations of multiple witnesses. Their accounts of being visited by aliens share disturbingly identical details, the validity of which is

investigated throughout the film. The film leaves it to the viewer to decide: Are extra-terrestrials from far-off planets really abducting human beings? Certainly, there is no shortage of similar reports suggesting this is the case.'

K. Wilson
www.alienjigsaw.com

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Alien Jigsaw Update - 11-06-09

From: **K Wilson** <K.Wilson.nul>
Date: Fri, 06 Nov 2009 11:10:44 -0600
Archived: Fri, 06 Nov 2009 21:57:12 -0500
Subject: Alien Jigsaw Update - 11-06-09

New on The Alien Jigsaw Web site:

New photographs have been added to the Gallery showing marks on abductees' bodies that appeared suddenly, after their abduction encounters.

<http://www.alienjigsaw.com/Gallery/photos.html>

K. Wilson
www.alienjigsaw.com

http://www.alienjigsaw.com/Whats_New/Whats_new.html

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'Fourth Kind' Movie review

From: John Velez <jvelez49.nul>
Date: Sat, 7 Nov 2009 00:21:48 -0500
Archived: Sat, 07 Nov 2009 12:00:54 -0500
Subject: 'Fourth Kind' Movie review

Hi All,

I'm going to be lazy about this and simply copy/paste the review of the movie I left for Errol on his FB page.

Here's the review...

Good movie. More of a case study than some kind of overview or treatise on the abduction phenomenon. It surprised me that I was completely unfamiliar with this particular Alaskan case.

I liked the fact that the producers didn't go out of their way to (further) sensationalize UFO abduction by creating a bunch of CGI aliens and UFOs. Very good job by the movie-makers overall. They gave respectful treatment to a very complex case. No need to sensationalize something that is already way off the known charts.

And... I've decided that I'd like to do many greasy things to the star of the movie, Milla Jovovich! She is what we used to call, 'a stone fox' back in the day. ;)

Go see it, Errol, (and all,) it's worth the dime and the time.

Hugz on alla youse,

John Velez

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Re: Bernard Thouanel Interview

From: **Gildas Bourdais** <bourdais.gildas.nul>
Date: Sat, 7 Nov 2009 17:35:08 +0100
Archived: Sat, 07 Nov 2009 12:22:02 -0500
Subject: Re: Bernard Thouanel Interview

>From: Christophe Grelet <greletchristophe.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Thu, 5 Nov 2009 20:05:51 +0000 (GMT)
>Subject: Bernard Thouanel Interview

>Hi,

>You will find an interview with journalist Bernard Thouanel here:

><http://tinyurl.com/ycq7jb8>

List,

Here are my comments on that interview of Bernard Thouanel.

I find this interview very polemical. The aviation journalist Bernard Thouanel, now established in the United States, once more criticizes French ufology, public as well as private and supports, on the contrary, the American policy. As for France, everybody gets a turn: Cometa, Geipan, the "repas ufologiques" - free monthly gatherings and talks in a growing number of cities - and more particularly some ufologists like me, regarded as hopeless and incompetents.

There is a central argument of Thouanel's, on which I want to focus and comment. According to him, there are many more secrets in France than in the United States. In the US he explains, you can always find a back-file thanks to FOIA. Whereas in France you find practically nothing. The Geipan files are sanitized, and it's peanuts, he proclaims!

Thouanel remains silent about sixty years of American policy of secrecy, which he had exposed himself in one of the first special issues of the popular magazine VSD on UFOs in July 2001. His report, entitled UFOs - USA The Reasons For Secrecy, cited the military rules established as early as 1948, forbidding pilots to talk. The following year, he published a very solid article by David Rudiak in favour of the Roswell UFO crash. Now, he gives the impression of having forgotten all that!

Yes, there are certainly secret files in France, but there is an essential difference between the official attitudes of the two countries.

In France, Geipan admits officially the reality of UFOs - for example the book by Yves Sillard, president of the Steering committee of Geipan - which the Pentagon still denies. Many observers around the world have understood that difference. It looks like Thouanel, who incidentally is proud of his good relations with the USAF, now tries to hide that situation behind a smoke screen.

This discourse leads Thouanel to deprecate authors who point to the American policy of secrecy. He considers me, for one, as a kind of crank.

But, how could he ask me to write articles for his magazine VSD?

In 2005 I wrote three articles, published in July. One on abductions (12 pages), one on Varginha (6 pages), and one on Brazilian military files (2 pages). A total of twenty pages: not too bad for a crank!

He thanked me warmly in two messages, in August. But after six months of silence beginning in March 2006 and without warning he began to bombard me on the Internet. First with grotesque caricatures, sent anonymously - but he was quickly identified, having not changed his IP - and later with violent messages, in which he seemed to discover my existence as a pitiful ufologist.

I wondered what had happened, but then I realized that it was the same month that Nick Redfern strenuously refuted, in the MUFON UFO Journal, my critique of his insane anti-Roswell book Body Snachers In The Desert which the Journal had published in November 2005.

What a curious coincidence!

My impression is that, in the United States some people did not like my article.

I could tell more but I prefer to stop here.

Cordially,

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Archived: Sat, 07 Nov 2009 15:06:32 -0500
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Thanks, Carol for your inquiry,

Answering it will help me clear up the questions not only in
your mind, but in those of others, because of the
interpretations which various persons are putting on the words
in Spanish that Zamora had initially used to Mike Martinez,
Socorro police dispatcher.

Notice that I mentioned that the actual shape Zamora saw was
confirmed to me by every Socorro policeman to whom I spoke. The
first one to do so was walking up to Martinez's dispatcher
location, just as Mike quoted Zamora's in-Spanish statement to
me. That uniformed policeman chimed in with something that would
make things absolutely clear. His approximate words, spoken in
English, were, "Yeah, that's what Lonnie really saw. I don't
know why he started saying it was something else, unless one of
those government guys told him not to tell what he drew for me
and others here."

"Are you sure Lonnie, himself, actually drew it for you?" I
quickly asked.

"He drew it for me, just like he did for other officers last
Friday."

He turned over a pad and drew what I showed as the real shape
(albeit a little more stretched-out horizontally) in my eulogy
to Lonnie. Before I left town on the morning of April 30,
another officer had drawn the same thing for me, just as he said
Lonnie had drawn it for him, personally.

In writing the Socorro book and its Appendix A, which discussed
the "insignia" matter in some depth, I chose not to mention the
other policemen's drawings of the real red shape for me because
I wanted to leave the matter slightly ambiguous in protection of
Lonnie Zamora. I did not want to implicate him in any
unambiguous way in a cover-up requested by army Captain Holder
and, thus, in Lonnie's mind, an official request my his
government.

That's the rest of the "insignia" story. Some will not let the
old cover-up, substituted "insignia" die, and it should be
buried by the real thing Lonnie saw on the side of the object.

Hynek confirmed to me in his very first visit to me after my
move from Arizona to Texas that what Lonnie had seen on the
object was exactly what I have declared to be the real
'insignia' in the eulogy. Zamora had already provided that
description to Hynek in the closed meeting with him on Hynek's
first night in Socorro, April 28, 1964. That meeting was why I

had the long wait to see Zamora, until around 9:20 that night, when he finally got out of the closed conference with Hynek, as mentioned in my book on the case.

That's it. That's the reality of the thing, and the real shape Zamora saw was absolutely not a Hughes aircraft insignia, contrary to what a few fact-distorting skeptics would have you believe. The USAF, the FBI, and even the CIA knew it wasn't, too.

By the way, wake up from your self-hypnosis, skeptics, because black-project aircraft absolutely do NOT bear the logo of their manufacturer painted large and in red on the side of the vehicle!

As I write this on Saturday morning, November 7, 2009, the funeral of Lonnie Zamora is concluding in Socorro, New Mexico.

May the best, most unwilling to embellish, close-encounter of the third kind (or of any lesser UFO-encounter kind) observer I have ever known now rest in peace, if he's not still just having fun in some spiritual form, laughing at the Bragalian myth of a balloon that flies off, launched by pyrotechnics, against the wind, after having been supported by cardboard legs that retracted into the balloon as it self-propelled off to hypersonic speed within well less than thirty seconds.

May Lonnie Zamora's legacy as North America's likely most objective and credible CE III witness, live across the coming years, reminding skeptics of religious-intensity anti-UFO fervor everywhere, that the best witness can be someone who never believed, and certainly had no interest in believing, in UFOs of any kind.

Emphatically,

Ray Stanford

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Re: Lonnie Zamora Eulogy...

From: Ray Stanford <opus22.nul>
Date: Sat, 07 Nov 2009 12:39:22 -0500
Archived: Sat, 07 Nov 2009 15:14:47 -0500
Subject: Re: Lonnie Zamora Eulogy...

>From: Michael Tarbell <mtarbell.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Fri, 06 Nov 2009 09:32:26 -0700
>Subject: Re: Lonnie Zamora Eulogy...

>>From: Ray Stanford <opus22.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Thu, 05 Nov 2009 16:10:21 -0500
>>Subject: Lonnie Zamora: Eulogy...

><snip>

>>The Fake (Substituted) Symbol:

>>lbd3f37.jpg

>>What Zamora Really Saw And Reported To His Co-Workers And To
>>Captain Richard T. Holder:

>>lbd3f66.jpg

>>Every law-enforcement officer who talked to Zamora within
>>minutes to an hour or so after the event, including police
>>dispatcher Mike Martinez, told me unequivocally that what Zamora
>>really saw on the object was, as Martinez quoted Zamora in
>>Spanish, "...un 'V' invertido, con tres l=EDneas debajo," meaning
>>exactly what it says, "an inverted 'V' with three lines beneath
>>it", and not the thing he was drawing and telling others that he
>>saw, after Holder's request.

>A trivial point perhaps, but the attached image of the 'real'
>symbol would probably be described in Spanish as "... un 'V'
>invertido, con tres l=EDneas a trav=E9s de ella", or words to that
>effect, i.e., an inverted 'V' with three lines across or
>through it, rather than beneath it.

>The Martinez quote suggests something different than the
>attached image, although "beneath it" could conceivably be
>interpreted as meaning that if the symbol were in the horizontal
>plane, then the three lines would be (vertically) 'beneath' or
>'below' the inverted "V", i.e., the "V" is superimposed on top
>of the three lines. This seems like an odd description for such
>a figure, at least compared to the one suggested above,
>particularly given that the "V" and the lines were the same
>color (red).

>Per Ray's book (in chapter The Hours Just After, also Appendix
>A), Zamora apparently made his own drawing of the symbol just
>prior to the arrival of Sergeant Chavez, and independent of the
>drawing produced in collaboration with Captain Holder. Does
>anyone know the disposition or whereabouts of this first
>drawing?

>The symbol details are not crucial to the overall story, but it
>would be nice to be able to confirm or refute it's alleged
>resemblance to, say, a Hughes Aircraft logo. Difficult to do
>that when it's actual appearance is poorly established.

Hello, Mike Tarbell,

You asked, "Does anyone know the disposition or whereabouts of this first drawing?"

Yes. And I have a copy of the substitute (fake) insignia drawn by Captain Holder, with Zamora's signature below it, obtained from official files.

That will be provided by me to several persons with blogs or websites that will post it, within the next week.

Right beside that drawing, I will contrast Zamora's relatively unsophisticated (crude by comparison to Holder's) drawing of it, as subsequently drawn for the droves of inquisitors.

Thanks for that important question, Mike.

Ray Stanford

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Re: 'Fourth Kind' Movie Review

From: **Steven Kaeser** <steve.nul>
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Archived: Sat, 07 Nov 2009 15:49:46 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Fourth Kind' Movie Review

>From: John Velez <jvelez49.nul>
>To: post.nul
>Date: Sat, 7 Nov 2009 00:21:48 -0500
>Subject: 'Fourth Kind' Movie Review

>Hi All,

>I'm going to be lazy about this and simply copy/paste the review
>of the movie I left for Errol on his FB page.

>Here's the review...

>Good movie. More of a case study than some kind of overview or
>treatise on the abduction phenomenon. It surprised me that I was
>completely unfamiliar with this particular Alaskan case.

>I liked the fact that the producers didn't go out of their way
>to (further) sensationalize UFO abduction by creating a bunch of
>CGI aliens and UFOs. Very good job by the movie-makers overall.
>They gave respectful treatment to a very complex case. No need
>to sensationalize something that is already way off the known
>charts.

>And... I've decided that I'd like to do many greasy things to
>the star of the movie, Milla Jovovich! She is what we used to
>call, 'a stone fox' back in the day. ;)

>Go see it, Errol, (and all,) it's worth the dime and the time.

John,

It's no wonder you hadn't heard of this case, since I'm not sure
it existed before the screen play was written for this movie. I
found this review of the marketing that was somewhat telling:

<http://tinyurl.com/yjhcqav>

'The Fourth Kind' reviews and comparisons to 'Paranormal
Activity'

The 'close-encounters' alien abduction movie The Fourth Kind
hits theaters this week and early reviewers seem to gree on one
thing: It's not "Paranormal Activity."

"Found Footage"

Both films, released in just weeks of each other, have
'seemingly' real footage. The super-low-budget "Paranormal
Activity" was recorded on a hand-held camera and was filmed in a
house. The filming style of Paranormal Activity was similar to
that of "The Blair Witch Project."

The Fourth Kind begins with actress Milla Jovovich speaking
directly towards the camera stating that she is the actress
portraying "Dr. Abigail Tyler" and that the film is a
"dramatization" of real events. The Fourth Kind claims to use

real "archival" footage of the events.

Viral Marketing

Both Paranormal Activity and The Fourth Kind relied on heavy viral marketing to spread the word of the films. "Paranormal Activity" drummed up excitement with a limited release followed by viral marketing ploy to have people 'Demand' screenings in their areas. When enough people 'demanded' the film, which was heavily promoted on Twitter, the film opened nationally.

I wrote about the 'real' story behind The Fourth Kind back in September. Before the film's release, a phony 'Alaskan Journal of Psychiatry' cropped up on the Internet as did accounts of 'murders' in Nome, Alaska (also from phony newspapers.) Regardless, the buzz worked- check out the numerous comments following the article: The Fourth Kind comments.

So now that The Fourth Kind is opening in theaters, early screeners of the film can't help but compare the two 'real footage' horror flicks.

"Universal, the movie's distributor, seems to be borrowing a page from the marketing tactics of The Blair Witch Project - and, more recently, Paranormal Activity - two movies that had a documentary style. Part of the fun of those films was based on the fact that they seemed real. (Both The Blair Witch Project and Paranormal Activity were fiction.) Of course, how real-sounding is a subplot about alien abductions, anyway? Universal declined to comment for this piece." --Eric Kohn; 'Speakeasy'

"The flat-lining, alien-abduction thriller The Fourth Kind offers a close encounter that buries an interesting idea under a barrage of gimmicky, carnivallike hokum. The movie's unwieldy mix of degraded pseudo-documentary footage and "Unsolved Mystery"-style re-enactments is as unconvincing as it its distancing, making the small charms of Paranormal Activity all the more apparent by comparison."--Glenn Whipp, The Associated Press

"While writer-director Olatunde Osunsanmi puts a lot of work into the film's "is it or isn't it" (as in a hoax) conceit, the gimmick proves more distracting than disturbing, with those multiple split screens shared by supposed real-life victims and actors playing them ultimately serving to distance viewers from the mythology instead of drawing them inward."--Michael Rechtshaffen; Hollywood Reporter

The Fourth Kind opens in theaters on November 6, 2009.

Meanwhile, the deaths that are portrayed were attributed to alcohol abuse and the extreme cold. These deaths spanned several decades:

Unsolved Deaths: FBI Sees No Serial Killer, Cites Drinking, Exposure.
Tom Kizzia
Anchorage Daily News
June 30th, 2006 02:04 PM

Last Modified: September 1st, 2009 02:21 PM

Editor's note: This story originally ran June 30, 2006

A string of disappearances and mysterious deaths of Native villagers visiting Nome was not the work of a serial killer, an FBI analysis of the cases has concluded.

An FBI study of 24 missing persons and suspicious death cases assembled by Nome police said excessive alcohol consumption and a harsh winter climate were common ties in many of the cases. In nine of the cases, where no bodies were ever found, state and local investigators said they will continue to search for new leads.

The FBI conclusions were summarized at a news conference

Thursday morning in Nome called by the Native nonprofit Kawerak Inc., which has been working with law enforcement and other Nome-area Native and civic groups on the disappearances.

A list of victims' names in 20 cases was released by local officials last year in an effort to solicit information from the public. Nome police said they plan to talk with families of the victims in the coming weeks before releasing an updated list of names and an explanation of what they think happened.

Of the 24 cases, three are being left alone at the request of families, two had already been prosecuted criminally, and one was a snowmachine accident, said Nome Police Chief Craig Moates. In nine of the cases, a re-examination of available evidence produced "definitive outcomes," Moates said. He said alcohol was a common factor in those cases.

Though Moates offered no details Thursday, some of the dead are known to have died of exposure or from falling off a jetty into the cold water of the Snake River. Questions had been raised about the possibility of muggers preying on drunks. As concern spread in Seward Peninsula villages, the unsolved cases became a top priority two years ago for the region's Native leaders, including the Norton Sound Health Corp. and the Bering Straits Native Corp.

"No evidence exists to support the conclusion that a serial killer has been targeting Native people in Nome," Moates said Thursday, summarizing the FBI conclusions. The FBI cited the lack of trauma shown on recovered bodies, the four-decades-plus time span of the cases, and the absence of a common suspect, Moates said.

Kawerak officials said they hoped the conclusions -- and the fact that the cases had received a fresh look -- would help allay fears in many of the region's villages about the dangers of visiting Nome.

"The fact that the FBI was able to come up with this response hopefully will help people sleep better," said Kawerak tribal law specialist Karlin Itchoak.

Native officials said distrust of Nome police had reached a new low following the murder conviction of a Nome officer earlier this year and said efforts to rebuild relationships still had a long way to go.

"I think there's a certain comfort level that these cases have been looked at by other than local law enforcement," Kawerak president Loretta Bullard said.

But several officials cautioned that the FBI conclusions were based only on a review of information made available by Nome police. They said information about possible criminal links might still be available from villagers who have been reluctant to talk to police.

"My concern has always been that there is information in the Native community that has not been brought forward," said Bering Straits Native Corp. attorney Gail Schubert, who called the pattern of disappearances odd and disturbing.

Kawerak's Itchoak said villagers can contact him directly if they don't want to talk to police. The FBI is not doing a separate investigation but said it would review any new information. The community safety group that has coordinated the public information effort will meet again in September to plan its next steps, Itchoak said.

Moates said the FBI had offered suggestions for follow-up investigations in the cases. He provided no details but said some of the work it suggested had already been undertaken by police.

Attention to the missing persons cases has already brought some changes to Nome. Volunteer safety patrols have hit the streets after midnight during busy times in winter, such as the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race and the week Permanent Fund dividend checks are issued.

"This is not just volunteers from the Native community," said

Berda Willson, chairwoman of the Regional Wellness Forum, which organized the patrols. "People care about others in the region."

Moates has also flown to area communities with Kawerak officials to discuss village concerns. He became police chief in 2004, and his efforts have drawn praise from local officials.

The rollicking bars of Front Street make Nome an unusual hub for the Alaska Bush. Kawerak chairman Robert Keith of Elim said Thursday that the region's missing-person totals may be higher than others because of the legal drinking in bars. The region's villages have all voted themselves dry.

FBI profilers met with leaders of the Nome organizations for more than three hours Wednesday to discuss their review. They did not participate in Thursday's news conference and deferred questions to Moates.

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Steve

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Men Who Stare At Goats

From: **Kathy Kasten** <catraja.nul>
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Subject: Men Who Stare At Goats

Dear Listers:

I did background research for an article I called "Remote Mind Influence". It was based on solid scientific research into this phenomena. After I finished writing the article and sent it off to the editor, I wondered to myself why mainstream press never discussed this very real ability of humans. It appeared the information would surface and then just plain disappear. Why, I wondered. What a remarkable human ability. Why wasn't it developed. Further research showed that just as soon as the information surfaced, someone, somewhere would disparage it and ridicule the ability.

I have to ask myself, why this movie and why at this time. Col. John Alexander, of Human Potential fame, was a consultant to the film, Men Who Stare At Goats.

Of all people, he knows the truth of the matter. However, someone, somewhere, decided to make fun of him. Oh well, I have to shrug and walk away.

Source: New York Times

<http://movies.nytimes.com/2009/11/06/movies/06themen.html>

Men Who Stare At Goats (2009}

[Begin Quote]

"There is a Lyn in Mr. Ronson's book, Lyn Buchanan, who wrote about his experience in Star Gate in The Seventh Sense: The Secrets of Remote Viewing as Told by a 'Psychic Spy' for the U.S. Military.

If you think that sounds outlandish, consider that a document on the Central Intelligence Agency Web site claims that the Defense Intelligence Agency has a psychic center, and that the National Security Agency studies parapsychology."

[End Quote]

KK

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Archived: Sat, 07 Nov 2009 17:52:41 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Fourth Kind' Movie Review

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>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
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>Steve

"The Fourth Kind" is a "Mockumentary".

I've sent private emails to certain List members some time ago
detailing what I discovered when the trailer came out for the
movie back in August.

Basically, I, and a few other people, used the site "whois"
to determine that various sites suggesting the reality or
existence of Dr. Abigail Tyler, or news articles documenting
strange disappearances in Nome, Alaska, as well as article
describing strange artifacts attributed to ETs as all being
created on the same exact day the trailer for the movie came
out. Yes, some of the articles even listed dates back in 2006
and 2005, but the site they appeared on wasn't created until
August of this year!

Yes, these are all viral sites for the movie.

The case(s) in the movie are fiction. The movie is made in the
style of "The Blair Witch".

The debunkers are going to have a field day with the believers
who accept this movie as non-fiction. I'm sure they will use it
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-Jason

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UFO Conference This Weekend
KLAS-TV
<http://www.lasvegasnow.com/Global/story.asp?S=11454990>

UFOs Come Out On Halloween
Wigan Today
<http://tinyurl.com/yaps6fv>

UFO Caught On Tape Beaming 'Buffalo Into Spaceship'!
Newspost Online
<http://tinyurl.com/y8qn45h>

Relieved I'm Not Crazy Over UFOs
Sutton Coldfield Observer
<http://tinyurl.com/ybeu9b8>

UFO Seen Over Coggeshall
Daily Gazette
<http://tinyurl.com/yjufyc6>

UFO Sighting Above Yeovil?
This Is The Westcountry
<http://tinyurl.com/ykm7yxy>

Internet's Sudden UFO Craze May Be Crossing Line Into Crazy
LubbockOnline.com
http://lubbockonline.com/stories/110609/col_513172671.shtml

Ufology Hits a New Low With The Fourth Kind: Analysis
Popular Mechanics
<http://tinyurl.com/yc4zfzg>

Review: The Fourth Kind
Seattle Post Intelligencer
<http://blog.seattlepi.com/seattlefilmbuff/archives/184237.asp>

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Source: Budd Hopkins' Intruders Foundation

<http://www.intrudersfoundation.org/Forth Kind.html>

November 6, 2009

The Fourth Kind
A Movie To Avoid

By Budd Hopkins

On Tuesday, Nov. 3, as I sat in a theater being bombarded with soundtrack noise - screams =96 many screams =96 and melodramatic, over-the-top music, I was watching the new, self-described UFO abduction film, The Fourth Kind, and wondering how the screenwriters could get so many things wrong. Ostensibly set in Nome, Alaska =96 which, by the way, looks ravishingly pretty in the film=92s many elaborate aerial views - the plot is focused on a therapist and her clients who have apparently suffered UFO abductions, and at least one of these =93abductees,=94 the therapist=92s little daughter, seems to have been taken for good. The film moves along, more or less propelled by fake hypnosis sessions in which virtually every subject screams bloody murder. One man, grotesquely unhinged by what he remembers during one such session, actually commits murder, blowing away his innocent wife, his two children and himself. And in this and every other case shown in the movie, apart from an owl at the window no one has previously remembered anything about his or her abduction experiences until hypnosis finally unlocks the ghastly, unbearable truth and the screaming starts.

Underlying all of this fictional, never before reported malarky, the film=92s pseudo-documentary style strains to convince us that everything depicted is =93supported by actual case material.=94 Well, after thirty-three years of working with hundreds upon hundreds of people reporting UFO abduction experiences, I can say, first, that in no case has anyone ever reported the permanent disappearance of a friend, a family member or anyone even vaguely connected with my huge pool of subjects. The sort of final, =93taken-by-the-aliens disappearance=94 that the film suggests simply doesn't happen - though, unfortunately, this tragic turn in the screenplay could disturb many uninformed people in a real-world audience.

Second, the hyper-emotional reactions mimed by the actors are almost non-existent in competently conducted hypnosis sessions. I=92ve observed actual screams in perhaps six or seven of the nearly two thousand hypnosis sessions I=92ve been present for, or carried out myself, over three decades, and have never seen the kind of mindless terror, vomiting and crashing about that the movie graphically, and shamelessly, forces upon the audience.

In a third bizarre invention, the screenwriters have entangled an ancient Sumerian language with the abduction phenomenon, so in this movie the aliens apparently speak Sumerian. Why is that, especially when communication in abduction experiences is

almost inevitably telepathic? Is it because this tasty bit of fiction allows the camera to pan over a museum full of scary-looking ancient artifacts?

I could go on and on with the issues of fact, taste and simple plotting that I have with this movie, but I haven't the heart or the patience to do so. The bottom line is this: save your \$12.50 or whatever a ticket costs at your local theater, and if you should suspect that you may have had an abduction experience, absolutely stay away. Such a viewer could be deeply unsettled by this noisy, fictional mishmash, which, as I've said, involves murder, gunfire and suicide, as well as seemingly endless minutes of blurred, fake video imagery which the filmmakers insist is real. (Mercifully, no special-effects aliens or UFOs are actually depicted.)

Despite the unbearable terrors of hypnotic recall that this movie claims to demonstrate, if a person should undergo hypnotic exploration of partially recalled abduction experiences, that individual will not pick up a pistol afterwards and shoot somebody, none of her family members will be permanently abducted, and he probably won't do very much helpless screaming. Those things seem to happen only in certain kinds of lurid sci-fi or horror movies, of which *The Fourth Kind* is an extremely unfortunate mixture.

[Thanks to Frank Warren for the lead]

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I regret going all fortune cookie on you Mr. Gammon, really, but sometimes a seeming lie is all that is allowed available to tell the truth. The phenomena is real, effects - at least - high side hundreds of credible persons world-wide, and is yet but another ancillary failure of 'Science' to perform the role that it would propound that it does, but does not: Investigate the outr=E9 passionately sans preconceived notion, not rejecting claims on mere 'a priori' grounds altogether antecedent to any inquiry, but rather examined objectively and with care. You know... really, the preceding, but with some diligence and courage and actuality.

If a film featuring an actress who can make the point injects the idea into the public consciousness a little deeper that people very well may be having these experiences, that's fine with me... even as it is not fine with you.

Debunkers having field days, better enjoy it while they can. They are increasingly irrelevant, more demonstrably uninformed, and don't seem to be able make the payoff regarding what they set out to do - see my next article in UFO Magazine - make all the non-scientism stuff go away, forgetting they make an entirely non-criticized living doing just that. I don't mean that in a good way.

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More humility would be useful all around, to start.

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Disc-Shaped UFO's Reported In Three States
Examiner.com
<http://tinyurl.com/yfwngo5>

The Fourth Kind: Whether One Believes Or Not, Facts Are Hard To Argue
Examiner.com
<http://tinyurl.com/yhkkl8>

From Frank Warren's UFO Chronicals:

Stan Romanek: Point - Counterpoint
With James Carrion Vs Rick Nelson
<http://tinyurl.com/yzrjyrn>

From 'The Norm':

Australian Agency Denies Gagging Researchers
<http://www.nature.com/news/2009/091106/full/news.2009.1068.html>

Playing With Fire Pt IV; Plasmas And Unidentified Aircraft
Antigravity And X Craft
<http://tinyurl.com/yjpepp7>

Happy Carl Sagan Day!
<http://tinyurl.com/y9lmrco>

UFOs: WHat Is Known?
<http://tinyurl.com/ycnseoe>

Out Of This World
<http://tinyurl.com/yj5ekoy>

Astronomy Picture Of The Day
<http://apod.nasa.gov/apod/ap091107.html>

A Philosopher Stares at "Stares at Goats"
<http://tinyurl.com/yg5g5va>

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It is unclear to me whether he has some kind of talent as did Ted Serios, in converting thoughts into pictures or as he believes, most of these photos (perhaps all) represent energetic "projections" of actual UFOs being transmitted through him from a "cosmic" source which is entirely external to him and that he is functioning here simply as a "medium."

He thinks some UFOs are directly related to some crop circles - that UFOs actually "make" some crop circles - and that, in these cases, the UFOs involved represent a "loving spiritual force" which is working through him (and the cameras he uses) to encourage awareness of the reality of the spiritual realm.

Here is Nancy's email with older links to the Robbert story and the latest UFO photos and report here

<http://www.bltresearch.com/robbert/ufophotos.php>

Those of you who have been following our ongoing study of the young Dutch medium Robbert v/d Broeke

<http://www.bltresearch.com/robbert.php>

will probably already be familiar with the fact that he has taken thousands of highly anomalous photographs over the last 15 years, some of which we discussed in an earlier "Light Phenomena Photos" report:

<http://www.bltresearch.com/robbert/photoanoms1.php>

In recent years-and particular during the summer of 2009-Robbert has been capturing hundreds of images of "UFOs," and not just on his own camera.

A new report just posted presents dozens of these 'UFO' photographs taken by Robbert with cameras belonging to multiple individuals, all of whom were present with Robbert in the fields as the photos were taken, and all of whom are certain no fakery was involved.

A sampling of the different 'types' of 'UFO' photos (daytime & night time) included in the report follows:

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Archived: Mon, 09 Nov 2009 18:21:12 -0500
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But then again, it makes for a hellava movie...

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>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
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I didn't say anything about 'deaths.' I'm talking about
abductions in general. I will write my own thoughts about the
movie and will publish them on my Web site.

As far as having Nick Redfern provide details: I'm not your
secretary. If I were to locate her, I would never reveal the
identify or location of an abductee who wants anonymity. If you
are so bothered by all of this, find her yourself.

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From: Eleanor White <ewraven1.nul>
Date: Mon, 09 Nov 2009 18:25:09 -0500
Archived: Tue, 10 Nov 2009 06:22:26 -0500
Subject: Re: BLT Research Medium's UFO Photos

>From: Dave Haith <visions1.nul>
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All of the wide array of paranormal experiences suggests to me
that there is clearly an advanced level of physics which is in
common with all of the more advanced UFO properties, ghosts, and
paranormal phenomena.

And this clearly demonstrates how science as practiced to date
is holding itself back by it's ridiculous assumption that
unless a phenomenon can be re-created by all experimenters, it's
not real.

I'm sure those who possess science ahead of the pitiful,
primitive as-taught-in-today's-schools science regularly have a
good belly laugh at how publicly visible institutional science
deliberately prevents itself from going further!

Eleanor White

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Re: News Links 08-11-09

From: Rick Nielsen <nilthchi.nul>
Date: Mon, 9 Nov 2009 20:32:47 -0800 (PST)
Archived: Tue, 10 Nov 2009 07:25:00 -0500
Subject: Re: News Links 08-11-09

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>Stan Romanek: Point - Counterpoint
>With James Carrion Vs Rick Nelson
><http://tinyurl.com/yzrjyrn>

I've been asked by a few off-List if I am the "Rick Nelson" listed above.

I'm not.

My only current internet activities are my occasional comments here on our UFO UpDates List and my even more infrequent blog entries located at:

<http://luxlucisetverum.blogspot.com/>

On the related reviews of the recent smellivision drama ecstatically enthusing explained ET encounters, I'd personally invest my two cents in what Budd Hopkins has already excellently educated.

Respectfully,

Rick Nielsen, (not connected with any Cheap Tricks)

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With respect to everything Steven Kaser has stated on this subject, I am in full agreement.

I wish to give Nick Redfern the benefit of the doubt on this, and I hope he has simply not researched this movie as I am sure he would see it is nothing more than a pathetic and hokey fraud with only the faintest glimmer of reflection on any recorded case.

Anyone who looks at this will realize the publicists have conducted a campaign of deliberate disinformation.

I only wish the laws against this sort of fraud and public mischief were sufficient to dissuade moviemakers of similar persuasion.

Cheers,

Gord Heath

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UFOs Seen In The Sky Over Milngavie!
Milngavie Today
<http://tinyurl.com/yepydm8>

Now Or Then - The Fourth Kind or Close Encounters Of The Third Kind?
AMCtv.com
<http://tinyurl.com/ygtje4y>

Call For West Lothian UFO Monument
Scottish Televison
<http://tinyurl.com/ydx4mko>

Chapman Filmmaker's UFO Film A Modest Success
ScienceDude
<http://tinyurl.com/yec6f4x>

From Stanton T. Friedman:

When E.T. phones the pope
<http://tinyurl.com/yfu4zpn>
This is a very interesting article. Stan

From Greg Boone:

Large Hadron Collider Breakdown Caused By Bird
<http://tinyurl.com/yllapv7>
This has got to be the ultimate in scientific bad luck.

NASA On A Crusade To Debunk 2012 Apocalypse Myths
<http://tinyurl.com/yasxgr2>
It's good that NASA has decided to step up to the plate and dispel this 2012 doomsday nonsense that has some people on edge.

From Scott Corrales:

This Week At Inexplicata
<http://inexplicata.blogspot.com/>

From 'The Norm':

Extraterrestrial Rafting: Hunting Off-World Sea Life
<http://tinyurl.com/ydn7xv9>

Stop selling out science to commerce
<http://tinyurl.com/yzwljdc>

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Without Our Knowing

From: Ray Dickenson <r.dickenson.nul>
Date: Tue, 10 Nov 2009 12:17:11 -0000
Archived: Tue, 10 Nov 2009 09:24:24 -0500
Subject: Without Our Knowing

Hello List,

Just saw an article titled " The Vatican joins the search for alien life", in the UK's Telegraph at:

<http://tinyurl.com/yhjl29f>

and particularly noticed the last paragraph:

"The Academy conference will include presentations from scientists - by no means all of them Christians - on the discovery of planets outside our solar system, the geological record of early life on Earth, how life might have started on Earth, and whether "alien" life of a different biochemistry to our own might exist here without our knowing, among many other things."

Cheers

Ray D

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Source: The Coalition for Freedom of Information

<http://www.freedomofinfo.org/>

November 9, 2009

THE CONCLUSION OF THE NASA LAWSUIT

Concerning the Kecksburg, PA UFO case of 1965

By Leslie Kean

INTRODUCTION

On December 9, 1965, an object landed near the small town of Kecksburg, PA. Moments earlier, a fireball was observed in the sky across several U.S. states and Canada.

Four witnesses provided independent, corroborated descriptions of the object and its location in the Kecksburg woods. Dozens of others - including fire fighters, newspaper reporters, and a radio news director at WHJB (who was on the scene taping interviews) - describe the large military presence at the crash site and the cordoning off of the area. Some observed the retrieval of an object that was transported by an army truck. Many witnesses signed statements for investigator Stan Gordon of Greensburg, PA, who has been working on the case since it began. At the scene, officials told residents a meteor crashed. But the next day, both local authorities and the U.S. government declared nothing fell that night and nothing was found. Project Blue Book - the official Air Force investigation into UFOs terminated in 1970 - says that no space debris entered our atmosphere that day. Data from the U.S. Space Command and the Russian Space Agency indicates that whatever came down that day was not a Russian satellite or space probe.

In 2002, I was asked to spearhead a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) initiative sponsored by SCI FI Channel, which attempted to acquire government documents on the Kecksburg case. The next year, I ended up as the plaintiff in a federal, FOIA lawsuit filed against NASA in Washington, DC. After previously promising to conduct an expedited search for files related to the 1965 Kecksburg UFO crash case, NASA had stonewalled and was withholding documents, leaving no recourse but this one. A settlement four years later, in October, 2007, required NASA to provide hundreds of new documents and pay my attorney's legal fees. NASA's resulting search, monitored by the court, was completed in August, 2009.

For a more detailed article - including background on the 1965 Kecksburg UFO case; why we focused on NASA during this FOIA initiative; and the interesting twists and turns of the lawsuit - please see my MUFON paper of July, 2008 "The Struggle for Government Openness" at:

http://www.freedomofinfo.org/foi/mufon_4.pdf

That paper was written before any of the documents were received after the settlement (others had been released previously at various stages), and it covers events up to the arrival of these NASA documents in the summer of 2008.

This paper completes the story, describing what we received (and didn't receive) and offering final comments on the whole process.

I. THE SEARCH THROUGH NASA'S INVENTORY TO SELECT DOCUMENTS

Nov. '07 - Jan. '08

Two notebooks totaling 689 pages of SF-135 forms (inventory lists of files) were sent to me in late Nov. 2007. NASA marked the files it intended to locate and send, asking me to note any additional files I wanted, pertaining to the terms of the settlement agreement. I studied these detailed lists carefully and made numerous additional selections which were responsive to the search terms but had been overlooked by NASA. In late January I sent a five-page list to NASA specifying these additional requested files, covering a broad range of relevant topics. I also asked for a new search for the files in form 68A2062 - "NASA Fragology Files" - which, as we were previously told, had been missing since 1987. The SF 135 for these files should have been included in the notebooks but was not. The two boxes of fragology files from 1962 to 1967 are described as "reports of space objects" recovery, [and] analysis of fragments to determine national ownership and vehicle origin." They would therefore be of special interest to the Kecksburg case (see MUFON paper for more details).

Other SF 135s that should have been included in the notebooks were not. (We knew this because we had previously worked with a professional archival research firm which had acquired some that should have been included.) For example, the form for two boxes "pertaining to NASA/DOD Liason, 1966-74" were not included. Box 1 included Orbital Debris; Policies & Procedures; Box 2 included DOD Army, DOD Air Force. Both of these were of interest to us.

II. NASA'S SEARCH

Feb. '08 - July '08

NASA received my list in January, 2008 and began searching for the documents initially selected by the agency and the additional ones selected by me.

In May, 2008, NASA informed me that three new searches had been conducted for the two missing boxes of fragology files, which were unsuccessful. In addition, NASA Headquarters was searched, but that too failed to locate anything.

In June, NASA informed me that 291 boxes had been searched so far, but no files were found pertinent to the 1965 event. Most of the documents so far were related to "fragments," "debris," and some correspondence. In mid June, NASA sent a few hundred pages of responsive files to me after searching 297 boxes. All documents requested from other agencies for evaluation and processing were released subsequently in July 18, 2008.

After reviewing the documents, I noted the following:

1. There was nothing at all related to Kecksburg here or in the many hundreds of pages released by NASA at earlier stages.
2. The documents included news stories and reports about other fireball meteors around the same time, but none on Kecksburg.
3. There were no policy or procedure manuals included, which were requested, related to rules or laws governing the collection of space debris from private property.
4. There were 20 boxes missing which we had requested, including four pertaining to NASA/DOD relationships and agreements.
5. Also missing were many attachments, appendices and photos, which were referred to in the files as being enclosed or attached, but weren't.

6. Missing also were a lengthy series of letters written to NASA from citizens about UFO sightings and questions, some occurring in 1965. NASA sent form-letter replies to each person then forwarded copies of these letters to the Air Force's Project Blue Book. NASA sent me copies of both its reply to the citizen and each cover letter sent by the agency to Blue Book saying that the enclosed letter was being forwarded. However, none of these letters from citizens, referenced as enclosed, were in the files. It is quite possible that interested citizens could have written NASA about the fireball seen widely that night, or the landing of something in Kecksburg.

To illustrate the complexity and detail of my attempts to acquire missing documents, and to address other issues, here is one email which I wrote to my NASA contact for the search, Judi Hollingsworth, in July 7, 2008:

You wrote re Accession number 67A1866 that 7 boxes were checked out by Paul Willis, a NASA employee now retired, on 12/4/96, and that they are now missing, apparently never returned. I am particularly interested in two files from these missing boxes: Agreements: NASA/DOD from Box 1; and DOD-NASA Relationships from Box 3. This group of files covers the time period June '65 - May '66, which is very relevant to my search about the Dec. '65 incident in Kecksburg. 4 It is interesting to note that Paul Willis was the recipient of the letter from the National Records Center stating that the fragology files (68A2062) have been missing since 1987. The letter to him is dated 3/28/96, in response to his inquiry requesting the files. His middle initial is M. (Paul M. Willis), and he was Headquarters Records/Forms Manager for NASA. His phone at the time was 358-0621.

Would it be possible to conduct a further search for these missing boxes, retrieved by Mr. Willis and not returned, by tracking down Mr. Willis? It would also be interesting to find out if he conducted a further search for the fragology files at the time, or if he may know anything more about their whereabouts.

I was told that since Mr. Willis was no longer a government employee, it was beyond what is required by the FOIA or the settlement agreement to try to find him and see what he may or may not know.

III. FURTHER SEARCH

Sept. '08 - June '09

The settlement stipulation allowed me to request a further search for more documents, possibly in new locations, under certain requirements and conditions. See the settlement at:

http://www.freedomofinfo.org/foi/show_case_doc.pdf

In September, 2008, I requested a further search for additional responsive documents, all for very specific reasons which arose during my study of the documents already received.

I requested the following, covering the period 1965-1967, and included detailed explanations as to why these requests were made and what I was seeking:

A. Specific agencies and referencing methods:

Goddard Space Flight Center

Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory's (SAO) Project Moonwatch

National Aeronautics and Space Council (NASC)

General Dynamics/Astronautics (GD/A)

Space Tracking and Data Acquisition Network

Bureau of the Budget

"Space Fragment Disposal Act of 1963"

B. Documents on State Dept. liaisons, such as to the State Dept. Office of Outer Space Affairs

C. A search of SF 135 accession #90-0663, which had been missing from the original notebooks, containing:

NASA/DOD documents, 1966-74.

Box 1 includes Orbital Debris; Policies and Procedures

Box 2 includes DOD files, including DOD Airforce (sic).

D. A new search for six key boxes that were missing, of particular interest and greatest relevance to our search:

67A1866 Box 1: Agreements: NASA/DOD

Box 3: DOD-NASA Relationships

Box 4: International Contacts

International Space Cooperation

68A 2878 - Box 2 and 3, Jan. 65-Dec. 65

70A 4099 - Box 7, NASA - DOD 1964-66

74-637 - Box 1, NASA/DOD Relationships

This final search was completed in June, 2009, taking almost nine months. I received four more files, which, like all the others, were irrelevant to the Kecksburg incident. None of the missing boxes were located. I was informed that Box 7 - NASA-DOD 1964-66 had been destroyed.

To put this in perspective, however, over 300 boxes were searched, plus hundreds of pages released along with more from State Department. More had been released during the court process before the settlement. So the missing files constituted only a tiny fraction of the total. The fragology files stand out as potentially the most important missing boxes, which we had been told were missing before we began.

The documents I received concerned, by and large, the recovery and analysis of fragments and space debris here and abroad; orbital debris; policy formulations for above; discussions of hazards and liability due to falling space debris; clarification of NASA's role in relation to other government agencies and its role overseas; some Project Moon Dust documents; Gemini and Apollo missions; correspondence and meeting files. Files from the State Department included UFO cases and reports of sightings. These documents shed light on the history of the time, but overall, that's as far as they went.

In August, 2009, we filed the joint motion for dismissal in federal court, as there was nothing more we could do; the search was completed. The post-settlement phase had lasted almost two years.

IV. FINAL CONSIDERATIONS: THE STILL UNANSWERED QUESTIONS

The lengthy process of the NASA lawsuit highlights the problems inherent to the Freedom of Information Act for the average citizen, and shows that much of our history is not available to public researchers. When we sent our first FOIA request to NASA with a list of five specific search items, the agency replied that it had no documents responsive to our request. This simply wasn't true, as was shown later. It was only through the pressure of our appeal and then a federal lawsuit that hundreds of documents - responsive to our initial request and therefore rightfully ours under the law - were provided.

Judge Emmet Sullivan's admonishing of NASA in federal court in 2007 highlights this problem and is well worth reading - See my paper at:

http://www.freedomofinfo.org/foi/mufon_4.pdf

for excerpts). It was very clear he sympathized with our side, and at various points he wondered out loud if he would be forced to implement the last resort: a FOIA trial, something which has never occurred before. Exasperated, he repeatedly asked the attorneys on both sides what they thought he should do. He declared at one point that "heads should role" at NASA, and he

called NASA's case a "ball of yarn," stating that he sensed my frustration, because he felt it too.

Even though we did receive documents eventually, we discovered that NASA's historical records have been inventoried in a cursory, seemingly arbitrary way. In general, FOIA offices are overwhelmed, understaffed and unable to responsibly and accurately respond to requests. And, of course, we had no way of monitoring any of the searches NASA told us it conducted for us - whether all files were actually searched and all relevant documents pulled. We were simply required to accept what we were told, as is anyone who makes a FOIA request. And, not being allowed access to the boxes NASA was searching, we also have to recognize that someone not familiar with all the complex details of the Kecksburg incident might overlook a file that has something very relevant in it, but which we may not have thought to include in our list of search terms. Historical archival research needs to be conducted by those who know the minutiae of the subject being investigated, but in this case, that wasn't possible.

That being said, I want to be clear that I am in no way blaming any of the NASA search team for the problems we faced - problems stemming from haphazard filing in the 1960's, or misplaced files later on. Judi Hollingsworth, my contact at NASA during the search, was consistently professional and cooperative, and I believe she conducted the best search she could. In fact, Ms. Hollingsworth told me she would have been delighted if she had been able to find something on Kecksburg, and I have no reason not to believe her (she had nothing to do with the legal process). She too was operating within the limits of the system, and the restrictions inherent to it. While highlighting the need for reform of FOIA procedures, this effort also accomplished something unprecedented on the positive side. Even though we did not solve the Kecksburg mystery, a FOIA lawsuit concerning a UFO case was settled in federal court in favor of the plaintiff - an historic development. See CFi press release "Landmark court settlement requires NASA to release documents on mysterious UFO case":

<http://www.freedomofinfo.org/news/NASA-release.pdf>

udge Sullivan was continuously supportive of the public's right to information; the fact that this involved an unidentified object was not at the forefront, nor did it seem to prejudice him in any way. After our settlement, John Podesta commented: "Leslie Kean's victory is a triumph for open government and the spirit of inquiry." Our attorney Lee Helfrich pointed out that "It is unprecedented to have achieved success at forcing an agency to do this kind of extensive historical search under the FOIA without Congressional intervention." Actually, this was Helfrich's victory, not mine, since she was responsible for all the remarkably complex legal work which is what swayed the court. The fact that no Kecksburg documents were released from NASA could mean many things. They could be accessible, but filed under some obscure search term or code name, that we didn't include or couldn't have known. Maybe some additional SF 135 Forms listing an inventory of relevant files were not included in the initial notebooks, so we never pointed NASA to the right place. Or, files related to the Kecksburg incident could be stored somewhere else in NASA's massive bureaucracy beyond the offices we approached. They could be classified, or otherwise inaccessible to the employees conducting this search. They could have been destroyed, or even lost; maybe checked out by someone, such as NASA employee Paul Willis, and never returned. Without additional, very extensive work, we'll never know the answers, and even with the work, we still might never know.

However, there are still many stones left unturned for future research. Since NASA was responsible for collecting and analyzing space debris at this time, and also had a great interest in fireball meteors, it seems highly unlikely that the agency has absolutely nothing in its files about the Kecksburg incident (for more background on this and the role of other agencies see IUR,

<http://www.freedomofinfo.org/foi/kecksburg2.pdf>

and

<http://www.freedomofinfo.org/foi/kecksburgletters.pdf>).

It's worth noting that NASA sent no news articles or clippings about this fireball that was seen over at least four states; was noted by astronomers; and was considered to be a spectacular meteor when it occurred. Seen by thousands, it was covered in major papers all over North America - in Boston, Toronto, Ohio, San Jose, for example - and of course throughout Pennsylvania. NASA did send newspaper stories about other meteors and fireballs and related events around this time, but not this one. Yet, I suspect this was a bigger, more widely reported story than the ones I was sent. The story of the brilliant orange fireball was widely distributed through UPI and the Associated Press - even picked up by the New York Times - and also made it into the Times of London. Why were none of these news stories in NASA's files, even though clippings of much lesser, but similar, events were?

We also now know for sure that the missing fragology files will never be found, since four new searches were conducted on our behalf. We have to accept that they were destroyed in 1987, as NASA says, despite the handwritten notation on one SF 135, previously released through the FOIA, that the files were still at the Federal Records Center in 1994. Other files we requested remain missing or destroyed as well. We learned for the first time that important files were checked out by a NASA employee - one who wanted also to get the fragology files and was perhaps the first to learn they were missing - and when he didn't return them, no one followed up to request that he bring them back. Why were these files not returned, and what happened to them? Despite our concern about this, NASA was unwilling to attempt to answer this question by finding this former employee and inquiring about the files.

In summary, we'll never know whether any documents in the missing or destroyed boxes might have shed light on the Kecksburg incident, even if only by providing a small lead that could open doors for researchers. It only takes one page to change everything.

However, some documents did reveal interesting bits of information, even if not about Kecksburg. For example, a one page "memo for record" was prepared by Richard Schullherr, a NASA engineer whose responsibilities included fragology (he was custodian of the fragology files) and who was a liaison to Project Moon Dust, the federal program involving the retrieval of space debris and objects of unknown origin. Dated January 18, 1969, the memo records a visit Schullherr made to the Foreign Technology Division (FTD) of the Air Force Systems Command at Wright Patterson AFB. The purpose was to identify some space debris which had been sent to NASA, and to "re-establish personal liaison with newly assigned FTD Moondust personnel" headed by Lt. Robert McGill.

Schullherr also met with Col. Richard Bagnard of Project Blue Book. Since both Project Moondust and Blue Book were FTD projects based at Wright Patterson, this memo confirms the fact that were two Air Force projects that had some responsibility for the collection and/or analysis of objects fallen from space.

Schullherr states that Bagnard "was particularly interested in the potential of decaying space objects being reported as UFO's." His notes on his continuing conversation with Bagnard are fascinating. "I advised him that all UFO reports to NASA were referred to the AF. The observable phenomena of reentry were easily recognized and our response in general was to identify the particular decay. When a particular decay could not be identified with an observation, we stated that it was a meteorite or a satellite which was not of sufficient importance to warrant tracking by NASA or NORAD."

This practice of conveniently stating that the phenomenon was a meteorite or satellite, when in fact it was unidentified, relates back to one of the Project Blue Book files, dated December 10, 1965, written the day after the Kecksburg incident. This "memo for the record" states that Major

Howard from the Pentagon called Major Quintanilla, the head of Blue Book, to ask what he could tell the public about the "meteor" seen over Pennsylvania. Quintanilla replied that a team had been out to search for a fallen object, but had been

unsuccessful. "Major Quintanilla said that it was Ok to call it a meteor that entered the atmosphere. He said that investigation is still under way. There was no space debris which entered the atmosphere on 9 December 1965." It seemed to be an unwritten government policy that objects would be publicly explained as meteors or whatever worked best, even before it was actually determined what they were, and before investigations were complete.

Another document sent by NASA lays out the four "international commitments" of NASA in 1964; one of them is "investigation of extra-terrestrial life." It's a little curious that "investigation of" is used here instead of "search for," as if we know there is something there to investigate. This is probably simply a semantic oddity that was later changed. NASA's disinterest in studying physical evidence related to UFO sightings and landings - to explore whether these objects could possibly be probes from outer space - would suggest that this goal did not last very long.

So many questions remain unanswered about the Kecksburg incident, many of them not involving NASA, but still important, as discussed in my referenced 2005/2006 papers in IUR, and as have been highlighted by Stan Gordon for many years. I attempted to locate the still unfound report on the event, written and filed at the 662nd radar squadron headquarters in Oakdale, PA after its team returned from a search for the object. This should have been with the Project Blue Book files, but wasn't; its author provided us with a detailed affidavit to assist our efforts to find it. I also received contradictory reports from members of the 662nd radar squadron who were on the scene that night, when I interviewed them by telephone.

I am still convinced that something came down in Kecksburg and that the object was not Cosmos 96, or any other Russian object. It also seems highly unlikely that it was a secret American capsule of some sort, as stated by NASA's chief scientist for orbital debris Nicholas Johnson - see:

<http://www.freedomofinfo.org/news/cosmos-96.pdf>

Extensive research has been conducted for decades, and Gordon has followed numerous leads towards determining what this object may have been. So far, no conclusive determination has been made.

In one instance, NASA came out with an unexpected statement that momentarily turned the lawsuit on its head. In 2005, a NASA staffer - this time, not an expert scientist like Johnson, but a media spokesman - contradicted the statement of the renowned Johnson through bizarre comments provided to the press which was covering the 40th anniversary of the incident. NASA spokesperson David Steitz told an AP reporter that "the 'UFO' [Kecksburg object] was a Russian satellite, but government records documenting it have been lost" "NASA under pressure over UFO," Dec. 9, 2005,

<http://www.freedomofinfo.org/campaign.html>

Steitz said that NASA experts studied fragments from the object, but records of what they found were lost in the 1990s. "As a rule, we don't track UFOs. What we could do, and what we apparently did as experts in spacecraft in the 1960s, was to take a look at whatever it was and give our expert opinion," he said. "We did that. We boxed (the case) up, and that was the end of it. Unfortunately, the documents supporting those findings were misplaced."

Naturally, our team was stunned by this announcement. We had a lawsuit in federal court because NASA had never given any answers to questions about the Kecksburg object, and now, suddenly, the agency was saying it was a Russian satellite - even when NASA's own leading expert checked the records and said it couldn't possibly be any satellite from any country! Steitz was never willing to reply to my many requests for further information about this statement, such as where the information came from, since he said the documents about it were lost. Without the documents, how would he know? (This contradiction with Johnson and the lack of a source for Steitz's claim has not been followed up by any other journalist, and could be an interesting story.)

In another vein, we were also hoping to learn what authorization government agencies such as NASA had at the time to enter private property for the purpose of seizing or investigating a fallen object, but we did not receive answers to this question either. No policy directives or procedures were provided, yet NASA must have its own policies on this issue, and somewhere they must have been spelled out in 1965. Through the historical documents we did receive, the Kecksburg lawsuit added to our general body of knowledge of that time period even while raising new questions and unresolved contradictions about the Kecksburg case. Most importantly, it illustrates what we're up against as citizens advocating for greater government openness, and justifies a re-examination of what access we as a people within a democracy actually have under the FOIA.

Special thanks to Larry Landsman, then an executive at SCI FI Channel, for launching this FOIA initiative and pulling the team together; attorney Lee Helfrich for brilliantly handling all the many rounds of litigation and extensive legal briefs, way beyond the call of duty; and researcher Stan Gordon for spending over forty years investigating the case and providing me with extensive information, assisting every step of the way.

Leslie Kean November, 2009

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Re: News Links - 28-10-09

From: Don Ledger <dledger.nul>
Date: Tue, 10 Nov 2009 14:11:51 -0400
Archived: Wed, 11 Nov 2009 07:20:33 -0500
Subject: Re: News Links - 28-10-09

>From: Martin Shough <parcellular.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Fri, 30 Oct 2009 12:48:42 -0000
>Subject: Re: News Links - 28-10-09

>>Flint UFO Sighting Was Likely Plane In Low Clouds, FAA Says

>>The Flint Journal - MLive.com

>><http://tinyurl.com/ygupq5t>

>Interesting coincidence, in view of Bruce's recent post about
>the four-light photos. A cluster of four lights seen from a car:

>"As I continued to watch I noticed that it was four opaque
>lights that were tear-dropped shape, but they had darker white
>circles in the center of them. The lights would come together in
>a center and immediately bounce back out. Once they hit about 50
>ft out in each direction they would come back and repeat the
>process. The lights as a whole were also rotating at a
>relatively slow pace. After about five more minutes I realized
>that there was no way this was from a light because it had been
>moving parallel to my car (about 100 - 200 ft. up)for about 10
>minutes. The object made no noise, and seemed much too large to
>be any form of aircraft. [It was about 100 ft x 100 ft.] . . .
>After another 5 minutes or so it started making it's way further
>left over the woods, and I lost sight of it. It was definitely
>the most amazing thing I've ever seen."

>But in this case the resemblance to a laser display on a cloud
>base is suspicious (despite the long duration - maybe the road
>curved around the location, keeping the lights at the same
>relative bearing?). FAA is quoted as saying there was "cloud
>cover".

>But they also say it was under an airport approach path. I can't
>imagine that a laser show would be licensed under an approach
>path, although I don't know the local regulations on that sort
>of thing. And if illegal, could it go completely unnoticed by
>pilots and airport authorities?

>This old one was solved quite quickly at the time. It's an ice-
>crystal halo phenomenon called "light pillars" caused by the
>ground lights on (and just beyond) the near horizon, nice and
>bright because of the image intensifier. (BTW the soldier
>concerned accepted the explanation and tested it by videoing
>exactly same thing in similar conditions on another day).

More lights in the sky. I have had a few of these light column
reports over the years. One of the most interesting was from an
engineer who was in a car with three other engineers on their
way to a nuclear power plant under construction at 4am. He
reported an unseen stationary object a couple hundred feet from
the ground with 4 pillars of light shining down on a field,
illuminating the area below it. They watched it, the lights went
out and the source disappeared. This was in the 1970s.

In any event the witness-in this case- was wasting his/her time.
the FAA came back with a ludicrous explanation which they knew

full well would not satisfy the parameters of the sighting - UFO/IFO or not. Since when does ATC disregard an 'airplane' in it's quadrant in cloud at two hundred feet [note the witness did not reports clouds] when minimums usually require a greater height than that at just before the threshold of the runway. The FAA spokesman just threw in this comment; "In that area, at night, with the cloud cover, it could be someone seeing the lights of a plane, but not the plane," Molinaro said.

I'd be more inclined to believe this was a light source from the ground shining on the bases of the, as yet, undetermined clouds.

The usual aviation BS applies in this case as it does so many others when it comes from the 'authority'.

BTW - the comments below the news-story on this sighting begger belief. Talk about stupid and innane remarks. These must be the opposite of the fringe UFO crowd only in this case 'fringe' skeptics/sceptics.

Don Ledger

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Re: BLT Research Medium's UFO Photos

From: Kentaro Mori <kentaro.mori.nul>
Date: Tue, 10 Nov 2009 17:16:48 -0200
Archived: Wed, 11 Nov 2009 08:23:00 -0500
Subject: Re: BLT Research Medium's UFO Photos

>From: Dave Haith <visions1.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates <post.nul>
>Date: Mon, 9 Nov 2009 17:45:28 -0000
>Subject: BLT Research Medium's "UFO" Photos

>The following was sent to me by researcher Nancy Talbott
>concerning her work with Dutch medium Robbert van den Broeke.

<snip>

><http://www.bltresearch.com/robbert/ufophotos.php>

Broeke is known for several hoaxes, and has been exposed also by
UFO Watchdog's Royce Myers.

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

I've blogged about his latest 'UFO' photos and previous hoaxes
- it's the last case:

<http://forgetomori.com/2009/ufos/ufo-photos/debunking-roundup/>

It's not only obvious he created these images by having cutouts
placed in front of his camera lens, you can actually tell he did
it this way because in some photos the cutouts are reflecting
back the camera flash. That would not have happened if the
object (or cutout) was actually distant (>5m), or if the object
itself was distant and glowing, which would illuminate the
surrounding area.

As Patrick Gross has noted, not only is Broeke a noted hoaxer,
he's actually the main witness in some BLT papers hailed as
"scientific proof" of crop circle anomalies.

<http://www.ufologie.net/htm/crop.htm>

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Re: 'Fourth Kind' Movie Review

From: Jason Gammon <boyinthemachine.nul>
Date: Tue, 10 Nov 2009 14:29:33 -0500
Archived: Wed, 11 Nov 2009 08:25:00 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Fourth Kind' Movie Review

>From: Kathy Kasten <catraja.nul>
>To: post to ufoupdates <post.nul>
>Date: Tue, 10 Nov 2009 17:08:08 +0000
>Subject: Re: 'Fourth Kind' Movie Review

>>From: Steven Kaeser <steve.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Mon, 9 Nov 2009 16:19:29 -0500
>>Subject: Re: 'Fourth Kind' Movie Review

<snip>

>>Please have Nick Redfern provide details as to the Doctor in
>>question. I believe that she doesn't exist until proven
>>otherwise. I find it absolutely strange that people would
>>support a film because they thought it portrayed any sort of
>>reality, and use it to promote their beliefs. That, in my
>>opinion, is pretty sick and those involved with this should know
>>better.

<snip>

>Steven,

>Here's an idea for you: why not contact Nick Redfern through his
>website and ask for the background information you want. He is
>usually good at responding, especially within his own on-line
>website.

Kathy,

It was probably improper to name-drop. Assuming that Redfern did state such, what proof is there that it is true? Did Redfern provide evidence of the existence of a Dr. Abigail Tyler, or whoever the movie is supposed to be based on? If not, then there is no reason to believe him.

In a prior post I commented on my belief that the skeptics are going to have a field day because of the people who will not be able to distinguish reality from fantasy, with regards to this movie.

The movie was done specifically to blur the distinction between fiction and non-fiction. This process of blurring the lines between real and unreal, has occurred time and again in our culture and may have even played a role in the development of religions, such as with the gospels. A good example of this effect is the belief that the Necronomicon of H.P. Lovecraft fame is a real book, when in fact it is a literary device to tie Lovecraft's stories together. In effect, the Necronomicon is a fictional book existing only in the Lovecraft's universe but somewhere along the lines people began thinking it existed in reality.

The same thing happened with the Blair Witch Project and Paranormal Activity. The distinction would be that in The Fourth Kind we have the actress break the 4th wall, so to speak, and state to the audience that the following is real or is based on

reality. Don't fall for it. It's just a part of the viewing experience.

-Jason

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Re: 'Fourth Kind' Movie Review

From: John Velez <jvelez49.nul>
Date: Tue, 10 Nov 2009 15:53:36 -0500
Archived: Wed, 11 Nov 2009 09:27:00 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Fourth Kind' Movie Review

>From: Steven Kaeser <steve.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Mon, 9 Nov 2009 16:19:29 -0500
>Subject: Re: 'Fourth Kind' Movie Review

>>From: K Wilson <K Wilson.nul>
>>To: post.nul
>>Date: Sun, 08 Nov 2009 09:55:57 -0600
>>Subject: Re: 'Fourth Kind' Movie Review

>>>From: John Velez <jvelez49.nul>
>>>To: post.nul
>>>Date: Sat, 7 Nov 2009 00:21:48 -0500
>>>Subject: 'Fourth Kind' Movie Review

>>>I'm going to be lazy about this and simply copy/paste the
>>review of the movie I left for Errol on his FB page.

>>>Here's the review...

>>>Good movie. More of a case study than some kind of overview or
>>>treatise on the abduction phenomenon. It surprised me that I was
>>>completely unfamiliar with this particular Alaskan case.

>>>I liked the fact that the producers didn't go out of their way
>>>to (further) sensationalize UFO abduction by creating a bunch of
>>>CGI aliens and UFOs. Very good job by the movie-makers overall.
>>>They gave respectful treatment to a very complex case. No need
>>>to sensationalize something that is already way off the known
>>>charts.

Katharina responded:

>>John,

>>I concur with your opinion. I saw the movie yesterday and it
>>is a good movie, well worth the time and money. While there
>>are some inaccuracies as far as real abduction scenarios go, I
>>feel this movie will awaken the general public a bit further
>>as to the reality of alien abductions.

There are many inaccuracies, true, but I have to admit I was
fooled by the deceptive presentation. I've been (intentionally)
out of touch with anything 'ufological' for a happy and peaceful
nine years. I thought that it was highly possible this case just
'got by me' and that it based on an 'actual' report. I have
since then heard from Jason, Steve and others that they
discovered sufficient evidence that there is no 'real' story or
report behind the movie. That's good enough for me.

And... it's important for me to state that I was not trying to
sell any point of view or belief system about abduction by
'recommending' the movie. I am simply a life-long movie buff and
lover of film and I thought it was a cool movie. My review
should not be interpreted as anything other than what it was...
my review of a movie.

>>According to Nick Redfern, the lady whose case this movie is
>>based upon, is a real person. I have sent injuries to a few

>>people about her, her case, the videos that were used in the
>>film, and if her sleep study was ever published (or can be
>>read somewhere.) I can say one thing, if she does in fact
>>exist, I completely understand why she would want to remain
>>anonymous.

I'm convinced (from the evidence) that the semblance of reality
(created by the film-makers) is nothing more than Hollywood hype
to help put more asses in the seats. Period. You said yourself,
much of it doesn't fit the patterns associated with abduction. I
don't think there's anything 'real' about the story or the
characters.

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the part of my review that you are reading as, me
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>As pointed out, this has no basis for belief that these deaths
>were related to Alien Abductions, In Alaska, I suspect that
>losing 20 to 30 people to alcohol abuse, disorientation and the
>cold, over a 35 year period, is probably normal. No paranormal
>explanation is needed.

I agree.

>But then again, it makes for a hellava movie...

It did! That's why I recommended it... as a movie. And nothing
else.

I'm outta here, kiddies. There's just way too much 'drama'
associated with regular participation in these forums. Back to
the woodwork for me.

Warmest regards to my friends and compadres,

John Velez

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Subject: News Links 11-11-09

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NASA Records Search Comes Up Empty On Pa. UFO
Philadelphia Inquirer
<http://tinyurl.com/yb5ju3f>

Officer Made UFO Report
El Defensor Chieftain
<http://tinyurl.com/y8zoomj>

What If We Are Alone?
NewsBlaze
<http://newsblaze.com/story/20091110093735eddy.nb/topstory.html>

MUFON To Hold Ely Meeting To Discuss Recent Sightings Near Here
Ely Daily Times
<http://www.elynews.com/articles/2009/11/11/news/news14.txt>

The Nazi UFO-Fighting Soviet Megaplane That Never Was
io9
<http://tinyurl.com/yhf3268>

UFO Reported In Southern Tracy Skies
Tracy Press
<http://tinyurl.com/ycgqm8v>

The Lights In The Night Sky Reappear
9NEWS.com
<http://tinyurl.com/y9bcx3g>

Are Fenland UFO Sightings Just A Laser Light Show?
Fenland Today
<http://tinyurl.com/yaw4d7h>

UFO Hacker Gary Mckinnon Suicidal Over Health
ComputerWeekly.com
<http://tinyurl.com/yf78g5x>

Paranormal Activity in Space
IGN
<http://movies.ign.com/articles/104/1044383p1.html>

Mike Conley's Tales Of The Weird: UFOs In McDowell?
McDowell News
<http://tinyurl.com/ycsejmk>

From Greg Boone:

KSAT Video Segment Regarding UFOs

<http://www.ksat.com/video/21570500/index.html>

Nice piece where they went to a small town in Mexico and interviewed the residents there about their long history of UFO sightings.

Vatican Looks To Heavens For Signs Of Alien Life

<http://tinyurl.com/yza7jo5>

From 'The Norm':

US Armed Forces Listened for Messages from Mars

<http://tinyurl.com/ya5fs2n>

Panama "Alien" Really a Dead, Bloated Sloth

National Geographic News

<http://tinyurl.com/ykp2a3n>

Examining Science On The Fringes: Vital, But Generally Wrong

<http://tinyurl.com/yf83jbr>

New Search Technique For Images And Videos Has Broad Applications

<http://www.physorg.com/news177095786.html>

Will E.T. Look Like Us?

By Michael Shermer

<http://tinyurl.com/ybsjkmf>

Stunning Cassini Image to Knock Your Socks Off

<http://tinyurl.com/ydbzz4j>

How Far Into Outer Space Have Space Probes Penetrated?

<http://tinyurl.com/ygpqtxt>

Infinity And Beyond

<http://www.universityobserver.ie/2009/11/10/infinity-and-beyond/>

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From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <post.nul>
Date: Thu, 12 Nov 2009 08:02:16 -0500
Archived: Thu, 12 Nov 2009 08:02:16 -0500
Subject: List Host Changes

In the seemingly endless struggle to keep this List up and running, Glenn Campbell and I are in the process of relocating UFO UpDates to yet another host...

You may have received a 'welcome to the List' notice in the past 24 hours as the result of the re-hosting.

Please ignore it.

Things shouldn't change, although the Archive may temporarily be unavailable in the next 48 hours. The List's address will remain the same, as will the Archive's URL.

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Re: BLT Research Medium's UFO Photos

From: Dave Haith <visions1.nul>
Date: Wed, 11 Nov 2009 15:13:01 -0000
Archived: Thu, 12 Nov 2009 09:05:00 -0500
Subject: Re: BLT Research Medium's UFO Photos

>From: Kentaro Mori <kentaro.mori.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Tue, 10 Nov 2009 17:16:48 -0200
>Subject: Re: BLT Research Medium's UFO Photos

>>From: Dave Haith <visions1.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates <post.nul>
>>Date: Mon, 9 Nov 2009 17:45:28 -0000
>>Subject: BLT Research Medium's "UFO" Photos

>>The following was sent to me by researcher Nancy Talbott
>>concerning her work with Dutch medium Robbert van den Broeke.

<snip>

>><http://www.bltresearch.com/robbert/ufophotos.php>

>Broeke is known for several hoaxes, and has been exposed also by
>UFO Watchdog's Royce Myers.

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

>I've blogged about his latest 'UFO' photos and previous hoaxes
>- it's the last case:

><http://forgetomori.com/2009/ufos/ufo-photos/debunking-roundup/>

>It's not only obvious he created these images by having cutouts
>placed in front of his camera lens, you can actually tell he did
>it this way because in some photos the cutouts are reflecting
>back the camera flash. That would not have happened if the
>object (or cutout) was actually distant (>5m), or if the object
>itself was distant and glowing, which would illuminate the
>surrounding area.

>As Patrick Gross has noted, not only is Broeke a noted hoaxer,
>he's actually the main witness in some BLT papers hailed as
>"scientific proof" of crop circle anomalies.

><http://www.ufologie.net/htm/crop.htm>

Hi Kentaro

I am already familiar with your highly entertaining and - mostly
- convincing efforts at exposing hoaxes etc.

I had previously checked out the links you provide and have to
say I do not find there, any evidence that Broeke is hoaxing
these photos.

Conversely I have seen no convincing evidence to prove these
photos are paranormal - unless one takes the word of Nancy
Talbott who says she's witnessed the pictures appearing
countless times with no sleight of hand from Broeke.

Your assertions that because with cut outs you can explain how
such photos may have been produced, does not of course prove
that this was the way it happened - no more than counterfeit

bank notes prove all notes are faked.

Similarly statements that Broeke is a 'noted hoaxer' seem to be based on little, other than suspicions of faking or attempts to show how he may have hoaxed.

My position is this. Apart from laboratory experiments in which Broeke is monitored by witnesses and cameras to document these photos paranormally appearing on camera screens, I don't see how anybody can prove or disprove this case.

Without such experiments or unless Broeke is searched and paper cut outs matching the UFOs pictured, are found on him, the jury remains out.

Of course the similarities to the Meier photos are to be noted, which probably works in favour rather than against Broeke, in the sense that who would make cut outs of discredited Meier when you could sculpt some impressive paper discs of your own?

Further controversy is bound to follow because I gather photos of the dead produced on cameras by Broeke will shortly be posted on the web.

What I will say is that I find it unlikely that Nancy Talbott whom I know and respect, would devote so many years of her life to this case without discovering somewhere along the line that she was being hoodwinked.

However it finally turns out, I for one, admire her courage in sticking her neck out in going public over something so bizarre, but which she "knows" is genuine.

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Re: Conclusion Of NASA Kecksburg Lawsuit

From: Carol Maltby <carolmaltby.nul>
Date: Wed, 11 Nov 2009 10:57:55 -0500
Archived: Thu, 12 Nov 2009 09:07:00 -0500
Subject: Re: Conclusion Of NASA Kecksburg Lawsuit

>Source: The Coalition for Freedom of Information

><http://www.freedomofinfo.org/>

>November 9, 2009

>THE CONCLUSION OF THE NASA LAWSUIT

>Concerning the Kecksburg, PA UFO case of 1965

>By Leslie Kean

>INTRODUCTION

>On December 9, 1965, an object landed near the small town of
>Kecksburg, PA. Moments earlier, a fireball was observed in the
>sky across several U.S. states and Canada.

<snip>

>You wrote re Accession number 67A1866 that 7 boxes were checked
>out by Paul Willis, a NASA employee now retired, on 12/4/96, and
>that they are now missing, apparently never returned. I am
>particularly interested in two files from these missing boxes:
>Agreements: NASA/DOD from Box 1; and DOD-NASA Relationships from
>Box 3. This group of files covers the time period June '65 - May
>'66, which is very relevant to my search about the Dec. '65
>incident in Kecksburg. 4 It is interesting to note that Paul
>Willis was the recipient of the letter from the National Records
>Center stating that the fragology files (68A2062) have been
>missing since 1987. The letter to him is dated 3/28/96, in
>response to his inquiry requesting the files. His middle initial
>is M. (Paul M. Willis), and he was Headquarters Records/Forms
>Manager for NASA. His phone at the time was 358-0621.

>Would it be possible to conduct a further search for these
>missing boxes, retrieved by Mr. Willis and not returned, by
>tracking down Mr. Willis? It would also be interesting to find
>out if he conducted a further search for the fragology files at
>the time, or if he may know anything more about their
>whereabouts.

>I was told that since Mr. Willis was no longer a government
>employee, it was beyond what is required by the FOIA or the
>settlement agreement to try to find him and see what he may or
>may not know.

A moment's internet search shows at least 5 men named Paul M.
Willis, ages 72-80.

What efforts have been made to track down Mr. Willis outside of
the FOIA or settlement process?

FWIW, I could not get all the PDFs linked here (or on the
website) to open.

Carol Maltby

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From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac.nul>
Date: Wed, 11 Nov 2009 13:48:32 -0500
Archived: Thu, 12 Nov 2009 12:14:27 -0500
Subject: Re: Conclusion Of NASA Kecksburg Lawsuit

>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>To: - UFO UpDates Subscribers - <ufo-updates-list.nul>
>Date: Wed, Nov 11, 2009 7:08 am
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Conclusion Of NASA Kecksburg Lawsuit

<snip>

Thanks for the report of "major frustration."

'Lost records' remind me of the lost communication records from Roswell Army Air Force Base for a time period that include July 1947.

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UFO Photograph Over Snoqualmie Pass

From: **Vicente-Juan Ballester Olmos** <ballesterolmos.nul>
Date: Thu, 12 Nov 2009 08:54:06 +0000 (GMT)
Archived: Fri, 13 Nov 2009 15:39:13 -0500
Subject: UFO Photograph Over Snoqualmie Pass

Dear colleagues:

On March 26, 1966 (*) engineer Gale A. Peck was flying a Cessna plane over Snoqualmie Pass, state of Washington, when he photographed a UFO.

The references I have collected todate as as follows:

Flying Saucers And UFO Reports (Dell), No 3, October 1967, p 53.

Brad Steiger and Joan Whritenour, Flying Saucers Are Hostile, Award, 1967, plate between pp 64-65.

Grace Hinman, Fate, Vol 20, No 11, #212, November 1967, pp 78-79 (2 photo captions reversed).

I'd appreciate (1) knowing other sources where this case is documented, (2) whether the witness is still alive and how to locate him (he was then living in Seattle), and (3) if someone has any surviving original picture or any additional information regarding this event.

Any further information will be most welcome. You can write to me via this List or privately.

Sincerely,

Vicente-Juan Ballester Olmos
Manager, FOTOCAT Project
<http://fotocat.blogspot.com/>

(*) Date has been also published as April 26, 1965 (Brad Steiger).

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Hi John,

Your review of The Fourth Kind came just after a friend (an
"experimenter") had to rush out and see it midday Friday. He came
back all excited about this case [that he also was not aware
of], and he was completely convinced that the archival (or aged)
footage was real.

I recalled the warning on UpDates a few weeks ago that this
pseudo-documentary was coming out and then began to look at a
few sites from the Hollywood angle, and quickly found several
pages that detailed the viral web activity and the web marketing
for TFK.

I would note that Milla Jovovich was the reason my friend knew
about the film, being a non-computer user. We had television
promos that he saw, and he likes Milla as an actress. Then,
given the subject, he couldn't resist and he immediately called
friends to tell them of this important movie.

I thought that the Bud Hopkins review might alter his view, but
any attempt to show him evidence that it may only be a movie was
interpreted as an attack on his core beliefs. I don't follow
Alien Abduction research deeply, but also don't criticize or
belittle the beliefs of others (in a variety of subjects).

Your review, in my interpretation, was written prior to doing
any research on the case, which you believed to real enough to
mention doing to get more details on the case.

I did interpret that as an endorsement of TFK from a ufological
perspective. But from the hype they've generated as the opening
approached, a large segment of the target audience is probably
more inclined to believe this as fact, rather than fiction, at
the core.

Given the distractions of many Movies and Television shows after segments of the genre have latched onto them as real, or an effort to prepare the public for the 'truth', it seems even more important to research first and declare importance to the field later.

I did not interpret your review as going that far, I believe I did post a response that included a couple of web links on TFK's production and marketing.

As far as "promoting your beliefs" is concerned, that was a poor phrasing to select. But given your prior involvement in the Abduction arena, albeit inactive, your review IMO tended to give it credence, and after seeing my friends reaction, I fear we have another movie to keep an eye on to see if there's a negative.

I believe most researchers in Ufology would prefer not having to filter out the noise it may add to the research effort. That's not to say that honest debate shouldn't take place, but we debated the Alien Autopsy for a decade and there are still a few believers helping to keep it profitable for Ray Santilli.

Most researchers who've been at this for a few decades believe that most, if not all, of the MJ-12 documents have failed to provide any provenance and or supporting evidence. But their credibility has been promoted through numerous UFO documentaries by their proponents on the History Channel.

Not to mention that it took about three years for people to stop posting that The X-Files was a Government effort to prepare the public for some future announcement.

There's no telling what the impact of 2012 will be.

For those who are researching this for the first time, how does one select what to believe and what to reject in the salad of beliefs and theories that are promoted at any given time? There are many thousands of people interested in this field, but trying to get a majority agreement is akin to herding cats. Maybe we need Nancy Pelosi to work the room.

My intention is not to get into a long debate over the movie. If there is evidence to disclose, I'm interested in seeing it, and I will be forwarding a question to Nick Redfern to get information on what he knows.

I'm also not really here to debate peoples beliefs, but I would like to keep the facts we can point to on the table and take them into account. But maybe that has to wait until we have clearly defined rules of evidence.

Steve

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From: Kentaro Mori <kentaro.mori.nul>
Date: Thu, 12 Nov 2009 12:02:54 -0200
Archived: Fri, 13 Nov 2009 19:05:41 -0500
Subject: Additions To My Site 12-11-09

I'm currently attempting to post an alien photo a day for a total of 30 images this month, along with the best available explanations I could find.

Most of the cases I'm writing about are well-known and solved, but some explanations may be more obscure. Almost none of the investigation work is mine, I'm only compiling (and crediting).

Over at:

<http://forgetomori.com/category/aliens/>

Published cases so far:

- The Roswell museum alien prop, Penthouse fiasco
<http://forgetomori.com/2009/aliens/um-alienigena-para-maiores/>
- The Canadian Expo alien prop
<http://forgetomori.com/2009/aliens/the-new-mexico-alien-with-a-zipper/>
- The Area 51 alien prop
<http://forgetomori.com/2009/aliens/the-container-alien/>
- Dolores Barrios, the Venusian from Manhattan Beach
<http://forgetomori.com/2009/aliens/uma-alienigena-como-dolores-barrios/>
- Meier's Asket and Nera; from Dean Martin's show
<http://forgetomori.com/2009/aliens/asket-and-nera/>
- The Intensive-Care Unit Alien from X-Files
<http://forgetomori.com/2009/aliens/the-intensive-care-unit-alien/>
- Chilean Park Alien, probably a dog
<http://forgetomori.com/2009/aliens/chilean-park-alien/>
- The twisted neck alien, from Intruders
<http://forgetomori.com/2009/aliens/the-3-second-eben-intruder/>
- An alien from MIB? Or another Hollywood production
<http://forgetomori.com/2009/aliens/orions-belt-alien/>
- The AMOCO Alien
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Re: BLT Research Medium's UFO Photos

From: Kentaro Mori <kentaro.mori.nul>
Date: Thu, 12 Nov 2009 12:34:07 -0200
Archived: Fri, 13 Nov 2009 19:08:47 -0500
Subject: Re: BLT Research Medium's UFO Photos

>From: Dave Haith <visions1.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates <post.nul>
>Date: Wed, 11 Nov 2009 15:13:01 -0000
>Subject: Re: BLT Research Medium's UFO Photos

>>From: Kentaro Mori <kentaro.mori.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Tue, 10 Nov 2009 17:16:48 -0200
>>Subject: Re: BLT Research Medium's UFO Photos

>>Broeke is known for several hoaxes, and has been exposed also by
>>UFO Watchdog's Royce Myers.

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

>>I've blogged about his latest 'UFO' photos and previous hoaxes
>>- it's the last case:

>><http://forgetomori.com/2009/ufos/ufo-photos/debunking-roundup/>

<snip>

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>><http://www.ufologie.net/htm/crop.htm>

<snip>

>Your assertions that because with cut outs you can explain how
>such photos may have been produced, does not of course prove
>that this was the way it happened - no more than counterfeit
>bank notes prove all notes are faked.

Hello Dave, you should read this in HAL9000's voice...

Indeed. But when we have convincing evidence that that was the
way he hoaxed before, then the assertion gains more weight. See
below.

>Similarly statements that Broeke is a 'noted hoaxer' seem to be
>based on little, other than suspicions of faking or attempts to
>show how he may have hoaxed.

Did you see his alien which was in fact a cutout from Reader's
Digest, that is, he used a common available photo of which the
source was located? This is no suspicion of hoax, I don't think
any reasonable person would believe his excuse that he somehow
psychically materialized the exact photo published on a magazine
in front of his camera.

<http://www.skepsis.nl/mudman.html>

>My position is this. Apart from laboratory experiments in which
>Broeke is monitored by witnesses and cameras to document these
>photos paranormally appearing on camera screens, I don't see how
>anybody can prove or disprove this case.

In several of these more recent photos one can see a line
connecting the "UFO" to the border of the image. And the

anomalies always appears at the extremities of the photo frame. That's because it's Broeke simply holding things in front of his camera. He doesn't even throw them in the air.

This cannot be definitely proven unless we record him actually doing it, true, but again, as I originally wrote, the fact the images reflect back the camera flash is indeed already proof they were very near the camera (as the flash range is limited), ergo, they are really small objects. Furthermore, from the way some of the objects reflects the flash, one can also see clear evidence they are flat objects. So one has to assume these were either real miniature, bidimensional alien spaceships flying in front of the camera, or that Broeke was holding cutouts in front of the camera,

And we have clear cases where Broeke used common available photos as cutouts and claimed them to be real alien images. The conclusion is inevitable.

>Of course the similarities to the Meier photos are to be noted,
>which probably works in favour rather than against Broeke, in
>the sense that who would make cut outs of discredited Meier when
>you could sculpt some impressive paper discs of your own?

I don't know. I know that Broeke used a cutout from Reader's Digest, which he should have imagined someone would eventually find out. But he took not one but several photos of it and claimed them to be a real alien materialized in his house.

Broeke is a hoaxer. Talbott seems to genuinely believe him, even though she knows about the Reader's Digest and other objections aired about his photos.

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From: Carol Maltby <carolmaltby.nul>
Date: Thu, 12 Nov 2009 11:03:29 -0500
Archived: Fri, 13 Nov 2009 19:10:47 -0500
Subject: Re: BLT Research Medium's UFO Photos

>From: Kentaro Mori <kentaro.mori.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
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When I clicked that link I got a "Google Safe Browsing
Diagnostic page for www.ufologie.net", suggesting that some of
the domains linked in its pages may have code for malware,
possibly added by a third party.

Carol

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Re: Conclusion Of NASA Kecksburg Lawsuit

From: **Steven Kaeser** <steve.nul>
Date: Thu, 12 Nov 2009 13:52:11 -0500
Archived: Fri, 13 Nov 2009 19:15:11 -0500
Subject: Re: Conclusion Of NASA Kecksburg Lawsuit

>From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac.nul>
>To: post.nul
>Date: Wed, 11 Nov 2009 13:48:32 -0500
>Subject: Re: Conclusion Of NASA Kecksburg Lawsuit

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>Thanks for the report of "major frustration."

>'Lost records' remind me of the lost communication records from
>Roswell Army Air Force Base for a time period that include July
>1947.

Hi Bruce,

I share the frustration, but there are two points to note

As I recall, when it was learned that Roswell communications records had been destroyed, along with the records authorizing that action, a check of communications records at other base records in general from that time period, this seemed to be widespread. A number of gaps in the communications records were found, and this may have been systemic at the time, rather than a cover-up. I'm not sure how we show that the Roswell disappearance can be shown to be different.

NASA, on the other hand, couldn't keep track of the original moon landing data and recently acknowledged that they apparently erased most of it to re-use the tapes and save money. Given how long ago archived data was moved to Optical Disk storage, this shows how long ago this tragic decision was made. And, the fact that it took over a decade to figure out what happened to the data, was also telling. Not only was NASA cheap, but they also couldn't keep good records about what data they had and what archive it was stored in - as they moved it around to less expensive warehouses.

I was in Congressman John Murtha's Office in the mid-90s and talked with the legislative aide that was assigned all Kecksburg/UFO inquiries. The Congressman's LA said that he learned little from the military, but indicated that the accepted cause was the Soviet Satellite theory. That would confirm that there was an Event that occurred. But, this was all based on third-hand hearsay and showed that the Congressman - who doesn't have clearance to get any military operational data - didn't really know anything other than what everyone has found outside the cone of secrecy.

CFI is to be commended for keeping a focus on this, and we appear to be dealing with two Agencies that are either covering their rear-ends, or are inept at good record keeping. The Military could have the Cold War to blame for the extreme classification of this incident, or it could well be some alien technology that fell from the sky. Both would likely result in a compartmentalized classification group. But I tend to support the incompetence or poor management of data by that Agency, as to why they can't find, or know what records they even have.

There's a lot of fog to make your way through in this case, and

it's an investigation to keep active.

Steve

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Re: Without Our Knowing

From: **Kathy Kasten** <catraja.nul>
Date: Fri, 13 Nov 2009 00:50:15 +0000
Archived: Fri, 13 Nov 2009 19:17:58 -0500
Subject: Re: Without Our Knowing

>Date: Tue, 10 Nov 2009 09:24:24 -0500
>To: ufo-updates-list.nul
>From: post.nul
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Without Our Knowing

>From: Ray Dickenson <r.dickenson.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Tue, 10 Nov 2009 12:17:11 -0000
>Subject: Without Our Knowing

>Just saw an article titled " The Vatican joins the search for
>alien life", in the UK's Telegraph at:

><http://tinyurl.com/yhjl29f>

>and particularly noticed the last paragraph:

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>"The Academy conference will include presentations from
>scientists - by no means all of them Christians - on the
>discovery of planets outside our solar system, the geological
>record of early life on Earth, how life might have started on
>Earth, and whether "alien" life of a different biochemistry to
>our own might exist here without our knowing, among many other
>things."

Ray:

I noticed that Chris Impey from the University of Arizona was mentioned in the article. He was commenting on the Vatican's interest in the search for life in the Universe.

The Vatican maintains a staff of astronomers at the UofA in Tucson. I have put Chris Impey on my list to ask to speak to our Sonoran Astronomical Society meeting.

We had a member of the Vatican's staff come and speak to us last year. It ended up being very controversial. The speaker brought up the subject of Intelligent Design and the discussion went on far into the night. Who knows what would happen if the subject was life on other planets.

KK

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From: **Stanton T. Friedman** <fsphys.nul>
Date: Thu, 12 Nov 2009 20:02:55 -0400
Archived: Fri, 13 Nov 2009 19:24:10 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Fourth Kind' Movie Review

>From: Steven Kaeser <steve.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Wed, 11 Nov 2009 12:14:58 -0500
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Re: BLT Research Medium's UFO Photos

From: Ed Gehrman <egehrman.nul>
Date: Mon, 9 Nov 2009 16:15:29 -0800
Archived: Fri, 13 Nov 2009 19:32:58 -0500
Subject: Re: BLT Research Medium's UFO Photos

>From: Dave Haith <visions1.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates <post.nul>
>Date: Mon, 9 Nov 2009 17:45:28 -0000
>Subject: BLT Research Medium's "UFO" Photos

>The following was sent to me by researcher Nancy Talbott
>concerning her work with Dutch medium Robbert van den Broeke.

>I have followed this intriguing case since its inception and
>knowing Nancy well, have no doubt that something paranormal is
>occurring.

Dave,

This guy is a total fake:

<http://www.randi.org/jr/2006-01/010606netherlands.html>

Ed

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Is This Photograph Proof That UFOs Are In The Air?
Chorley Guardian
<http://tinyurl.com/yktt6k3>

MPs Want Hacker Transfer Halted
BBC News
http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/uk_news/8357417.stm

Anniversary Of "West Lothian Question" UFO mystery
West Lothian Courier
<http://tinyurl.com/yewfgfd>

Filer's Files 2009 - #46
<http://www.nationalufocenter.com/>

From 'The Norm':

What If We are Alone?
<http://newsblaze.com/story/20091110093735eddy.nb/topstory.html>

Let's Hope NASA's Just Sloppy - Billy Cox
<http://tinyurl.com/ycu6nr9>

NASA Unveils Plan To Free Stuck Mars Rover Spirit
<http://tinyurl.com/y9djma2>

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Stan,

You're a good person in this field, but don't assume that
everyone is going to accept your level of evidence, which is
shown by the absolute rejection of the SOM-101 documents.

Show me any other military 'How To' manuals that go into so much
detail about why you are doing it.

But the real mess was started by the plethora of documents that
seem to have followed. If you believe that the MJ-12 is looked
with more favor than the AA 'Film', by most long term
ufologists, then I don't think you've been paying attention.

It's really up to those who promote a document or film to prove that it's real, not to submit it as proof and rely on others to prove that it's a fake. You've presented your evidence for the MJ-12 and it was essentially circumstantial. Those who created the early MJ-12 documents weren't fools and could well have done the research that you followed through.

All this being said, I agree that there must have been a group that was acting in a manner similar to MJ-12, throughout the late 40s and 50s, but MJ-12 has too many flaws.

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UFO Case Files Of Scotland - A Review

From: Philip Mantle <philip.nul>
Date: Fri, 13 Nov 2009 13:36:54 -0000
Archived: Sat, 14 Nov 2009 09:42:13 -0500
Subject: UFO Case Files Of Scotland - A Review

Review

UFO Case Files Of Scotland
Amazing Real Life Alien Encounters

Author: Malcolm Robinson
ISBN: 978-1-907126-02-4
Pagination: 365 pages - illustrated.
Publisher: Healings of Atlantis
Price: =A314.99

The small country of Scotland is known for many things: its beautiful scenery, whiskey, the Loch Ness Monster, Braveheart, but not UFOs. But this new book: UFO Case Files Of Scotland by Scotland's and one of the UK's leading UFO and Paranormal researchers, Malcolm Robinson, could well alter all that.

Malcolm Robinson has been involved first hand as a UFO and Paranormal researcher since the late 1980's. A true Scot in every sense of the word Malcolm has been at the forefront of research on UFOs in Scotland and the only thing that truly surprises me about this book is that it is his first one. Having read it from cover to cover I can only hope it is the first of many.

UFO Case Files Of Scotland is in no way definitive, it is instead an honest reflection of Malcolm's own involvement in UFO research in Scotland. It might not be definitive but of the cases that it covers it is certainly in-depth. I have read literally hundreds of UFO books down the years and I can honestly say, in the best possible way that I can, that this book is like no other. Not only does Malcolm go into great detail of the case histories featured, but he also gives a very graphic description of the mood and atmosphere of the time. Details of lectures and conferences are covered, one or two of the more humorous moments also, and Malcolm is also man enough in this book to hold his hand up when he made a mistake or two, all of which of course is to his credit.

The case histories covered are no less fascinating. In the first chapter Malcolm briefly outlines how and why he became involved in this research in the first place. This is followed by the best coverage I have ever read of the Bonnybridge 'UFO hot spot'. In the early to mid-1990's, the small town of Bonnybridge was the centre of UFO activity in Britain and some may argue the world. I'll not spoil it here by highlighting many of the UFO sightings investigated by Malcolm and his colleagues save to say that I thought I knew a good bit about the Bonnybridge sightings but soon realised when reading this chapter that I knew virtually nothing.

Other case histories featured are the Robert Taylor UFO landing account in Livingston of November 1979. With physical traces left on the witness and the location (marks in the ground) this incident was officially investigated by the local police. The A70 Incident is Scotland's first reported UFO abduction account and it is featured here in full. This particular event is now under consideration for a movie by a UK production company. The Fife Incident took place in September 1996 and involved several

witnesses. A controversial case of UFO entities and a whole lot more is again dealt with in-depth by the author. Scotland's and probably Britain's best UFO photographic case took place at Craigluscar Reservoir in Scotland on February 19th 1994. The full story of this daylight UFO photographic case is covered with the photograph in question featured in full. The book is rounded off with Malcolm's own look at what UFOs may be.

I have purposely not given too much detail of the UFO case histories featured in this book because to offer brief details of them simply would not do them justice.

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>Stan,

>You're a good person in this field, but don't assume that
>everyone is going to accept your level of evidence, which is
>shown by the absolute rejection of the SOM-101 documents.

Quite frankly, Steve, I don't believe that you have read my Book
Top Secret/Majic, or my Final Report On Operation Majestic 12,
or at least 6 detailed papers I have written about the
documents.

How can you possibly talk about History Channel documentaries?
You provided no evidence at all, but I am supposed to provide
proof?

What would you like?

A statement by one of the MJ-12 members?? Sorry, they have all been dead for 25 years or more. You want other corroborative TOP Secret Code word Documents? So do I. How would you propose they be obtained? I don't have either a clearance or a Need to Know. Do you? Having been to 20 archives I can say one rarely if ever gets access to formerly classified TS Code word Documents

>Show me any other military 'How To' manuals that go into so much detail about why you are doing it.

>But the real mess was started by the plethora of documents that seem to have followed. If you believe that the MJ-12 is looked with more favor than the AA 'Film', by most long term ufologists, then I don't think you've been paying attention.

What in the world does the plethora of documents have to do with the ones I named? I should think one could make a pretty good case that their purpose was to try to claim the few good ones are false by guilt by association. No evidence required. But notice I specifically proved that a number of them were false by, for example, providing the original documents which were emulated. I demonstrated with evidence. Where is yours? Did I say that most old timers accept a few MJ-12 Documents? No. You claimed they didn't. Where is your evidence?

You made the claim about how old timers feel. You provided no evidence for the claim. Is there a survey or a poll? Especially of people who have studied what I have written? As compared with those who get their data from the History Channel?

>It's really up to those who promote a document or film to prove that it's real, not to submit it as proof and rely on others to prove that it's a fake. You've presented your evidence for the MJ-12 and it was essentially circumstantial. Those who created the early MJ-12 documents weren't fools and could well have done the research that you followed through.

Besides proclamation, what evidence do you have to support that last comment? Did they just pull it out of the air?

I don't understand your use of "circumstantial", but even if it were true, it would be more suitable than research by proclamation. Here is a list of claims made by Document Deniers (DD) that supposedly show the documents are phony, and then the real facts

1.The type face on the CT memo should have been Elite, not Pica.

I provided 14 pica documents (there were many more) and was paid \$1000. by Phil Klass for proving him wrong.

2. TOP SECRET RESTRICTED was not used by government agencies in 1954.

The GAO found a number of examples of TSR and said so in their Roswell Report.

3. All TOP SECRET Documents must have TS Control Numbers.

Archivists say they have many TS documents which don't. I had even published a couple.

4. Hillenkoetter would never have called himself Admiral.

I found at the Ike Library many instances of the use of Generic ranks including, for example, Brigadier General Goodpaster referring to himself as General.

5,. Astronomer/debunker Menzel could not have been part of such a group.

I discovered at the Harvard Archives that he had very high security clearances and did lots of classified work for the NSA, CIA, FBI, and other agencies and was close to several of the MJ-12 members such as Van Bush and Detlev Bronk and Lloyd Berkner 6. The typewriter for the 1947 Truman-Forrestal memo was from 1960 or later.

Forensic Document examiner Mr. Black ascertained that it dated from 1940.

7. I showed that several of the dates were actually correct such as the date Twining went to New Mexico was July 7, 1947, by finding his and his pilot's flight logs. Also found Spaatz' log proving one of the plethora was a phony.

8. I discovered that the slant red pencil mark thru TSR on the CT memo was meaningful. Not previously known.

9. We determined that the CT memo Dictation onion skin paper was made in Bid lots by Fox paper in the right time frame and that the government bought lots of it.

10. Joe Nickell claimed the date format for the EBD was wrong. I found other examples of the same format. 11. At the archives I found proof that a number of dates were correct such as when Smith met with Truman. I found proof that NSA Exec. Sec James Lay was indeed in touch with Robert Cutler while he was in Europe. If the CT memo had been signed or used /S/, it would have been a phony.

I had conversations about the documents and office procedures and person- nel with George Elsey who worked for Truman all the time he was in the White House. I talked with families of almost all the MJ-12 members and with Forrest Pogue, Marshall's biographer.

12. I have been to a total of 20 archives, some many times, doing document research. I know of no one else who has even looked at Menzel's papers at Harvard. Do you?

13. I listed a lot of trivial pieces of information not known to be true before the documents were received. I asked if certain data had been provided to others before it was provided to me.. Answer was NO.

In short then, Steve. I have collected and published a great deal of actual data obtained, not by sitting at my office and making proclamations, but by digging deeper in many places... What have you and other DD done?

>All this being said, I agree that there must have been a group >that was acting in a manner similar to MJ-12, throughout the >late 40s and 50s, but MJ-12 has too many flaws.

Let us not forget that because most isotopes are not fissionable does not mean none are. Because most people aren't 7' tall doesn't mean none are. Because most MJ-12 documents are phony doesn't mean none are genuine.

Stan

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ETs And Modern Physics

From: **Greg Boone** <Evolbaby.nul>
Date: Sat, 14 Nov 2009 13:56:10 EST
Archived: Sun, 15 Nov 2009 12:38:32 -0500
Subject: ETs And Modern Physics

This is a link to a special presentation featuring cosmologist and physicist, Lawrence Krauss:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7ImvlS8PLIo>

Of note to Ufologists is how he so casually touches on the issue of extraterrestrial life as though it's such a given that it has no speciality regarding its uniqueness.

It took me for a loop because it wasn't even an issue of importance to the scientist.

Furthermore, his lecture covers the full gambit of modern day theoretical physics but also leaves some big questions.

Note also how he does cover how scientists often resist change, banter theory, and more.

The jury is still out on the final say regarding physics and as soon as we solve the I_know_it_all equation of arrogance we'll still be in the dark matter.

Best,

Greg
ufomafia.com/blog

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Stanton,

I would like you to convince Mark Rodeghier, or perhaps Don Berliner (your co-author for Crash at Corona), or even Mike Swords in the validity of any of the MJ-12. Like Roswell, I don't believe you're going to get at this by your form of logic and research. And it's especially tainted by the Document you found at the Archives which had flawed provenance (as you recall according to the archivists, it did not belong in the box where it was found).

All this being said, I did read your books and they fell short of proof in my opinion. And quite honestly, I really don't care about what "could've been" or "might've been", and I am especially leery of anecdotal information and what it seems to indicate. In other words, damn near all the commentary and information you hold dear. People are just to unreliable in interpretation.

The conversation that I was having was about people taking bad information into account. What do you think of the validity of the case mentioned in The Fourth Kind? What about the Doctor mentioned in the movie... do you believe that she's real? Do you believe that our attempt at scientific research should be further clouded by those who take all UFO media information as true? What about the End of the World in December, 2012? Have you been preparing to go out with a bang and started to spend your assets while you have time?

Stanton, this isn't about you. I think that most ufologists believe that MJ-12 has no provenance and my statement is based on discussions at Fund's Executive Committee meetings and the UFO Leadership group pulled together in 2002 (or 2003) where we got together for three days of meetings on the direction of ufology research and how to get more scientific involvement. As you probably recall, this was with Funding from the Sci-Fi Channel, which later died off.

I honestly have no intention of getting involved in a debate, and am slowly extricating myself from this genre as a result of the non-direction it's taking.

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Don Ledger

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Rebuttal To: Sparks-Greenwood Paper Regarding Bob Pratt,
Roswell & MJ-12.

MUFON Journal No.474, October 2007 pp 12-13

It is only 2000 words long but it hits the highlights. Sorry you
missed it.

Another paper Update On Majestic 12 Is at my website:

www.stantonfriedman.com

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>We had a member of the Vatican's staff come and speak to us last
>year. It ended up being very controversial. The speaker brought
>up the subject of Intelligent Design and the discussion went on
>far into the night. Who knows what would happen if the subject
>was life on other planets.

Hi Kathy,
Right, that is a fascinating subject, always assuming the
'intelligent' bit. Which is why I'd collected some scientific
opinions on that subject - at:

www.perceptions.couk.com/creation.html

Please note, I've previously avoided that subject like the
plague - but think the time has maybe come.

Even so, the Vatican teaser is interesting because I think they
know or suspect something most of us don't know - and have
tried, from a decade or more ago, to think what that might be.

The results of that speculation are at
www.perceptions.couk.com/uef/friend-foe.html and it's unfinished
work - that is, you could change any of the implications from
'external' to 'internal' (to Earth / us / our brains or
consciousnesses) and still get the same results. Which means we
couldn't necessarily know where any "aliens" are situated - if
'site' is a meaningful term in this case.

Cheers

Ray D

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That Guy: The Truth Is Out There - Not That We've Found It
New Zealand Herald
<http://tinyurl.com/ylo2ss4>

2012 Prophet To Set Record Straight At Secrets Conference In Tempe
Examiner.com
<http://tinyurl.com/yf253sm>

SYDENHAM: Mum And Daughter's Alien Fear Over UFO Sighting
This is Local London
<http://tinyurl.com/ylyfg4ub>

TV Show V May Reflect Real UFOs ET Visitors
UFODigest
<http://www.ufodigest.com/news/1109/v.php>

Is This A UFO? Watch The Video And Decide
Jarrow & Hebburn Gazette
<http://tinyurl.com/ydzopxr>

From Greg Boone:

Can You Identify This UFO?
WMT-TV
<http://www.wmt.com/articles/friday-1369328-solve-identify.html>

From Frrank Warren's UFO Chronicles

Lonnie Zamora's UFO Photographed In Roswell A Month Earlier?
<http://tinyurl.com/ykr98oj>

From 'The Norm':

The Socorro UFO Landing Part One - Kevin Randle's Blog
<http://tinyurl.com/yeyvkqp>

UFO Religion: A Science Fiction Tradition
<http://tinyurl.com/yzh4m86>

Visoki Decani Monestary's UFOs In Fresco
<http://tinyurl.com/ylyzkvhv>

New Software for Rendering Cloaked Objects
<http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2009/11/091112171409.htm>

UFO Educators
<http://www.clevelandufo.com/UFOeducators/home.html>

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Interview: Zhang Yifang On UFOs And Aliens In China
GoKunming
<http://tinyurl.com/ykeftq3>

Scottdale Man Focuses On Paranormal
Connellsville Daily Courier
http://www.pittsburghlive.com/x/dailycourier/s_653439.html

From Frank Warren's UFO Chronicles

Former U.S. Military Personnel To Discuss UFO Incursions At
Nuclear Weapons Sites At The National Press Club
<http://tinyurl.com/ygup8gc>

Ray Stanford On The Joiner Report with Guest Host Frank Warren
<http://tinyurl.com/yzaty3e>

The Socorro Incident: Artist's Conception of UFO Symbol On Craft
Based On 6 Eyewitness Accounts
<http://tinyurl.com/y8om687>

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FOTOCAT Project Blog Update - 16-11-09

From: **Vicente-Juan Ballester Olmos** <ballesterolmos.nul>
Date: Mon, 16 Nov 2009 20:18:20 +0000 (GMT)
Archived: Tue, 17 Nov 2009 07:38:38 -0500
Subject: FOTOCAT Project Blog Update - 16-11-09

Dear colleague:

Announcing the update of the FOTOCAT Project Blog with the publication of Spheres In Airborne UAP Imagery

at:

<http://fotocat.blogspot.com/>

by Vicente-Juan Ballester Olmos and Martin Shough who hope it proves for stimulating reading.

Sincerely,

Vicente-Juan Ballester Olmos

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Re: More MJ-12

From: Stanton T. Friedman <fsphys.nul>
Date: Tue, 17 Nov 2009 14:21:50 -0400
Archived: Wed, 18 Nov 2009 07:36:14 -0500
Subject: Re: More MJ-12

>From: Steven Kaeser <steve.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Sun, 15 Nov 2009 12:47:28 -0500
>Subject: Re: More MJ-12

>>From: Stanton T Friedman <fsphys.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto" <post.nul>
>>Date: Sat, 14 Nov 2009 14:06:24 -0400
>>Subject: More MJ-12 [was:'Fourth Kind' Movie Review]

>>>From: Steven Kaeser <steve.nul>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>>Date: Sat, 14 Nov 2009 08:41:03 -0500
>>>Subject: Re: 'Fourth Kind' Movie Review

><snip>

>I would like you to convince Mark Rodeghier, or perhaps Don
>Berliner (your co-author for Crash at Corona), or even Mike
>Swords in the validity of any of the MJ-12. Like Roswell, I
>don't believe you're going to get at this by your form of logic
>and research. And it's especially tainted by the Document you
>found at the Archives which had flawed provenance (as you recall
>according to the archivists, it did not belong in the box where
>it was found).

How about having them and you convince me and the rest of the
Listers by putting some facts on the table instead of making
proclamations?

You don't like the provenance of the CT memo. My dictionary says
provenance means origin. We know the origin.

It was folded and between 2 folders in Box 189 of Entry 267 of
Record Group 341 at the National Archives. Anybody can look at
it.

I determined that that box was first handled in September 1984
shortly after the last surviving member of MJ-12 died. It was
kept in the classified vault and first served to the public in
July 1985. The Archives refused to tell me the names of the
declassifiers who handled the box.

Surely you understand that Classified documents cannot merely be
handed out like traffic tickets. Of course it was planted in Box
189. The box # was also given on one of the postcards received
months earlier. No outsider had access to the box.

You say you want proof. I suggested possibilities, none
attainable, but why not a preponderance of the evidence as in
civil cases? Who are you to demand proof?

>All this being said, I did read your books and they fell short
>of proof in my opinion. And quite honestly, I really don't care
>about what "could've been" or "might've been", and I am
>especially leery of anecdotal information and what it seems to
>indicate. In other words, damn near all the commentary and
>information you hold dear. People are just too unreliable in

>interpretation.

Steve you and other MJ-12 deniers haven't even stooped to the level of anecdotes. I provided a lot of facts. You haven't disputed them.

Phil Klass' check was real. The slant red pencil mark was real, The GAO did find other TSR documents etc etc etc. What is it you have besides unsubstantiated opinions?

>The conversation that I was having was about people taking bad >information into account. What do you think of the validity of >the case mentioned in The Fourth Kind? What about the Doctor >mentioned in the movie... do you believe that she's real? Do you >believe that our attempt at scientific research should be >further clouded by those who take all UFO media information as >>true? What about the End of the World in December, 2012? Have >you been preparing to go out with a bang and started to spend >your assets while you have time?

Steve, what bad information and what in the world does "The Fourth Kind" or 2012 have to do with MJ-12 or me?

How do you dare to even hint that I take all UFO media as true? I have been doing media about UFOs for over 40 years and can say my record shows just the opposite.

You seem to be claiming that basically, I am gullible and believe anything in the media. Show me. I haven't seen it.

I have done more than anybody else to check on various documents and claims and have provided factual - not anecdotal - reasons for saying a host are phony. Don't they count?

I'm the one who talks about my gray basket. I located the documents that were emulated. I found the comment about TSR from the GAO. I proved that James Lay met with Ike and later the same day spoke with him on July 14, 1954. I found Menzel's letters to JFK and his unpublished autobiography proving he was up to his ears in very highly classified work for decades after WW 2. Has anybody else even looked at Menzel's papers at Harvard?

>Stanton, this isn't about you. I think that most ufologists >believe that MJ-12 has no provenance and my statement is based >on discussions at Fund's Executive Committee meetings and the >UFO Leadership group pulled together in 2002 (or 2003) where we >got together for three days of meetings on the direction of >ufology research and how to get more scientific involvement. As >you probably recall, this was with Funding from the Sci-Fi >Channel, which later died off.

I wasn't at those meetings. Many scientists thought the earth was flat, that no flying machine could be operated, that space travel was "Utter Bilge". So what? Ignorance is bliss.

>I honestly have no intention of getting involved in a debate, >and am slowly extricating myself from this genre as a result of >the non-direction it's taking.

Steve, you make outrageous claims and now you want to take your marbles and go home. That is fine with me. But I see no reason to put up with false claims.

How about the Fund sponsoring a debate about MJ-12?

Stan

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Physicist Zhang Yifang Interviewed About UFOs

From: **Greg Boone** <Evolbaby.nul>
Date: Tue, 17 Nov 2009 15:04:18 EST
Archived: Wed, 18 Nov 2009 07:39:06 -0500
Subject: Physicist Zhang Yifang Interviewed About UFOs

Here's another good look at what's going on with the Chinese ufologists.

<http://tinyurl.com/yk9gy4p>

Founder and former Director of the Kunming UFO Research Association Zhang Yifang gives his opinions regarding UFOs and the ETH.

He's convinced ET's exist and doesn't shy from his convictions. His integrity shines through even though the news article tries unsuccessfully to add sarcasm.

Best,

Greg
ufomafia.com

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'The Fourth Kind' Pays For Big Fib

From: **Gord Heath** <gordheath.nul>
Date: Tue, 17 Nov 2009 11:04:54 -0800
Archived: Wed, 18 Nov 2009 07:42:33 -0500
Subject: 'The Fourth Kind' Pays For Big Fib

Hi,

In light of recent discussions on the UFO UpDates List, (now sidetracked on yet another discussion on MJ-12 documents), I thought you would be interested in this article from the Alaska Dispatch - Nov. 17, 2009

<http://tinyurl.com/yjgszyp>

Best wishes,

Gord Heath
UFOBC

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NASA & Microsoft Allow Earthlings To Become

From: NASA News <hqnews.nul>
Date: Tue, 17 Nov 2009 11:12:46 -0700
Archived: Wed, 18 Nov 2009 07:44:49 -0500
Subject: NASA & Microsoft Allow Earthlings To Become

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NASA AND MICROSOFT ALLOW EARTHLINGS TO BECOME MARTIANS

PASADENA, Calif. -- NASA and Microsoft Corp. of Redmond, Wash., have collaborated to create a Web site where Internet users can have fun while advancing their knowledge of Mars.

Drawing on observations from NASA's Mars missions, the "Be a Martian" Web site will enable the public to participate as citizen scientists to improve Martian maps, take part in research tasks, and assist Mars science teams studying data about the Red Planet.

"We're at a point in history where everyone can be an explorer," said Doug McCuistion, director of the Mars Exploration Program at NASA Headquarters in Washington. "With so much data coming back from Mars missions that are accessible by all, exploring Mars has become a shared human endeavor. People worldwide can expand the specialized efforts of a few hundred Mars mission team members and make authentic contributions of their own."

Participants will be able to explore details of the solar system's grandest canyon, which resides on Mars. Users can call up images in the Valles Marineris canyon before moving on to chart the entire Red Planet. The collaboration of thousands of participants could assist scientists in producing far better maps, smoother zoom-in views, and make for easier interpretation of Martian surface changes.

By counting craters, the public also may help scientists determine the relative ages of small regions on Mars. In the past, counting Martian craters has posed a challenge because of the vast numbers involved. By contributing, Web site users will win game points assigned to a robotic animal avatar they select.

With a common goal of inspiring digital-age workforce development and life-long learning in science, technology, engineering and mathematics, NASA and Microsoft unveiled the Web site at the Microsoft Professional Developers Conference in Los Angeles this week. The site also beckons software developers to win prizes for creating tools that provide access to and analysis of hundreds of thousands of Mars images for online, classroom and Mars mission team use.

"Industry leaders like NASA and Microsoft have a social responsibility as well as a vested interest in advancing science

and technology education," said Walid Abu-Hadba, corporate vice president of the Developer and Platform Evangelism Group at Microsoft. "We are excited to be working with NASA to provide new opportunities to engage with Mars mission data, and to help spark interest and excitement among the next generation of scientists and technologists."

To encourage more public participation, the site also provides a virtual town hall forum where users can expand their knowledge by proposing Mars questions and voting on which are the most interesting to the community. Online talks by Mars experts will address some of the submitted questions. Other features include interactive tools for viewing Martian regions and movies about people who study Mars in diverse ways.

"Mars exploration inspires people of all ages, and we are especially eager to encourage young people to explore Mars for themselves," said Charles Elachi, director of NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif. "We are delighted to be involved in providing the creative opportunity for future explorers to contribute to our understanding of Mars."

"The beauty of this type of experience is that it not only teaches people about Mars and the work NASA is doing there, but it also engages large groups of people to help solve real challenges that computers cannot solve by themselves," said Marc Mercuri, director of business innovation in the Developer and Platform Evangelism Group at Microsoft.

The Mars Exploration Program is managed by JPL for NASA's Science Mission Directorate in Washington.

To enroll as a virtual Martian citizen and start exploring, visit:

<http://beamartian.jpl.nasa.gov>

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Date: Wed, 18 Nov 2009 11:24:40 -0400
Archived: Wed, 18 Nov 2009 10:41:53 -0500
Subject: Re: 'The Fourth Kind' Pays For Big Fib

>From: Gord Heath <gordheath.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
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Thanks Gord. It is good to see Universal ponying up some money
for taking serious liberties with the facts. There should be
more aggressive actions towards media misrepresentation.

Stan Friedman

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most complex question.

I keep feeling that the documents you claim to be authentic,
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agent of AFOSI, in the office and on orders of his boss at
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How could she have invented that meeting and the contents of the
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From: Ed Gehrman <egehrman.nul>
Date: Wed, 18 Nov 2009 15:12:07 -0800
Archived: Wed, 18 Nov 2009 18:29:09 -0500
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Gildas,

I disagree. I have found much of the information in the MJ-12 documents to be contrary to my research. But the entire batch was ruined for me when I found the term "retrovirus" in a supposedly 1952 document: the "1st annual review". The term wasn't invented until after 1974. I think this one mistake tainted all other MJ-12 documents. I've pointed this out several times to both Stan and the Woods. But there's no getting around this mistake.

Of course there is an MJ-12 type organization functioning, just as we all suspect. But the MJ-12 documents are still frauds, and we need to stop relying on the information they provide. We'd be much better off paying close attention to the information the abducted (past and present) have provided.

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This has all the trappings of a huge show, put on for Linda's benefit. Doty was doing his disinformation-best to con her.

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>document, revealing, among other things, MJ-12 for the first
>time?

The meeting happened. She was fooled into believing it was all real, but it was all an elaborate staging by Doty and company.

>Would Steven Kaeser have an explanation for that?

Of course he would. This is something he and I agree on. Deception, money, fame have kept the MJ-12 documents on the front page of ufology, but they are no more valid than Robbert van den Broeke's predictions.

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No Gildas, that's the point. They're trying to fool you, and make things seem to be important, that aren't.

Ed

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Stan Friedman

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I am impressed by your immediate, very negative reaction, coming after your strange theory on UFOs, rejecting the ETH if I remember well, that very few people believed, it seems to me. You have spread even more confusion than, for instance, Nick Redfern and his fantastic theory about Roswell.

Gildas Bourdais

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Meteorite Explosion And Strange Clouds

From: **Joachim Koch** <lists.nul>
Date: Thu, 19 Nov 2009 10:00:14 +0100
Archived: Thu, 19 Nov 2009 05:45:21 -0500
Subject: Meteorite Explosion And Strange Clouds

Hello List!

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Just as the outburst was dying down, an even bigger event took place over the western USA. Something hit Earth's atmosphere and exploded with an energy equivalent of 0.5 to 1 kiloton of TNT.

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Found for you by

Joachim Koch

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Actor Danny In Filey To Make Film On UFOs
Scarborough Today
<http://tinyurl.com/yzv4tru>

Family Baffled By Red UFOs
Guardian Series
<http://tinyurl.com/yl8q9fs>

White Pine Lights: UFO Sightings In Eastern Nevada
KOLO
<http://www.kolotv.com/home/headlines/70327327.html>

Mike Conley's Tales Of The Weird: The End Is Near And It's
Nothing New
McDowell News
<http://tinyurl.com/yezwnkw>

Filer's Files #47 - 2009
www.NationalUFOCenter.com

From 'The Norm':

The Socorro UFO Landing - Part 2
by Kevin Randle
<http://tinyurl.com/ydjaolk>

Want To Understand UFOs?: Get To Know Ufology's Founders
<http://tinyurl.com/y94dk5o>

Woman Reports Translucent Aliens
<http://tinyurl.com/yf7tjcp>

UFOs, Bigfoot, Giant Birds, Mysterious Creatures In Pennsylvania
<http://tinyurl.com/yhoo75u>

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Re: Meteorite Explosion And Strange Clouds

From: Carol Maltby <carolmaltby.nul>
Date: Thu, 19 Nov 2009 11:17:47 -0500
Archived: Thu, 19 Nov 2009 12:47:49 -0500
Subject: Re: Meteorite Explosion And Strange Clouds

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Astronomer Bob Berman was discussing the meteor shower on public
radio station WAMC's Vox Pop call-in show yesterday. While they
are describing this as a phenomenon observed in the Western
States, he described seeing something that sounded like it was
possibly the same event, but from here in the Catskill Mountains
of Upstate NY.

If I recall correctly, he said it left a glowing greenish trail
for at least 5 minutes afterward, which he could see twisting
with the winds.

If the podcast of the Nov. 11 show is up, you'll find it here:

<http://tinyurl.com/yebde8f>

Carol Maltby

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Re: BLT Research Medium's UFO Photos

From: Dave Haith <visions1.nul>
Date: Thu, 19 Nov 2009 17:44:51 -0000
Archived: Fri, 20 Nov 2009 07:36:41 -0500
Subject: Re: BLT Research Medium's UFO Photos

>From: Kentaro Mori <kentaro.mori.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Thu, 12 Nov 2009 12:34:07 -0200
>Subject: Re: BLT Research Medium's UFO Photos

>>>From: Dave Haith <visions1.nul>
>>>To: UFO UpDates <post.nul>
>>>Date: Wed, 11 Nov 2009 15:13:01 -0000
>>>Subject: Re: BLT Research Medium's UFO Photos

>>>>From: Kentaro Mori <kentaro.mori.nul>
>>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>>>Date: Tue, 10 Nov 2009 17:16:48 -0200
>>>>Subject: Re: BLT Research Medium's UFO Photos

>>>Broeke is known for several hoaxes, and has been exposed also by
>>>UFO Watchdog's Royce Myers.

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

>>>I've blogged about his latest 'UFO' photos and previous hoaxes
>>>- it's the last case:

>>><http://forgetomori.com/2009/ufos/ufo-photos/debunking-roundup/>

<snip>

>>>As Patrick Gross has noted, not only is Broeke a noted hoaxer,
>>>he's actually the main witness in some BLT papers hailed as
>>>"scientific proof" of crop circle anomalies.
>>><http://www.ufologie.net/htm/crop.htm>

<snip>

>>>Your assertions that because with cut outs you can explain how
>>>such photos may have been produced, does not of course prove
>>>that this was the way it happened - no more than counterfeit
>>>bank notes prove all notes are faked.

>Hello Dave, you should read this in HAL9000's voice...

>Indeed. But when we have convincing evidence that that was the
>way he hoaxed before, then the assertion gains more weight.

<snip>

>>>My position is this. Apart from laboratory experiments in which
>>>Broeke is monitored by witnesses and cameras to document these
>>>photos paranormally appearing on camera screens, I don't see how
>>>anybody can prove or disprove this case.

>In several of these more recent photos one can see a line
>connecting the "UFO" to the border of the image. And the
>anomalies always appears at the extremities of the photo frame.
>That's because it's Broeke simply holding things in front of his
>camera. He doesn't even throw them in the air.

>This cannot be definitely proven unless we record him actually
>doing it, true, but again, as I originally wrote, the fact the

>images reflect back the camera flash is indeed already proof
>they were very near the camera (as the flash range is limited),
>ergo, they are really small objects. Furthermore, from the way
>some of the objects reflects the flash, one can also see clear
>evidence they are flat objects. So one has to assume these were
>either real miniature, bidimensional alien spaceships flying in
>front of the camera, or that Broeke was holding cutouts in front
>of the camera,

>And we have clear cases where Broeke used common available
>photos as cutouts and claimed them to be real alien images. The
>conclusion is inevitable.

<snip>

>Broeke is a hoaxer. Talbott seems to genuinely believe him, even
>though she knows about the Reader's Digest and other objections
>aired about his photos.

Kentaro, you make some valid points which I have put to Nancy
Talbott.

As you say she does genuinely believe in him.

All she will say is that until she has finished the report about
Robbert's photos of people who have died, she doesn't think it
is "productive" for her to get into this discussion.

She says that when the report is finally posted and the
skeptics/debunkers pay her the "courtesy" of reading it and
"thoughtfully considering" what it has to say, then she will do
her best to answer questions that are raised... particularly if
people will address their queries to her.

She seems irked because she claims her critics haven't asked her
or Robbert directly, before publishing their analysis on the
web.

Of course she wouldn't be the first researcher to have so much
invested in a project that they find it hard to withdraw despite
evidence of hoaxing.

But I think it would be fair to wait until she completes her
full report of Robbert's case before assuming her enthusiasm
overwhelms her scientific sense.

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>From: Stanton T Friedman <fsphys.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
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They are all connected by their similar content and the manner
in which this content is twisted together to form a thread of
known information, with misinformation.

For example, the diagrams of the UFO in the SOM1.01. are
childish and under-drawn and would be totally useless in most
cases. They consist of images that anyone who has studied UFO
could have drawn. Certainly no new information there. But why
the need for drawing and diagrams when they had the real
wreckage to go by? Why not take a photo?

Ed

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Gildas,

It was an attempt to link UFO with ETH. They (MJ-12) want you to believe the ETH. I agree that there is a second government controlling UFO disclosure and it could have been called MJ-12 at one time, and perhaps some of the documents might be from that organization, but the content is meant as disinformation. They want you to believe in the ETH and all the misinformation is pointed in that direction so you'll lead yourself to ETH conclusions.

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I haven't spread any confusion as far as I can see since my witnesses and the evidence they provided have been ignored. It's hard to spread confusion when your findings and research aren't considered. I think that's a mistake, but I understand your discomfort with my ideas.

Ed

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Abduction Using Implants & Light: Proof of Concept?

From: Rick Nielsen <nilthchi.nul>
Date: Thu, 19 Nov 2009 19:56:16 -0800 (PST)
Archived: Fri, 20 Nov 2009 07:47:19 -0500
Subject: Abduction Using Implants & Light: Proof of Concept?

This article from ScienceDaily reminded me of alien abduction techniques, including using implants, paralysis, and shades of light.

Specifically, can humans be paralyzed with implants and artificial light, (including blue-white light) then re-awakened with daylight?

Here's the reference from:

<http://tinyurl.com/yz64726>

New On-Off 'switch' Triggers And Reverses Paralysis In Animals With A Beam Of Light

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In an advance with overtones of Star Trek phasers and other sci-fi ray guns, scientists are reporting development of an internal on-off "switch" that paralyzes animals when exposed to a beam of ultraviolet light. The animals stay paralyzed even when the light is turned off. When exposed to ordinary light, the animals become unparalyzed and wake up.

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Times 24
<http://tinyurl.com/ydg2dxv>

Remember That UFO? It's Easy To Give Kids Fake Memories
NRC International
<http://tinyurl.com/ykcv6jj>

KOLO News Follows MUFON Ely, Nevada UFO Investigation
Examiner.com
<http://tinyurl.com/y95yxaz>

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From: **Stanton T Friedman** <fsphys.nul>
Date: Fri, 20 Nov 2009 12:47:45 -0400
Archived: Sat, 21 Nov 2009 06:29:58 -0500
Subject: Re: More MJ-12

>From: Ed Gehrman <egehrman.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Thu, 19 Nov 2009 11:27:13 -0800
>Subject: Re: More MJ-12

>>From: Stanton T Friedman <fsphys.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Wed, 18 Nov 2009 23:55:43 -0400
>>Subject: Re: More MJ-12

>>>From: Ed Gehrman <egehrman.nul>
>>>To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <post.nul>
>>>Date: Wed, 18 Nov 2009 15:12:07 -0800
>>>Subject: Re: More MJ-12

>>How in the world can you dare to mix all the supposed MJ-12
>>documents together in one batch? They didn't come from the same
>>place or in the same batches or the same time.

>>I have long ago and for reasons which I have spelled out, said
>>the Cooper documents were frauds.

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>known information, with misinformation.

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>the need for drawing and diagrams when they had the real
>wreckage to go by? Why not take a photo?

Ed

How about being specific, Ed. What similar content? What
misinformation?

The EBD, TF, and CT memos don't have twisted content and don't
have misinformation. And have little connection if any with the
many phony documents.

Why would you expect crashed saucer pictures (Not intact,
obviously) in a widely distributed manual?

I have memos where certain information was withheld for oral
presentation only at a TOP secret meeting because it was too
sensitive. Why would it have to be "New" information?

Proclamation is not the same as evidence. You don't seem to have
any. I pointed out specific details making certain documents
phony. You have not for the real ones.

Stan friedman

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From: **Kathy Kasten** <catraja.nul>
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Archived: Sat, 21 Nov 2009 06:33:10 -0500
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Archived: Sat, 21 Nov 2009 10:21:32 -0500
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We need to take a closer look at Appendix C, entitled Similar Reports.

The two opening sentences describing what this section is all about, are as follows:

"This appendix, compiled by Wim Van Utrecht, represents a first attempt toward toward an annotated and illustrated catalogue of what we could provisionally designate as 'dark blob cases'.

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My view is that a whole new area of study has been opened not heretofore realized by serious UFO research.

Herb Taylor

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From: Dave Haith <visions1.nul>
Date: Sat, 21 Nov 2009 13:36:48 -0000
Archived: Sat, 21 Nov 2009 10:34:56 -0500
Subject: Strawberry Fruitcake UFO Over Mexico

Looks good enough to eat!

<http://tinyurl.com/ydk5j3n>

Some kind of balloon?

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Archived: Sat, 21 Nov 2009 10:41:39 -0500
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Dear Kathy,

What a mysterious message of yours about the hidden history of
New Mexico and the West! Sounds a bit like the X Files to me.

I happen to know a little of the American West, having done
quite a bit of touring there, by car from Los Angeles to Salt
Lake City.

I have also been twice to Roswell, in 1995 and 2007.

I've crossed the desert in Nevada, visiting Death Valley and
Zabriskie Point. Very hot, there in August.

Now, about the fantastic tale of Nick Redfern... Some on this List
may recall that I participated in the critique of the book in
2005, so that the MUFON Journal asked me for an article, which
was published in the November issue.

If you want to re-open the debate, I suggest that you bring
really new, interesting arguments.

Gildas Bourdais

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From: Michael Tarbell <mtarbell.nul>
Date: Sat, 21 Nov 2009 09:51:18 -0700
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Need some ketchup with those 'freedom fries', Kathy?

Mike

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From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac.nul>
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Stan,

On page 11 of the SOM-1 we find an Extraterrestrial Technology
Classification Table and it gives a location to send various
EBE craft, devices, fragments and weapons. That location
in all cases is "Area 51 S-4". The date of the SOM1 is April 7,
1954.

The problem is that Area 51 was only an abandoned US Air Corps
runway at that time and wasn't established as a research center
until 1955. Doesn't this seem like disinformation to you and
don't you think it calls into question the authenticity of the
entire SOM1?

From:

<http://science.howstuffworks.com/area-5113.htm>

A Brief History of Area 51

During World War II, the Army Air Corps (precursor to our modern
Air Force) built several runways in Nevada, including a pair of
small runways at Groom Lake. They named the spot the Army Air
Corps Gunnery School. After the 1940s, the runways were
abandoned.

In the early 1950s, the CIA entered a partnership with Lockheed
to develop high altitude aircraft to use helmed the project. He
formed a department of engineers and test pilots that eventually
took on the name Skunk Works. The Skunk Works department was
famous for being very secretive and nearly fanatical in the
pursuit of their goals.

The CIA and Johnson both knew that secrecy was critical to their
success, and so Johnson needed to find a location to develop and

test secret aircraft. He wanted a location that was remote enough to avoid notice, yet still close enough to a major city so that supplying the facility would not be a monumental task. The site would need to be easily accessible by aircraft and out of the way of commercial and military flight paths. It would also need space to house a sizeable force of military and civilian employees.

In 1955, he traveled to Nevada with test pilot Tony LeVier and CIA representative Osmond Ritland to find a good place to use as a base of operations for test flights. Ritland trained at the Gunnery School and told Johnson about it. Johnson decided the location was ideal for their operations.

Four months later, crews completed the initial construction. U-2 test flights began and President Eisenhower signed an Executive Order restricting the airspace over Groom Lake. The CIA, the Atomic Energy Commission and Lockheed oversaw base operations. Eventually, control of the base would pass to the Department of Energy and the Air Force

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Congratulations to Martin and all involved in the production of
this report.

One has to ask though, why has it taken 55 years to reach the
conclusions in this report? Surely the knowledge (or most of it)
was available in the mid to late 1950s?

Cheers,

Joe

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From: Don Ledger <dledger.nul>
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From: **Stephen G Bassett** <PRG.nul>
Date: Sat, 21 Nov 2009 14:18:36 -0800
Archived: Sat, 21 Nov 2009 17:37:22 -0500
Subject: What On Earth? - PRG Update - 11-21-09

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>Date: Sat, 21 Nov 2009 10:21:14 -0800
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>>>>For example, the diagrams of the UFO in the SOM1.01. are
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>>>>the need for drawing and diagrams when they had the real
>>>>wreckage to go by? Why not take a photo?

>>Ed

>>How about being specific, Ed. What similar content? What
>>misinformation?

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>Classification Table and it gives a location to send various
>EBE craft, devices, fragments and weapons. That location
>in all cases is "Area 51 S-4". The date of the SOM1 is April 7,
>1954.

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>runway at that time and wasn't established as a research center
>until 1955. Doesn't this seem like disinformation to you and
>don't you think it calls into question the authenticity of the
>entire SOM1?

>From:

><http://science.howstuffworks.com/area-5113.htm>

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>A Brief History of Area 51

>During World War II, the Army Air Corps (precursor to our modern
>Air Force) built several runways in Nevada, including a pair of
>small runways at Groom Lake. They named the spot the Army Air
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>to develop high altitude aircraft to use helmed the project. He
>formed a department of engineers and test pilots that eventually
>took on the name Skunk Works. The Skunk Works department was

>famous for being very secretive and nearly fanatical in the
>pursuit of their goals.

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>The site would need to be easily accessible by aircraft and out
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UFOs? Man Says He's Got Recorded Proof
MyFox Illinois
<http://tinyurl.com/y9rvvva>

A Milngavie Woman Has Told How Her Birthday Celebrations Sparked
A UFO Scare!
Milngavie Today
<http://tinyurl.com/ygwcrxk>

Actor In Town For UFO film
Filey Today
<http://www.fileymercury.co.uk/news/Actor-in-town-for-UFO.5841967.jp>

From Frank Warren's UFO Chronicles:

My UFO Report: Multiple UFOs Sighted East of Dallas
<http://tinyurl.com/yc2o9hb>

'New' Aerial Activity Over Stephenville Sets Off Personal Alerts!
<http://tinyurl.com/ye9f6cj>

The Socorro UFO Landing - Part II
<http://tinyurl.com/y8gc2x5>

From John Greenwald, Jr.:

The Black Vault Newsletter - November 21, 2009
<http://tinyurl.com/yz7zyyu>

From 'The Norm':

Chile: Enigmatic Petroglyph Associated With UFO Presence
inexplicata
<http://tinyurl.com/yghy6y2>
Image here: <http://tinyurl.com/yh863mj>

An Evaluation Of The Big Day's Impact Upon Society
<http://www.ufodigest.com/news/1109/disclosed.php>

Abduction Happens
Festival Explores, Examines UFO Related Phenomena
http://www.vcreporter.com/cms/story/detail/abduction_happens/7420/

Local Winner In International Skywatch
by Billy Cox
<http://tinyurl.com/yatdmyw>

Canadian Brothers Capture UFO On Tape While Filming Documentary
On Alien Abductions
<http://tinyurl.com/yhuhged>

War Is Peace: Can Science Fight Media Disinformation?
<http://www.scientificamerican.com/article.cfm?id=war-is-peace>

Texas UFOs: 28 reports in 20 days
Examiner.com
<http://tinyurl.com/yg6pxo4>

Remember That UFO? It's Easy To Give Kids Fake Memories
<http://tinyurl.com/ykcv6jj>

Review: What on Earth? Inside the Crop Circle Mystery
by Stephen Wagner
<http://paranormal.about.com/od/cropcircles/fr/what-on-earth.htm>

Enhanced Photos Of The Shape-Shifting UFO
<http://freshnuts.wordpress.com/>

Dark Intrusions: An Investigation into the Paranormal Nature of
Sleep Paralysis Experiences
by Louis Proud
with Forewords by Colin Wilson and David Hufford, Ph.D
Book Published in November 2009
<http://www.anomalistbooks.com/proud.html>

When Is A Theory Not A Theory?
The Irish Times
<http://tinyurl.com/yzuxs9u>

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Disney 7 Pixar Studios' Cars Takes On UFOs

From: Greg Boone <Evolbaby.nul>
Date: Sun, 22 Nov 2009 16:02:01 EST
Archived: Sun, 22 Nov 2009 16:47:17 -0500
Subject: Disney 7 Pixar Studios' Cars Takes On UFOs

My pals at Disney and Pixar Studios that brought such big screen hits as Finding Nemo, Toy Story, and CARS has done a short toon where the characters Mater and Lightning McQueen get caught up with a flying saucer.

It's all the mainstream gags regarding UFOs and is a pleasant surprise to see.

<http://tinyurl.com/yzdc2p5>

Best,

Greg
ufomafia.com/blog

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Date: Sun, 22 Nov 2009 22:26:42 -0000
Archived: Sun, 22 Nov 2009 17:47:19 -0500
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telephone numbers."

I suspect now that Area 51 was designated as such when the land
was withdrawn from public use in 1958. The parcel of land that
was withdrawn, is the exact same parcel that is designated Area
51 on Nevada Test Site maps from the 1960s and 1970s.

The most recent usage of the term seems to date to about 1978."
(Peter Merlin, Area 51 historian)

Ed

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Hi, Ed/Stan/Listerions

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The Woods seem to endorse the Annual Report as legit, which says something about their quality of research, also. Stan?

Steve

See: <http://www.greenwoodufoarchive.com/uhr/uhr03.pdf>

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From: Stanton T Friedman <fsphys.nul>
Date: Mon, 23 Nov 2009 08:58:49 -0400
Archived: Mon, 23 Nov 2009 08:09:16 -0500
Subject: Re: More MJ-12

>From: Ed Gehrman <egehrman.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Sun, 22 Nov 2009 15:29:57 -0800
>Subject: Re: More MJ-12

>>From: Stanton T. Friedman <fsphys.nul>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>>Date: Sat, 21 Nov 2009 21:02:50 -0400
>>Subject: Re: More MJ-12

>>>Four months later, crews completed the initial construction. U-2
>>>test flights began and President Eisenhower signed an Executive
>>>Order restricting the airspace over Groom Lake. The CIA, the
>>>Atomic Energy Commission and Lockheed oversaw base operations.
>>>Eventually, control of the base would pass to the Department of
>>>Energy and the Air Force

>>>-----

>>Dr. Robert Wood found evidence of a massive building project in
>>that general area starting in about 1951. Sounds way too fast
>>for a sizable underground facility.

>Stan,

>That is not an acceptable answer. I'd like to read Dr. Wood's
>research and then we'll see if that morphs into Area 51S4. Could
>you provide it for the List and me?

>But you requested that I be "specific, Ed", and provide proof of
>"misinformation". I provided the evidence you demanded. The
>mention of Area 51 in the SOM-1 indicates that the entire
>document is as phony as the 1st Annual Report and the other
>mass of MJ-12 misinformation. A much better method of
>approaching this material would be trying to figure out what
>they, the misinformers, are trying to lead us to think.

>Also you and the List might want to consider the following:

>"The earliest reference I have yet seen that uses the term
>"Area 51" is an issue of the N.T.S. Bulletin (Vol.IV No.2) dated
>15 January 1960. On page 1, there is a list of "changes in Area 51
>telephone numbers."

>I suspect now that Area 51 was designated as such when the land
>was withdrawn from public use in 1958. The parcel of land that
>was withdrawn, is the exact same parcel that is designated Area
>51 on Nevada Test Site maps from the 1960s and 1970s.

>The most recent usage of the term seems to date to about 1978."
>(Peter Merlin, Area 51 historian)

Ed, thanks for your input.

I now have the article from the Las Vegas Review Journal of
January 5, 1951. Title is Indian Springs Project Keyed To
Defense Plans. Not connected to A-Bomb and will cost somewhere
around \$300,000,000..Details cloaked in secrecy.

I can fax you a copy or you can wait for me to get back from 2 days away and I will have it scanned and shipped for all.

I should add that I doubt if you have or had the security clearances and need to know to see the classified details about Area 51 and its history.

I am sure that it will shock you to know that multi-billion dollar projects have been kept secret for many years. Stealth itself was kept secret for 10 years and cost only \$10 Billion.

Stan Friedman

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It's official, then. I have no sense of humor.

How funny is a reinforcement that UFOs are only seen by credulous and uneducated rednecks living in squalid locations likely infested with 'recovering' alcoholics and meth manufacturers, who, by the way, will reflexively take a hub-cap for a Trufo. A laugh riot, really. Good work, Larry The Cable Guy.

Albeit, my experience is 45 years out of date, but I suspect that UFOs are about as 'funny' as 'five dried on an empty stomach in silent darkness'. The boundary dissolution involved with real contact, I've come to understand from demonstrably credible experts and equally expert authorities, precludes the ready chuckle, eh? Additionally, ignorance has ever been a poor source for quality humor, even through the laughter of glad derision.

Still, regard the appallingly un-regardable we must, is my intuition, for our species to survive, at all. Consequently, it's my feeling that humor with regard to UFOs should only be used to get you through the fear, not give you an excuse to pointedly ignore that precipitant of that fear, I'm betting.

I say all this marveling along with Mr. Boone how cleverly the piece was produced - that Pixar stuff always drops me to my knees - but this other cut needs to be made just to remind us we lack humility about ourselves and are cowardly in the aggregate with regard to that lack of humility.

Yeah,yeah,yeah... I need to lighten up. Bollocks. I can be the first, as Errol could testify, to have you squirting imported beer from your nose. It remains, some things are better regarded in awe than laughter, I fear, and I suspect UFOs qualify as one of those things. Howsoever, there is too much inappropriate laughter, imo, at that which warrants a more serious regard than an aforementioned laughter would presuppose.

"Git'er done," or "Make it so"?

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SDI #469 - 20 Questions

From: Alfred Lehmborg <alienview.nul>
Date: Sun, 22 Nov 2009 17:03:42 -0600
Archived: Mon, 23 Nov 2009 10:27:02 -0500
Subject: SDI #469 - 20 Questions

SDI #469

20 Questions inspired at long, last:

1. What is the real legacy of Richard Hall?
2. What was, and is, Richard Hall's reward?
3. What is owed Richard Hall?
4. Where is Richard Hall Found?
5. Did Richard Hall know science and internalize its philosophy?
6. Did Richard Hall put his faith in the system even as it abused him?
7. Is the contribution of Richard Hall as yet fully realized?
8. A question not asked, though begged, is who needs to grovel at the feet of the memory of Richard Hall in the first place and wash their feet before standing on the shoulders of same, in the second?
9. Why can Richard Hall, like James McDonald, be forgiven, even congratulated, for the only flaw either of them had in equal measure?
10. Are UFO organizations set against one another, past, present, and future, by the admitted non-admitted unilateral, even fascist, government?
11. Are UFOs ignored because they are too "hard" to countenance? How hard is it, and what groups find it hardest?
12. What did Richard Hall find objectionable in Ufology?
13. Has David Cherniack produced a 3 DVD box set of his, UFOs: The Secret History, and does it contain a collection of credible Ufologists seldom heard from but as significant as any?
14. What is the impact of UFOs: The Secret History?
15. Is the economy good or bad for UFOs?
16. How close to "the truth" is UFOs: The Secret History?
17. Has UFOs: The Secret History, gotten any untoward attention from irksome klasskurtxians? If not why not?
18. Is the late abductioneer John Mack heavily featured in the bonus discs for UFOs: The Secret History, among significant others?
19. Is the extraterrestrial hypothesis examined in a scholarly

manner within the bonus discs?

20. Is, apart from the documentary proper, rabid speculation rationally regarded in the bonus discs?

Zounds and Mirgatroid listener, but over an hour of graspable outr=E9 remains? Cherniack continues and Lonnie Zamora and Mac Tonnies are remembered. In one of the several clips provided... Errol's Bobbi makes her report regarding oddnesses from back in the day vicinity "Go Home Lake," in Canada... Grant Cameron reveals one Turner Holt, President Roosevelt and his Secretary of State Cordell Hall -and Holt's cousin- involving proclaimed aliens in big glass jugs and a crashed saucer in the Capital Building of the time, 1935. "Somebody should know about this stuff," Holt's lucid, moral, and now elderly daughters report... plus Lehmborg walks you to your carriage outside ranting the usual jeremiad of buxom seditions and unsubtle heresies...

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Date: Mon, 23 Nov 2009 09:20:45 -0400
Archived: Mon, 23 Nov 2009 10:43:35 -0500
Subject: Re: More MJ-12

>From: Steve Sawyer <stevesaw.nul>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <post.nul>
>Date: Sun, 22 Nov 2009 19:12:55 -0800
>Subject: Re: More MJ-12

<snip>

Hi, Ed/Stan/Listerions

>Interesting. I wonder if Stan thinks the "1st Annual Report" is
>legit or not, as there was a writeup by Barry Greenwood in his
>UFO Historical Revue (UHR #3), pages 10 - 12, about the
>First Fourth Norfolk Regiment (actually a battalion), which
>is referenced in the "1st Annual Report" as having disappeared
>during 1917 in WWI, allegedly due to some unknown agency,
>and the nature of the section of the Annual Report which describes
>this incident is such that it could only have come from much later
>reports (of a fictional nature) than when the Annual Report was
>supposedly produced.

>The Woods seem to endorse the Annual Report as legit, which says
>something about their quality of research, also. Stan?

>See: <http://www.greenwoodufoarchive.com/uhr/uhr03.pdf>

I have repeatedly said that I don't accept any of the Cooper documents as genuine other than the Bowen Document. Bob and Ryan Wood have developed a lot of detailed information including the Las Vegas Journal article (January 5, 1951) about the \$300,000,000. Classified. Project in Southern Nevada.

Let us not throw out the baby with the bathwater.

I published many details in a 26 page paper Majestic 12 Documents Update in April 2004. My primary focus has been on the EBD, TF, CT memo as noted in my 2005 "TOP SECRET/MAJIC" And in an update chapter in Flying Saucers And Science - (2008)

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Something Is Out There
West Virginia MetroNews
<http://tinyurl.com/yfjho6a>

Old Fashioned Christmas Party Dec. 5/6 To Benefit UFO Society
Nova News Now
<http://tinyurl.com/ybn6dvn>

Mystery Lights Pass Over Moutere Area
Stuff.co.nz
<http://tinyurl.com/yfc4acm>

UFO Disclosure Coming Later, If Ever
Australia.TO
<http://tinyurl.com/yln3gd>

Joshua Jackson's Captain Of 'UFO'
Variety
<http://tinyurl.com/y8a6oet>

From Greg Boone:

UFO Paints Sky White, Blue, Red
<http://tinyurl.com/yb3fzj9>

New Map Suggests Mars Was Wet And Humid
<http://tinyurl.com/yee2pzz>

From Scott Corralles:

This Week at Inexplicata:

- Peru: The Piura Lights
 - Chile: Strange Petroglyphs Of The High Desert
 - Spain: UMMO Revisited, In A Way...
 - Argentina: The Rebord UFO Sighting
 - Colombia: UFO Recorded Over Bogota
 - Chile: The Chacarillas UFO Photo Analyzed
 - Chile: Catholic University Holds UFO Colloquium
- www.inexplicata.blogspot.com

From Alejandro Rojas:

New Mysterious Mutilations In Colorado's San Luis Valley
<http://tinyurl.com/ycjelqf>

From 'The Norm':

Video: Two MUFON Reports Detail Low-Flying Orb Over NYC
Examiner.com

<http://tinyurl.com/y8oq34g>

UFO 'Rattles' Pennsylvania Witness

<http://tinyurl.com/y8dz6dh>

Hector Quintanilla and the Socorro UFO: Part 3

by Keven Randle

<http://tinyurl.com/ycnhfny>

The UFO Paradigm Shift

[Slide Show With 24 Slides]

http://www.bibleufo.com/spiritsky3_files/frame.htm

'Hobbits' Are A New Human Species, According To Statistical Analysis Of Fossils

<http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2009/11/091119101034.htm>

The Geometry Of 'Hobbits'

<http://www.cryptomundo.com/cryptozoo-news/new-look-hobbits/>

'The Least Explored Environment On Earth'

<http://tinyurl.com/yjt3vds>

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UFO Spotted In Kuwait?
Al-Bawaba
<http://www.albawaba.com/en/countries/Kuwait/257553>

Is Case Finally Closed on 1965 Pennsylvania 'UFO Mystery'?
Space.com
<http://www.space.com/searchforlife/091124-kecksburg-ufo-mystery.html>

The Rebord UFO Sighting, Argentina
UFODigest

Alumni O'Dell Shares Artistic Work, Lessons
SHSU Houstonian Online
<http://tinyurl.com/y999nav>

From 'The Norm':

Contactees: A History of Alien-Human Interaction
by Nick Redfern
<http://tinyurl.com/yjn5yoj>

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Is There ET Life In Other Worlds?

From: Greg Boone <Evolbaby.nul>
Date: Wed, 25 Nov 2009 03:09:10 EST
Archived: Wed, 25 Nov 2009 07:39:53 -0500
Subject: Is There ET Life In Other Worlds?

There's a short post on this site regarding the Vatican look into ET life.

<http://www.thenational.com.pg/?q=node/3196>

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Best,

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From: Carl Wirth <ctwirth.nul>
Date: Wed, 25 Nov 2009 09:54:59 -0600
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The reason maybe that contact has been made, which many believe already, and that there is a need to prepare the world especially the faithful.

As a Catholic who believes in both Jesus the Christ and intelligent life exists in the universe I believe that if needed 'salvation' could have shared with 'others' in whatever way God needed to bring it about.

The Vatican in the past had always been too judgmental and quick to condemn perhaps may lead for a change in this discussion.

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I'm reminded of the Buddhist Monk who meditated ceaselessly for
40 years on the ability to levitate so as to walk on the water.
Finally at long, long last he achieved same.

Encountering the Buddha himself one day, he proudly announced
his newfound ability. The Buddha considered a moment, and then
said, "Well done, but the ferry only costs a penny."

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In an infinite universe infinitely anything is possible.

<http://www.tedric.demon.co.uk/>

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News Of The Weird: Alien Encounters In Estacada
Estacada News
<http://tinyurl.com/yldv84e>

Strange But True: Buggy UFOs?
Pasadena Star-News
http://www.pasadenastarnews.com/ci_13870645

UFO 'Spotted' Over East Lancs
St Helens Today
<http://tinyurl.com/yb6mjna>

UFO Alert Sparked After Sighting In Sky Over Mold
The Leader - Wrexham & Flintshire News
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UFO Spotted Off Cyprus Coast
Famagusta Gazette
<http://tinyurl.com/yb969cc>

Bizarre Calf Mutilations Found On Colorado Ranch
The Associated Press
<http://tinyurl.com/y9v5z6m>

Filer's Files #48 - 2009
<http://www.nationalufocenter.com/>

From Greg Boone:

UFO Chaser: Aliens Involved In Mysterious Calf Mutilations
Fox News
<http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,577119,00.html>

Cattle Mutilation Story Posted On Drudgereport.com
http://www.breitbart.com/article.php?id=D9C7CUA80&show_article=1
This story is growing fast. Be prepared to answer the public's questions. It's high time for a major presentation by law

enforcement and government.

From Scott Corrales:

2009: UFOs in Latin America

Inexplicata TV

A roundup of UFO images taken this year in Argentina, Chile, Colombia and Mexico

<http://tinyurl.com/yfkwrsv>

From 'The Norm'

Dark Power: Grand Designs For Interstellar Travel

New Scientist

<http://tinyurl.com/y9axw62>

19 UFO Cases Demand Rapid Strike Team Deployment

<http://tinyurl.com/yea96vl>

UFO Disclosure Coming Later, If Ever

<http://tinyurl.com/yg2zraz>

Future Humans: Four Ways We May, Or May Not, Evolve

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November 27, 2009

UFO Researcher Coming To Niagara County Community College

A well known UFO researcher, considered one of the "Founding Fathers" of UFO studies, will speak next week at Niagara County Community College.

Ted Phillips, director of the Center for Physical Trace Research, will speak at 7 p.m. Wednesday in room E-142 of the college.

Phillips, a field engineer and professional photographer, has collected and analyzed more than 3,000 UFO landing and material-evidence cases.

He has been directly involved in many famous cases. His investigation of a reported landing at Delphos, Kan., is considered a model for scientific investigation of UFO landings and trace-evidence analysis. At Delphos, a glowing soil ring left after the reported UFO touched down yielded evidence of massive chemical changes in soil and plant life, and adverse health effects on humans and animals that came in contact with it.

Phillips has appeared on television numerous times, notably in the series "In Search Of..." in the current SciFi Channel "UFO Hunters" series, as well as on several History Channel documentaries.

He is presently investigating a Midwestern site called Marley Woods, where UFO sightings, strange light orbs, mystery animal sightings and domestic animal-mutilation cases have all been reported.

Phillips will be preceded by a short introduction on UFO studies by Dr. Philip Haseley of NCCC's department of anthropology. A voluntary donation of \$3 for Niagara Hospice will be collected at the door. Phillips' appearance is sponsored by NCCC Student Government.

[Thanks to Greg Boone for the lead]

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Would this then increase the sales and use of rubber boots?

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Yeah, no one ever said there wasn't a price to be paid for
noticing the emperor had no clothes, but, forgetting that price
is already abundantly paid, the emperor and the emperor's
gleeful minions too easily forget it remains a sword cutting
more than one way!

Foolishly, to the bullying discredit of the US, it looks like
McKinnon is going to go down for stumbling into the graft,
incompetence, inadequacy, and general failure of the
subjectively obtuse joke that was the American security
apparatus of the Bush era.

I advise he should run! Moreover, I am consumed with disgust for
what passes for federal government in these United States and
condemn same! What a mockery of statesmanship and relevance we
are becoming... or have already become!

Run, Gary! Run!

Alfred Lehmborg
Chief Warrant Officer, USA (Retired)

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Of Fishermen, Facebook And Flying Saucers
Martha's Vineyard Gazette
<http://www.mvgazette.com/article.php?23723>

Photographer Captures Mystery Orange Ufo In Birmingham Flypast
BirminghamMail.net
<http://tinyurl.com/yklkdng>

Large Triangle UFO Spotted By Commercial Airline Pilot In
Memphis, Tennessee
Examiner.Com
<http://tinyurl.com/yf3h6hy>

UFO Sightings Could Hold Key To 'teacher'
Stoke & Staffordshire
<http://tinyurl.com/y9tn48z>

UFO Proof On Film From Russia? [Interesting footage --ebk]
Allnewsweb.com
<http://www.allnewsweb.com/page9699898.php>

From Greg Boone:

Evidence Of Life On Mars Lurks Beneath Surface Of Meteorite,
NASA Experts Claim
<http://tinyurl.com/yfmmhjr>

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Cattle Mutilations Reported in North Georgia
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Peru: Astonishment Over Alleged UFOs
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Both Ends Against The Middle
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<http://www.ellisctaylor.com/bothends.html>

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Kathy, it's "phenomena involve" or "phenomenon involves."
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It is simply not true that "no UFO researcher wants to touch
it." In fact, whole books (e.g., Kelleher and Knapp's The Hunt
for the Skinwalker) have addressed the subject, sometimes quite
strikingly. Jacques Vallee's books discuss the matter, and so do
many others. I have written about experientially real but
otherwise unprovable anomalous encounters and suggested how we
may go about documenting them. People in this field keep
thinking they've invented the wheel, unaware that the wheel was
invented long ago. Ufology's problem is not so much lack of
ideas (there are zillions of ideas out there, good, awful, and
middling) as lack of resources.

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I emphatically disagree that the data don't produce results. We do know a fair amount about how UFOs behave, how they appear, what they do and do not do, and so on. Radar data demonstrate a fundamental point which it is indefensible to overlook: that the core phenomenon (the hard-evidence one) is physical, evidently technological, and susceptible to instrumental verification. That gives us a huge starting point in our effort to understand at least one class of UFO reports.

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What evidence do you have that personalities and UFO experiences are related? I haven't seen any, beyond the trivial (such as that the mystically inclined are more likely to have contactee [as opposed to abductee] experiences than those who are not, and even then there are notable exceptions). I'm not saying you're entirely wrong, only that if a productive discussion is to ensue, you need to think things through and offer up some evidence.

I agree that there are aspects to UFO phenomena that are extraordinarily strange and deserving of attention. But to focus without good reason and empirical justification on witnesses as opposed to phenomena seems to me a dubious allocation of already scarce resources, likely to lead nowhere. At its most extreme (see literature, debunking) it amounts to a blame-the-victim strategy.

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Alien Poked His Tongue Out!

From: Dave Haith <visions1.nul>
Date: Sat, 28 Nov 2009 20:46:31 -0000
Archived: Sat, 28 Nov 2009 16:33:24 -0500
Subject: Alien Poked His Tongue Out!

Two weird cases from the UK discussed here in this YouTube segment from Linda Moulton Howe speaking on Coast to Coast.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-eg0feLf48g>

She talks of a guy who claims to have videod a water buffalo abduction up into a craft (pretty unconvincing video!) and the other bizarre case of an alien who twice stuck out his tongue at a witness!

How more strange will these cases get?

I'm not sure whether I believe the guy who was tongued at - maybe he's one of those who wants five minutes of UFO fame.

And judging by the distance from which he says he observed the craft it seems too far to see this alien in detail through a window.

If it happened it is surely an interdimensional thing.

On the other hand, it's difficult to believe any hoaxer would expect to encourage belief by coming up with a story about an alien poking his tongue out and smiling.

Why didn't Linda ask about that smile? I've never heard of a grey smiling before - didn't know they had the muscles to do it. Wonder if he showed any teeth?

I asked a pal about the tongue poking thing - I didn't expect a mini-thesis on the subject...

Here's what he wrote after some internet research...

"These are possible reasons for sticking your tongue out at someone.

"Bleaaghh" That tastes AWFUL. Something taste so vile that you would even put a distance between the rest of your body and your extremity which tasted it, in this case your tongue.

There is a difference between that natural response to bad tasting food and when children stick out their tongue.

A juvenile sticks out his or her tongue as an act of aggression, especially if accompanied by a blow of air through the pursed lips and the extended tongue.

This, for me, is a representative act of spitting at the other person or child - a definite act of aggression. It has been banned, frowned upon, discouraged by the adults, and at worst, is a act punishable by parents.

Through centuries, we have held back our instincts to use spitting as a weapon. So overt spitting has evolved into the civilized sticking out of tongue and hissing.

This remembered trait therefore is only seen in childhood. Much of the discouragement will be drummed into the youngster and it

will be gone by the time he or she is starting adolescence.

So the reasons why we stick out our tongues

1. Disgust. " vile, horrible, YUCKY"
2. Aggression. I spit on you, and a 3rd more positive one according to the other researchers.

To the Maoris it is "I'll show you my open mouth so welcome you to my village. See, I am not hiding any poison barb underneath my tongue to blow into your neck when your back is turned!"

But here is my imagined reason for sticking the tongue out

It's a sign of your state of health... so it could be either an invitation or a threat depending on whether the tongue was healthy or sickly.

Also, when early man was living in small groups or pack, the males, when showing aggression, mistrust or fear would stand erect, thus exposing the genitals. In modern society, this would be highly frowned on so showing the tongue takes the place of showing the genitals, though it has exactly the same meaning.

It means you are a bad taste and 'Look I am so contemptuous of you I will expose my most precious secret tongue (that looks like my genitals) out at you and challenge you to bite it-grasp it' but 'I will withdraw it quickly so that you cannot!'

It's all very fascinating but hardly an adult behaviour for a sophisticated alien!

It probably says a lot about the alien and perhaps even more about the recipient?"

Dave Haith

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Date: Sat, 28 Nov 2009 14:05:44 -0800 (PST)
Archived: Sun, 29 Nov 2009 06:44:12 -0500
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>KK

Can the imagined be physically manifested? Yes. We do it all the
time with group efforts, machines, and processes.

Can the imagined be physically manifested by will alone? Maybe.
Some things, like increasing or decreasing one's own autonomic
responses, can be done by focused will alone. No one knows if
this can be done outside one's own skin, with regularly
repeatable results. Many have tried. But there appear to to be
no records of repeatable results. And we humans thrive on
records of repeatable results.

Possibly, record-keeping is the thing that defines us as human,
compared to other animal life.

And the implied goal of all that record-keeping appears to be to
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Hi Kelly,

I wouldn't immediately label such cases as hoaxes too quickly.
Of course this doesn't mean that we should automatically believe
them at face-value.

From what I've learned, consciously recalled abduction memories
are full of confabulation and fantasy mistaken for reality.

I recently listened to an interview with David Jacobs where he
discussed a case of a woman who claimed to have seen Abraham
Lincoln aboard a craft. Under Hypnosis such claim fell away and
the woman was disappointed to realize what she mistook for Abe
Lincoln was in fact an alien being.

So the key thing to take from this is that we need to be
skeptical and not automatically believe or accept at face value.

As far as I'm concerned, I can't stand the folks in the UFO
crowd who automatically believe every single claim anyone makes
regarding the phenomena.

-Jason

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Consistent with what Kathy was suggesting is the idea that observers may be actively involved in the creation of some sightings. The resulting object may still have physical attributes that can leave physical traces and reflect radar signals. So studying the observer as part of a system producing the UFO is not out of line. This would be different from evaluating the "psychology and sociology of persons and groups who report seeing UFO's" as suggested in the Low memo.

UFO researchers generally don't know what to do with reports like the 2007 Canary Island sighting described at

<http://www.ufodigest.com/news/1007/tenerife.html>

The report says "Now comes a part that is difficult to disclose because it is so unacceptable to many. We decided to verbally and mentally ask these objects to stop and hover so that we could observe them better. Most of the objects ignored this request. But 5 of these objects did respond. Four of these objects stopped over the airport area, reversed their direction and headed directly to our home. They stopped and hovered a few blocks from our home. The fifth object directly over our home, in fact directly over my wife who was then asking them to do exactly that. I could see the object directly over her at about 500 feet. An oblong-shaped light. Silent. Obliging."

There are also Steven Greer's claims that his group can make luminous orb phenomena appear following some appropriate mental exercises.

Stan's position seems to be that flying saucers are just futuristic versions of human technology, and any other hypothesis be damned. This is clear justification for dismissing such reports. However, although some sightings may well be craft from other planets piloted by physical beings, other sightings may not have such a simple explanation. And as Jerome pointed out in an earlier contribution to this thread, a number of UFO researchers over the years have agreed.

Perhaps Kathy is impatient because a research methodology suitable for pursuing this hypothesis has not been developed. Or maybe one has been developed (by Greer, for example), but is considered too outlandish to take seriously.

William

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