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LOCATION: 8227 E. Orange Blossom, Scottsdale, AZ (Clubhouse)
PROGRAM: VIDEO TAPE: "UFO SECRETS -- THE ROSWELL CRASH"

FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

It seems now wherever I go, I come across people who have had UFO experiences. I think Carol and I are the last two people on earth who have yet to see a UFO. Well anyway, we were in Palm Springs a few weeks ago, enjoying the balmy 123° warmth of a California desert resort, when I struck up a conversation with a guy at the pool. When I mentioned my UFO work with MUFON, he kept probing me with questions about abductees. After about 10 minutes of intense questioning, he told me he believed his wife might be an abductee and asked if I might speak to her. As it turned out, she seemed to have many of the indications of an abduction experience: missing time, lights in the room, feeling of paralysis, and marks on her body. It was interesting that it was only recently that she became aware of what might be going on and was thinking about looking for help. She had just started reading *Intruders* the day before. She also related that her sister and her 11-year-old daughter were having similar experiences. The most interesting aspect about her story was her medical history . . . apparently, for some reason unknown to her, she is now missing a bone beneath her nose. She said her doctor has absolutely no explanation for this! Interesting!!

For our August meeting we will be showing the video tape "UFO Secrets -- The Roswell Crash" which Tom Taylor and Mary Hart brought back from their trip late last year to the Roswell Museums. They tell me the video is excellent in both quality and content. Also, we will allow more time this month to chat, socialize, and share experiences.

As always, I look forward to your ideas and input.

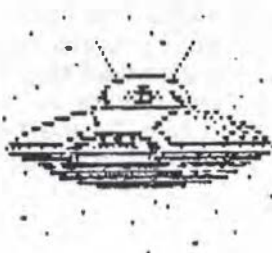
Ray Maurer, State Director

STRAWBERRY SIGHTING

On Wednesday, April 7, 1993, near sunset/evening, my wife and I were taking some friends out to eat at the Black Bear Restaurant at 120 Rolls Drive, just off Route 87 in Strawberry (north of Payson). Leaving our automobiles to enter the restaurant, we had to walk a short distance east through the parking lot. Two of us spotted "it" right away. As we were facing east, it was at an 11 o'clock position, not quite directly overhead. It was very clearly outlined, silvery, with the classic disc shape . . . the width of a dime at arm's length. It was not moving, and although "high up," it was definitely not misidentifiable as a star, aircraft, or the full moon. Our friends, who were Amish, were in shock -- which later turned to intrigue. We watched the object for over 10 minutes without seeing it move. We then went inside to eat.

About one hour later we returned to the parking lot, and there was absolutely nothing approaching the size of this object anywhere to be seen in the sky -- although the stars WERE out by now. We chatted more about it, but soon parted ways as our friends had relatives waiting for them in Payson and we had to return 75 miles or so to Winslow for work the next morning. Heading north on Highway 87 at about 9 p.m., we had a gorgeous view of the full moon rising in the east. What we had seen earlier was definitely NOT a natural celestial phenomenon, and it was NOT a balloon -- take that to Phil Klass!

Joe Hammond



MEDIA WATCH

by Tom Taylor

In the interest of keeping the UFO topic before the public, the following is a list of programs on the subject recently aired via television, radio and newspaper in recent weeks. We will attempt to list programs ahead of time whenever possible; unfortunately, we are not notified of the majority of programs until it is too late to publish them in the Newsletter in time for members to view, hear or read them. In the case of TV and radio programs, ask at MUFON meetings to see if anyone is aware of someone who may have taped them to share.

If August is the month for the "big event," you sure can't tell it from the media! I am unaware of *any* UFO program or media event of any type scheduled for either late July or early August.

Tuesdays, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Channel 22 (local access), Dimension Cable (may not be available in some areas) - UFO AZ with host Ted Loman. This program originates in Tucson and features different and interesting guests each week, ranging from scientists to psychics, and the specific topic is varied.

[The following MEDIA WATCH article is included in its entirety, with comments by Tom Taylor.]

National Examiner

July 27, 1993

UFOs Put on Show For Entire Town. The Arizona sky is lighting up with hundreds of orange UFOs - many of them spotted by stunned cops and investigated by top military officials!

The cigar-shaped or arc-shaped spacecraft blitzed the southeastern part of the state several different times, triggering widespread fear and chaos. "When I rounded a curve and saw bright orange lights moving toward me at treetop level, I was scared out of my wits," recalls Candy Herrera, 41, a teacher's aide from Duncan, Arizona. "I thought, 'God, I'm gonna die!' I stopped my car, put my head down, then looked out again. I've never seen anything like it! It was a big, arc-shaped UFO. The thing was stationary and making a beeping sound with orange lights around the lower side. A whitish glow came from a top dome. Then a white light from the bottom photo-flashed me," she tells *The Examiner*. "I screamed in terror and drove off as fast as I could."

Candy immediately told her tale to hubby Carmello, a 42-year-old Greenlee undersheriff. She was stunned when he replied that 13 others reported seeing something similar!

Frantic

In fact, the Graham County Sheriff's Office in Safford got 50 frantic calls on brightly lit, dancing UFOs, some near the new University of Arizona telescopes on Mount Graham. Ted Johnson, an animal control officer, called Chuck Rosa, editor of the Wild West

News in Morenci, to describe what he was seeing. "I see three orange objects over Artesia," he said. "They're clear, beautiful, noiseless, and hypnotic!"

Graham County Sheriff Richard Mack notified Davis Monthan Air Force Base in Tucson and was told a fighter jet was investigating. When he asked for findings, he was told: "No comment."

Says Rosa: "Next night we got several hundred more calls on the UFOs. My son's church group saw them, too." The teens spotted four orange lights flashing overhead with a rumbling noise.

Marge Bonia, 50, of Clifton, saw a brightly lit UFO a few nights later. And Glenn Jacobs, editor of the Round Valley Paper in Arizona, sketched a similar object over his home. "It was like a moon with a cow's udder underneath," he says.

Glenn Troelstrup, *Examiner* Reporter

Usually, when I read anything in the tabloids, I view them with great skepticism. But thanks to a tip from Yuma member Doris Barley, I reluctantly made a phone call to Graham County Sheriff Richard Mack. The dispatcher who answered the phone informed me that Sheriff Mack would not be back in his office until Monday [this was Friday].

I explained to the dispatcher who I was and why I was calling, and told her I wondered if she could shed any light on the article in the *Examiner*. She told me that I would have to speak with the Sheriff about it, but that they did receive 40 to 50 calls from residents in the area. I then repeatedly attempted, without success, to call the editor of the Wild West News in Safford, Arizona (another source quoted in the *Examiner* article).

The following Monday, MUFON member Diane Hobson phoned and asked what was new on the case and if I had phoned back to the Sheriff or the Wild West News. Through the miracle of my three-way calling feature, I kept her on the line and phoned the Sheriff's office, only to find that again, he was not in. I was, however, asked to leave my phone number and was told he would return my call! This was about 10:00 a.m. Sure, I thought, the Graham County Sheriff is going to return my call regarding a UFO report in a tabloid!

I then tried the Wild West News again and got through on the second try. Chuck Rosa, the editor of the paper, answered the phone. I again explained who I was and that I had read the article in the *Examiner* and was calling to verify the information. Mr. Rosa told me that the story WAS true, to the best of his knowledge and that UFO reports were somewhat common in the area. He also said that his paper had, in fact, run quite a few stories on the subject. He stated if I would send him "something for his time," he would send copies of the article (which appear below).

At about 1:30 p.m., the phone rang and -- much to my surprise -- it was Richard Mack, the Sheriff of Graham County, returning my call! He confirmed the story in the *Examiner* and vouched for the integrity of other people mentioned in the article as well.

This just goes to say that I learned not everything appearing in the tabloids is fabricated!!

Thanks again to Doris Barley for bringing the *Examiner* article to my attention in the first place and to Doris and Diane for encouraging me to follow up on it.

Tom Taylor, Section Director

[THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES, TYPED VERBATIM IN THIS NEWSLETTER, ARE ON THE SAME SUBJECT AND APPEARED IN THE "WILD WEST NEWS" ON MARCH 19 AND APRIL 9, 1993, RESPECTIVELY]

UFO SIGHTINGS REPORTED IN AREA - "3 ORANGE DANCING LIGHTS"

The Graham County Sheriffs Department has confirmed reports that Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) were seen in the area between Southern Greenlee County across to Mt. Graham Tuesday nite. The sightings were reported to look like orange glowing lights dancing in the sky. One eyewitness said it was about the brightness of the moon, only with an orange glow to it. It was not as bright as the and there were three of the objects, the Safford man reported.

W.W.N. received a call about 10:21 p.m. and the caller was seeing the objects in the sky just above Mt. Graham at that time. That person was in the vicinity of the Ivanhoe Trailer Park and saw the 3 objects very clear and that appeared to be just hovering or floating in the sky above Artesia near the Federal Prison at the base of Mt. Graham. The three objects appeared 20 to 30 minutes at a time on at least two different time periods. There was no sound associated with them.

SHERIFF'S REPORT. Graham County Sheriff Richard Mack said he has had numerous calls from around the entire state on it. Mack said "one report said it appeared to be flares that were being shot out of or blown out of a plane." Mack said, "we called the Davis Monahan Air Force Base and they had aircraft in the area checking out the sightings but would not confirm or deny what they saw or were doing." Mack said he had not received any notification prior to the sightings from the Air Force that there were any maneuvers going to be conducted Tuesday nite. Another unconfirmed report said that they were possibly weather balloons burning up but another witness said the glow stayed in one spot and hovered continued glowing for one-half hour. Mack said the report that he received said it looked like tracer bullets possibly but there was no sound.

40 CALLS. Sheriff Mack himself was out in the area on another case and he was hearing all of the

reports come over the radio. A Graham County dispatcher, a patrol officer and search and rescue officer all saw the objects about 10:30 p.m. along with several citizens saw them also Mack said. There was much concern. An official report was made by the Graham S.O. Mack said he was concerned when he first heard the reports of a bright orange light coming from the area where the telescopes were, and he hoped nothing was wrong with them (such as being burned out by environmentalists). Mack said his search and rescue man saw the UFO and said they looked like an asteroid following each other. Another description was that the object did not travel to the earth like falling stars or meteorites but just hovered in the sky.

A farmer north of Safford said he thought he heard aircraft ahead of the objects and thought they might be something from the military, possibly an anti-missile weapon of some kind. Whether they were weather balloons, flares, military experimental missiles, comets, asteroids, meteorites or something from another planet, they were there and many people saw them and they remain Unidentified Flying Objects.

March 19, 1993

ANOTHER UFO SIGHTING CONFIRMED IN GRAHAM, GREENLEE COUNTIES

Described as a Bright Diamond Shaped Object
With Lights Inside

Greenlee County Sheriffs deputies have confirmed that an unidentified flying object was seen over Greenlee County Saturday evening, 4/3/93. Undersheriff Carmello Herrera spotted the object in Southern Greenlee County sky about 6:15 p.m. Saturday, 4/3/93. Deputy Pat Sexton saw the object and called in a report to the Greenlee County Sheriffs Office at 6:30 p.m. He said he had been watching the object for about 10 minutes. It traveled above the San Francisco River northeast and was seen above Clifton Peak several hundred feet above the ground. The object was seen in Graham County before 7 p.m. It was then seen and reported by at least 9 more people in the Clifton area.

DIAMOND SHAPED. All of the reports that W.W.N. received said the object was diamond shaped and was lit from the interior like a cockpit of a spacecraft. One man saw a flash of light which caught his attention and then he saw the object in the sky over Clifton about 6:30 p.m. A 50-year-old lady watched the object thru a powerful set of binoculars and said it disappeared out of sight behind the Clifton peak. Her husband saw the object thru the binoculars also. She said it went up into the sky and disappeared about 6:45. She said it was brightly lit inside and had legs protruding down such as those used for landing a spacecraft. She said it looked like a spacecraft. The lady's husband said it looked to him that the craft had windows in it as he viewed the object thru binoculars. Its motion was described as hovering and spinning.

Greenlee Sheriff Investigator Steve Rutherford watched it with a scope. Dispatcher Ron Starr said he received lots of calls on the object, one caller said it gave off a smoke trail once raising the suggestion that it was a hot air balloon with someone aboard.

One Clifton businessman said he watched the UFO travel north along the San Francisco River about 6:15 p.m. and then around 7 p.m. saw it go south behind the mountains just east of Clifton along the Arizona/New Mexico line.

UFO SIGHTED LAST MONTH SAME AREA: UFOs were sighted in the same area on March 16 & 17. Those sighted then were confirmed by over 40 calls to the Graham County Sheriffs department. The sightings were reported to look like orange glowing lights dancing in the sky. One eyewitness said it was about the brightness of the moon, only with an orange glow to it. It was not as bright as the sun and there were three of the objects, the Safford man reported.

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April 9, 1993

OPEN FORUM

I am not an investigator but I do like to ruminate about what is happening. Following is my own first attempt at writing about one aspect of the phenomenon. Keep in mind that all statements herein have an implied "if" embedded. For simplicity's sake, this dissertation will dispense with disclaimer terminology such as "possible," "proposed," "may be," "presumably" in favor of *de facto* terminology based on suggestions by mainstream investigators, which we may assume are reasonable enough to warrant further speculation; and, will deal only with the Small and Taller Beings (Greys) group of aliens. It is also assumed that abductions and hybridization are actually taking place and are not alien-induced illusion for purposes of, as Dr. Vallee has more or less suggested, misdirection and deliberate manipulation of our society. It would be very interesting to read comments in response.

ABDUCTED: Who Is and Who Is Not:

1. In the reports I've read regarding abductions, investigators all seem to agree there is no common denominator as to who is and who is not taken -- abductees come from all walks of life. Hopefully not being too simplistic, a defining factor, opportunistic abductions notwithstanding, for who is chosen to be abducted could be that only those of us who can be put under this "mind control" are taken. and those of

us who cannot be put under this control are therefore not taken.

a. All abductions are nonvolitional. If any are taken without some sort of mind control in effect, I've yet to read about it, and if any must be the clear exception.

b. As Dr. David Jacobs and others suggest, we are being harvested by one or more alien species for a genetics program to create human/alien hybrids.

c. Millions (!!!) of Americans have been abducted to this purpose.

d. The resources the aliens put to this program must be, by any standard, vast. Even with their working with production line efficiency, and taking who knows how many years, the sheer numbers of these Beings and vessels must be excessive in order to process MILLIONS of human individuals, most of whom are abducted/processed many times. (If I may digress, what would a significant number of aliens want with so many of our people, many/most of whom donate sperm or fetuses many times over to contribute to the production of millions upon millions of hybrid individuals? One wonders how many is enough? These hybrids, as suggested by their numbers, may be a perishable commodity--utilized in enterprises not conducive to longevity, such as war, slavery, and experimentation.)

e. Generations of human families are chosen.

f. What might we have that would satisfy their predetermined needs?--certainly, at least physical strength and hardiness. But these traits would do more harm than good (from the point of view of the aliens, who appear to be physically weak) if they could not be controlled. So, a certain tractableness (a psychologist could supply a better term) may be the most desired characteristic.

2. In the paragraphs above, tractableness (there has to be a better word), or at least the characteristic that would respond to "mind control," would be necessary and required along with robustness. Generations of individual sin chosen human families presumably would carry the "mind controlled" characteristic. (Also, keeping clinical track of generations of abductees would certainly provide an empirical baseline of inherited/inheritable desired physiological/psychological characteristics.)

3. Because of the huge numbers of individuals involved (we may suppose ever more and more are required), it seems that a less structured program of abduction would obtain in order to process even more of us.

4. Thus, either some of us cannot be "mind controlled" by their means, or their screening process contains parameters which simply does not allow for those of us who may have a very high index of "resistibility."

"Romer"

NOTE: This is a new feature for the newsletter. We invite your comments and responses to the OPEN FORUM articles contained in the newsletter. If you wish, you may use a pseudonym to maintain anonymity.

BEYOND THE KNOWN

Mysterious Hummers

Newspaper reporters visiting the lonely scientific stations in frigid Antarctica back in the 1960s filed some very odd stories about the strange noises emanating from the desolate snow fields. Although the handful of scientists living in undersnow caves there should have been completely alone, they seemed to have had some unexpected visitors.

They were not only seeing odd flying machines (some of those sightings are now "classics" in UFO lore), they were also hearing rumblings, hummings, and the sound of heavy machines operating out of the fields near their bases. It was as if some unlicensed construction company was hard at work on a mysterious project near the South Pole!

Today, nearly 30 years later, there are small cities of scientists living and working in Antarctica with very little attention or publicity. We haven't heard anything further about the humming and rumblings there. But it seems as if the phantom hummers have moved on, and they are still very busy.

Weirdness on Long Island

In the early 1970s a staid, wealthy home near Sag Harbor on Long Island was invaded by the phantom hummers. For weeks, the residents suffered in a stifled silence as loud hums, like electronic noises, set their teeth on edge day and night. Finally, they appealed to the local electric company, who sent engineers laden with useless instruments and gadgets. They couldn't figure out the source of the hums.

The humming was confined to the inside of the house. When you stepped outside, the noise ceased. The place was checked for all kinds of electrical pollution, as well as underground streams, nearby radio transmitters, and other possible sources. Then, as a desperate last resort, the family made a heart-rending appeal to the world's greatest authority on hums and mysterious holes in the ground--namely, me.

I went out to Sag Harbor and sat around for two days listening to the hum. I didn't find any holes in the ground, UFO "space grass" (as we called the aluminum "chaff" that was turning up everywhere in those days) or other clues. I could only make my usual sober declaration: "This is the strangest hum I have ever heard."

To make a long story short, the hum simply stopped after about six weeks and was never heard there again.

Long Island did have a number of peculiar government installations in those days. One was a building near the town of Babylon that was enclosed by a high fence and identified by a big sign ordering everyone to keep out--or else. In the mid-1960s, police were troubled by the fact that all the burglar

alarms in all the stores in the area would go off simultaneously every morning at 3 a.m. Finally, a policeman visited the mysterious building and complained to whoever was hiding on the other side of the transom. The alarms never went off accidentally again.

I had been nosing around the area with ELF detectors and magnetometers, working closely with the police and other reporters. There really were low frequency electrical fields in spots on Long Island that I could never account for. There had also been many UFO sightings all over the island. Today people out there are seeing phantom helicopters with some frequency. These are usually choppers that are painted completely black, have opaque windows and bear no identification numbers. None of these machines are based at any of the local airports. (Helicopters are usually easy to track down because they require a lot of logistical ground support.)

Other noises, other places

In the summer of 1974, I was living in the quaint artists' and writers' colony of Woodstock, N.Y. One afternoon I entered the little local bank and found that the whole place was humming. I asked the bank clerk if the air conditioning was running amok and she looked at me blankly. She couldn't hear the hum at all! When I stepped outside, the hum stopped, just as it had done at Sag Harbor. I walked down Tiner Street, Woodstock's main street, to a magazine store. As soon as I entered the shop, I was again engulfed in the phantom hum. There were a few people there so I conducted an informal but highly scientific poll. As expected, some of them could hear the hum plainly and complained about it. "I've been hearing it for three days," one woman said. Others couldn't hear anything and thought we were bananas.

Human hearing is not very good. Many animals can hear much better than we can, particularly sounds in the upper registers or ultrasonic range. At the other end of the audio spectrum, some people, myself included, can hear--or at least sense extremely low frequencies (ELF). Most cannot. But everything from ants and snakes to rodents, dogs and cats can often pick up ELF vibrations just prior to an earthquake. There is also an ailment known as tinnitus which is a constant ringing in the ears. People afflicted with this (Barbra Streisand is one) are tormented day and night and are generally beyond any medical help. Others, however, suffer from tinnitus only when they are in particular areas. The whole Northeast is a tinnitus trap, and victims have told me that when they travel 100 or so miles away from New York and the great megalopolis the constant ringing in their ears stops abruptly.

Our phantom hummers are a distraction of another kind, though.

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Crop circle hums

In the 1980s, folks who sat in open fields all night waiting for crop circles to appear reported a number of peculiar sounds. According to crop circle expert Andrew Collins, "buzzing, dronings, hummings, and booms" have been heard and even tape recorded at crop circle sites. Nobody has solved the crop circle mystery and the big media blitz in the early 1990s didn't help the investigators. We don't really know what causes the formation of these circles, but the observational evidence raises some interesting theories.

Suppose, for example, that the (former) Soviet Union has launched a satellite which is projecting a radar beam or other energy source down on the earth? The beam could be dancing across the planet producing all kinds of effects in animals and humans, and maybe even flattening plants into crop circles. The hummings could be coming from that, particularly in enclosed places which might produce a kind of induction effect.

We can extend this notion even further. Suppose there is a beam of energy scanning this globe from a very distant point--another galaxy, say. Remember, shortly after World War II we directed radar beams at the moon, Venus and other planets. Could somebody else be zapping us in the same way?

Every year, FATE columnist Mark Chorvinsky issues a list of the ten strangest occurrences. In 1992, he noted: "Residents of Hueytown, Alabama and Watford, England were being driven to the edge of madness by the loud sound of incessant, mysterious humming that continued without end for days at a time." British authorities announced that it was "the result of low frequency resonance Along high pressure gas pipes."

Other places around the globe are experiencing similar plumbing problems. Since the spring of 1991, people in normally quiet Taos, NM have been hearing something "as angrily persistent as a bee trapped in a jar and as irritating as fingernails scraping across blackboard," according to *Newsweek*, May 8, 1991. Some citizens hear it 24 hours a day and can't sleep because of it. The Hum has even become a political issue and Representative William Richardson of the House intelligence committee didn't help matters when he spoke in the Taos town hall and announced that the hum was "defense related." He was contradicted by Under-secretary of Defense John Deutsch who wrote a formal letter declaring: "My staff has concluded there is no program, classified or not, which could cause this hum." Meanwhile, Taos is now overrun with assorted technicians and experts, all making tests, taking readings and mumbling in their collective beards. Some townspeople are stumbling around, hollow-eyed from lack of sleep, while others are baffled about the fuss because they can't hear a darned thing.

From the snowy plains of Antarctica to the Catskill Mountains and the deserts of New Mexico, the phantom hummers have been active for two generations or more. Science is totally bewildered, as usual. Politicians and bureaucrats are blaming each other, as usual. Conspiracy buffs are wailing, "Coverup!" as usual.

Who do you really call when you start hearing a humming in your head? Don't call me. There's a mysterious hole in the ground out there that requires my immediate attention.

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