

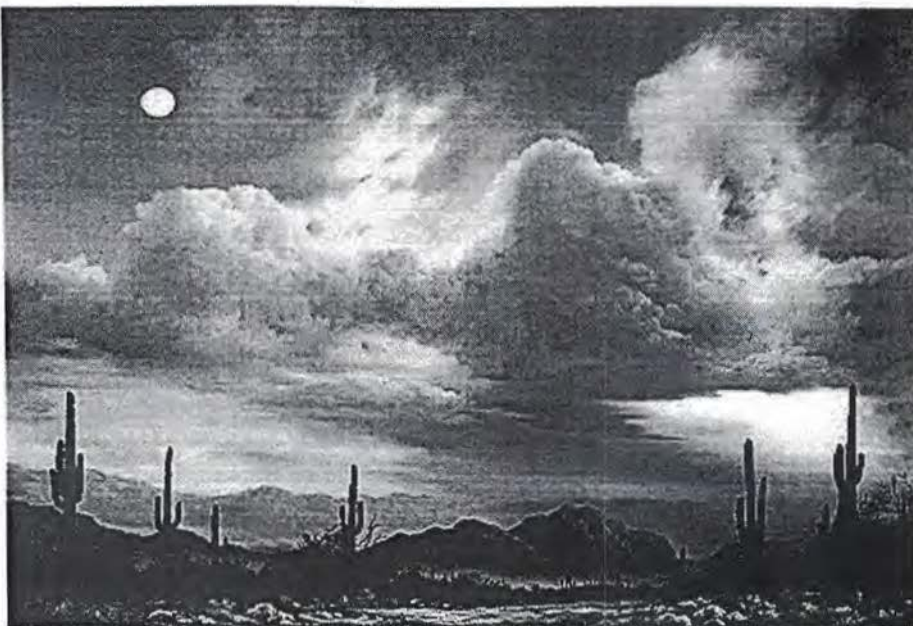
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## Directors Message

It is my pleasure to unfold our Fall lineup of speakers: September will bring "The Paradise Valley Crash of 1947" by Ted Loman, Selman Graves and Ruth Hover. October will bring Stanton Friedman speaking on "The Zeti Riticuli". October we will hope to have Linda Moulton Howe lecturing on "Mysterious Crop Circles". And our very own John Schuessler speaking on "The Cash Landrum Incident."

Phoenix MUFON took the summer off, no way! There were new investigator classes, MUFON Orange County Symposium and the UFO Awareness week at the Chris Town Mall. Where were most of you??? We were interviewed on Channel 15 and Channel 12.

And I got a computer to use at home. My home e-mail address is Phxjudyv@aol.com. So the summer has been busy! Again-where were all you folks?

Some top names in ufology were in Irvine at the Symposium: Dr John Mack, Dr Steven Greer, Dr Roger Leir, Dr Robert Wood, Stanton Friedman, Bruce MacCabee and Jamie Maussan, former anchorman for 60 minutes Mexico City, got a standing applause and request to speak longer. The crowd did not want to let him go.

I had a chance to talk to other State Directors while in Irvine. We are not doing so badly compared to other states as far as membership. But I would like to be the best. So tell your friends and others about MUFON. It is a great organization. But can be better with more help. They seem to have the same problems with speakers. The speakers are getting more and more expensive each month. So we can use *your* support! Spread the news and get more people to come to the meetings. See ya there!

**Judy Varns**  
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## MUFON AZ Meeting Information

**Pima County Chapter:** Meetings held at **Wilmot Library**, 530 N. Wilmot, Tucson. Call George Parks for more information 520/742-6651

**Pinal County Chapter:** Contact Ken Kerber for more information 520/797-2157

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## Article Submission

If you have any articles or letters you would like to submit for the newsletter, please call Teri Acton at (480) 941-1226. Suggestions/articles can also be e-mailed to [azadvocate@aol.com](mailto:azadvocate@aol.com). Your ideas and comments are welcomed and appreciated!

## MUFON Membership Badges

Orders are being taken for your MUFON Membership Badges. These are the 1-3" x 3" blue badges with 3 lines and white print listing your name on the first line, "Arizona MUFON" on the second line, and a title or phrase such as "The Truth is Out There" on the third line. The cost is \$5.00 each, unless we have enough orders to get a price break, then they will be less. See the sign-up sheet in the front lobby at each meeting, or you can fax your order to (602) 837-0094. You may also mail your order to Ruth and Harry Hover, 16714 E. Gunsight #155, Fountain Hills, AZ 85268. For more information, please call the Hovers at (480) 837-0446.

## MUFON Meeting Video Tapes Now Available

We now have video tapes for sale of some of our past meetings! Please contact Chris at Argo Productions at 1-800-576-2745. The following programs can be purchased:

Dr. Nick Begich (July 28, 2000 meeting) - \$10.00  
Don Ecker (October 25, 2000 meeting) \$15.00  
Stanton Friedman (November 15, 2000) \$20.00

Order forms will be available at all future meetings!

*Bufo Calvin lists TV programs of UFO & related subjects, which we try to pass along in this newsletter when we receive them in time. If you would like to receive them from Bufo Calvin directly via e-mail, e-mail him at [BufoCalvin@aol.com](mailto:BufoCalvin@aol.com) and ask him to send you the list.*

## On the Radio

Check local listings for programming changes

**Coast to Coast with Art Bell, 55 KFYI, 10:00 p.m. - 3:00 a.m. Monday through Friday, 1:00 a.m. - 3:00 a.m. Saturday and Sunday.**

**Dreamland with Whitley Strieber, 55 KFYI, 8:00 p.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday, 10:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m. Sunday.**

**Mysteries Around Us with Frank Baranowski, 620 KTAR, Saturday and Sunday 10:00 p.m. - Midnight.**

## On Television

Check local listings for programming changes

**Roswell Monday 8:00 p.m. WB Channel 6 (cable) or Channel 61 (antenna).**

**X-Files Sunday 8:00 p.m. and 12:00 a.m., Fox Channel 10 (cable and antenna); Monday through Friday 7:00 p.m. FX (cable).**

## RANTINGS FROM A FRUSTRATED UFOLOGIST

BY JIM KELLY  
NEWSLETTER EDITOR

### DISCLOSURE: DID IT HELP?

On May 9, 2001, an historic event took place in Washington D. C. as the Disclosure Project, headed up by Dr. Steven Greer, produced high level governmental witnesses who claimed to have interacted with extraterrestrial beings, retrieval of alien craft, and governmental agencies directly involved with the continuing cover-up of the UFO related phenomenon. Twenty-one witnesses stood before members of the local and national press, each testifying about their accounts.

Retired military personnel such as Graham Bethune, a former United States Naval Commander, told of his encounter with an unidentified flying object over the ocean that could have turned deadly.

Then there was Clifford Stone, speaking on his alleged first hand Knowledge on UFO crash retrievals, recovered bodies and the continuing governmental cover-up.

Larry Warren, Who wrote the book "Left At East Gate" was also present, chronicling the story of the Bentwaters Air Force Base sightings in England in 1980, while he was stationed there as a Security Specialist. This case is arguably one of the best-documented UFO sightings in history even though the continuing controversy surrounding the incident keeps the proverbial pot stirring. But that is another story.

However, the most impressive testimony came from a retired Federal Aviation Administration accident and investigations employee by the name of John Callahan. He introduced both documents and a videotape associated with the 1986 sighting of a UFO following a Japanese Airliner, which reportedly was tracked by both military and civilian radar systems. What is more disturbing about this case then the sighting itself is the claim by Callahan that the CIA sent a team of officials to interview him and confiscated the evidence he produced. Callahan must have sensed the importance of the evidence because he was smart enough to make copies of the documented evidence and the videotape. If his information is legitimate, it deserves an explanation from the CIA.

I pondered another thought about the testimony provided. If the media became enticed by the Disclosure Briefing, would all of the witnesses themselves stand up to investigative scrutiny? I noticed that several of the witnesses that spoke have either changed their testimony over the years, or have made questionable or grandiose claims without any supportive evidence.

The complete four- hour press conference is now available for purchase as well as a book that details more witness testimony. Dr. Greer should be commended for bringing these witnesses to a highly publicized venue as the National Press Club in Washington D.C.

However, the militarization and development of space weapons was brought into focus as how this might be sending a message to other extraterrestrial civilizations as to our war-like barbaric nature. I was perplexed and confused by this! What does the disclosure of UFO information have to do with the militarization of space weapons? Do I sense another agenda here? Why does the militarization of space weapons have to be a negative thing? Can you imagine a defense shield in space using the latest technology to protect our Nation, and possibly that of our Allies if needed? Why does this have to be viewed as a negative rather than a positive? What about a star-wars type defense system that could not only protect us from each other but from what might come from the outer reaches of space? If this technology is ever developed to it's full capabilities why should we take a negative stance and automatically believe that mankind can't achieve the positive of developing space weapons for protective services only? Before we scrap this idea, it has to be developed and looked at responsibly. If we can achieve this goal, it might be an evolutionary step in the right direction.

When nuclear technology was created, the atomic bomb was used in the Second World War to prevent more deaths of American Soldiers by taking the lives of our enemies in Japan. Since the Second World War ended, nuclear weapons have been feared and fought against by people all over the planet, and understandably so. We all realize the horrific consequences of what would happen in the event of a nuclear accident or maybe the wrong button being pushed at a nuclear launch control Facility, or better yet, the nightmarish implication of the effect of nuclear waste on our environment in which we live.

Can we all contemplate what would have happened if nuclear technology had not been developed? The possibility of more frequent world war situations after 1945 would have been most probable, and the possibility of millions of lives that would have been the likely recipients of a conventional world war have most likely been saved due to the threat of a constant, nuclear confrontation. A sad commentary. The nuclear threat has actually been needed for peace on our planet to prevent another World War!

So the Disclosure Project was a success in the terms of getting out the information on UFO's to the public. Steven Greer did a fine job by requesting that congressional hearings be held to show the vastness of the cover-up, contact, and total denial of the serious consequences of ignoring this subject.

However, will the government investigate itself to find the truth? Absolutely not. Will any member of Congress sacrifice their own career in demanding hearings to find out about the validity of the subject Dr. Greer and his witnesses have brought to the private and political sector? No way.

Will the people of America put pressure on their governing representatives to call for public hearings on this subject? Some might, but not enough will.

Personal fear and paranoia of challenging our government will win out in the end I am afraid.

So what will it take to shake the tree of compartmentalized, rogue elements in our government to spill the beans on one of the most compelling mysteries of our time?

A UFO event of irrefutable evidence will have to take place. It must be witnessed by thousands and photographed and investigated by the media. It must be an event that can't be debunked, covered up, or explained away by the best "self proclaimed" investigators; and dismissed casually by our government officials.

After this confirmation takes place, a flood of de-classified documentation relating to UFO's will " mysteriously " appear as well as an army of credible witnesses who were a part of this generational cover-up.

That single, spectacular, UFO event. Isn't this what we have all been waiting for anyway?

## **Current UFO Cases and Sightings**

**Courtesy of  
National UFO Reporting Center**

**Scottsdale, Arizona  
7/21/01**

**"A slow moving green fireball was seen  
traveling west to east over the horizon north of  
Phoenix..."**

"Sighting occurred while driving north on Scottsdale Rd in the Pinnacle Peak Rd area. A teacher and a school administrator observed a bright green ball similar in color to the green of a traffic signal. The object was about the size of a thumbnail on an extended arm. It may have had a short tail but nothing significant. It moved rather slowly across the horizon from west to east traveling parallel to the Earth not far above the horizon. It moved much too fast for an airplane yet seemed to move too slowly for a meteor. It did not fall but continued to move at the same height above the horizon until it was lost behind a cloud."

**Phoenix, Arizona  
7/21/01**

**"Green fireball in northern Arizona sky."**

"Driving northbound on Interstate 17 near Northern Avenue, it was dusk. A fireball (a luminescent green in color) moved from northwest to southeast in the northern sky. It appeared rather large and was lost after going behind trees. Seemed to be some miles away but was very spectacular and breathtaking. We are not sure if it was a meteor or not."

**Buckeye, Arizona  
7/24/01**

**"Near Palo Verde Nuclear Power Station, lights seen  
moving around into a triangular-shaped formation..."**

"Around 22:00 near the Palo Verde Nuclear Power Station roughly 20-30 miles west of Buckeye, Arizona, my mom, sister, and I noticed a bright light in the sky, with a fainter light below it. Suddenly, the bright light went away, and two more faint lights appeared. The lights moved around until they were in a triangular-shaped formation. Some lights appeared to fade out, but as we drove closer, we saw that they actually went behind a cloud, then reappeared. We also noticed that one of the lights was actually a jet, we could tell by two blinking red and white lights at either side. We could tell the other two lights weren't jets because they seemed to hang in the sky, and they had no other lights on them, like a jet probably would. By then we passed underneath the lights, and moved on. Other lights, unknown number, were noticed along the horizon, not known if they had anything to do with the lights seen before."

**Flagstaff, Arizona  
7/29/01**

**"I think we're in big trouble..."**

"My friends and I were walking on West Cherry Street in Flagstaff, Arizona and we saw what looked like three dim stars in a triangle moving toward us from the east. We stopped and watched this thing fly right over us. It was about the size of Texas and black, except for the three dim lights at the tips."

**Tempe, Arizona  
8/3/01**

**"The movement away from me was too quick to  
be a blimp, and the change in direction to  
sudden for a plane."**

"I awoke at 12:14 am on the 3rd of August 2001. I found myself walking to our third story balcony and saw a cigar shaped object about the size of my thumb at arm's length. I saw it at a 75-degree angle off the horizon toward the East. It was a clear night with a few clouds and a bright moon. No sound came from it as it drifted east. I thought it was a blimp as I watch the light pattern flick on and off... However, I saw the shape seem to shrink and wondered at this until I realized it was moving east away from me. It moved or "shrank" very quickly and then suddenly began a southern line of flight again within 2 or 3 seconds. I watched it move south until trees blocked my view. I can't say I saw a surface-but it did block the stars. In addition, the movement away from me was quick enough to cause grave doubt in my blimp theory."



## Strange Lights "I Think We Witnessed Some Type of Miracle" from ABCNews.com

CARTERET, N.J., July 17 — Something dazzled the people of New Jersey this weekend. Something bright, high in the sky.

"It was one of the most amazing things I've ever seen," said eyewitness Joe Malvasio. "They were just hovering, and then they just disappeared. One at a time, each one started to fade until they were gone."

Some witnesses thought the phenomenon may have been a sign of an alien presence. Others called it a miracle. But no one knows just what it was — all they can do is attempt to describe it.

"I saw 16 golden-orange colored lights, several in a V-type formation," said Lt. Daniel Tarrant of the Carteret Police Department. "Others were scattered around the V."

### At Least 15 Report Lights to Police

At least 15 people contacted Tarrant's department to report the strange lights. But Tarrant and other police officials are at a loss to explain just what it was hovering in their skies.

Most callers described the same scenario: golden-orange lights moving quietly, some say beautifully, across the night sky over the Arthur Kill river. They described how the lights flickered and how they seemed to vanish into the night, one-by-one.

Some drivers even pulled off the New Jersey Turnpike for a better look.

But even more amazing is the explanation: there is none, not as of yet.

According to the Associated Press, nearby Newark Airport reported no unusual flight patterns, and a National Weather Service meteorologist could find nothing in the weather to explain the lights.

### Peaceful, Easy Feeling

"It's really amazing," said Veronica Bagley, whose family captured the lights on video.

Paulette Holmes said whatever it was, she was unafraid.

"I wasn't alarmed because it was peaceful," she said.

Patty Ercallino, another witness, took it a step further.

"Very peaceful, very serene, very beautiful," she said. "I think we witnessed some type of miracle."

## Update on New Jersey UFOs Filer's Files #30; July 22, 2001 by George Filer Courtesy of CAUS

CARTERET-A series of strange extraordinary lights were seen flying over Carteret only 10 miles from downtown Manhattan on Sunday morning July 15, 2001. This sighting has created a great deal of interest in the news media and the local population. Peter Davenport at the National UFO Reporting Center received at least fifteen reports concerning the sighting. We are working to investigate the cause of the sighting. The story was carried on CNN, MSNBC, ABC New Jersey FM 101.5, and many other stations. The object flew about a five miles south of Newark Airport around 12:30 AM. Witnesses reported seeing a cluster of lights estimated as 15 to 30 amber, gold, orange lights hovering and moving slowly at an estimated 10 mph. Many witnesses were traveling on the New Jersey Turnpike when they noticed the lights above them and an estimated 75 cars stopped on side of the highway. Many of their occupants stood outside their vehicles watching the formation of lights. This is a twelve lane lighted highway and the light pollution creates difficult viewing.

Six policemen and hundreds of witnesses viewed the huge unidentified flying object or objects. After initial investigation witnesses agree that a very large object was flying at about 10 to 20 mph described variously as a V, U, or M formation. The light formation appeared different to various witnesses.

Some people claimed to have seen 30 white lights; some claim they were only able to view a dozen lights. Those in darker locations described the lights as white, others called them amber or gold. About ten lights stayed lit continuously and at least a half dozen other brightened and dimmed in unison. The witnesses claimed the lights stayed in the same relative position as they moved slowly across the sky towards the southeast. Some people claimed the lights appeared to fall or climb just before going out. I have made an initial examination of the videotape taken off the news channel.

There appears to be a smaller structured object in the lower right hand part of the screen. This object appears to have two smaller lights and may be the source of all the lights perhaps using holographic projections. In-depth analysis of the videotape is needed. The sound bite from the video was also interesting in that you could hear a woman's voice say, "Isn't it amazing!" This lends credibility to the video, since it doesn't sound like their acting. In recent days many of the witnesses were whisked off in limousines to appear on the various news shows. Some were paid for their videos and photos making it difficult for our research until things quiet down.

Peter Davenport appeared on MSNBC and discussed the sighting. I thought it was significant that the host commented that the station gets numerous UFO reports everyday, and they could spend all their time covering UFO reports, but this one was special. "Eyewitness Joe Malvasio said, 'It was one of the most amazing things I've ever seen. They were just hovering, and then they just disappeared. One at a time, each one started to fade until they were gone.'" According to investigator Bob Durant the wind was measured at 2351 hours

from 340 degrees at 10 mph, and at 0051 hours on July 15, from 310 degrees at 10 mph with clear sky. The winds indicate the lights may have been drifting with the wind to the southeast. The descriptions and video are similar to the Phoenix Lights, where a similar V formation appeared in March of 1997. Another similar sighting was reported over Rockford, Illinois on March 18, 2001. The formation also matches reports of unexplained lights in the sky from all across the United States, as well as England and Europe. According to ABC news, Colm Kelleher of the National Institute of Discovery Science (NIDS) says that from what he's heard, this one sounds like the Jersey Lights were a set of military flares. The NIDS claims their witnesses saw pieces of burning debris coming off the lights, and another said he saw a puff of smoke when one of the lights went out through his night vision binoculars, although he did not see a parachute. Unless these two witnesses are lying (one is a cop, the other in "special forces"), it sounds like something man-made."

We know that each witness will observe extraordinary objects in a different way. It is interesting to note that MUFON witnesses did not see any evidence of flares. The lights did not swing like they were attached to parachutes nor was there smoke, lines, or structure visible. The lights operated in a continuous manner similar to aircraft lights, unlike flares. The lights moved in unison as if connected to a flying object. Another group of five or six lights brightened and dimmed in unison. Flares when dropped from an aircraft are generally blown around randomly and will drift and descend downwind. Generally, they do not remain burning or airborne for more than 5 minutes, while most witnesses claimed a much longer time period. Smoke trails are usually quite visible as flares slowly descend. I have also fired Anti-Sam flares from my aircraft that travel like a rocket with a visible trail. In most videos and eyewitness accounts flares with parachutes are discernible as they meander and descend fairly quickly. We estimate the total sighting to be ten to twenty minutes. Flares also tend to illuminate the parachutes and area around them. They do not brighten and dim in unison. I visited the area of the sighting specifically looking for any signs of parachutes or similar remains. So far the police have not located any evidence of flares or similar burning or pyrotechnic objects. There have been no fires reported. The entire area over flown is densely populated with homes, and numerous fuel tanks. Signs are posted stating no smoking due to the obvious danger from fire among the tanks.

I also visited the shoreline of the Arthur Kill River. There was no evidence on or along the shore of parachutes or pyrotechnic devices. We can hypothesize that a formation of balloons or aircraft could carry the lights or special long burning flares. The Federal Aviation Administration said, that there were no planned military operations in the area and that air traffic was light at the time of the reported sightings. No pilots flying in or out of Newark Airport reported seeing anything out of the ordinary. One witness claimed that an aircraft on approach to Newark Airport appeared to be diverted prior to landing. The military has denied having flights in the area. The New Jersey Air National Guard 177th Fighter Wing at Atlantic City Airport denied any exercises or having any F-16 aircraft airborne at the time. McGuire AFB 305th Air Mobility Wing also denied having any aircraft

airborne at the time. There are no restricted areas in the Carteret area although air traffic is under tight control because of the three major airports. The Army's Picatinny Arsenal is 30 miles northwest of Carteret. Based on the wind direction the lights are likely to have flown over the arsenal. I called and spoke to the Command Section who denied launching any kind of balloons or flares with artillery. They assured me they didn't do anything like that there, I drove several hours to Carteret to interview a Ukrainian Priest, Right Reverend, Father Chubenko on July 17, 2001. I believe he is probably the strongest witness because of his location at a comparatively dark observation point next to the rectory on Roosevelt Road. He is extremely intelligent, an excellent witness, an electrical engineer, and a pilot. He was adamant in his belief that the lights were not flares. He has flown over the area on a regular basis and felt the lights were at 3,000 feet altitude. He measured the lights with his fist at arm's length and the lights covered 5 widths of his fist about 24 inches. He estimated the lights covered a 1000 feet of airspace.

Additionally he documented his sighting immediately after it occurred and before any news media coverage. He specifically tried to analyze what he was viewing. We were both interviewed on ABC Channel 12 by Cynthia Scott. His son Greg Chubenko was driving in Carteret, when he spotted the UFO and phoned his father who was in bed. Father Chubenko got dressed and went outside to observe and immediately spotted 15 or more lights flying over the Rectory. Father Chubenko indicated, that an apparent craft flew overhead, although he did not see a structure only lights. He watched the lights very closely for more than 5 to 10 minutes. The lights were completely synchronized and brightened and dimmed in unison. There was emission from the light like a candle droppings, as the lights would descend before shutting off. Almost all witnesses claim these were not flares, candles in bags etc. The lights were similar to glowing stars, but not shining in any particular direction.

I asked specifically if he thought these were flares? He said, these were not flares he was sure of that. The lights did go out periodically. He felt that many lights moved in unison that they appeared to be attached to some kind of an object probably a craft, although he did not personally see a craft. The lights moved in unison and they brightened and dimmed in unison as if they were attached to the same craft. The newspaper claimed that the lights might be bags of garbage on fire. He laughed since fuel storage tanks cover this area and burning objects could easily cause a fire. The lights periodically stopped working and shut down as if one was turning off a light. Some may have fell 400 to 500 feet like they were shutting down. It did not appear as a burning light, a flame, a fire, or a flare. They were more like a star or planet. This is one of the most densely populated areas in the world. Since there have been no fires associated with the UFO sighting the police are not investigating the possibility of arson or pyrotechnic devices.

I also interviewed Middlesex County Sheriff's officer Andrew Halkovich. He had not actually seen the craft, but was on his porch with his dog at the time the UFO flew over. His dog suddenly jumped up and started barking, jumping, and running around on his two back feet. He had never seen his dog do anything similar to this and was quite surprised and

concerned. He had trouble trying to keep the dog quiet and calming it down. He did not think to look into the sky at the time. They live near the Newark Airport and his dog is quite familiar with aircraft flying overhead. He felt it was very significant that his dog felt or heard the UFO. No one has reported that the object made any noise.

Another, MUFON investigator has been able to interview Lt. Daniel Tarrant of the Carteret Police Department who claims, "I saw 16 golden-orange colored lights, several in a V-type formation, others were scattered around the V." Lt. Tarrant felt it was some kind of falling space debris. At least 15 people contacted the Carteret Police Department. NOTAMS: The Notice to Airmen (NOTAMS) or warnings are much earlier in the day and fifty miles to the south. This area around Carteret is also devoid of low level Military Training Routes or restricted flight areas. The investigation will continue.

## Large Triangular Craft Spotted and Filmed over Trout Lake, Washington

From Sightings@YahooGroups.com

On July 19th, near 11:00 PM (PST), a large ship flew in from the south over the Gilliland Ranch in Trout Lake Washington, expanding into a brilliant yellow-orange light, then dimmed out as it left the area. It is on film.

There were also large light ships filmed over Mt Adams. Several other high flyers displayed incredible speeds and turns some making complete U turns.

Tom Dongo, a well-known UFO investigator, spent two weeks at the ranch and will return to Sedona MUFON with some incredible footage.

On July 22nd at 12:30 PM over Trout Lake airport, a guest was taking off in his small plane. A UFO flew directly underneath the plane. There was ground contact with the plane and three guest were witness to the UFO staying right under the plane. The pilot turned and circled to try to see the UFO but it stayed directly underneath him. Seems like they have a sense of humor. The same pilot saw a UFO the previous night over Mt. Adams. It lit up, sent down a beam, then dropped down into the same beam and took off. He was very skeptical at first, yet now he is a believer.

On July 23<sup>rd</sup>, a massive triangular ship came in from the north going south. It was met by a golden colored smaller ship. Both are captured on film. There were 5 witnesses, one of which is a news reporter. The film shows three distinct lights in an elongated triangle that moved in unison, keeping their exact distance. When directly overhead, a golden ship appeared from the South and seemed to check out the larger ship. At exactly 10:05PM, these events occurred just as told in advance by James Gilliland. There were high flyers all night darting about at the same time. It was like a UFO smorgasbord.

## Eyes to the Skies Aegean Airspace Challengers ... From Outer Space?

By John K. Cooley

ABCnews.com

ATHENS, Aug. 8 — Greek and Turkish air force pilots, sharing contested Aegean airspace, are used to seeing a fighter or two of their usually friendly adversary looping around them, or diving to intercept their patrol or training flights. But for two Turkish trainee pilots, the aerobatics were different this time.

While on a routine training flight in a U.S.-made T-37 off the Turkish Aegean coastal town of Candarli, they suddenly had reason to call their home base control tower.

A bright object had approached their plane at high speed and reportedly gyrated around them for about a half hour.

The Turkish newspaper *Hurriyet* quoted their call: "Object approaching the wings. Now it's behind the plane ... now it's in front of us." They told their controller and the regional war alert center of the Turkish army that the apparent Unidentified Flying Object had an unusual shape that looked like a cross between a cone and a disc.

### A Widely Curious Incident

Turkish air force sources said they were investigating. So were the neighboring Greeks.

The Turks were planning to report the encounter to international bodies — especially the U.S. National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

## Prize Bull Mutilations Leave Texas Ranchers Guessing

from UFOcity.com and  
The Houston Chronicle

August 1, 2001 - Burleson County, Texas is losing their prize bulls, and no one seems to know how or why. Some ranchers believe a cult is responsible, draining the blood of the animals for use in satanic rituals. The sheriff believes most of the animals are dying of natural causes, but admits being perplexed by some of the circumstances. A cattlemen's association investigator believes some of the deaths are due to thieves stealing body parts rather than meat.

Whatever the cause, ranchers have been finding dead cattle under "mysterious" circumstances at almost predictable intervals -- once or twice a year, around the time of Halloween or a religious holiday, such as Easter -- for nearly a decade. "I don't know what it is," said Johnny Lyon, who lost a valuable Charolais bull last Easter. "It could be a prankster, but if it is the other (a cult) it could be pretty dangerous."

Stories like these have circulated in cattle country for as long as cattle have been dying. Sometimes the stories grow outlandish, and rarely is there evidence to back them up. Still,

ranchers in Burleson County believe there is something strange behind the disappearing cattle.

When Lyon found his bull at the rear of a 300-acre pasture, its abdomen had been split open and its genitals removed. He said that has been a consistent pattern in previous incidents. Another rancher, whose family has lost several head of cattle in recent years, is so convinced that a cult is behind the deaths that he would only speak anonymously.

There were no signs, such as claw or teeth marks, which would indicate his cow had been killed by a coyote or other predator, and "there was not a drop of blood on the body or the ground," the rancher said. Not all cattle deaths arouse suspicion. In some cases, the cause is obvious. Lyon recently found an Angus cow that died after breaking a leg. "I didn't report that one," he said. But those in the mysterious category share similarities. Like Lyon's Charolais bull, the cause of death was not apparent; body organs and, sometimes, tongues were removed while the valuable meat was untouched. In most cases, the genitals were removed. And, according to Lyon, it appeared in each case that the blood had been drained from the bodies.

"The buzzards don't even go up to them," he said. He explained that scavenger birds do not feed on bloodless carcasses. Burleson, a hilly and wooded county about 75 miles northwest of Houston, is home to several small ranches where cattle often graze in thickets away from highways or other public vantage points. It is not unusual for a carcass to not be immediately discovered, which has made investigation difficult.

"I don't think it has anything to do with a cult," said Sheriff Thomas Gene Barber. "Some are natural deaths. But, some are very unusual ... the removal of the organs. You wonder if any animal could do that." He also said it was strange that most of the cattle whose deaths seemed unusual "were the best animals they had," not the weakest or sickest.

Barber said in the past decade, the "unusual" deaths have occurred about once a year, sometimes twice, and in one year - 1994 - there were four clustered near Halloween. He has investigated some, but the carcasses had decayed or were partially devoured by animals. "If you can't get to one in 24 hours, you can't learn much about what killed it," he said. Barber suspects some of the cattle died from over fertilized feed or toxic oleander bush that is found near water in that area.

If any were killed by humans, he said, "I think it was some kids getting body parts." Very little evidence has been found, Barber said. His deputies have never found footprints or tire tracks. At the same time, he said, there has never been evidence of cult activity, such as candles, pentagrams or other ritualistic paraphernalia. "It's a mystery to me," he said.

At the request of ranchers, Larry Gray, director of law enforcement for the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, looked into a few incidents and, like the sheriff, said he discounts the notion of a cult at work in the county. "These things really get blown out of proportion," Gray said. In 20 years of investigating cattle deaths in Texas and Oklahoma, Gray said, "I have never seen one that was cult-related."

He said what the ranchers saw as an absence of blood was probably blood pooling at the bottom of the carcass. The split

abdomens and missing genitals could have been the work of small animals after the animal died of other causes. "Skunks and opossums have very sharp teeth, and they usually attack the softest tissue first," he said.

In cases of dead bulls, Gray said humans may have been responsible but probably not for occult reasons. Genitals of large bulls have been turned into grotesque walking sticks or into bags. Lyon hopes to solve the mystery by someday getting a fresh carcass to Texas A&M, where officials at the college of veterinary medicine have offered to perform necropsies. "It happens so infrequently that we don't get a clue," Lyon said. "I just want to find out what's behind it." The unexplained deaths of four head of cattle in 1994 caused a minor buzz even among residents, but the talk quickly faded, deputies said. The latest deaths have attracted little attention, except among ranchers. "I haven't heard any talk about it," said Caldwell Police Chief Virgil Hurt. "And we haven't had any cult activity in this town."

## Body Identified as "Alien Lobbyist" in Nevada from Paranormal News

July 24, 2001 - A decomposing body found near the Carson River has been identified as a former Nevada legislative lobbyist who claimed he represented space aliens and campaigned for southern Nevada's "Extraterrestrial Highway." The body of David Venus Solomon, 52, a self-proclaimed alien known as Ambassador Merlyn Merlin II, was found late last week, according to Lyon County Sheriff's Department investigator Cherie Rye.

The Washoe County Coroner's Office said identification was made through fingerprints. Deputy Coroner Steve Finnell said the cause of death was undetermined. "The skull was intact and there were no signs of trauma from what we could tell," he said. Finnell estimated the body had been there at least a month. Investigators could not locate the car in which Solomon lived, a 1976 brown and white Monte Carlo.

Friend Pat Travis, owner of the Little A'le Inn in Rachel, Nev., said the man she knew as Merlin never went anywhere without his car. Travis and Merlin met during the campaign to have State Route 375's name changed to "The Extraterrestrial Highway." Rachel is the only community along the route in the desert about 95 miles north of Las Vegas. In Carson City, Merlin was a well-known character at the Legislature from 1995 until 1999, when he was barred from the grounds. During the 1999 session, a female employee cleaning a restroom in the Nevada Legislature reported Merlin for exposing himself to her.

Assemblyman Bob Price, D-North Las Vegas, a friend of Merlin's, said the incident was blown out of proportion. Price said Merlin went into the bathroom to use it when a cleaning sign was posted, but when he didn't see anyone in the bathroom he used the facilities. Price said he had known Merlin since 1989 and believed his family was somewhere in California, possibly near Laguna Niguel or Dunsuir.



According to Price, Merlin, who claimed to represent the Embassy of the Avalon Saucerians, was featured on numerous national television shows, including CNN's "Larry King Live." Merlin is also referenced on a number of Web sites and in a book by David Darlington called "Area 51: Dreamland Chronicles."

## Solar-Powered Helios Aims For Record Altitude from UFOcity.com

July 17, 2001 - The sky is black 100,000 feet above ground, and you can clearly see the curvature of the Earth. The air is so thin it is incapable of supporting life. It is also incapable of supporting sustained horizontal flight of an aircraft-until now.

It is into that hostile environment 19 miles above ground that a small group of engineers from NASA's Dryden Flight Research Center, Edwards, CA, and AeroVironment, Inc., Monrovia, CA, plan to fly the unique unmanned solar-powered Helios Prototype.

The giant yet ultra-light flying wing could soar into the stratosphere on its quest as early as the second week in August, after successfully completing an 18-hour functional checkout flight on July 15. The flights are being conducted from the U.S. Navy's Pacific Missile Range Facility on the Hawaiian island of Kauai.

Should the Helios Prototype reach its objective, it would set a new world's altitude record for propeller-driven aircraft, surpassing the 80,201-foot record of its predecessor, the solar-electric Pathfinder-Plus, set in August, 1998. It would also exceed the highest reported altitude achieved in sustained horizontal flight by jet-powered aircraft as well, 85,068 feet by a SR-71 aircraft in July, 1976. Only short-duration rocket-powered aircraft have flown higher.

The Helios Prototype is one of the unique remotely operated, uninhabited aerial vehicles (UAV) being developed for high-altitude, long-duration earth science imaging and atmospheric sampling missions under the Environmental Research Aircraft and Sensor Technology (ERAST) project at Dryden.

John Del Frate, project manager for solar-powered aircraft at Dryden, noted that setting an altitude record is only one of several goals for this summer's flight tests. "A 100,000-foot altitude record would be the icing on the cake," he said. "Our primary interest in testing this new aircraft is for taking sophisticated lightweight science instruments to greater heights."

"Another added bonus for NASA is the fact that flight at 100,000 feet would be very similar to flight in the Martian atmosphere," Del Frate added. "In a way, we are going to school on these flights to learn what the aerodynamics are like in these conditions."

AeroVironment vice-president Robert Curtin noted that production versions of the Helios could also serve as long-endurance commercial telecommunications relay platforms, orbiting over major population centers at 55,000 to 70,000 feet altitude for months at a time. Disaster recovery agencies might

one day be able to move a Helios over the scene of a catastrophe where the normal communications infrastructure has been destroyed.

"AeroVironment's goal is to develop an airplane that is the equivalent of an 11-mile-high tower in the sky," he added.

The primary objective of Helios' recent checkout flight was to expand the flight envelope of the aircraft and verify proper operation of aircraft systems at high altitudes. Reaching an altitude of 76,271 feet was considered necessary in order to reduce risk for the upcoming effort to achieve sustained horizontal flight at 100,000 feet altitude.

The 247-foot-span ultra-light flying wing flew six low-altitude initial airworthiness validation flights on battery power at NASA Dryden in the fall of 1999.

Since then, the Helios Prototype has undergone major upgrades, including the installation of approximately 65,000 high-efficiency solar cells across the wing, which can produce more than 35 kilowatts of electricity.

The 100,000-foot altitude flight is one of two major flight milestones set for the craft by NASA, the other being a four-day non-stop long-endurance demonstration flight above 50,000 feet planned for 2003.

## Star With Midriff Bulge Eyed By Astronomers from UFOcity.com

July 25, 2001 - For the first time ever, a star spinning so fast its mid-section is stretched out has been directly measured by an ultra-high-resolution NASA telescope system on Palomar Mountain near San Diego.

"Measuring the shape of this star, Altair, was as difficult as standing in Los Angeles, looking at a hen's egg in New York, and trying to prove that it's oval-shaped and not circular," said Dr. Charles Beichman, chief scientist for astronomy and physics at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL), Pasadena, CA.

Altair is a well-known member of the Summer Triangle, clearly visible in the summer night sky across the United States. Scientists using the Palomar Testbed Interferometer, which links multiple telescopes, measured the star's radius at different angles on the sky. They noticed the size of the star varied with changing angles, which was the first tip-off that Altair is not perfectly round.

"This surprising observation led to a bit of challenging detective work to properly interpret the data," said principal investigator Dr. Gerard van Belle of JPL. "We measured the size of another star, Vega, at the same time, which didn't change with angle, so we knew this wasn't just a fluke of the telescope."

Previous studies of Altair raised the prospect that the star might have a midriff bulge, but never before had the shape been measured directly. Earlier measurements of the star's spectrum, or light-wave pattern, had hinted that Altair was rotating very fast. When a gaseous orb, like a star, spins fast enough, it tends to expand at the middle, like a beach ball that is squeezed at the top and bottom.

Altair is a perfect example -- it rotates at least once every 10.4 hours, and the new Palomar observations reveal the diameter at its equator is at least 14 percent greater than at its poles. For a star that spins slowly, this effect is miniscule. For example, our Sun rotates once every 30 days and has an equator only .001 percent greater in diameter than its poles.

By measuring Altair's size at separate positions along its edge, van Belle and his colleagues determined that Altair rotates at a speed of at least 210 kilometers per second (470,000 mph) at the equator. Future studies may pin down the speed more precisely.

"Determining the shape of another star helps us learn about the forces that control the shape and structure of all stars, including our star, the Sun," Beichman said. "This tells us more about the Sun's behavior and ultimate fate."

The Palomar Testbed Interferometer has three 50-centimeter (20-inch) telescopes. To study Altair, the telescopes were used two at a time. The combined light from the telescope pairs provided sharpness comparable to a telescope as large as a football field.

"Altair is the twelfth brightest star in the sky -- you'd think that everything there is to know about this star would have been discovered already," said co-investigator Dr. David Ciardi of the University of Florida, Gainesville. "It's a good example of the surprises you're going to encounter when you are able to look at even familiar stars with unprecedented resolution."

The Palomar Testbed Interferometer is paving the way for the Keck Interferometer, Space Interferometry Mission and Terrestrial Planet Finder, all part of NASA's Origins program. The program will hunt for Earthlike planets that might harbor life around other stars. "In the long run, we'll use these interferometric capabilities to search for planets around nearby stars. This is an important first step," said Beichman.

## **Fossils of Ancient Life Forms May Be Buried on Mars**

From Ananova

July 22, 2001 - New evidence from a spacecraft orbiting Mars has sparked speculation that the first human explorers might discover fossils of ancient life forms.

The Mars Global Surveyor probe shows that water was shaping the planet far more recently than scientists previously supposed.

The watery environment had big implications for the existence of past or present life on Mars, a leading US expert claimed.

The first human explorers on Mars might even discover fossils of ancient life forms, Professor Victor Baker said.

The head of the Department of Hydrology and Water Resources at the University of Arizona in Tucson said: "If it's true, it would have major implications for sending people to Mars, because it may mean that water is more available than otherwise thought."

"Early Mars provided an arguably better habitat for the inception and incubation of early life than did early Earth," said Professor Baker.

Previously, scientists believed no water had flowed on the surface of Mars for around four billion years.

But the Global Surveyor evidence suggests that considerable amounts of water shaped Martian land features within the past 10 million years.

Scientists think internal heat periodically triggers short-term warmer and wetter conditions on Mars. Such conditions may be conducive to life, Professor Baker told the journal Nature.

New Global Surveyor images had shown signs of "mega floods" that may have triggered climate changes, extensive terrain that closely mimics permafrost areas on Earth, lakebeds, and gullies that have drained water and debris on the Martian surface within the past several million years.

Probably the most important evidence were the telltale signs of very recent glaciers - crevasse-like fractures, moraines drained by converging tributaries, and aprons of deposited debris. The presence of glaciers means that Mars once was a lot warmer and that there was much more water on the Martian surface, said Professor Baker.

## **U.S. Air Force Linked to Electronic Warfare Attack in Tennessee**

By Alfred Webre, EcoNews Service  
(Vancouver, BC)

From EcologyNews.com

HARTSVILLE, TENN - Newly released documentary and eyewitness evidence now links an apparent July 6, 2001 electronic warfare attack on a radio station and weekly newspaper in Hartsville, Tennessee to a nearby unacknowledged secret access project (USAP). This secret project, eyewitnesses say, includes the U.S. Air Force as paymaster, U.S. government aircraft as transportation and security craft; military troops in black uniforms; and black unmarked triangular aircraft. The project may also include a secret electronic warfare unit capable of disabling nearby media outlets with destructive electromagnetic energy.

It has now been known that an official U.S. Air Force cheque was used to pay for the clandestine installation of massive telephone switching equipment at a defunct Tennessee Valley Authority nuclear power plant about five miles from the target media outlets. The private contractor who installed the unusually large switching system at a former nuclear power plant that is still officially defunct reported this to the WJKM investigators on condition of anonymity.

Historically, the U.S. Air Force has pioneered in the development and use of electronic warfare against civilian targets and populations, notably in the NATO war in Yugoslavia.

Speaking to a live radio audience on July 21, WJKM general manager Ted Randall for the first time publicly released the results on his station's official on-going investigation of the attack. Dan Fluehe and Matt Aaron of WJKM, host Clyde Lewis along with this reporter, Alfred Webre, participated in the radio program.

WJKM's investigation has eliminated other possible causes of the electromagnetic blast, such as power transformer malfunction caused by birds or internal mechanical problems.

Centrex news reporter Joel Skousen, who initially reported that birds caused the electronic attack, declined to participate in the radio program.

Although the nuclear facility has been officially closed for some time, eyewitnesses now testify to clandestine activities going on at the site. These include sightings of tractor-trailer trucks entering and leaving the former nuclear power plant at 2 or 3 AM; sightings of C-130 military aircraft flying over the facility as if to land; sightings of unmarked black helicopters monitoring the area; sightings of military troops in unmarked black uniforms; and - yes - multiple witness reports of black triangular craft hovering over the former power plant. Civilians venturing near the site have also reported being aggressively ejected by a private police force of about 30 plain-clothes men.

Randall presented live and audiotaped eyewitness testimony of the destructive effects of the electronic attack, including a telltale flashing blue pulse that accompanied the destruction, and usually accompanies the discharge of electromagnetic pulse weapons. He also presented audio recordings of the audible electronic hum that accompanied the alleged attack, a clear electronic signature of an electromagnetic weapon attack.

The accompanying surges during the event fit the pattern of an electronic attack. According to WJKM, "These surges are not just coming into the power lines. They are also entering the radio station through phone lines and the antenna system. This is evident in blown telephone equipment. Sometimes the equipment is not destroyed but the program settings are scrambled or wiped out."

On the air, Randall described photographs of dead, electronically-fried birds that littered a mile-square area around the radio station, now posted on the station's Internet website at <http://www.1090wjkm.com>.

Randall stated that local residents are experiencing adverse health effects. Randall said, "It is also interesting that according listeners have called in, there has apparently been an increase in what they are calling fibromyalgia. This is a disease name appointed to the unexplainable severe and disabling pain throughout the entire body over recent years, as well as, an increase in headaches mimicking migraines that are not actual migraines."

Randall documented the 2.4 Richter underground seismic earthquake that struck the area on July 7, the day after the electronic attack, from 10-10:30 PM.

Randall also posted the HAARP magnetometer readings on the WJKM website for the two days - July 6 and July 7. Both the electronic attack and the unusual earthquake were accompanied by massive, anomalous bursts of electromagnetic pulse energy from HAARP, the U.S. Navy's electromagnetic pulse military facility and possible environmental weapons system in Gakona,

Alaska. Coincidentally (and perhaps causally) HAARP's magnetometer showed massive spikes of electromagnetic energy for both days.

According to Randall, "At about 10:45 AM Friday [July 6], radio station WJKM and CMR (Country Music Radio), with studios in Hartsville, Tennessee was knocked off the air by a very powerful strange energy blast! There was a crystal clear blue sky, clouds or rain. It was not lightning."

According to WJKM, in the attack, "All the radio station's lines were knocked out. Several power transformers were blown several blocks away from the studios (smoke seen billowing out of one). All phone lines at the newspaper (The Hartsville Vidette), the local farm co-op and all other phones in this small radius were knocked out! Radio station transmitter lost all MOSFETS and the output - tuning network. All computers at WJKM lost motherboards, network cards etc. ISDN was knocked out. Most all the equipment Zephyr codec and EAS all knocked out."

These effects on radio transmission systems closely resemble the effects on urban radio, television, power transmission and generation facilities attacked by U.S. Air Force electronic bombing in electronic warfare missions in recent military operations worldwide, including Yugoslavia and Iraq.

#### **How and why was electronic warfare carried out in rural Tennessee?**

From the known profile of electronic weaponry, the electronic attack upon WJKM appears to have been caused by a tactical electromagnetic weapon, emitting a directed electromagnetic plasma, beam, pulse, etc. at the target. Electronic weapons with this capability are known, and can be land mounted in a facility like the former power plant, mounted in portable facilities like vans, trucks, helicopters or airplanes.

Electronic weapons may even be space-based, on satellite platforms. This reporter has personally met with an Assistant Secretary of Defense at the Pentagon who confirmed the existence of such secret space-based weapons as early as 1977.

An alternative electronic warfare delivery system may involve newly constructed relays for the HAARP installation in Alaska. The potential tactical electronic warfare applications of HAARP are under investigation. Serious public interest researchers maintain that HAARP's electromagnetic energy may cause effects such as earthquakes, such as occurred on July 7 in Hartsville. Electromagnetic weapons have been used in tectonic warfare, intentionally causing earthquakes. Electromagnetic pulse energy accompanies most earthquakes. Research shows that ultra low frequencies emitted by the HAARP installation may affect the human limbic system, and be used for mood management and mind control.

The close resemblance of the Hartsville attack to other U.S. Air Force electronic warfare led to speculation that radio station WJKM may have been chosen as a test target for a clandestine electronic warfare unit

located within the power facility, or to which the power facility serves as electronic relay point. The likelihood that the electronic attack was accidental, rather than an intentional military test, is low, given that the targets were media outlets.

One purpose of such test could be to evaluate the physical impact of electronic warfare on U.S. domestic radio installations, as well as the impact of intimidating the local community, as well as the U.S. media reporting of such attacks. The U.S. military has a long history of secretly testing weapons on its unsuspecting civilian population, a practice that is illegal.

Another clue to the motive behind the disinformation attacks may lie in eyewitness accounts of military troops in black uniforms, wearing light blue patches, and military vehicles bearing license plates with the letters "UN" on them. This scenario would be consistent with a disinformation mission, in which United States government troops would be disguised with mock United Nations insignia in order to spread propaganda rumors regarding the actual source of this state terror. In fact, it would appear that U.S. paramilitary troops are carrying out military attacks on the U.S. civilian population. This modus operandi has been characteristic of Central Intelligence Agency sponsored warfare in developing countries, notably Guatemala.

Randall, Dan Fluehe, Clyde Lewis, and this reporter, Alfred Webre, all noted that the electronic attacks targeted two media offices directly - a radio station and a newspaper - both protected entities under the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution.

Randall indicated that station WJKM and its parent corporation are pursuing an official investigation of the electronic attack, including surveillance of activities at the former TVA power plant. The U.S. Congress has legislative oversight over the many federal agencies that may be involved in this secret project, including the U.S. Air Force, the Tennessee Valley Authority, and other defense "black budget" agencies.

Asked if his company intended to contact its members of Congress to seek a congressional investigation, Randall responded that WJKM is taking this attack and its investigation most seriously. WJKM's Congressperson is Bait Gordon, Dean of the Tennessee Delegation, and currently serving his ninth term in Congress, representing the Sixth District, which includes 15 Middle Tennessee counties.

## Carabineros Closed "Chupacabras" Case

From UFOcity.com and  
La Estrella del Loa

July 28, 2001 - In spite of senator Carlos Cantero's distaste for the fact that the Investigative Police has still not prepared a report on the massive and controversial animal deaths which took place last year in Calama, he is very satisfied by the details provided by Carabineros in regard to the case.

Since he began to inquire about these particulars, the parliamentarian states that he has been the target of scorn for some people, and that one of his greatest concerns is that the subject receive a proper treatment in the media, particularly, he believes, "because not everyone has the guts to risk being trampled underfoot when requesting official agencies hand over what they know about such a complex situation."

Together with the detailed report from Carabineros, Fransico Segovia, governor of El Loa province, made a document with the conclusions reached by the Health Services available to the senator. And although both official documents--to the disappointment of UFO researchers--agree on ascribing the animal deaths to wild dogs and not to the Chupacabras, neither of the two agencies supplies information that was not made available by the press, nor do they furnish the result of the investigative work conducted, except for the autopsy reports on three pigs slain by a puncturing object..

### Report

*Are you aware, Senator, that the vaunted theory involving dogs did not satisfy a considerable sector of the El Loa community, and that it probably won't now, either?*

- I'm aware that due to its spectacular nature and mystery, this case has given rise to much controversy, doubt and debate, but I must abide by the reports I requested, which conclude that animals [were responsible], in this case, feral dogs from the garbage dump.

I'm assuming that these reports were drafted by highly qualified individuals--experts who engaged in a serious and responsible task. As a consequence of that, I must be a party to this, and consider myself fully satisfied by the explanation provided.

*Does the fact that official institutions have provided an explanation mean that said explanation is the truth?*

-It's the agency's truth and the conclusion of its experts. There may be other interpretations, and I respect any other interpretations, but I'm interested in learning about the expert reports, which were delivered to me.

*Carabineros [Chilean state police] is an agency which specializes in the prevention and timely detection of crime, as opposed to Investigations, which is an agency responsible for*



going beyond what is both evident and immediate in order to secure solid proof on a given situation. What are you hoping [to learn] from the civilian police's report? A repetition of known facts, such as the ones hitherto made known to the public, or the results and conclusions of scientific tests applied by the Crime Lab to the evidence forwarded from Santiago, such as hair samples, prints, and claw marks on victims?

- As a matter of fact, the report of the Investigations Police is missing here, because the one that I received cannot be considered as acceptable. I think that the police has an outstanding duty to take care of. The agency says "no new claims have been presented" and this does not answer my question, which was: "give me a report on your research related to animal deaths."

There is a large number of situations, and as has been explained, in many of these cases there was simply no blood [found on the animals]. If the dogs to which they are referring ate the blood, I can't say...

I hope that detectives will report the cases, the type of investigation conducted and their conclusions. I have no preconceived notions nor am I open or closed to hypotheses. What I'm interested in finding out is that if scientists on the State payroll came to perform a study, that report should be produced, delivered to the pertinent parties and hopefully made known to the public to avoid sensationalistic claims, public spectacle and this senseless mystery. In the measure that information is circulated, the public will be able to reach its own conclusions. Let's not be afraid of ridicule.

*Could the phenomenon have cause some sort of collective psychosis or similar?*

- It could have multiple explanations: it could be a collective psychosis, or perhaps abnormal things could in fact exist. There could be many things [at play], but I have no proof of this.

*Is it probable that official agencies might conceal information under certain circumstances?*

- It is perfectly possible. I have no reason for saying that information's been concealed from me, but it's possible. It hasn't occurred just once, but many times, all over the world.

People feel a bit afraid of ridicule regarding this subject. I've realized that some people take it extremely seriously, seeing no less than the presence of extraterrestrials in all of this, while others consider it supreme tomfoolery.

I'm motivated by two things: I want to read responsible expert reports that are both serious and scientific-minded, and the scope of the problem and its victims, because there were people who lost a great deal of the capital on which they live

for an entire year. We shall see if it is possible to remedy the losses suffered by these people, in part.

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## Scientists Claim Evidence of Life in Outer Space

By Patricia Reaney  
Reuters

From Space.com

July 31, 2001 LONDON (Reuters) - A team of international researchers said on Tuesday they have found what could be the first proof of life beyond our planet -- clumps of extraterrestrial bacteria in the Earth's upper atmosphere.

Although the bugs from space are similar to bacteria on Earth, the scientists said the living cells found in samples of air from the edge of the planet's atmosphere are too far away to have come from Earth.

"There is now unambiguous evidence for the presence of clumps of living cells in air samples from as high 41 kilometers (25 miles), well above the local tropopause (16 kilometers up), above which no air from lower down would normally be transported," Professor Chandra Wickramasinghe, an astronomer at Cardiff University in Wales, said in a statement.

He presented the findings to a meeting of the International Society of Optical Engineering in San Diego, California.

"A prima facie case for a space incidence of bacteria on to the Earth may have been established," the statement said.

Wickramasinghe and scientists from India collected the space bugs from samples of stratospheric air using the Indian Space Research Organization's cryogenic sampler payload flown on balloons from a launch pad in Hyderabad, southern India.

Using a fluorescent dye the scientists detected living cells in the sample and estimated by the way their distribution varied with height that they are falling from space.

As much as a third of a ton of the biological material is raining down over the entire planet daily, by their estimation.

### Space Bacteria

Professor David Lloyd, a microbiologist at Cardiff University who examined the space bugs and co-authored the report, said they look like common terrestrial bacteria but there is no explanation of how they could have risen so high.

"There would have to be some unusual event which would take particles from the Earth to a height of 40 kilometers," Lloyd said in a telephone interview.

The bacteria could have hitched a ride on a rocket or satellite into space or they really could be from another planet.

"We have no evidence for one or the other as yet," said Lloyd. "The most likely possibility is that the bacteria have arrived from another planet. I'd like to think that, at any rate."

Lloyd has tried, so far unsuccessfully, to grow the bacteria in culture but said he hasn't found the right conditions yet.

"It's the first pointer that it is possible to get evidence that there is life on other planets," he added.

Wickramasinghe is convinced the space bugs provide strong support for the panspermia theory -- which suggests that life may have come from outer space in the form of germs or spores.

"We have argued for more than two decades that terrestrial life was brought down to Earth by comets and that cometary material containing micro-organisms must still reach us in large quantities," he said.

## Newfoundland Nessie a monster of a mystery

By Ryan Cleary and Barb Sweet  
The Evening Telegram  
Courtesy of National Post Online

August 2, 2001 ST. BERNARD'S, Nfld. - A headless furry white "sea monster" has people around Newfoundland's Fortune Bay puzzled.

Tales of sea monsters and weird ocean creatures are part of the folklore of Newfoundland, but rarely does one pop up dead on the beach.

The rotting seven-meter carcass of a creature is attracting onlookers and theories by the score as it lies on Paltry beach, 200 kilometers west of St. John's near the municipal community of St. Bernard's.

"The Loch Ness monster, that's what we've got," said Terry Hodder, an inshore fisherman from St. Bernard's who sailed to Paltry to see the creature for himself.

"It's no joke -- sure, there it is on the beach for anyone to see."

Experts are not sure what exactly it is, but doubt it is a monster.

The beast appears to have a skeletal structure consisting of a backbone and ribs. However, it is headless with only a suggestion of limbs.

Fishermen are particularly intrigued by what appears to be coarse white hair, about the length of a man's hand, which covers the creature's body.

"We feel it is something strange," said fisherman Tom Steward.

"It's no ordinary thing."

Charles Bungay, another fisherman, has crossed the path of a strange creature before and was one of the first down to the beach to look at the carcass.

In May, 1997, he saw a long, gray, scaly-skinned creature with dark eyes, a head like a horse, long ears or horns, and about 10 meters in length.

"He just looked at us and slid under the water and disappeared," Mr. Bungay said.

Of the new creature he said: "I don't know what it could be. I couldn't say for sure it's the same thing I saw back in 1997 but it certainly resembles that creature."

However, an official of the Department of Fisheries and Oceans was yesterday pouring cold water on the notion the Paltry beach carcass is that of some mythical monster.

"We're pretty well sure it's not some strange sea creature," advised Wayne King, who said DNA samples were to be taken by experts so the remains could be identified.

It's probably just a decomposed whale or basking shark, he said.

"It's severely decomposed ... the odor is pretty pungent," Mr. King said. "I can say I have seen whales dead before and certain sharks. It's similar. Given the fact that it is so severely decomposed, it's just a job to positively identify what species of whale or shark it is."

The white fur, according to Mr. King, is connective tissue, which when decomposing gives the appearance of hair.

John Lien, a Memorial University whale expert, could not tell positively from a photograph, but said the Fortune Bay carcass looks to be consistent with that of a decomposed whale. He doubts it's a basking shark, a less common species.

Mr. Lien said he gets many calls from people who report "queer things from the ocean."

"If you don't know, the easiest thing is to say it's a sea creature. We all think the ocean is an intriguing place. It's quite exciting."

## Our Crowded Sky

by George A. Filer  
courtesy of CAUS

Since the successful intercept of a ballistic missile over the Pacific Ocean on July 14, 2001, the aircrews of UFOs have been putting on spectacular shows. Strange bright pulsating lights, discs, plasmas, and Flying Triangles are being reported around the United States.

During the summer months a tremendous amount of electrical energy is being pumped into the atmosphere. This electrical energy comes from multiple sources such as aircraft, automobile engines, radar's, electrical transmission lines, communication devices, and even sun flares. Numerous reports of plasmas, orbs, and electromagnetic energy similar to ball lightning have been reported. Project HAARP is also pumping huge amounts of energy into the atmosphere. Dr. Nick Begich the author of "Angels Don't Play This HAARP," claims the government is dumping a billion watts of electronic radiation into the upper atmosphere. "One way to visualize this power level is that 10-billion watt generator, running continuously for one hour, would deliver a quantity of energy equal to that of a Hiroshima size atomic bomb. (Page 112) The US Air Force's scientific advisory board on weapons for the 21st century states, "One can envision the development of electromagnetic energy sources, the output of which can be pulsed, shaped, and focused, that can couple with the human body in a fashion that will allow one to prevent voluntary muscular movements, control emotions with both short-term and long-term memory, produce an experience set, and delete an experience set." "It may be possible to "talk" to selected adversaries "in a fashion that would be most disturbing to them."

Our atmosphere is so filled with energy that this may result in various displays of plasmas in our skies or help make the UFOs more visible. Arthur C. Clarke, author of "2001: A Space Odyssey" said, "Any sufficiently advanced technology is indistinguishable from magic." And here it is 2001.

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