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UPDATE

MUFON UFO SYMPOSIUM

A new speaker has been added to the list of Symposium speakers for the 1985 MUFON UFO Symposium to be held on June 28,29,30, in St. Louis, Missouri. Budd Hopkins will replace Joe Brill as a speaker. (As Joe has not heard from his contact in Russia so he has nothing new to report.) To date, the list of speakers is as follows:

STANTON FRIEDMAN PETER GERSTEN DAVID WEBB TED PHILLIPS BILL MOORE GEORGE FAWCETT

JOHN SCHUESSLER BUDD HOPKINS LEONARD STRINGFIELD

MARGE CHRISTENSEN will open the Symposium with a brief message outlining plans for the first National UFO Information Week. Also, on Friday evening, at 8:30, KEN MC LEAN (Wyoming State Director) will speak briefly on "Educating for Critical Consciousness," in regard to public education of the UFO subject.

One new feature this year will be on Sunday morning. A "BREAKFAST WITH THE SPEAKERS" will be held, during which a full-course breakfast will be served and everyone will have an opportunity to talk with the speakers. This will cost \$10.00, and persons who wish to attend must pre-register by

Symposium Ticket Prices are as follows:

\$25.00 - advanced reservations- open till June 21.

\$28.00 - at the door price for all sessions.

\$7.50 - price for each session (total of four sessions.)

ADVANCE RESERVATIONS SHOULD BE SENT TO:

Mrs. Helen Hanke 4024 90th Ave Florissant, MO 03034

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: UFO STUDY GROUP OF GREATER ST. LOUIS

MEET ME IN ST. LOUIS !

CNN PROGRAM

Following the airing of the CNN report on Bentwaters, the authors of Clear Intent, as well as the MUFON P.I, P.E. Committee (Public Information and Public Education) have launched efforts to attempt to bring about further investigation into the case by other major networks.

In addition, Attorney Bob Bletchman, CT. State Dir. and a member of the P.I.P, E. Committee, has managed to obtain the entire GEPAN files from the French govt. and has sent copies of the document which states GEPAN's conclusion that behind the UFO phenomenon is a flying machine of a technology advanced beyond ours, to the major networks, major national newspapers, national news magazines, and some Senators and Congresmen. Bletchman also added comments on the CNN report on Bentwaters in these communications, and suggested that these various media organizations and govt. officials do some further investigating into the case and the UFO subject in general.

The Newsletter has learned that Phil Klass contacted CNN and demanded that CNN ask Larry Warren to submit to a polygraph test. Warren agreed to undergo the test, and when CNN asked Klass if he would be willing to accept the results of the polygraph, Klass stated that he would only accept the test results if Warren failed the test! At that point, Warren revised his response to state that he is willing to undergo a polygraph test only if Phil Klass is also willing to undergo a polygraph!

HALT TAPE RECORDING AVAILABLE

The Halt tape recording made in the field during the investigation of the physical traces left after the UFO landing at Bentwaters, is now available to Mass. MUFON members for \$2.00. The tape is being advertised in the National Newsletter for \$5.00. This is the tape shown on the CNN program.

WHAT'S NEW?

John Timmerman has offered to bring the Center for UFO Studies display to a shopping mall in Massachusetts if we are able to locate a mall willing to pay for the exhibit to be on display. The CUFOS display consists of eighteen panels which demonstrate IFOs, the six categories of UFOs, reports and investigation, research and publication, the government and UFOs, UFOs in history and worldwide aspects of the Center for UFO Studies. This display would complement our Mass. MUFON display well, and would certainly cover a greater area of a mall, but it is not yet known whether malls in the suburban Boston area would pay for such a display to be on exhibit. We will look into this situation.

Ted Phillips reports that he has recently been interviewed by National Geographic and the interview should be published in an issue in the near future. Ted, who has been inactive for some time, as far as UFOlogy is concerned, is looking forward to meeting old friends at the 1985 Symposium.

One hundred letters to the editor of newspapers throughout Massachusetts have already begun to bring in responses. date, we have received several calls on the Hotline from persons in North Adams, Ashburnham, Pittsfield, Salem; and Ft. Devens. We have also received letters in our Post Office Box from Fitchburg, Gloucester, Ft. Devens, and other areas. The letter, which was mentioned in last month's Newsletter, and which was on display at last month's meeting, introduced Mass. MUFON and the UFO subject to the public, and invited Massachusetts residents to call our hotline to report sightings, or to contact us for further information on the subject.

Dan Wright, Michigan State Director, reports that the slide presentations he is compiling for use with lectures for the public as well as for training field investigators are just about ready to be reproduced and made available for purchase by interested persons. Also, Dan is working on a videotape instructional presentation on how to conduct an interview with a witness. This will be available in the spring.

Mass. MUFON members Joe Santangelo and Bob Gildea are currently working on putting HUMCAT onto a home computer for Dave Webb. This will be an important step in making the file more accessible and easier to add to. HUMCAT stands for "Humanoid Catalog," and is a computer listing of all reported cases involving entities being observed by the witnesses. The file is now on an IBM computer which is no longer accessible to Dave Webb.

Massachusetts UFO forum

In early spring, flyers will be made for our 1985 Mass. MUFON Forum. These will be distributed to our membership, to all MUFON State Directors through the National Newsletter, and to all persons who attended last year's Forum. A computer listing of all attendees from the 1984 Forum has been compiled. Those persons will have first chance to pre-register, as we anticipate another sell-out crowd. Deadline for pre-registration at a reduced price, and which will, of course, gusrantee a seat, will be July 1. Those persons paying at the door will be charged a higher fee, and there will be no guarantee that they will be able to obtain a ticket.

We have been notified by Bob Girard, of Arcturus Book Service, that he will definitely be in attendance, and he has requested a large table which he plans to heap with UFO books for sale. Also, for the next several months until the Forum, Girard will advertise the Forum in the monthly Arcturus catalog which has a large number of subscribers.

We are also anticipating the probable visit of Paul Cerny, of California, either as a speaker or as an attendee, and if so, Paul will bring his famous saucer model.

Dr. David M. Jacobs, of Temple University, , and author of The UFO Controversy in America will serve as moderator for the event. Speakers include:

BUDD HOPKINS DR. J. ALLEN HYNEK
BARRY GREENWOOD & LARRY FAWCETT
DAN WRIGHT JOHN SCHUESSLER (still
tentative)

More details will be available at the March meeting and in the March Newsletter. Save the weekend of <u>August 17 & 18</u> for the Mass. MUFON UFO Forum.

Don't forget...

MASS. MUFON MEMBERS ARE REMINDED THAT
IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND THE DINNER PORTION
OF OUR MENTHLY MEETINGS, YOU MUST CALL
THE HOTLINE AT LEAST ONE WEEK IN ADVANCE
OF THE MEETING TO MAKE A DINNER
RESERVATION. OUR NEW SYSTEM CAN ONLY WORK
IF WE HAVE THE MUTUAL COOPERATION OF
EVERYONE. WE ARE NOT INTENDING TO CALL
THE ENTIRE MEMBERSHIP PRIOR TO EACH
MEETING TO FIND OUT WHICH PERSONS PLAN
TO ATTEND THE DINNER.

ALSO, ANYONE WHO HAS NOT PAID DUES BY NOW IS NO LONGER LISTED ON OUR COMPUTER MEMBERSHIP LISTING. IF YOU HAVE NOT YET PAID YOUR 1985 DUES AND WISH TO BE LISTED ON OUR MEMBERSHIP ROSTER, PLEASE PAY YOUR DUES TO OUR TREASURER, BOB TAYLOR AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.