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### **Editor's Memo**

For the past four years, I have thoroughly enjoyed serving as Mass MUFON's State Director. It has been an enriching and very rewarding experience, and I think we can feel proud of our accomplishments as a State organization during the past four years.

For the past two years, however, I have been serving in two capacities for MUFON, both of which have become nearly full-time jobs. It has come to the point that one person cannot perform both tasks any longer, as it is just not humanly possible. Although I feel that serving as Mass. MUFON State Director is important, I feel that it is even more important to continue the work I have begun as MUFON's Public Relations Director.

One year ago, we had approximately 15-18
State organizations which even existed other
than on paper. Today there are 43 MUFON
State organizations which are actively working
on public information of the UFO subject. In
addition, we have worked hard to upgrade
standards and requirements for field
investigators, and today we have an extensive
Field Investigators' Examination, as well as
a standardized set of slides and narrative
and a videotape documentary for use in
training field investigators. Next year's
National UFO Information Week promises to be
even more extensive than this year's.

I am therefore resigning as Mass. MUFON State Director effective as soon as the new State Director is able to assume the position. I will, however, continue to publish the Mass. MUFON Newsletter, and to coordinate the annual Mass. MUFON UFO Forum. I will continue to attend our meetings and to be actively involved as the Public Relations Director for Mass. as well as nationally.

I would like to thank you all for your support and assistance over the years, and I am confident that you will continue to give that same support to the new State Director. That person will have a huge task ahead of him. Don't make it greater by waiting to be begged. Volunteer wherever possible to assist him. It will make your association with Mass. MUFON that much richer, and will help the organization as well. Your help will be appreciated.

Marge Christensen

## UFO forum

Our Mass. MUFON UFO FORUM was a huge success, not only as far as the program is concerned, but also as far as finances are concerned. We were able to cover all expenses, including speakers' plane fares, motel bills, meals, and even honoraria for those without air fares or motel bills, and still remain with a sizeable balance in our account.

Our estimates and records indicate that close to 300 persons attended, from 16 States and Canada. A photo album with news clippings of the event as well as photos and captions is being placed in the Mass. MUFON archives for future reference.

As a result of the fantastic service and facilities, as well as wonderful food at the Beverly Golf & Tennis Club, it has been decided by the entire Board of Directors to hold the 1986 Forum at the Golf Club again. To this end, the weekend of Aug. 9 & 10, 1986, has already been reserved for the Forum. Believe it or not, the weekend of Aug. 16 & 17 has already been reserved by another group for another function at the Golf Club!

### FIELD INVESTIGATOR'S

### exam

Examination will be sent to us for administering to everyone, from the State Director to the Field Investigator. The exam covers the following sub-topics: Light and Optics; Sound; Measurements; Electrical/Magnetic; Human and Animal Reactions; Physical Traces; Photography; Radio and Radar; Celestial Objects; Atmosphere and Weather; Conventional Vehicles; The UFO Experience.

We are planning to cover these various topics in the upcoming meetings this fall in order that our members will be properly prepared for taking the exam. We strongly suggest that everyone become familiar with this material whether or not you are planning to take the exam. Anyone claiming to be a MUFON member should be able to speak knowledgeably on these topics to someone from the public who asks about these topics. Beginning with the October meeting, it would be wise to take notes at the meetings.

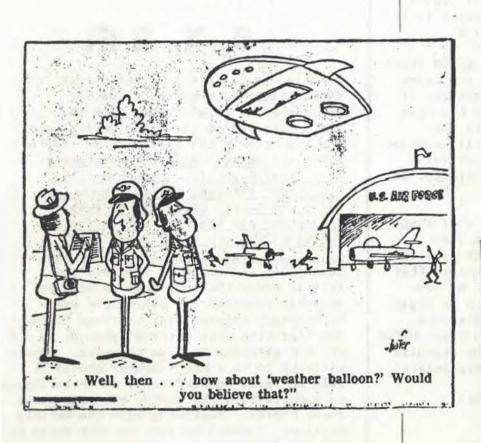
## ufo cookbook

Cookbooks published by the St. Louis MUFON organization are available for sale from Marge Christensen for \$6.50 each. In addition to some great recipes, there are some interesting bits of UFO information in the books. Mass. MUFON has an ad with our hotline number in the book. These would make great gifts in addition to being a welcome addition to your own cookbook collection. By purchasing one, you can also help defray the cost of the 1985 Symposium, which St. Louis is still paying. Thanks for your help.

## MICHIGAN '86

The 1986 MUFON Symposium will be held at the Kellogg Center at Machigan State University, at East Lansing, Michigan. Dan Wright and his Michigan MUFON comprise one of the finest MUFON organizations in the country, and this Symposium promises to be one of the best we have ever had. Begin planning now, to ensure that Mass. MUFON will have a good showing at the 1986 Symposium. Speakers to date are: MARGE CHRISTENSEN (Keynote speaker), DR. DAVID M. JACOBS, DR. BRUCE MACCABEE, DR. MICHAEL SWORDS, MR. JOHN SCHUESSLER. (TENTATIVE SPEAKERS INCLUDE: DR. HARLEY RUTLEDGE, MR. ALAN HOLT, DR. LELAND BECHTEL). The dates of the Symposium are June 27, 28, 29. Mass. MUFON's JOE NYMAN has also been asked to conduct a workshop on advanced field investigation techniques at the Symposium.

At the 1985 Symposium at St. Louis, Michigan MUFON's delegation arrived with 13 people in a mobile home, with a large banner entitled, "Symposium Express." Michigan State Director, Dan Wright, is always referring to Mass. MUFON as "NUMBER ONE." Perhaps we should try to live up to that title, and try to top Michigan's '85 attendance at St. Louis by taking an even larger Mass. MUFON delegation to Michigan in '86. Any suggestions or volunteers?



#### VIDEOTAPE DOCUMENTARY

Our Mass. MUFON documentary has now been circulated nationally. To date, we have produced <u>58 tapes</u> (4 of which were complimentary, and 54 of which were sold). The tapes so far, have been purchased by persons in the following States:

Texas, Connecticut, California, Michigan, New Jersey, Illinois, Mississippi, New York, Arizona, Pannsylvania, Utah, Kentucky Washington, D.C., North Carolina, Wisconsin Georgia, New Hampshire, Florida, Arkansas, Colorado, Alabama, Ohio, Montana, Indiana, Massachusetts. Tapes have also been purchased by persons in Canada, Japan, Germany

#### FORUM MEDIA COVERAGE

Media coverage for the Forum included the following:

Newspaper articles: "Boston Herald,"
"Beverly Times," "Salem News," "North
Shore Sunday," "North Shore Weeklies,"
"Trenton (NJ) Times." (perhaps others
we are not currently aware of)

Television Coverage-- "Evening Magazine,"
WBZ TV. Also, Natick Cable TV filmed
segments of the Forum. Joe Nyman and
Marge Christensen appeared on a Natick
Cable TV talkshow.

Radio Coverage: WESX talk show (Salem)-

Dan Wright, Marge Christensen, John Schuessler.

WRKO--Barry Greenwood, Ray Fowler.

WBZ--Ron Robin Show-- Bruce Maccabee

Steve Firmani--talk show in Worcester area

WTTP- Natick--Linda Seal, Marge C.

Segments are planned for the fall for "People Are Talking"- WBZ TV, and for "Good Day,"--Channel 5.

#### HBO DOCUMENTARY SCHEDULE

Sept 10-- 10:00 p.m., 5:05 a.m.

Sept. 18-- 11:15 p.m. Sept 21-- 6:00 p.m.

Sept 23-- 11:15 p.m., 5:00 a.m.

Sept 26 -- 10:30 a.m., 10:00 p.m.

Sept. 19 --11.30 a.m.

"UFO's - what's Going On?

#### OCTOBER MEETING

Saturday, October 12, 1985

CALL HOTLINE TO MAKE DINNER RESERVATION BY OCT. 5