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My Personal Thanks

Mildred Biesele has graciously volunteered to publish the P.I.P.E. Line or Newsletter this summer when I am unable to do so. This will be extremely helpful, and we will be able to continue a regular communication line with our State Directors and our P.I.P.E. Committee as a result. Thanks very much to Mildred for volunteering to take on this responsibility.

Richard Hall has volunteered to work with MUFON in order to respond to various complaints and grievances from members and to assist us in clearing up some misunderstandings and in improving our internal communications so that we will be able to function as a MUFON "family" and become even more effective than we are now. Thanks very much to Richard for this offer. We will probably take him up on it.

Also, thanks to everyone for your positive reactions to the "apathy" article in last month's Journal. Let's all try to put our money where our mouths are and live up to the points stated in the article.

PLEASE NOTE

Mildred Biesele is still in contact with the Criminal Investigations Dept. of the U.S. Post Office over "Rick Ardyne" and the International Space Science Foundation. If anyone has ordered the tapes (of sounds from outer space) and hasn't received them, or if you feel that they are a rip-off, you should report it to: Gary Jones, U.S. Postal Service Office of Griminal Investigations, P.O. Box 26065, Salt Lake City, Utah 84126.

VIDEOTAPE REQUEST

Mildred has also requested that we think about producing a new videotape documentary for use during the National UFO Information Week this year. If anyone has access to a studio and equipment and would be able to produce one of good film quality, please let us know. If we are going to show videotapes at mall displays, etc., we cannot use a network tape, and must have one of our own. The one produced a couple of years ago by Mass. MUFON is not of good enough film quality for use by cable tv stations or for mall displays.

NEWS

The Fund for UFO Research has asked for our assistance with the 1987 MUFON UFO Symposium. To this end, a questionnaire has been enclosed for each member of the P.I.P.E. Committee. Please assist us all by completing it and returning it to the Fund as promptly as possible. Although the questionnaire states that if you would like to participate in the proceedings, please fill out the questionnaire, the fact is that our help is needed, and if we fail to give it, we are not really being very effective as a committee. Serving on a panel or at a workshop during the symposium does not mean that you will not be able to enjoy the symposium, as some of you have commented to me. In fact, your experience at the symposium will be that much richer as result. I can speak from experience, as I served as a speaker for the past three symposia.

EDITOR'S NOTE:

The annual MUFON UFO Symposium is our symposium. It is not only the symposium of the group that is hosting it. Many people have commented to me recently, in response to my effort to raise funds to contribute to the symposium, that although that is a nice idea, it is not my responsibility to help to raise funds for the symposium. That is the Fund's problem. This is not the case at all. From whom do you propose that the Fund raise money, if not from our own ranks who will attend the symposium? Certainly the skeptics and nonmembers are not going to support the fundraising efforts of the Fund. I am not aware of any cash raining down from the heavens in recent days, or of any "angeld" endowing the field of UFO research, so that leaves only one appropriate source -- UFOlogists themselves. If we consider ourselves dedicated UFOlogists, we will put our money where our mouths are. If not, we may not have any symposiums to attend in the future.

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NEW ADDRESS

Dan Wright has a new address and telephone: 228 South Fairview Lansing, MI 48912 Tel: 517-374-6705

We wish Dan the best of good health and much happiness in his new home.