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Public Information Meeting Saturday, November 7, 1992 Elk River Library 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Directions: Take Highway 101 N to Highway 10 W to Elk River; turn Left at the 3rd stop light, follow approximately 1 block. The Elk River Library will be on the right.

This "back to basics" meeting is planned primarily to acquaint people with the structure and purpose of MUFON and to discuss the general subject of UFOs, abductions, etc. This will be a great opportunity for new MUFON members (or people thinking about joining) to ask questions, get definitions and find out how to be a Field Investigator Trainee! We may well meet with some of the witnesses to some of the past few weeks sightings in the area.

News of the Elk River flap reached as far as Albuquerque, NM. after WCCO-TV aired an interview with Terry Townsend of Princeton, who reported seeing a UFO in the Elk River vicinity on his way home from work in September. Townsend said the UFO was about 100 feet in diameter and 9 to 11 feet high. He described it as looking like an upside-down plate with a bowl on top. The perimeter was ringed in a pattern of green, red and bright white lights. Townsend would like to see a life sized model of the UFO displayed in Elk River and illuminated at night. "It's something I'm quite sure will draw people from many miles around and give them a little insight into what's going on," he said. Townsend was visited by MUFON investigators who gave him an article about an object sighted 40 years ago in East Germany which was similar to that Townsend described.(A 48 year

Minnesota MUFON Meeting Saturday, November 14, 1992 The Irish Well (Downstairs) 1975 University Ave. (at Prior) St.Paul 1:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Don't miss this meeting!

We're pleased to announce that our special guest will be Dr. John Salter, Head of the Department of Indian Studies, University of North Dakota, State Director, No. Dakota Mufon.

Dr. Salter was featured on the CBS television program "Visitors From the Unknown" and has himself, accompanied by his son, experienced a well publicized close encounter.

Minnesota MUFON will be taking care of Dr. Salter's travel expense (approximately \$70.00). To help defray the cost, attendees of the meeting will be charged \$3.00 per person.

Bring friends — this promises to be an exciting afternoon! And by all means, plan on joining us in the lounge after the meeting for a little supper and a lot of conversation!

man and his 11 year old daughter made a sworn statement before a judge saying they saw a large round object with a conical town on top in a forest clearing. "Flying Saucers In East Germany")

Townsend was only one of several witnesses who reported seeing UFO's in the Elk River area since September. Television news coverage spurred calls to the Elk River Star News from people reporting bright lights and spherical objects in Crystal and Eden Prairie also. George and Shirley Coyne are recovering from what has been a harrowing couple of months. George suffered two heart attacks in August, the second of which ultimately landed him in the hospital for triple bypass surgery. Just down the hall from George lay Shirley Coyne's younger sister, who lost her battle for life on October 6. Although these months have been like a nightmare for the Covnes, we are happy to report that George is recovering, and says if he "even looks at a lawn mower or rake. Shirley is on my back"! George, Central Region Director for MUFON, and Shirley, Michigan State Director. had to miss the "Show-Me" conference for the first time -- the doctor felt it was a little too soon for George to do any traveling!

We send our very best wishes to George for a continued recovery and good health for the years ahead, and we also send our best to Shirley, who's had to have the strength of ten to cope with so much stress.

Michigan "bubble" reported

In his letter to the Central States Directors and Assistant Directors, George Coyne told of an interesting case being investigated in Clio, MI. A family of four began seeing a very large transparent bubble, or ball of light (about 10' across), in early August. Other people also began to see the object at close range. None of the witnesses have felt threatened by the object, but they have felt they were being "observed". They report the object will hover as close as 10', just above the ground, then zoom away.

And in Summerfield, MI, according to an article written by Bob Stiegel, local editor of the Evening News, a Ms. Bradford and her mother were driving home about 9:30 p.m., traveling about 55 miles an hour, when the interior of the car began to get extremely hot. It was cold that night, so rolling down the windows was no comfort. Suddenly, they saw a very distinct, bluish-gray light. "The whole car lit up," the woman said. "...just like a huge spot light." She stopped the car and looked around. The night was very black except where a white light hovered - above the ground but just below the treetops. She described the bright object as 2 feet long and about a foot wide and after observing it for only a second or two, it took off at remarkable speed and disappeared.

Interestingly, her mother *did not* see the white light but that didn't stop Ms. Bradford from reporting the incident to the sheriff. "I'm not one to make up stories," she said. "It scared the hell out of me!" According to law enforcement central communications, no one else reported any unusual sightings that night.

Credit to: Juanita Hatcher, Michigan MUFON

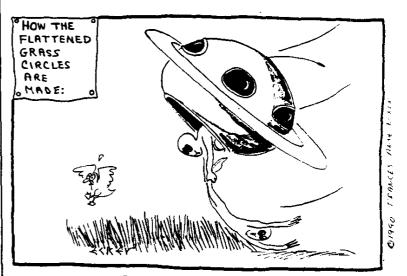
Oregon State Director sees UFO close up!

In Woodburn, OR, last April, Skip Schultz, Oregon State Director, while driving on I-5 with a passenger, saw a UFO. It consisted of one green light and one red light separated by a short distance. Nothing seemed to connect the two lights. Schultz first became aware of the UFO when some nearby long haul truckers started talking excitedly (on CB radio) about some strange lights in the immediate vicinity. He craned his neck out of the window in time to see the lights swoop over him and felt that they were no more than 150 feet above him. His first thought was that it was a plane in distress; but as the UFO passed overhead, Schultz said his CB went dead.

This all happened within a minute or two, and Schultz only heard the truckers talking about 30 seconds or so before the CB quit. He could hear no noise, although sound could have been masked by the cars and trucks on the freeway.

Schultz feels this is a genuine UFO sighting since, he states, most airplanes have more than the green and red wing tip lights. He said, however, it was a brief sighting, and none of the manuevers made by the UFO would have been impossible by a light plane, but the rainy night conditions over a major freeway make the light plane theory implausible. There was no report of an airplane crash the next day. Then, too, the CB went dead as the UFO flew overhead...

Credit to: Keith Rowell, MUFON Oregon Observer



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A Tale of the Truly Bizarre



You're going to have to pay close attention, now. What we are presenting is a story of kidnapping and attempted murder involving Linda "Cortile", the woman purportedly floated out of her New Year apartment into a UFO and witnessed by two secret service men driving in a car with a "political dignitary". By this time, we're all familiar with this fascinating case, but "you ain't heard nothin' yet"!

Dennis Stillings, ARCHAEUS PROJECT, faxed Joe Dundovic an open letter from George P. Hansen (one of the top people in the Parapsychological Association), written on October 20, 1992, and states the following:

"To Those Interested in the UFO Problem:

Enclosed is a short piece discussing a small part of Budd Hopkins' case that has recently received much attention not only in the UFO literature but also in the national and international media. The events involve the purported abduction of Linda Napolitano by a UFO ("Linda Cortile" has been used as a pseudonym in some earlier reports)."

(Hansen goes on to give permission to copy the article for periodicals, etc. and then continues:) "Much of the information was uncovered by UFO researchers Joseph Stefula ... and Richard Butler. Together we are planning a paper with more details, and we welcome any additional information or comments you might wish to share."

> Attempted Murder Vs The Politics of Ufology: A Question of Priorities in the Linda Napolitano Case George P. Hansen

ABSTRACT: UFO abductee Linda Napolitano claims that she was kidnapped, assaulted, battered, harassed, and nearly drowned by two agents of the U.S. government. Prominent ufologists Budd Hopkins. John E. Mack, David M. Jacobs, Jerome Clark and Walter H. Andrus, Jr. accept these claims. Hopkins has collected extensive materials that could be used to help apprehend and convict the agents. Yet Hopkins, Clark and Andrus have vigorously argued that these crimes should not be reported to law enforcement authorities; they indicate that such could be "politically damaging" to UFO research. These ufologists are asked to defend their decision and priorities.

Budd Hopkins' case involving the abduction of Linda Napolitano by a UFO has been discussed in the *Wall Street Journal* (May 14, 1992, pp. A1, A10), *Omni* (April 1992, p. 75), *Paris Match* (17 Sept. 92, pp. 13-14, 18, 96, 98) and the *New York Times* (October 5, 1992, pp. B1, B2). *The Mufon UFO Journal* (August 1992, p.9) labeled it "The Abduction Case of the Century." By virtue of this intense interest, it will become an exemplar for the study of UFO abductions.

Briefly, it is asserted that at about 3:15 a.m. on November 30, 1989, Linda Napolitano floated out of her 12th floor apartment in lower Manhattan. Allegedly, three witnesses in a car about two blocks away observed Linda and three humanoid figures emerge from a window and ascend into a craft hovering over her building. Two of the witnesses, Richard and Dan, were government security officers who were guarding the third witness, a dignitary. More than a year after the case, Richard and Dan wrote to Hopkins describing what they saw, and a few weeks later they visited Linda in her apartment. Hopkins has never met these two but has over 80 pages of letters from them, and he has accumulated much other material pertinent to the case.

The affair is quite complex, and the story is now only beginning to be told. Hopkins presented a few details at the 1992 MUFON convention in Albuquerque and then in the September 1992 issue of the *Mufon UFO Journal*. One of the most disturbing elements of the case is that felonies were allegedly committed by the government agents; these include assault, battery, kidnapping and attempted murder.

The kidnappings and attempted murder

On January 28, 1992, Linda Naploitano contacted Richard Butler and requested a meeting because she was worried that Hopkins might not be able to adequately protect her. Linda had earlier become friends with Butler at meetings in the home of Budd Hopkins. On February 1, 1992, Linda met with Butler along with Joseph Stefula, a former Special Agent with the U.S.Army Criminal Investigation Command who has extensive contacts in law enforcement. During the meeting, Linda stated that in April 1991, she encountered security agent Richard on the street near her apartment. She was asked to get into a car that Dan was driving, but she refused. Richard then picked her up and, with some struggle, forced her into the automobile. Linda reported that she was driven around for three and a half hours and interrogated about the aliens.

At the MUFON meeting in July 1992, Linda was asked if she had reported the kidnapping to the police. She said that she had not and went on to say that the kidnapping was legal because it had t do with national security; she later commented that she did not want to go head to head with a government agency because she might be killed and pieces of her might be found in the East River. (Hopkins didn't dispute these statements.) Linda did remember another car being involved with the kidnapping, and under hypnotic regression she recalled the license plate number of that automobile, as well as part of the number of the car she was in. Hopkins reports that the numbers have been traced to particular agencies.

During the February 1 meeting with Stefula and Butler, Linda reported that on the morning f October 15, 1991. Dan pulled her into a red Jaguar sports car. Linda happened to be carrying a tape recorder and was able to surreptitiously record a small part of Dan's questioning, but within a few minutes he discovered and confiscated it. Dan drove to a beach house on the shore of Long Island. There he demanded that Linda remove her clothes and put on a nightgown, similar to the one she wore the night of the UFO abduction. He said he wanted to have sex with her. She refused but then agreed to put on the nightgown over her clothes. Once she did, Dan dropped to his knees and started to talk incoherently about her being the "Lady of the Sands". She fied the beach house, but Dan caught her on the beach and bent her arm behind her. He placed two fingers on the back of her neck, leading her to believe it was a gun. He then forced her into the water and pushed her head under twice. He continued o rave incoherently, and as her head was being pushed under for the third time, she believed that she would not come up again. Then a "force" hit Dan and knocked him back onto the beach. Linda started to run but heard a sound like a gun being cocked. She looked back and saw Dan taking a picture of her (the pictures were eventually sent to Hopkins). She continued to move, but Richard came running, seemingly out of nowhere. He stopped her and convinced her to return to the beach house, and he told her that he would control Dan by giving him a "Mickey Finn". She agreed to the plan. Once inside, Richard put Dan in the shower to wash off the mud from the beach. This gave Linda a chance to search the premises; she recovered her cassette tape and discovered stationery bearing a Central Intelligence Agency letterhead.

In a brief conversation on October 3, 1992, Hopkins told me that Linda came to him shortly after she arrived back in Manhattan after the kidnapping. She was disheveled, had sand in her hair, and was traumatized by the experience.

Linda also reported to Stefula and Butler that on December 15 and 16, 1991, one of the men had tried to make contact with her near the shopping area of the South Street Seaport. He was driving a large black Fleetwood sedan with Saudi Arabian United Nations license plates. To avoid him, Linda said that she went into a shop during the first incident. The second day a similar thing happened, and she stood next to some businessmen until he left the area.

Evidence accumulated by Hopkins

Hopkins reports accumulating much information about the identities of Richard and Dan, and this could be extremely helpful in a criminal investigation. He has approximately 80 pages of letters from the two men. These might potentially be used to identify typewriters on which they were produced. They may also contain fingerprints. Hopkins has tape recordings of Richard and Dan; perhaps these could be used to help identify them by voiceprints. Hopkins claims to know which government agency employs the two. He says that he knows the identity of the dignitary they were guarding, and this person should be in a position to help locate and identify Richard and Dan. (Linda told Stefula and Butler that *the dignitary was Javier Perez de Cuellar, then Secretary General of the United Nations.*)

The counsel of ufology's leaders

The reader may be tempted to dismiss Linda's account as a preposterous script for a grade B movie, and I personally do no believe her claims. However, several notable figures in ufology have expressed the conviction that Linda is telling the truth. On October 6, 1992, I spoke with Dr. John Mack, former head of the psychiatry department at Harvard Medical School, and he confirmed that he had met Linda and concluded that she was not the type of person to make up this kind of story. That same day I also spoke with David Jacobs, a professor of history at Temple University, and abduction research colleague of Budd Hopkins, and author of the book *Secret Life*. He, too, believed that Linda was telling the truth.

Hopkins presented additional secret evidence to Walter Andrus and Jerome Clark who are now both persuaded of Linda's honesty. Andrus and Clark are arguably the two most influential figures in U.S. ufology. Andrus is International Director of the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON), and he organizes the largest annual conference on UFOs in the country and regularly writes for MUFON's monthly magazine. Clark is a columnist for *Fate* magazine, editor of *International UFO Reporter*, and a vice president of the Center for UFO Studies.

At a meeting in New York City on October 3, 1992, Linda said that she is willing to testify against Richard and Dan (though she had previously indicated that she was afraid of filing charges herself. I informed those at the meeting that I was prepared to make a formal request for a federal investigation of the attempted murder of Linda. Hopkins, Andrus, and Clark all vigorously objected to this, and they strongly urged me not to do so. They said that such action would be "politically damaging" to ufology. I was extremely puzzled by their reasoning and their apparent priorities. On October 5, 1992, two days later, I called Andrus to make certain that I understood his position. I asked him to join with me and request a formal investigation of these allegations by the proper law enforcement agencies. I explained to him that UFO researchers were generally not qualified to investigate attempted murder. I was taken aback when Andrus asked me what right I had to raise these issues. He again urged that the crimes not be reported. The following day I spoke with Clark. He told me that he accepted Linda's statements, and he reaffirmed his opposition to reporting the crimes.

I have not been given a satisfactory explanation for their views. At risk is not only the safety of Linda but also that of the general public. If federal agents have engaged in kidnapping and attempted murder, they should be brought to justice. The matter is of great concern for the general citizenry and for the conduct of UFO abduction research. I call upon Clark, Andrus, and Hopkins to publicly explain their rationale and priorities.

Editor's note: The following rebuke of Hansen by Jerome Clark is reprinted in its entirety.

The Politics of Torquemada; or, Earth Calling Hansen's Planet Jerome Clark

George Hansen, who is short on ufological experience but long on self-righteous blather, is distributing a document entitled "Attempted Murder Vs. the Politics of Ufology: A Question of Priorities in the Linda Napolitano Case." In an October 12 memo addressed to Budd Hopkins, Walt Andrus, John Mack, David Jacobs, and me, Hansen in grandiosity announces, "I plan to publish this in periodicals devoted to UFOs and mail copies to leading ufologists, boards of directors of MUFON, CUFOS, and the Intruders Foundation, and funders of UFO research. I also expect to post this on electronic bulletin boards and send copies to reporters for Omni, the New York Times, Paris Match, and The Wall Street Journal".

In the extremely unlikely event that Hansen's communication does not end up in the CP file of these latter publications and I receive a call or visit from a reporter from the same, I will inform him or her of the following:

Hansen claims that when he expressed a desire to "make a formal request for a federal investigation of Linda," Hopkins, Andrus, and I "strongly urged me not to do so. They said that such action would be politically damaging to ufology." I cannot speak for Budd and Walt, though I know them to be men of integrity. I can, however, state flatly that Hansen's characterization of my remarks is, in its first half, misleading and, in its second, blatantly false.

Hansen called me late on the evening of October 6, two days after my return from New York City and the meeting with proponents and critics of the Linda case. As I have told Budd and others, I have serious problems with the charge that Linda hoaxed the entire event, an allegation that — in view of the extraordinary complexity of this episode, not to mention what I observed of and learned about Linda's personality — strikes me as simplistic and unconvincing. Two mental health professionals (not counting John Mack here) who know Linda far better than Hansen does, concur emphatically.

My thoughts about all this are complicated, and I could devote many pages to them. I shall not do so here, however. At the meeting in which the case was discussed, I kept an open mind; in fact, I may have been the only individual there who had not come to a firm and unshakable conclusion. Finally, I suggested what I thought would be a compromise acceptable to all whose motive was to find the truth.

I urged the critics to refrain, over the next six months, from pursuing the investigation, which they had indicated now consisted, or would soon consist, of knocking on the doors of government agencies looking for evidence of the elusive Richard and Dan. I stated that, if this story is true, it is not just a UFO case but a "politically sensitive" event because it supposedly involves a political figure of international stature and therefore has consequences far outside the tiny world of ufology. If that is indeed the case, we would *never* find Richard and Dan (if they exist as who they say they are) because banging on the wrong doors could alert the relevant

agency that two of its agents were leaking a huge secret. They would then be effectively silenced, and we would never learn the truth.

If, on the other hand, the story is a hoax, I went on, a six month delay will have no effect on that fact, and the evidence will be just as retrievable then as now. I assumed we were all in this as truth seekers, I said, and I thought my idea of a compromise best served that end.

Rich Butler and Joe Stefula, critics and honorable men, immediately saw my point and agreed. George "Torquemada" Hansen, however, proceeded to shout that "science doesn't work that way," to which I rejoined that, if the story was true, this is not *just* a scientific matter but a political one as well. Nothing I said could have led anyone to think I meant the "politics of ufology". The context made it clear to everyone that the "politics" to which I referred was the national and international political realm of which the Third Man is allegedly a resident and in which (again if they are who they claim to be) Richard and Dan operate.

To anyone who has read my voluminous writings on ufology's problems and concerns, the notion that I would urge the concealment of truth *for any reason* – least of all "political damage" to ufology – is laughable. My printed record shows just the opposite: a fierce commitment to the truth above and beyond anything else. No one has been so consistently, even obsessively, outspoken on the subject of ufologists' need for radical misguided vision of ufology's institutional interests. Anyone who doubts any of this is invited to read a few *IUR* editorials.

Therefore, I am forced to conclude that Hansen deliberately misrepresented my remarks. In all the conversations I had with the principals of this case, I recall no one's saying that Hansen's proposed "action would be so politically damaging to ufology". If anyone had used that as an excuse for inaction, I would have spoken up, bluntly, to state precisely what I thought of that.

Still, since our exchanges in New York had been entirely cordial, I was unprepared for Hansen's behavior when he called my on October 6. I thought he wanted to continue our discussion of the case, but as I started to explain my thoroughly ambivalent feelings, he cut me off, said curtly that he would be brief, and asked if I thought Linda was lying. I said I doubted it, for many reasons, which Hansen, who by now had thoroughly demonized the poor woman, did not want to hear. He informed me that by not sanctioning his plan to go to federal authorities, what I was doing was effectively aiding and abetting gross misuse of police power. I said that if such action were to be taken, it is Linda's decision, not mine or his, to make, and I could not see how anyone could think otherwise. Knowing more about this than Hansen does, I added that the story contains elements which, if Linda is telling the truth, seem to explain her what otherwise looks like a puzzling reluctance to act. In any case, I added, it was clear enough that Hansen, his pious assertion to the contrary (see the hilariously hypocritical concluding paragraph of his article), sought not to help Linda, but to destroy her.

Hansen was at least honest enough not to deny that. Instead he chose to try to intimidate me. He warned that he intended to turn my name, address, and phone number, along with Hopkins', et al, into the FBI. He then launched into a diatribe in which he accused my colleagues and me of "living in a delusional world". On Hansen's planet, apparently, those who disagree with him are not just wrong but deluded and, perhaps, as his paper implies, intellectually corrupt and, moreover, deserving of the attention of police agencies. I said "George, you're full of shit," and hung up on him. His subsequent pronouncements have only served to confirm the cogency of that analysis.

So what is the significance of the Linda case? I don't know. Let me repeat: *I don't know*. Does anybody? It is staggeringly complex, and the available evidence can be read in several ways, though certainly in none. I admire Budd Hopkins for his dogged, courageous pursuit of the evidence, and I respect those who, like Butler, Stefula, and Don Johnson, honestly dissent from Budd's interpretation. As an unbeliever (in other words, neither believer nor disbeliever), I support all rational debate on the issue.

In my opinion, at this stage of an incomplete and ongoing investigation, the only conclusion with which I feel comfortable is this one: Time will tell. Then again, maybe it won't. And am I the only one out there with a tolerance for ambiguity? --- Jerome Clark

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As reported in Spotlight and USA Today newspapers...

Henry Kissinger in an address to the Bilderbergers meeting at Evian, France, May 21, 1992 "Today Americans would be outraged if UN troops entered Los Angeles to restore order; tomorrow they will be grateful! This is especially true if they were told there was an outside threat from beyond, whether real or promulgated, that threatened our very existence. It is then that all peoples of the world will plead with world leaders to deliver them from this evil. The one thing every man fears is the unknown. When presented with this scenario, individual rights will be willingly relinquished for the guarantee of their well being granted to them by their world government."

(Note from Bill McNeff: "I doubt this item...)

And now the local news!



State Director Bill McNeff sent photos and the accompanying article about the North Turtle Lake crop circles which were discovered after the evening of July 3 of this year. Unfortunately, we can't clearly reproduce the crop circle photo, but take our word for it, this "dumbbell" looks identical to those appearing in England. For those of you who are unfamiliar with this incident, we'll give you a brief outline.

Bud Zeismer, 27, was riding his dirt bike through his parents' pasture near Underwood, MN, when he cam upon two perfect circles in the knee-high alfalfa. The circles were joined with a bar, much like a dumbbell. He brought his parents out to see the circles and as his mother said, "It looks just like somebody combed it!" The circles were 15' in diameter, with a path three feet wide connecting the two. The alfalfa was flattened to the ground, all in a clockwise pattern.

The Zeismers ruled out human activity – there were no tracks around the circles, they had heard nothing "strange" and the circles were definitely not there the day before. Weather was also dismissed as a possibility. "...The grass was pressed down too hard to be wind or a tornado... It's perfect, and nature doesn't create something that perfect," Arlene Zeismer said. When asked if a UFO could have landed in their field, she said "What else? ...They came down from the sky and took off."

And speaking of crop circles, at the September meeting, while we were viewing the videos taken by John Sawicke during his latest trip to England, the dumbbell design prompted several members to simultaneously offer the same explanation of its meaning. Could the two circles joined by a bar represent one planet (theirs) making contact with the other (ours)? While this may not be a profound thought, it was nevertheless interesting that the idea occurred to these people at the same time.

An Elk River UFO trek was quickly organized during the September meeting by Gary Thrash and Lynne Wetter. Encouraged by the regularity of the sightings, Gary suggested that interested members meet in Elk River that evening to search out the "hot spots". Gary was armed with his video camera and fresh batteries, and after a short planning session over supper at the Irish Well, the little band of adventurers set off.

Well, things don't always go according to plans -- especially hasty ones! Gary, Lynne, Curtis Armsted, Pat (?) and a few others met in Elk River. They all piled into Lynne's van and hit the road.

In the meantime, two members, Terry and his friend, who tried to follow but just weren't quick enough, sat parked on Main St. looking over a map with Bob (?), who was a little late because he went home to grab a camera! Along came Dave and Lynn Bell (who are *always* late) so, after a short discussion, Terry suggested we all follow him since he had a good sense of direction and a navigator who could read maps!

Both groups saw exactly the same thing: millions of bright stars sprinkled across a black sky and one shooting star. Terry's group noticed a red flashing light atop a pole which, he thinks, has something to do with a Honeywell/military installation. Lynne reports seeing a white flashing light, and says she saw something which she thought changed colors, but just couldn't be certain.

The Gary/Lynne/Pat, et al team had a flashlight which they used in hopes of attracting UFO's. Nobody came... except a farmer who thought they were in distress...!

Both groups left the area (after, no doubt crossing paths several times) about 11:30 or so with no photos but plenty of suff, sore necks from stargazing! Aliens are most uncooperative.



Don's miss out! Join MUFON now! In her October issue of *Michigan MUFON*, Shirley Coyne slipped in a teaser about "the UN meeting" which was held in October. It seems that Budd Hopkins, Linda (Napolitano) and her family, among others, testified before that meeting. Shirley went on to say that Walt Andrus would be telling us all about this in the next issue of the *Mufon UFO Journal*. This news should have us all checking our mailboxes!

A word, if we may... We all know people who are interested in the UFO phenomena, but are hesitant to join an organization – or perhaps they don't know one exists. Talk with them, tell them about MUFON, encourage them to attend a meeting.

> Plan now to attend the November 14th meeting!