

MINNESOTA MUFON

Newsletter

From the State Director

For the past couple of issues we have been summarizing presentations from last summer's MUFON Symposium that dealt with APRO and NICAP. John Schuessler spoke on MUFON — A World Leader in Ufology, which will be summarized in this issue. Mr. Schuessler has many technical affiliations in connection with his employment in the aerospace industry and is MUFON's Deputy Director for Administration. He was a principal investigator in the Cash-Landrum injury case.

MUFON was founded on May 31, 1969. Four questions were immediately posed. Are UFOs spacecraft, or are they some physical or psychological manifestation of our planet that is not understood by science? If they are extraterrestrial, what is their method of propulsion? Assuming that they might be extraterrestrial, from where do they originate? What could we learn from their apparently advanced science and civilization?

Despite a vast database of information, the original four questions remain open ended and unanswered at this time. We recognize numerous other theories, their merits, and questions they raise.

MUFON's phenomenal success has to be attributed to the "grass roots" nature of the organization. Our structure is aimed at making it easy for the UFO witness to get help, while maintaining a strong corporate office.

International Director Walt Andrus understands what it is to see a UFO and not be able to provide an answer. He has compassion for the witnesses and little patience for debunkers who denigrate the character of a witness.

In 1948 Andrus and his family observed four aluminum-colored objects in the sky over Phoenix. When directly overhead, they disappeared into the sky one at a time. Scanning the sky, the family relocated the objects to the northwest and, along with many others on the street, watched them disappear off to the west.

The *MUFON UFO Journal* evolved from *SKYLOOK*, first published in September, 1967 and mailed to 27 people in Missouri. The first issue covered Dr. James McDonald's appearance before the United Nations Committee on Outer Space. Following this, Secretary General U Thant said that he considered UFOs the most important problem facing

the United Nations next to the Vietnam War.

MINNESOTA MUFON Meetings

**Saturday
March 11 & April 8**

THE IRISH WELL
1975 University at Prior
St. Paul

1:30 — 5:00 PM

The *Journal* debuted in June 1976 with a cover story about Wisconsin Police Officer George Wheeler's encounter. He had seen a huge object about 500 feet away and 100 feet up. There was a flash and the car lights went out, the radio went dead, and the motor stopped. Wheeler remembered nothing until he heard someone asking if he needed help. The officer was hospitalized for several days.

Schuessler then summarized symposium presentations which began in 1970. A few notable examples follow.

- In 1971, **Stanton Friedman** was on hand to say that an opinion poll taken among our research and development community showed that 76% did not believe the government had released all its information on UFOs.

- In 1973, **Ted Phillips** could report on 546 physical trace cases. He showed that UFOs touched ground 69% of the time and that occupants were seen in 84 cases. **J. Allen Hynek** noted that we had too *many* sightings, *not* too few, and we were far from a solution.

- In 1974, **Marjorie Fish** talked about her studies of the Betty and Barney Hill star map.

- In 1975, **Leo Sprinkle** questioned whether UFO research involves a problem to be solved, or a predicament to be tolerated.

- In 1976, sociologist **Ron Westrum** said, *"If the UFO problem is as serious as it seems, the differences between us are very small compared with the common interest that unites us. We have enough trouble dealing with the phenomenon, let us try not to have trouble dealing with each other."* These words have stood the test of time.

- In 1978, **Len Stringfield** described UFOs and occupants in military custody — truly "smoking gun" evidence. **Donald Keyhoe**, from NICAP, talked about UFO secrecy. **J.**

Allen Hynek presented some alternate reality theories.

- In 1979, **Dr. Alvin Lawson** gave a description of six entity types which may be our "alien roots." **Dennis Regan** and **William Allen** gave an account of sound pulses recorded during UFO activity in Alberta.

- It was in 1980 that **Tom Bearden** described hyperspace engineering. **Richard Niemtow** talked about medical injuries resulting from close encounters. **Stanton Friedman** explained why it would be unlikely that we could duplicate the alien propulsion system, and that world governments were busily studying UFOs for clues about tomorrow's technology.

- In 1981, attorney **Peter Gersten** talked about what the government would know about UFOs if they would read their own documents! **Budd Hopkins** dealt with the magnitude of the abduction problem which he called the *"invisible epidemic."* The Roswell crash exploded onto the scene with **Stanton Friedman** and **William Moore** exposing the cosmic Watergate.

- In 1982, **John Schuessler** spoke about radiation sickness caused by a UFO in the Cash-Landrum case.

- In 1983, **James McCampbell** postulated a mechanism whereby UFOs might cause automobile interference. **Walt**

Andrus described cattle mutilations that defied explanation. **J. Allen Hynek** made a case *against* E.T.

- In 1984, **Budd Hopkins** told the story of UFO abductions involving three generations of a family in San Antonio. **Thomas Adams** described a decade of cattle mutilations.

- In 1985, **George Fawcett** suggested that UFO researchers, each within their own fields, *collectively* probably have the solution to the UFO enigma, but don't know it because of the repetitive nature of the phenomenon. **Len Stringfield** told of the finding of a non-human body at McGuire Air Force base in New Jersey.

- In 1986, **Dr. Harley Rutledge** described Project Identification, an instrumental field investigation covering 13 years and 160 sightings. (*Rutledge has probably observed more UFOs than any other person - Moss*) Attorney **Robert Bletchman** described how to galvanize public opinion into a political force that would result in full government disclosure.

- In 1987, the Symposium was held in Washington DC and was a comprehensive world view based on reports from many countries.

- In 1988, **Bruce Maccabee** gave an analysis of the Gulf Breeze photos. **Barry Downing** presented findings of a survey mailed to 100 Christian semi-

naries related to UFO implications. It turned out that seminars do not take UFOs seriously because the government says they do not exist.

- The 1989 Symposium was held in Las Vegas. **Dr. Donald Johnson** described UFO car pursuits and **Bob Oechsler** talked about corporate involvement in the cover-up. **Jacques Vallee** showed slide of injury cases from Brazil.

- At Gulf Breeze in 1990, we heard **Ed Walters** describe his UFO encounters and saw his Polaroid photos. **Don Schmitt** presented new revelations about Roswell and the way in which the government keeps secrets.

- In 1991, **Dr. John Alt-schuler** presented his analysis of tissue changes in cattle mutilations. **Linda Moulton Howe** linked animal mutilations and human abductions to alien life forms.

- It was in Albuquerque in 1992 that **Budd Hopkins** told of an abduction which had been observed by other witnesses, and then introduced abductee **Linda Cortile**. **Walt Andrus** described MUFON's role in UFO research. **Jacques Vallee** spoke of problems in UFO research and said he feared that a serious investigation of the phenomenon had been, and always will be, a forbidden science.

- In 1993, **John Mack** and **Budd Hopkins** both addressed the abduction problem. **George**

Knapp gave the Area 51/**Bob Lazar** story. **Linda Molton Howe** described Alabama cattle mutilations.

Schuessler said that for 25 years MUFON has been documenting the work of the UFO community with these papers. This significant body of evidence might be considered proof in other fields, but not in ufology. Governments and debunkers have clouded the issue sufficiently that there remains a lot of work to do in the future.

Without the data gathered by field investigators, we would not need an organization to support their efforts. Field investigators are MUFON's first line of contact with witnesses and are the essential facet of our grassroots structure. In the March 1994 Michigan situation, MUFON investigators chalked up over 4000 miles while interviewing dozens of witnesses. That the UFO mystery has not yet been solved isn't because a lot of very competent people haven't tried. Whatever the outcome, MUFON will be a part of the solution to this mystery.

Considering that I have briefly described less than 10% of the papers presented, it is obvious that there are many very dedicated people trying to get at the truth of the UFO. As in mainstream science, most specialize in just one area of the phenomenon. Knowing the nature of their investigations and the scientific way in which many of them approach their research, it is a tragedy that debunkers even get a chance to

publicly assassinate their character and mock their intentions. No past UFO organization has come close to MUFON in trying to bring so much data together until the proliferation of UFO conventions in recent years. MUFON researchers also contribute to many of these.

In a year or two, I believe the MUFON Symposium is to be held in Michigan. Here's hoping that many of our Minnesota members will be able to attend.

Dick Moss

Update: Abduction Transcription Project

Thanks to Joe Dundovic for sharing the current happenings with Dan Wright's transcription project.

STATISTICS UPDATE: The Project has received 594 submittals — 565 audiotapes and 29 prepared transcripts — involving 159 separate cases in total. Of those tapes, 522 have been transcribed, 26 are in process and 17 were unable to be processed. Of the 551 completed transcripts, 96% have been reviewed and indexed.

INDEX II: The Master Transcript Index now has approximately 2,000 key words and phrases, most of which include one or more synonyms. [Example: "grey" (entity skin tone) includes "chalky," "clay," "dirty white," etc.]

Each key term lists all numbered transcripts and pages

wherein it was used. Further cross referencing is made to other terms which are not synonymous but have a bearing on a term.

As you can imagine, the Index became so massive that only Dan Wright himself could easily locate all terms and relationships! Therefore, Wright honed the information and came up with a Root Factor Index which lists applicable key terms and their citations.

Wright's ongoing effort now is to arrange all earlier transcripts into a new format which will not only make the data more aesthetically pleasing, but will also make working with the data more streamlined.

Wright also presented an update on "A.J. and Laura" and their two young daughters who live near him in Michigan.

In a recent hypnosis session, A.J. viewed himself on a table aboard a ship. An overhead device bombarded the frontal lobe of his brain with strobe-like beams of light.

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He was then removed to a computer panel, complete with 3-D screen and "trackball" type controls. His task was to keep an undefined symbol at or about crosshairs situated in the middle while some undefined internal mechanism caused the symbol to drift away. A grey

being of adult human height stood nearby, apparently studying another screen.

After several minutes of successfully manipulating the machine, he was told that he had done well. This was seemingly the sole reason for his abduction that night.

In a subsequent encounter, A.J. was again on a table. A rectangular device with purplish light scanned his entire body. Now off the table, wobbly legged, he instinctively walked to another room by himself. There, he saw a tall domed cylinder, which he knew was the "core" (i.e., power plant).

Nearby was a panel of color bars that he somehow knew to press in a particular sequence. This, he understood, was to alter his electrical vibration to match that of the artificial intelligence within the ship.

Moving to yet another room, he gravitated to a control panel likened to that in his earlier experience. Donning a headgear, he was able to perceive a star-chart showing the ship's current point and its destination, a distant star. While manipulating the controls, he suddenly realized that his own hands were grey-white, with four long fingers. He sensed being much thinner than his normal, stocky stature. [Note: In one other case in the Project's files, a woman viewed her own hands as those of a grey. Other details of that case align with A.J.'s experiences.]

Now he was actually navigating the ship. In what seemed only a moment, they were near

a planet which had a tan-orange hew. A.J. kept the ship in static orbit while, as he sensed it, an "away team" went to the surface to interact with a primitive culture. He then returned the ship to their original point. Events from that point were hazy until he returned to his bedroom.

In the same general time period, also via hypnosis, A.J., Laura, and both their small children were removed from their beds to the living room. There, one of four black-suited greys explained that the younger daughter, Connie, was, at 2½ years, sufficiently developed for their purposes and so would begin having visitations. The only purpose of that encounter appeared to be to reassure the parents that the toddler would be protected.

Twice since then, Connie may have been visited by a "boy" in the night. On the first occasion, the older daughter, Katie, announced over breakfast that "Connie's boy" made a visit sometime during the night. She had never made such a pronouncement about Connie before. The second time, Connie herself said the boy visited her in the night. No details were offered, and Laura did not press them.

[Note: A.J. and Laura have been careful throughout their experiences not to mention anything in front of the children regarding the various intrusions.]

Over a six week period recently, Laura has occasionally "heard" mumbled voices in her head, as if two or more people

were speaking through a wall, nothing specifically identifiable. On one of these occasions, she heard the voices while driving the family pickup in the company of her mother. Seconds after it began, the mother asked, "What's that noise?" which Laura dismissed verbally as being nothing.

Most recently, Laura awoke in the night at their puppy's whining to be let outside. Immediately realizing that something had happened, she had an image of A.J. and herself in the hallway outside their bedroom. A.J. was pointing at a glowing sphere of light, saying "Is that it?" The light receded into the living room and disappeared.

The following morning, their daughter announced, "My boy came last night, but I told him I was too tired to play. So he went to Mommy and Daddy's room."

A.J. has speculated that this was a scouting mission of sorts, that a single entity reverts to its true nature — a light form — when alone.

Dan Wright has been invited to speak at the MUFON 1995 Symposium which will be held in Seattle, July 7, 8 & 9.



Right here in River City!

The community of Cottage Grove is a "hot spot" of sky activity, thanks to the close proximity of the Lake Elmo Airport, St. Paul's Holman

Field and the clear view of planes landing and taking off from the Mpls/St. Paul International Airport. However, there seems to be something other than planes and helicopters making occasional appearance in the night skies.

The December 7, 1994 *Police Reports* contained in the Cottage Grove Bulletin, told of an unusual sighting observed by a young child at 9:20 pm late in November. A woman reported that her son saw a sphere-like object with red flashing lights and lighted windows hovering over the playing fields at a nearby park. It hovered for just a few seconds before speeding away.

There have been other reports from time to time about flying objects seen in the general area — remember the "flying table" which appeared over the Lafayette Bridge?! One of our MUFON friends has her own story to tell.

Donna (not her real name), lives in Cottage Grove and has herself been witness to some mighty strange goings on. For instance, this past Christmas Eve, at 11:31 pm, Donna and her husband were in the car driving toward their home.

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Donna caught sight of something — a deep red "diffused" light traveling from the south across the sky. Donna de-

scribed the sphere as "*pulsing, like a heart throbbing, steady, beat after beat.*" She and her husband watched it as it traveled from the south toward the west and then northward. She judged the sphere to be perhaps 75 to 100 feet above. It wasn't traveling fast — just sort of "moseyed" along, following the terrain. Two separate shadows could be seen on the left side of the sphere — one large, the other smaller. No shadows appeared on the right side. Then the sphere suddenly stopped and hovered over the snowfields for several seconds.

A tiny pinpoint of brilliant, white light appeared within the sphere, located slightly below the its center. The red light of the orb then began to *flash* rather than throb as it had earlier — the flashing was similar to that of a camera flash. As Donna and her husband watched, *the red light of the sphere once again began to throb (rather than flash) as it slowly began to move northward.* Because of the direction in which their car was heading, Donna and her husband lost sight of the object.

Donna has been keeping a diary of unusual sightings and "strange occurrences" for some time, now. And in February, a few CSETI and MUFON members, braved a cold winter's night on Donna's deck, hoping to see a UFO or two make a fly-by! Some of the party glimpsed a light flashing in the Pleiades group. An audio tape reveals their excitement when two people simultane-

ously saw a *red* twinkling light; while others noticed a *white* twinkling light. What was it? Who knows? But it made standing in the cold suddenly a little more bearable!

Minnesota has seemingly *not* been a "hot bed" of UFO activity since the Elk River incidents a year or so ago. But we can't help but think that someone, *somewhere* in Minnesota is *seeing something*! Unfortunately, most people are unaware of the existence of MINNESOTA MUFON and *somehow*, that has to be remedied. In spite of the recent proliferation of UFO-related programs and reports by the media, many people are still reluctant to talk about their experiences with "just anybody". It's interesting to listen to the answers new MUFON meeting attendees give when asked how they discovered MINNESOTA MUFON — it's rarely simple! We've been talking about the need to become known for a very long time but the method must be both worthwhile and *cost effective*. An obvious approach is to place meeting notices in as many publications as possible. We have no guarantee the notice will be published, of course. [The Saint Paul Pioneer Press has "overlooked" our notices on three occasions.] Listings in a telephone book are very expensive: it is considered to be a "small business" and the cost in just one of the Twin Cities phone books is approximately \$50 per month. State Director Dick Moss has

long wanted to "hit the road" to some of the outstate areas and hold informational meetings. Like most of us, however, Dick has a busy schedule which just does not allow the time to be able to fulfill that desire.

So what's the answer? We're not sure — but we're certainly open to suggestions. Share your ideas by phone or mail to either Dick Moss or Lynn Bell. Phone numbers and addresses appear on Page 7.

...Who knows, maybe Minnesota just isn't included in the Alien Travel Itinerary this year... Lousy weather, too many mosquitoes, and the smell of lutefisk permeating the atmosphere.

An interplanetary nightmare. We need a good Gulf Breeze...

Why email should be avoided at all costs...

The following email message was received by an anonymous source. Even though it just kills us, for the sake of accuracy, we present this *totally unedited*.

"the big wow!!! happened the signal was received & area 51 & groom & s4, the pentagon's covering it up!! & semi-recently at a crop circle formation they found a pure gold object with an ancient version of writing on it. when translated it says the gods are coming back. experts said it couldn't have been made by our species cause it's too perfect. you'll be interested to know there is a gentleman at ucsd in san diego

that's been able to translate those crop circle formations into music. the whole j.f.k thing's a cover up i'll tell you who really killed kenned it was area 51 & groom lake & s4 and a whole number of other parties due to the fact he was gonna tell the world of what's really going on in area 51 & groom & s4 & kennedy also told marilyn monroe & that's why she wound up dead. the reason the 18 minutes of the *watergate* tapes disappeared is cause they were discussin area 51 & groom & s4 & all their other black programs re: the pyramids in egypt & everywhere except vegas's luxor were built with the help of the aliens think about it we didn't have the technology back then to build them. it wasn't til present day that we evolved enough to build luxor. more later."

I think we know at least one individual who didn't make the evolutionary leap...

Editorial comment telecommunicated by a Grey:



"Go figure..."

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7.237 Mhz on the dial!

Meetings! Meetings! Meetings!

The Paranormal Study Group

meets every 4th Saturday of the month.

The Irish Well

1975 University at Prior

March 25 & April 22, 1:30 PM

*If the last two meetings are any indication, we have a
"hit!" Peter Morris will host the March meeting while
Wells Hovoreid treks the mountains in New Mexico! Peter's
subject: "Different States of Existence."*

Theosophical Society

900 Mount Curve • Minneapolis, MN

(Kenwood, above the Guthrie)

7:30 PM

March 6	Justin O'Brien, speaker:
\$2.00	"The Era of Self Healing"
March 13	John Davis, speaker
\$5.00	"Has the End of the World Been Cancelled?!"
March 20	Richard Koepsel, speaker
\$4.00	"Our Place at the End of the Millennium"
April 3	Mike Ashcraft, speaker
\$4.00	"Reminiscences of Utopia"
April 17	Joe Osowski, speaker
\$4.00	"Astrology of the Enneagram"
April 24th	Slide Presentation - A Trip to the Andes,
\$2.00	Machu Pichu

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