

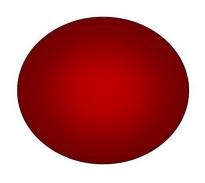
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Unexplained Balls of Light in Missouri

For the past two years witnesses have been reporting strange balls of light in the greater Kansas City area that investigators have not found an explanation for. Reports range from tiny pin-point white lights at near ground level close to the witness, to 40-foot and larger diameter orange fireballs 60 feet off the ground. Since June of 2012, multiple reports have been made describing similar red or orange/red colored objects that change formations and remain at the same altitude. Witnesses describe V, X, triangle, lines, and circular formations of these objects. Some describe them as being lights on a craft, and others describe the lights as being independent orbs flying in formation.

On June 26th, I took a report by phone from a witness in Independence, Missouri: "I was walking to my the house at 10:15 PM when I saw what I thought was the B-2 Stealth Bomber fly over or near Lake City Army Ammo plant in Independence, Missouri which is not far from my house. This is a no-fly-zone so I was surprised to see anything flying over the area. The plane had three bright lights shining down and it was very loud. At 10:50 PM I was getting ready for bed and turning the lights off in the house when I saw a bright white light through my window. It was hovering at approximately 200 feet above the ground in the area of Lake City. The trees are approximately 100 feet tall and this object was another 100 feet above them. It looked very strange, so I called my wife and we both went



Side of object that was visible when moving from S to N. This was a dark red with a lighter center and was pulsing.

Drawing by Margie Kay

outside to get a better look at it. It would take at half-dollar held at arms length to cover it up, so it was larger than a star or planet. The light was extremely bright, like a big spot light, and it had a red glow around the outside of it. There were planes in the distance at the same time as this event. We watched this object for about 10 minutes then the object suddenly shot straight up into the air at a very high rate of speed, then to the south, then to the west, than back to its original location. There was no sound at all. At this point we were rather shaken. Then it moved away from west to east very slowly and out of sight. This was definitely not a plane or helicopter. It moved too fast and there was no sound. Id like to know if other people saw this."

In addition, separate single objects with blue, red, and white lights have been reported by many witnesses in Blue Springs and Independence, Missouri and other areas. The object appears between dusk and 3 AM, then disappears at some time later, as late as 7:00 AM. It is a stationary object, appearing to be round or triangular in shape, with bright red, white, and blue lights flashing in sequence, indicating a mechanical object of some type. These objects were witnessed by KCTV 5 reporter Dave Jordan and two of the TV cameramen, myself, and approximately 15 people from a neighborhood in north Blue Springs on several nights in May, 2012. The events

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We need content for the newsletter!

Please send UFO or paranormal related photos, drawings, articles, and events to Margie Kay at margiekay06@yahoo.com. Don't worry about writing perfectly, the editor will take care of that!

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New Witness Comes Forward in Year 2000 Mass Sighting in Illinois—and now Missouri

A man contacted Roger Marsh, editor of the MUFON Journal, regarding a sighting he had in the year 2000, and Roger referred him to Margie Kay.



Model of UFO built by the witness

The report is as follows: The witness, who was an Assistant Fire Chief at the time, was prompted to contact MUFON after seeing a TV program on the Illinois sightings in the year 2000. He stated that he was returning from a house fire in St. Clair, Missouri at approximately 3:00 AM and was on I-44 Highway approaching Union, Missouri when he heard law enforcement on the county police band radio discussing an unidentified object. The dispatcher said "Oh its this Roswell stuff again." and that police were chasing the object. As the witness approached 50 hwy and 47 hwy he saw a large triangular craft with lights pointing down over the Wal-Mart that was traveling at approximately 25-30 MPH.

The witness said that the very bright lights on the object pointed downward, but did not light up the ground, seeming to stop approximately 100 feet up. The craft was approximately 500 above the ground.

The witness joined up with an officer from Union, Missouri and an officer from the County, and

the three of them followed the object in their separate cars for approximately one hour as the object headed towards Washington, Missouri, north of the original position. The object was always in front of them or above them. At one point, the county officer attempted to tilt his dash cam up in order to get pictures, but it would not move into the needed position. None of the men had a camera with them. The object stopped and hovered several times and moved very slowly.

The men were unable to use the radio for communication while the craft was above them. After an hour, the officers needed to turn back to get back to other calls, so this witness left as well. By this time, the object had moved into an area SE of Washington, MO over farmland where there were no roads, and it was impossible to follow.

The witness surmises that the object from Illinois continued into Missouri and officers picked up its trail after it crossed the state line.

Balls of Light, continued...

were covered heavily by KCTV 5, then picked up by CNN and aired nationally. More witnesses from different locations in the K.C. area have recently come forward with similar reports. What makes this type of sighting unusual is that the objects have extremely bright lights and they remain in the same position for hours at a time, then just disappear, or in a few instances, move away at a high rate of speed. The objects have been mistaken for planets or stars by myself and others, but after seeing the objects move or disappear, that explanation was dismissed.

The lights have been appearing off and on in this area since late April. The primary witness has also reported a large yellow ball of light measuring approximately 6' in diameter in the woods behind his house, which appeared on two separate occasions. The ball of light moved slowly up through the trees, then shot straight up and out of sight. See case number 38020 for more information.

One witness describes a sighting on 7/25/2012: "I have been seeing strange lights for 6 months. I live in the country and it is really dark, I love to go out in the evening and sit on our deck and look at the stars. I noticed the lights one night when I was coming home from town there were 3 lights in the form of a triangle, facing east.

What got my attention is the fact that they change colors. I have seen them several times. Last night I had the kids out on the deck looking at them as well. At first I was a little scared but as long as they stay in the air I know I'm fine. Some times I go to a conservation area not to far from my house and sit and watch them, because its completely dark there. "Source: MUFON CMS case #41138

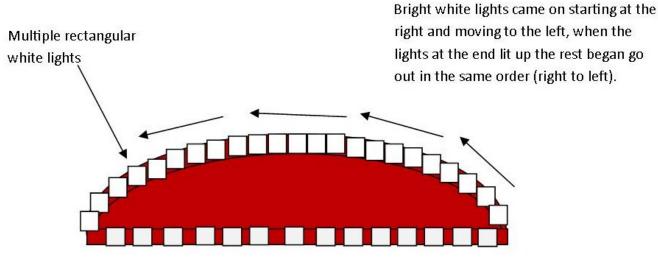
A very strange case in St. Louis County involves a beam of light going from one object to another, seeming to make it disappear. The witness stated "It was a little before midnight, i was alone on my sisters back patio smoking a cigarette and looking up at the stars. i noticed what appeared to be a star traveling across the sky at a steady pace (seen this before but always thought it was satellites orbiting the earth).

As the "traveling star/satellite" made its way closer to a "brighter star" (at arms length, measuring with my fingers, approximately an inch away). the "brighter star" cast a light towards the "traveling star". at first, the light looked spread out but quickly narrowed to more of a beam. like it "focused" onto the traveling star/ satellite. the "focus" took less than a second, almost instantly but slow enough to see it happen. the light being cast lasted for about 3-5 seconds then the light went out and less than a second later, the "bright star" disappeared as the traveling star/satellite kept traveling through the sky. the entire experience was only a matter of seconds and i know the "bright star" was not an airplane as there were no other lights(green/red flashing). before it cast its light, it just looked like a star. (edited for spelling). Source: MUFON CMS case #41088

Most of the sightings in Missouri have been concentrated in Blue Springs, Lee's Summit, Independence, and Kansas City North, with a total of 34 sightings in the greater K.C. Area, at 16 more reports seemingly equally divided across the state in rural and metropolitan areas. A recent report was filed regarding the mass sightings in the St. Louis area in 2000, but this is not included in the total numbers above.



Balls of light, continued...



Back of object

The lights on the lower section were very dim white and came on after the upper row of lights was almost out.

I had my own sighting on July 4 - case #40236 in Independence, and obtained video of what I thought at first to be a sky lantern, but then took a very odd turn. Myself and six family members watched a round red glowing object move from South to North a low altitude. I grabbed my HD video camera and filmed it. When the object moved to the North, the back of it lit up with rectangular white lights, which went on and off sequentially, unlike conventional aircraft. A helicopter then appeared to be looking for something in the area. When reviewing the video later, I noticed that there were actually more and different colored lights that were not visible to the naked eve at the time of the event, and in the video it appears to be a large single

object with multiple lights, although the craft itself is not visible. The video is available at You Tube under "Independence UFO July 4."

The recent increase in sightings have MUFON State Director Debbie Ziegelmeyer from St. Louis, Assistant State Director Margie Kay from Kansas City, and Chief Investigator Joe Palermo from St. Louis baffled. During the past 30 days Missouri MUFON has received over 50 UFO sighting reports with multiple witnesses in most cases, which is a very high number for the state. Most of these events are described as red balls of light, or orbs. Witness' video and still photos, available at www.mufon.com, show uncon-

ventional objects, but do not pro-

Drawing by Margie Kay

vide any answers as to what the objects are.

Missouri MUFON would like to obtain more video and still photos from witnesses in order to better understand what we are looking at. "Some of the reports have been determined to be sky lanterns. But most of the reports do not appear to be identifiable. The witnesses are seeing most of these objects at a distance, and it is difficult to see details. If someone comes forward with photos or video taken from a closer position we might be able to determine exactly what these objects are," said SD Debbie Ziegelmeyer.

See the full-length article in the September issue of the MUFON Journal.

State totals for the month:

Number of Reports

State

MUFON Reports for July

By International Director Dave McDonald

Shape of Object #of Reports

California 100 Missouri 63 Michigan 59 Texas 47 New York 44 I Ilinois 43 Pennsylvania 42 Florida 35 Washington 33 Arizona 32 Ohio 26 North Carolina 21 Indiana 21 Oregon 20 Oklahoma 18 Kentucky 17 Virginia 15 New Jersey 14 Georgia 13 Colorado 13 Alabama 12 Connecticut 12 Maine 11 Minnesota 11 South Carolina 11 Nevada 10 Kansas 5

All states are not listed.

Country #of Reports

UNITED STATES 850 CANADA 48 **UNITED KINGDOM 8 B** RAZIL 5 **GERMANY 5 MEXICO 5 AUSTRALIA 3 ITALY 3 EL SALVADOR 2** POLAND 2 **BOSNIA AND HERZE-GOVINA 2 SOUTH AFRICA 2 AFGHANISTAN 2** GUAM 2 SPAIN 2 **DOMINICAN REPUBLIC 2** CHILE 2 MACAO 1 IRAN, ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF 1 LATVIA 1 **VENEZUELA** 1 **JAPAN1** SWEDEN 1 **COLOMBIA 1 NEW ZEALAND 1** FINLAND 1 **AUSTRIA 1** VIRGIN ISLANDS, U.S. 1 SLOVENIA 1 **INDONESIA** 1 **TOTAL: 958**

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Most impressively there were 17 Landings, Hovering, or Takeoffs reported and 0 Entities observed.

To review the CMS data yourself go to www.mufon.com and click on "UFO Case Files" to 1.) Easily look at the Last 20 Sightings, or 2.) Do a customized search of the CMS database by date and/or

Pilot Reports UFO on Approach to KCI Airport -Sightings on the Rise Again in Missouri

The incident occurred at 9:25 pm on July 30, 2012.

As reported to ASD Margie Kay: (witness wishes to remain anonymous) "I am the pilot of a regularly scheduled commercial aircraft flight from St. Louis to Kansas City and was on approach to KCI when my co-pilot said he saw an unidentified object to the right of the aircraft that appeared to be following us. It was not yet in my range of view, so I asked him to confirm that and the object remained. I radioed the tower and asked for radar confirmation but there was none. Then the object came into my view to the right front of the aircraft.

At that point we were approximately 35 minutes out from the airport. The object was a silver/ gray color and had three blue/ white lights on the bottom and one on the top. It was a discshaped craft with a low dome on top. It was approximately 300 feet from our aircraft and NNE of our position. Then the object suddenly moved underneath us and to the left, and continued at the our same rate of speed. I discussed this with my co-pilot and we decided not to tell the tower what we saw because of what happens when reports like this are made.

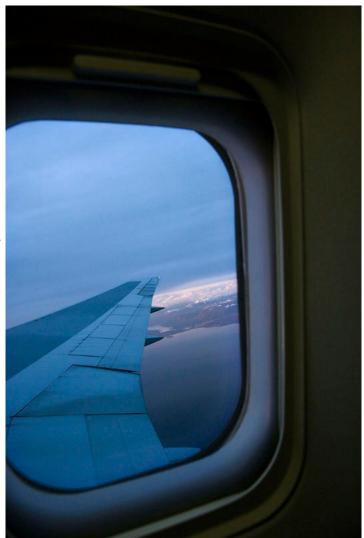
The tower then asked us to confirm an unidentified object and I said it was no longer in view. I was concerned, however, that it might be a problem. The object stayed with us for approximately 22 minutes. When I decreased aircraft speed for approach, the object slowed as well, then went directly south of our position at a very high rate of speed - faster than any aircraft Ive ever seen. I was a military pilot for 14 years and know what type of aircraft we have. It was definitely NOT a man-made aircraft.

Some pilots have lost their jobs

when they report a UFO. and I would like to keep mine so am not providing my name or contact information Some of the passengers were discussing this as they left the plane but we did not discuss it with them. Other crew members saw it as well, but did not report it. I just wanted to tell someone about it "

Another witness come forward who saw strange lights from the ground at the same time, and I requested that she file a report at www.mufon.com so it can be investigated.

Missouri MUFON has received 61 reports during the month of July, with 38 of the sightings in the greater K.C. area. Investigator Larry Jordan and ASD Margie Kay are working on a case near 39th and Lee's Summit Road in Independence where a witness obtained three hours of video that shows an unexplained light and



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an unknown object, which morphs into a saucer shape over a period of hours. Other lights in the background appear to be searchlights, but when Larry and Margie checked with spotlight rental locations and area businesses who might have used spotlights between 1:00 AM and 3:00 AM on July 29, they could find none used. The case is still under investigation and video is being analyzed.

Other reports from St. Louis, Springfield, and rural areas are equally perplexing. A few of the sightings can be attributed to sky lanterns, but the majority cannot. Typical sightings during July included red and white balls of light that made formations and moved in different directions or changed shape, and triangular craft which exhibited strange movements and lights.



Liberty, Missouri Sept. 3, 2012

Author of Fire in the Sky

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