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TAOS HUM -- NOT A DOD EXPERIMENT?

Hmmmmmm... Since last issue of *NM MUFON News* there have been several articles in local newspapers about the Taos hum. Though Rep. Bill Richardson (D-N.M.) asked the DOD to explain the sound and it appeared to be linked to one of several Air Force projects, the DOD informed Sen. Pete Domenici (R-N.M.) earlier this month that *it has no projects that might be causing the hum.*

An investigative team made up of scientists and engineers from Sandia and Los Alamos National Laboratories, the University of New Mexico and the Air Force's Phillips Laboratory has been organized and will begin work on analyzing the hum in May.

"Similar low-frequency hums have occurred in other areas, often close to mountains", said Joe Mullins, chairman of the UNM's Mechanical Engineering Department, and a member of the team. We will report further on the worldwide "hum" phenomenon in the next issue. Also we will try to keep you posted on the findings of the investigative team and whatever they determine is the cause and nature of the Taos hum. Hmmmmmm...

ANOTHER ODD SOUND?

A low, far-off-sounding roar has been heard by an Albuquerque resident (in the Academy Acres area) on several occasions during the last four or five months, most recently in late March. This sound lasts approximately two minutes and always occurs around 5 a.m. and never later than 5:10 a.m.

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In addition, the sound has been reported to go on and off "like a light switch," not like an aircraft passing overhead. Though the witness is deaf in one ear, the witness clearly heard the sound several times and on one occasion another witness also heard it.

If readers have heard a similar sound, please let us know! Apparently the sound is not loud enough to wake you up, but if you are already up at that hour, you might try listening for it and reporting the results to us. Please call Peter Limone (Winrock area, 884-2199), Carolyn Duce-Ashe (Corrales, 897-7075) or Debby Stark (downtown, 242-6258).

UFO "BIG EVENT IN NEW MEXICO" CONFIRMED AT TREAT V

(note: The following consists of excerpts taken from an article by Your Editor which will appear in the May issue [Vol. 8, No. 3, 1993] of *UFO Magazine*.)

As the final speaker at TREAT V at the Inn at Loretto in Santa Fe, Ed Dames of Psi Tech, Inc. discussed his method of remote viewing and outlined the history of his company's work. It was during the break before the Q&A session that following his presentation that he had us open-mouthed and enthralled.

I posed the first question: "We've heard rumors of a big UFO event predicted to happen in New Mexico in August...?"

"No," said Ed, "not in August, between now and August. Something may happen very soon at a site in northern New Mexico."

"How soon?" someone asked.

"It could happen in the next few months," he said. Then Ed began to tell us a bizarre tale

involving a colony of hibernating aliens. Apparently Psi Tech, Inc. had a contract to remote view an orbiting platform belonging to the U.S. in which "something" was seen "coming in over our shoulders." Ed and his team were amazed to see these objects "land in a location in northern New Mexico."

Subsequently, a second site was located, also in New Mexico. Some interaction may have occurred with aliens which led to the participation by some important scientists.

"Is it kinda like the *Alien Nation* scenario?" a friend of mine queried tentatively.

Ed responded that, yes, it is very similar. "If you want to understand something about what's going on here in New Mexico, go watch *Alien Nation*," he advised. (note: he may have meant the TV series rather than the movie - ed.)

According to Ed, these "refugees" are very much like us genetically. They're humanoid but not human.

"We're sure it's going to happen!" Ed stated emphatically. "We've alerted the media, and teams of doctors, technicians and documentary filmmakers are on call and in place to respond at a moment's notice."

A question comes to mind: Is this real or just another UFO scam perpetuated by a shady government source? Ed Dames has moved Psi Tech, Inc. to Albuquerque "because of the UFO activity in New Mexico!" He is very sure it will happen, and he gives a time frame: between now (March 21, 1993) and August, 1993! He described the event as "imminent"! He told me, "We're [the team of experts and their equipment] going in there within the month, as soon as the snow melts!"

(Further news: During the Ozark Conference, Linda Moulton Howe told us that Ed Dames had invited her to investigate the site during April, but she was unsure if she could do so due to her heavy work schedule and her effort to relocate to this area.)

OBSERVATIONS AT THE FIFTH ANNUAL OZARK UFO CONFERENCE

What the speakers said:

Lou Farish, our host, gave the short opening address and introduced most of the speakers during the following three days. Pleasant, friendly, knowledgeable, omnipresent.

CALENDAR

1. May MUFON Meeting - As of press time, the date and speaker were not yet finalized. Please call 897-2066 for information.
2. May 21-23, Whole Life Expo 1993. Sweeney Convention Center, Hilton Hotel, Santa FE, NM.
3. Upcoming Field Investigators' Training (F.I.T.) meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 4, 1993 at Pinewood Estates clubhouse at 7 pm. Chief Investigator Peter Limone will conduct the meeting. All investigators and investigator trainees are urged to attend.
4. Richmar Earthgate Group Workshop, "Earth Change Preparation," will be held on Saturday, May 15, 1993 at the Mid-Town Holiday Inn from 9 am to 5 pm. Cost for this workshop is \$35.

"UFOs: A Worldwide Historical Perspective," by Antonio Huneus. Antonio presented a slide show with many familiar and more unfamiliar pictures presenting a case for alien influence world wide throughout the last 5,000 years or so. I was pleased when he referred to a book about UFOs and Mexican Archeology. Later your newsletter staff went out to lunch with Antonio and he told us how he has been traveling around the world doing interviews for the UFO column in *Fate* magazine that he has taken over. Expect to see articles on Russian research, Ed Dames, Spanish UFOs. He also presented two videos on UFOs that the Russians hope to market in this country; perhaps we'll see segments from them on *Sightings* and other similar TV programs.

"UFOs and the Future of Flight," by David Fronig. David was an inexperienced speaker, but when he got to the hot topic of his talk, the Mexico City UFO flap, the audience was well rewarded. He also covered what he and his associates have been studying about how UFOs might be able to travel by warping space; he said that Arthur C. Clarke used some of his ideas. He was pleased to be among so many people who were interested in what he had to say.

"Crop Circles: The UFO Connection," by George Wingfield. Okay, I'll admit George's presence was the biggest reason your newsletter staff attended the conference, and his talk was all we could have hoped for. He presented slides covering a history of the phenomena, including

pictures from the 1992 season. He told us that sadly many of the season's formations were probably hoaxed, and he didn't look for any better luck this year. He also expects to be the subject of personal attack (in the media, as has been detailed in two publications already), so he got off some good shots of his own. This may be why he appeared somewhat preoccupied when he wasn't up on the stage. He also brought along some merchandise (T-shirts, posters, books) to sell at the crop circle table.

"Controversial Correlations and the Question of Consciousness," by *Forest Crawford*. Forest had a much longer, comical name for this, but didn't want to burden the program printers with it. His talk and slide presentation dealt with interpretations of images that seemed to be prevalent throughout the UFO phenomena, particularly triangle(s) mixed with circle(s). He also threw in a lot of cartoons by Larson and others. Later we discovered he also does abduction research and had some interesting comments when a panel of like minded people was convened. Overall, to your newsletter staff who had not heard of him before this, his talk, while long, was quite interesting.

"Opening a Can of Worms: Odyssey of an Abductee," by "*Leah Haley*". Leah was probably the most fascinating and unexpected speaker of the conference. She is a highly educated woman who teaches accounting and would rather read the *Wall Street Journal* than fiction. She leads and can ably handle a stressful life (as a teacher, student, wife, mother, housebuilder, etc.). She is also an abductee (or experiencer or any number of the other new, perhaps more descriptive and kind names people are thinking up). Not only has she had some fascinating experiences, but the US military seems to be overly interested in her. She detailed some of the run ins she has had with them and it is no wonder she has come out of the closet to talk to us; her opening up and writing a book (with another planned) may help to protect her. After hearing Leah, your newsletter producer finally has to admit that maybe the US government is into the abduction game further than just being mystified about it...

"The UFO Abduction Phenomenon: What Might It Mean for the Human Future?" by *Dr. John E. Mack*. Dr. Mack gave us an idea of how he got into the field of abduction and what he thinks now of his professional colleagues who are basically still afraid of the subject (if they even admit to the possibility). He impressed your newsletter staff as a highly intelligent, witty, very helpful man, the very kind of person needed in the field. He was one of

the two speakers without slides (Haley being the other) and he didn't need them to hold our attention with his calm delivery style that nonetheless let us understand how he felt about the subject: That it was in need of further, intelligent support by those in his field.

"Glimpses of Other Realities," by *Linda Moulton Howe*. Linda needs no introduction to the majority of our readers. If you saw her talk in November, 1992, then you saw about half of the material she presented at the Ozark Conference. She added some new slides of alien types and more pictures of mutilated cattle. But the big news she presented was on the on-going northeastern Alabama mutilations-UFOs-unmarked helicopter flap. Even as she was preparing to speak, she told us, she was getting news of happenings in that rural part of Alabama. Fortunately, law enforcement officials there are quite interested and supportive of her research. She told us that she is writing a new book *and* filming a new video, all while trying to move and also attend other UFO get togethers. One busy woman!

"UFOs, Underground Bases, and Abductions," by *Bill Hamilton*. Mr. Hamilton told us he became a UFO researcher because of his abduction experiences and not the other way around. He also introduced his friend, Pam, who described their experiences in the Nevada desert near the Little Al'e'Inn. It was a harrowing tale of UFOs, abductions, and the US government in the best tradition of stories coming out of that area of the country. He also showed videos of some of the not-secret but still fairly well hidden installations in that area, both from the air and on the ground.

The last event of Saturday the 3rd was a set of panels. The first was made up of six [or five?] experiencers, including Haley and "*Kathy Davis*" (aka Debbie Tomey, now, remarried, *Debbie Jordan*). These people told us about themselves and then answered audience questions. The next panel consisted of researchers John Mack, Forest Crawford, John Carpenter, Linda Howe, and Karla Turner. They also gave us some of their background and then passed around the microphone to answer audience questions.

Sunday morning and the wrap up events. The second of the two Russian videos was presented, and then Lou Farish and his assistants gave out the door prizes, hard-bound books about famous UFO cases; your newsletter staff did not win any of the prizes. The speakers panel discussion was then convened, with David Froning, George Wingfield, Forest Crawford, Leah Haley, and John Mack, moderated lightly by Lou Farish. Audience

members asked a variety of questions and all the speakers who wanted were able to comment. Your newsletter staff was interested to note that George Wingfield became the predominant voice on the panel, addressing everything from crop circles to metaphysical ideas.

Other observations

Your newsletter staff was pleased to meet and talk to people we had met only through the mails, like Erick Aggen, who edits the Missouri MUFON newsletter, and artist wife Gail Aggen, who expresses her abduction experiences through comical full-size paintings. We had a short conversation with Linda Howe, who remembered us and was happy that our group is putting out a newsletter now.

We also ate several meals with Don and Carol Ware, who had come up from their home in Florida to attend the Conference. It was nice to trade stories, theories and opinions with them. We caught a glimpse of the ever present Walt Andrus but didn't get to talk with him.

The Inn of the Ozarks was a beautiful place to stay and we would have liked to see more of Eureka Springs. The drawbacks in the trip were the fact that the weather was not good: it was gray and windy throughout most of our stay; the sun peaked out briefly Saturday afternoon, and then, on Sunday afternoon, it *snowed!*. This may explain why the only green vegetation we saw was the grass and the pine trees; the deciduous trees were holding back for better weather. Also, parking is difficult in Eureka Springs, but the town provides an inexpensive trolley ride with several routes; we didn't have time to try it.

--Debby Stark

FROM OUT OF THE BLUE!

Dear Carolyn:

I spoke to Richard this evening about a sighting I had heard about from someone in Amarillo who heard two airliners talking about a UFO that they observed slightly above them. They were reportedly at about 35,000 ft. This occurred last Tuesday, February 9, at about 2030 MST. Richard indicated he will be following up on it.

While talking, Richard indicated that your group just started a news letter recently. I made an offer, and Richard accepted, of trading news letters between our organizations. I've enclosed a copy of our most recent news letter for you. If you have any questions about the news letter, Judy Rydlun is the editor and would be happy to answer them for you.

I look forward to seeing your news letter and if

there's anything I can help you with, send me a letter or give me a call [during the day, Mondays and Tuesdays].

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NM MUFON News:

I love Deb Stark's letterhead drawing! Can we keep it or are you all planning seasonal letterheads with the little grays? (*What do you think, readers?--ed.*)

The proposed titles are quite good, but I guess NM MUFON News explains the newsletter's contents best. There is such a variety of news and not all of it is sightings or sky info.

Please start a 12-issue subscription commencing with issue #4. I enclose a check for \$12.

Mary H. Sodeman, Lubbock, TX

AN APPEAL FOR HELP

My name is Scott Colburn, Director of the Fortean Research Center in Lincoln, NE. I'm working on what appears to be an abduction case involving a local woman. She believes that she has been taken to an underground facility near a place she overheard called "Artesia." This underground facility was staffed by human military personnel and "alien" beings.

I've done some preiiminary research and concluded that the best fit to the physical description given by the woman is that area around Artesia, New Mexico.

I would like to ask for your assistance and any information you might have concerning this matter. I can be reached at (404) 421-1701 during the day. (*Or you can contact us and we will forward the information to Scott.--ed.*)



THE VIEW FROM HERE:

An On-going Column by NM MUFON Members

by David A. Crossley

Part 1

Carolyn Duce-Ashe asked me to address two questions that arose from material I presented at the February MUFON meeting. The questions pertain to crop circles and abductions. I must preface these remarks by expressing my unlimited disdain for "investigators" who have no firsthand experience in their subject. Armchair analysts deserve no credence whatsoever, and in both these areas *I have NO direct experience*. I have talked with only one abductee (who was obviously unreliable) and have never personally seen a crop circle. Therefore I will limit my comments to material I know first hand.

Q: *Are crop circles the result of military technology such as laser or microwave, or otherwise explainable as (possibly incidental) effects of man-made systems?*

Observations by a large number of sources confirm that during circle formation no heavy equipment is present. This rules out loitering air vehicles of all kinds, and leaves only very high altitude aircraft or satellites as possible equipment platforms. Unlike most UFO speculations, the microwave possibility has a clear answer: ABSOLUTELY NOT. A full discussion of the analysis is too long to present here (and would produce immediate drowsiness in the reader). But several important points are:

1) The edge of a crop circle is distinct and has no gradual decrease. No possible microwave system could produce this sharp a beam at a significant distance.

2) The target-designation accuracy required to draw a figure on the Earth's surface from very high altitude or orbit far exceeds any method existent or postulated. Atmospheric refraction and dispersion alone (among other effects) would preclude such precision.

A series of large satellites was launched from the Shuttle, one function of which was monitoring worldwide crop yields. I wrote the computer program which allowed control of the radar beam "footprint" on the Earth's surface. The mathematics used is highly relevant to this question, and shows that the definition required to draw a crop circle exceeds by several orders of magnitude that which is achievable.

Several recent "theories" are so utterly without merit that a randomly selected mental patient could have done better. Jean-Jacques Velasco's idea that the circles are the footprint of reflected beams from

high energy weapons is laughably insupportable and a serious rebuttal would have to include lessons in everything from basic physics to graphic arts. The "vortex theory" was a nice try when the only examples were actually circles, but atmospheric effects are clearly not candidates for the more complex figures.

Very large numbers of the circles (...all?) are probably frauds. Until a reliable, discriminating feature which clearly delineates between "real" and hoax circles is found (which at the moment even *The Cerologist* asserts has not been identified) no serious effort at explanation and investigation is meaningful. The long history of circular features in England, many of which have religious or metaphysical contexts, tends to confirm a very widespread and unexplained origin. My opinion (*OPINION!*) of the circles is based on the history of much earlier cases recorded at a time when little publicity was being generated. I think the incidence of hoaxes, say, ten years ago, was much lower because there was less press coverage and hence less "payoff" to the prankster. Note also that these earlier cases *predate* the high-energy technologies which are now being invoked to explain them.

(read Part II in the next issue)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The NM MUFON NEWS publication deadline for submitting ads, articles, clippings, cartoons, etc. is the *10th of the month*. Special arrangements and breaking news can be discussed with the editor.

2. Want to advertise? We are accepting advertisements. Currently, the rates are: Business card size (3.5"x2") only \$5 per month. Quarter page: \$10; Half page: \$20. Full page: \$40. Call Carolyn at 897-7075 for information or to place an ad.

3. NM MUFON member Teresa Taylor and her husband Mike have a new baby, Joshua Wayne, born on April 2, 1993. All are doing fine!

4. In UPCOMING ISSUES...

Taos hum updates.

More on NM UFO "Big Event".

More on Ozark UFO Conference and the TREAT V Conference.

Report on Isabelle Kingston Crop Circles lecture and workshop.

Synopsis of John Derr address on "Earth Lights and Water Effects".

5. Why were David Crossley and Peter Limone on radio recently?

A CHALLENGE TO SETI SPECIALISTS

by Stanton T. Friedman

(Editor's note: Friedman generously sent us this article and gave us permission to print it. Now seems like a good time to include it in the NM MUFON News as I feel this article functions as a balanced and reasonable response to Carl Sagan's Are They Coming For Us? [Parade, Sunday, March 7, 1993]. Thanks, Stan!) *(Producer's note: Due to the length of this article, we will publish further parts of it in the next several issues of your Newsletter.)*

I have been presenting an illustrated lecture, "Flying Saucers **ARE** Real," to college and professional groups since 1967. Overall, I have spoken at more than 600 colleges and to dozens of management clubs and other professional groups in all 50 states and in 9 of 10 Canadian Provinces as well as in foreign countries. I have also appeared on hundreds of radio and TV shows, responding to questions from thousands of callers, students, etc. Thus, I have been forced to think a great deal about questions relating to extraterrestrial intelligence.

Since I have worked as a nuclear physicist on a number of highly classified R&D programs involving fission and fusion rockets, nuclear airplanes, nuclear powerplants for space applications, etc., at such major corporations as GE, Westinghouse, General Motors, TRW, and have visited a total of 15 government archives, I have some idea of how security works and am certain that secrets can indeed be kept. I have also published more than 60 papers about flying saucers with references to published large-scale studies, facts, data, etc.

My major conclusions are as follows:

1. The evidence is overwhelming that **SOME FEW** so-called **UFOs are indeed alien spacecraft**. Most UFOs turn out to be IFOs (Identified Flying Objects) about which I care not at all.
2. **Some few people** within the US government **have known since at least 1947**, when two crashed saucers were recovered in New Mexico, that indeed **SOME UFOs are alien spacecraft**.
3. None of the arguments made against the first two conclusions nor against interstellar travel to/from nearby stars stands up under careful scrutiny.
4. Visits to Planet Earth coupled with the government cover up together make up the **biggest news story of the millennium**.

It is strange indeed that the major news media and many members of the scientific community have taken so strongly to the radiotelescope-based Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence (**SETI**) program as espoused by its charismatic leaders, but not

supported by any evidence whatsoever. In turn they seem to feel it necessary to attack the idea of alien visitors as though it was based on tabloid nonsense instead of solid data. Thus I challenge the SETI specialists to do their homework instead of making pronouncements, to recognize the overwhelming evidence and to face up to the consequence here and now of visits from other solar systems.

Here are my questions for the SETI Specialists:

1. **Why is it that SETI Specialists** make proclamations about how much energy it would take for interstellar travel when they have no professional competence in this area, no training, no good experience, no awareness of the relevant engineering literature, and apparently a total lack of awareness that the amount of energy is entirely dependent on the "how" and *cannot* be determined from basic physics? If one makes enough bad assumptions, as astronomers have repeatedly done down through history in their calculations concerning flight, of course the numbers come out ridiculous. But it is not necessary to limit oneself to one G acceleration, or to provide the energy for the entire trip at the start, or to use an utterly foolish trip profile (devised by a Harvard physics professor who has won a Nobel Prize) that involves accelerating at one G for half the trip, decelerating the second half, etc., etc., ad nauseum.

Cosmic freeloaders can be very helpful and has been used on all our deep-space probes. Remember that Dr. Campbell (an important astronomer in 1941) was off by a factor of 300,000,000 in his "scientific" calculation of the required initial launch weight or a chemical rocket able to get a man to the moon and back; that a great astronomer proved in the 1920s that it would be impossible to give anything sufficient energy to get it to orbital velocity; that Simon Newcomb proved, two months before the Wright brothers' first flights, that the only way man would ever fly would be via balloon. These very bright gentlemen made a host of utterly ridiculous assumptions and therefore came to absurd conclusions.

For example, Dr. Campbell assumed a single-stage chemical rocket launched straight up and limited to one G acceleration and carrying loads of propellant for use in the retrorocket supposedly required to slow it down when it returned to Earth. We use multistage rockets launched to the east, use a peak acceleration of many Gs, and use the Earth's atmosphere to slow down upon return. One also cannot build a pocket calculator with vacuum tubes, nor go faster than the speed of sound with a propeller-driven airplane... Technological progress almost invariably comes from doing things differently in an unpredictable fashion. The future is NOT an extrapolation of the past.

(continued next issue...)

IS IT TIME FOR A NEW SYNDROME?

We've all heard of the Missing Time Syndrome. You settle down in front of the TV early, prepared to watch the Big Game, only to realize you're low on beer and pretzels. So you hop in the car and zip down to the 7-11, stock up and head home. On the way back you notice a strange light pacing your car down the suburban street... The next thing you know you're pulling into your driveway and it's never before taken more than 3 hours to drive less than six blocks, you have a nose bleed, there's a triangle-shaped rash on your stomach, your socks don't match (odd, since you weren't wearing socks when you left the house), and you don't even *care* what the final score in the Big Game is!

And then there's the Time-Sure-Flies-When-You're-Having-Fun! Syndrome. This syndrome is experienced most often during that vacation of a lifetime, or, for example, during the MUFON 1992 Symposium held here in Albuquerque. Two-and-a-half days just wasn't enough time, was it? It sure was fun--where did the time all go?

A anti-subset of this particular syndrome is the "Are-we-having-fun-yet?" syndrome and manifests most often when the experiencer is deep in an event that he or she wishes were over--*now*, or, better yet, yesterday.

The syndrome I often find myself suffering from I call the "Acquired Time" Syndrome. One day, a Thursday, and I knew it was a Thursday, I was nonetheless convinced nearly all day long that it was Friday. I told myself otherwise several times but it still continued to *feel* like Friday until I went home, realizing at last that I still had one more day of the week to go in. I like my job, too, usually, so that wasn't the reason. Whose missing time had I acquired? They can have it back if they want.

A more negative subset of the "Acquired Time" Syndrome is the "What-do-you-mean-it's-only-1:00!-It-feels-like-4:30-at-least!" or "This-sure-has-been-a-long-week!" Syndrome. Again, for me, this one also mostly happens at work on a day when we're incredibly busy and I find myself continually looking at the clock.

What kind of unusual syndromes do you find yourself experiencing? Let us know! Perhaps we can devise some solutions.--Debby Stark

GLOBAL FAMILY MEETS HERE

The first meeting of the Albuquerque group of the Global Family (founded by Matthew Stenger) met at the home of Richard (community focalizer) and Maria Rowlette on March 24, 1993.

This international group meets to network and discuss information on Earth Changes; create a like-minded community or "family;" set up a cooperative and self-sufficient community; and hold meditation groups for healing the Earth (and all life on Earth). "Future visions," as described by Chet Snow in *Mass Dreams of The Future*, is a project which was also discussed as a possible group activity.

The evening was spent discussing group objectives, sharing insights and getting acquainted. "People interested in Earth Changes are on a sacred and powerful journey" was one of the sentiments expressed.

The meetings of Global Family are free. For more information call Richard or Maria Rowlette at 293-9543.

TREAT V MEETS IN SANTA FE

by Carolyn Duce-Ashe

(note: The following consists of excerpts taken from an article by Your Editor which will appear in the May issue [Vol. 8, No. 3, 1993] of UFO Magazine.)

TREAT V--Research the Anomalous was the fifth conference presented by the Center for Treatment and Research of Experienced Anomalous Trauma. Especially notable for their important addresses, their lively presence, and meaningful contributions throughout the conference were Dr. Laibow, MGen. A. N. (Bert) Stubblebine, Dr. John Alexander (Program Chair), Dr. Stephen A. Schwartz, Dr. Frank Mosca, and Dr. Sergie Kuzinov (a physicist, healer and UFO researcher from Leningrad).

The roster of about thirty guest speakers included Dr. Susan Powers, who spoke on research she has done on UFO abductees; Jack Houck, remote viewer of PK Party fame; and Dr. Melvin Morse, keynote speaker at the Saturday evening dinner, who outlined his research on Near Death Experiences and cited cases from his recent book *Transformed By the Light*.

The conference hosted several ki (qi) healers from Japan, and on view in the hall during the conference was a High Genki Machine which utilizes ki (qi) energy in healing and, according to Masato Nakagawa, it "works whether it is plugged in or not!"

Probably the most moving presentation of the conference for me was the Thursday night session with Brigitte Hanf and her autistic daughter, Eve Hanf-Enos. This young woman and her mother have developed a closeness through six years of therapy out of which parapsychological communication has emerged and is now occurring.

I can't speak for all fifty or so attenders, but the conference was for me a real TREAT.

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