Continued next page →

UFO

NEWSCLIPPING SERVICE

August 2009 - Number 481

Editor: David Marler

Co-Editor: J.D. Scarpellini Staff: Don & LaVonna Bertelsmann

P.O. Box 1001, Edwardsville, IL 62025

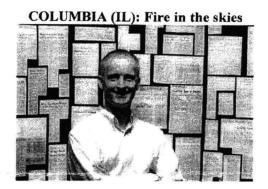
Celebrating 40 years of circulation 1969 - 2009

\$5.00

Email us at: ufo.news@hotmail.com



St. Louis Metropolitan Area and surrounding Missouri and Illinois counties



David Marler, a member of the Mutual UFO Network or MUFON, gave a presentation on unidentified flying objects Thursday night at the Columbia Public Library.

By Kevin Darr Tuesday, July 14, 2009

By day, David Marler drives around and sells medical equipment.

The slim, well-dressed Marler plays the part well, coming across as easygoing and professional.

But by night, Marler engages in his real passion: Picking away at the mysteries of Unidentified Flying Objects.

As a member of the Mutual UFO Network, Marler was at the Columbia Public Library Thursday night to present his findings and to give a crash course on the history of UFO sightings.

"I want to clarify before we start that I am not talking about extraterrestrial life but UFO's, which are simply what the name implies," Marler said. "Whether you believe in them or not, I am not here to persuade you, but hope you make up your own opinions."

Marler also said 90 percent of UFO sighting are misidentifications, whether that is a weather balloon or a planet. It is the remaining 10 percent that are MUFON's bread and butter.

"We take all these claims and go through a process of elimination to identify what the sighting could possibly be," Marler said.

These sightings have been prevalent in the 20th and 21st centuries, with 1897 seeing a wave of UFO reports in the Midwest. During World War II, Allied and Axis pilots reported seeing balls of light or metallic spheres dubbed "Foo Fighters."

In Memoriam Richard H. Hall 1930 - 2009

This continued through the 1947 sightings and the 1952 Washington, D.C. wave, where UFO's were seen flying in restricted airspace over the White House.

To illustrate the severity of some of these sightings, Marler had an episode of "Unsolved Mysteries" play relating to the 1989-1992 Belgian UFO wave.

The show re-enacted a scene where the Belgian Air Force took to the skies to hunt down these UFO's. Problem was, the blips on their radar changed altitude and speed so fast they couldn't lock-on to the targets.

While this didn't turn out to be a serious threat, an incident in 1967 at Minot Air Force Base in Minot, N.D., was a little stickier. Officials at the base reported seeing a UFO hovering near a missile silo and then disappearing. After the UFO left, personnel discovered that the missile was armed and unlocked in launch mode and the nuclear warhead was armed.

"While people may laugh at UFO's, I can assure you that the military was not laughing at this," Marler said.

And of course we can't forget the multiple sightings of a large UFO over Millstadt in the early morning of Jan. 5, 2000.

"During my ten years of investigating UFOs, I have never had a case like the one that occurred in the early morning hours of Jan. 5, 2000," Marler said in an article he wrote shortly after the incident. "The UFO incident involved multiple witnesses, which mainly consisted of police officers from a number of small Illinois towns. The officers were able to track the unknown object and maintain radio contact with each other during the event."

These incidents added together mark something of a peculiarity in the UFO field, as Marler said only 10 percent of the population is willing to report a UFO sighting.

"Most people don't want to be ridiculed and draw attention to themselves so they keep quiet," Marler said. "So really, there is so much stuff out there we don't even know about "

This last statistic did not fall on deaf ears, as Waterloo boys and audience members Zach Winter and Zach Barnes testified to a recent sighting, hoping to share their information with Marler.

The night of July 6, the boys, along with their parents, were driving home from mid-Illinois when they spotted something around Lincoln, Ill.

"It had red lights and a little light behind it," Winter said.

After digesting this, Marler seemed to be scanning his brain to remember the incident.

"I will check the reports and see if we had anything that night," Marler said.

Just another night for the Medical-MUFON Man.



Exciting sightings near Warrensburg, **MUFON leader says**

JACK 'MILES' VENTIMIGLIA Star-Journal Editor

Warrensburg - With descriptions that sound like a flying saucer mated to Transformers technology, the Missouri Mutual UFO Network reports three sightings of unidentified flying objects in Johnson County.

MUFON State Section Director Kay, Independence, reported Monday that sightings in St. Joseph, Kansas City, Independence, Sedalia and Warrensburg have increased in number from Dec. 31 to the present.

The two earliest sightings occurred on Missouri Route 13, between Warrensburg and Interstate 70, and another on U.S. 50 between Warrensburg and Kansas City.

One person making a report, Christina Cooper, Warrensburg, is a photographer who captured several images of what she witnessed, Kay said.

"She and her friend saw a large, circular craft with arms extending out to the side, that had eight lights around the perimeter and one light in the center, facing down. The exterior lights were spinning in a circle, but they could tell they were separate lights," Kay said. "The object was about 60 feet off the ground and approximately 60 to 80 feet from the road, so it was very close and

very large....
"She stopped the car and snapped a few pictures."

The woman and her friend, after taking the photos, did not wait around.

"They were afraid and they jumped back in the car and left,"

The women reported continuing their drive Dec. 31 into Kansas City, but to avoid Route 13, they took the alternative route, U.S. 50, back to Warrensburg around 12:30 a.m. Jan. 1, Kay said. The women spotted the same unusual object on U.S. 50, she said.
"They saw the same craft, only

this time it was landed on a farm field. ... This time they were too afraid to stop. They slowed down just a little bit to make sure **UFO SIGHTINGS IN COUNTY, 11**

UFO sightings within county not confirmed independently

they were seeing what they were seeing, and continued on. But while they were slowing down, and this is the really odd part, an orange fireball – about 3 feet in diameter and about 6 feet from the passenger side - flew by the car," Kay said.
"The weird thing is that I have had many reports since then, in the whole greater Kansas City area ... (of) orange or orange-ish-yellow fireballs."

Kay said Cooper's photos are under

"You can't really tell much from it. It just looks like a spinning light. You can't see structure in the photo. The originals are being analyzed by a photographic expert right now," she said.
In addition to those sightings, Kay

said, she received a call from a Johnson

who reported a UFO about 1:30 a.m.

"First he said he saw something, but then he changed his story, because, he said, 'I don't want anybody to know about this - what I saw.' ... His story is even more spectacular. He claims he saw a UFO come down ... and suck the water out of a stream, which is bizarre, and that was right outside of Warrensburg," Kay said.

The man did not want his name revealed, she said.

The Star-Journal could not reach Cooper for comment.

Whiteman Air Force Base can confirm nothing on radar, Kay said, without a Freedom of Information Act request. Getting answers to such requests could take years, she said.

MUFON skinny

David Marler, who gave a presentation at the Columbia Public Library Thursday night, is a member of the Mutual UFO Network, or MUFON. Here are some details on the group:

MUFON is an international scientific organization composed of people seriously interested in studying and researching UFO's.

MUFON was founded on May 31, 1969, as the Midwest UFO Network. The acronym was changed in to Mutual UFO Network in 1973 to better encompass its membership across the nation.

MUFON's Board of Consultants"?most of whom are Ph.D.'s or M.D.'s"?represent 50 areas of science, technology, medicine, psychiatry, psychology, etc.

Starting in 1970, MUFON has sponsored an Annual International UFO Symposium where world known scientists, engineers, university professors and authors lecture.

Anyone interested in helping is invited to join by submitting a membership application and appropriate dues for approval. Based on education and experience, members may serve in one or more of the following positions" consultant, state or provincial director, state section director, national director, foreign representative, research specialist, amateur radio operator, field investigator, translator, journal subscriber or student member.

Field Investigators are trained as volunteers who conduct research at their own expense and attempt to document sighting information in a thorough and unbiased manner.

A master file containing all submitted UFO sighting reports, arranged chronologically by state, province and country, is maintained at the MUFON International Headquarters.

MUFON also publishes a 24-page monthly magazine called the "MUFON UFO Journal." A subscription is included in the annual membership dues of \$45.

For more information on MUFON, log onto mufon.com.

Narrensburg, MO

Varrensburg Daily Star-Journal

UFO sighting verified?

By Fred Spriggs Webster County Citizen fred@webstercountycitizen.com

I wasn't the only person who saw a flying saucer in 1967 during the World Series.

A call from Bob McGill, who lives on Newton Road in Wright County, confirmed that he, too, witnessed the aerial phenomenon I wrote about in my June 17 column.

Bob's phone call started out with, "I'm glad I'm not the only one who saw it."

He explained that just like Johnny Pender and I were doing, he was sitting on his front porch listening to the Cardinals' battle the Boston Red Sox for the baseball crown.

"At first I thought I was looking at a star," he continued.

"You know how bright Venus is, well the 'star' I was watching was that bright."

The flying saucer Bob saw did similar aerial antics to the one I saw southwest of town.

"It kept moving up and down, back and forth," he explained.

The flying saucer Bob saw wasn't a single craft. "It ended up being three 'stars,' very bright," he added.

Our phone conversation ended with Bob telling me, "I'm just glad somebody else saw the same thing.

"We thought we were crazy." *****

Readers may recall that last summer I wrote about a couple of barred owls that had moved into the woods around our house. They weren't afraid of people and would sit and watch me, often only 10 feet away.

One time, one of the owls even perched on the roof above



our front door.

The same thing was happening at my neighbor's place at the head of our holler on the banks of Panther Creek.

Louie Sartin likes to sit on his back porch after working in his incredible garden in the summertime. He would sit there and the owl would walk right up to him and accept hotdogs or strips of raw bacon.

At the same time the owls were staying around our place, I began to find a lot of arrowheads, flint scrapers and other stone tools.

One reader who lives out on the Finley River near Hawkins Crossing north of Fordland wrote me, and said she and her husband had a similar experience with an owl ... at the same time they were digging up stone artifacts on their place.

She warned me that the owl was a companion to an Indian's spirit and that I should never sell any of the arrowheads I found or I'd end up with bad

File this under the "you're not going to believe this category," but the same thing is happening this summer around my place.

As soon as I started finding a bunch of arrowheads down by the wet-weather creek in front of our house, a couple of birds showed up.

They weren't barred owls this time, but a pair of large and very vocal hawks.

What's so strange these two hawks is that just like the owls, they aren't afraid of humans.

They are often standing around in the driveway in front of our house or perched in nearby trees, harvesting the bumper crop of bunny rabbits that have been born out in our vineyard this summer.

I'm not sure if these two hawks are companion spirits to any former residents of our property, but I've taken to heart what the lady who lives out on the Finley warned me.

I haven't sold one arrowhead, and I don't plan to.

After going through three floods at our place last spring and summer, wife Julie and I couldn't afford to have any more bad luck.

Watch next week's Citizen for an in-depth interview I recently conducted with Ken Storch, an investigator for the film team from The History Channel's program, "UFO Hunters."

Ken was in Rogersville visiting a friend and his wife whom he served with on the Aurora, Colo., police department. We spent about four hours chatting about Ken's experiences not only conducting investigations for UFO Hunters, but a broad range of other topics, too.

The interview covers what Ken believes happened at Roswell in 1947, how it happened and how it took him several years to finally believe that what he was investigating was real and not just tall tales from people who claimed they'd seen UFOs.

Ken's story covers the clandestine underground base at Dulce, N.M., on the Jicarilla Reservation, investigations of hundreds of cattle mutilations across the country with fellow investigator Bob Dalicandro. the disinformation campaign conducted by our government to hide the truth about UFOs. his encounters with the "men in black" and even what he and Bob thinks extraterrestrials eat and how that ties in to animal mutilations around the world.

I believe readers will not only be entertained by this news story, but they also will informed about what's happening in our skies from a source who looks at UFOs from the perspective of a lawenforcement officer with 31 years of investigative experi-

Saturday afternoon. family hosted a 75th birthday party for the Goss girls' family matron, Mary Lou.

On behalf of wife Julie and her sisters, Kelly, Linda and Stacey, as well as the rest of this huge family clan. I'd like to express our thanks to all her friends, neighbors and former classmates who helped Mary Lou celebrate the "diamond anniversary" of her birth.

Also, I'd like to encourage folks to consider our YMCA as an excellent venue for these types of celebrations and reunions.

The Jerry & Carol Kleier Community Room is an excellent location, with plenty of parking and easy access for older folks who can't navigate stairs and other obstacles like they used to.

Fred Spriggs is the Citizen's news editor. He can be reached at 417-935-2257, or via e-mail at fred@webstercountycitizen.

Seymour Webster County Citizen Seymour, MO July 1, 2009



UFO in Texas?

LIBERTY, Texas (AP) Federal and local authorities are trying to find the source of a "strange object" the pilot of a Continental Express plane reported flying about 150 feet beneath

his plane in southeast Texas.

Liberty County Sheriff's

Department Cpl. Hugh Bishop

said deputies looked for a possible launch or landing site for the item but had not found anything

"We are going to try and come up with a more definite track of this object and its path," sheriff's chief deputy Ken DeFoor said in a story for the Houston Chronicle. "We are trying to find out where it came from, where it went, and

who may be responsible for it." A spokeswoman for ExpressJet Airlines, which operates

Airlines, which operates Continental Express, told The Associated Press on Tuesday that ating procedures.

Kristy Nicholas says the pilot of the Embraer 145 told flight controllers that the "strange object" he saw never showed up on his radar Friday night. The pilot reported a "missile or rocket" flying near his airplane on Friday.

Nicholas says the plane, with 23 passengers and three crewmembers, had just passed 11,000 feet, going to 16,000 feet.

UFO cont. on page 3

2822 Houston's Bush Intercontinental Airport continued safely on to South Carolina and Greenville-Spartanburg
International Airport.

DeFoor said no one was injured and the pilot didn't have to take evasive action.

He said they were checking with the owners and presidents of local rocket

clubs to see if anyone had fired rockets. He did not know if anyone was in the area at the time.

DeFoor said a Continental Airlines pilot reported a similar incident in May 2008. He said it was roughly in the same area as Friday night's report.

"While we have no information to information to indicate there

mation to indicate there was a criminal act, we cer-

tainly do not rule anything out and certainly would no want to speculate on what it may or may not have been," FBI spokeswoman

Shauna Dunlap said.
The Federal Aviation
Administration did not
immediately return a call
from The Associated Press

MUFON officials to return to area in next few weeks

By Fred Spriggs Webster County Citizen fred@webstercountycitizen.com

It appears that some of the best evidence to date that animal mutations locally are being conducted by "bright lights in the sky" is now in the hands of investigators from the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON).

I got off the phone Friday morning excited after my conversation with Bob Dalicandro, who along with fellow MUFON investigator Ken Storch, have visited the local area several times, investigating cattle mutilations in Wright County.

A video tape has been provided to Storch and Dalicandro by a neighbor of Gayland Jones, a Norwood farmer I've written about who has been the victim of 26 mutilations to cows in his herd in the past 10 years, the most recent this past February, which was featured in one show on The History Channel's program, "UFO Hunters."

"It's the best video I've ever seen, and I've been doing mutilation investigations since 1984," Dalicandro said.

Dalicandro said the video was taken by a neighbor of Jones and is of high quality, showing strange aerial craft on four or five different occasions, with the dates on the tape actually matching the date of a cattle mutilation at Jones' farm.

"She used a tripod on the camera, so there is not any shake at all," Dalicandro said.

The two MUFON investigators have requested that I not release the name of the person who provided them the video.

Bob said that the video was taken about 12 miles from Jones' farm.

"The lights are so bright they almost look blue," he explained.

He said the quality of the video was so high that on one instance "you can see a red light go up into the craft, and it's so sharp that you can almost see the shape of the craft."

Dalicandro said that he was told by the woman that provided them the video that unfortunately, she missed one opportunity to capture the craft



hovering over her home.

"She told me that she and her granddaughter were swimming in their above-ground pool," Dalicandro said.

"The granddaughter said, 'Grandma, look up there,' and when she looked up, she saw a craft about twice the size of her house hovering over them," he continued.

Bob said the woman jumped out of the pool and ran into the house to grab her video camera.

"However, by the time she got back outside with the camera, the craft had flown off and was just going down into a valley below the tree line, so she missed the shot," he said.

Bob and Ken plan to return to the Ozarks in the next couple of weeks to continue their investigations into local cattle mutilations.

I've been promised a look at this exciting video evidence during their visit here — even before it's aired on T.V.

Dalicandro said that so much evidence is mounting that flying saucers are involved in cattle mutilations that "nobody should be ashamed anymore to say that they've seen a flying saucer."

He added, "We've finally reached the stage where the 'giggle factor' is almost over."

* * * * * *

Speaking of the giggle factor, I recently received an e-mail from Philip and Sharon Stone.

They wrote, "In light of your recent articles, I thought you might enjoy this e-mail my father sent me ... not to make light of what you have been writing about, though; we do not doubt any of your information.

Here's the aforementioned e-mail, and it's a side-splitter:

"It all makes perfect sense now ...

"The year is 1947.

"Some of you will recall that on July 8, 1947, a little over 60 years ago, witnesses claim that an unidentified flying object (UFO) with five aliens aboard crashed onto a sheep and mule ranch just outside Roswell, N.M.

"This is a well-known incident that many say has long been covered up by the U.S. Air Force and other federal agencies and organizations.

"However, what you may NOT know is that in the month of April 1948, nine months after that historic day, the following people were born:

"Albert A. Gore Jr., Hillary Rodham (Clinton), John F. Kerry, William J. Clinton, Howard Dean, Nancy Pelosi, Dianne Feinstein, Charles E. Schummer and Barbara Boxer.

"See what happens when aliens breed with sheep and jackasses?

"I certainly hope this bit of information clears up a lot of things for you.

"It did for me.

"No wonder they support the bill to help illegal aliens!"

I received another e-mail by a couple who asked to remain anonymous.

This e-mail told of a cow that was mutilated on their farm in the Niangua area 10 years ago, and they never told their story until now.

Here's the text of the e-mail:

"About 10 years ago on our farm northeast of Marshfield in the Niangua area, we had a cow mutilated.

"Her udder was cut out and her rear end cut out.

"She was lying in the position that cows take when resting, not stretched out like when a cow dies, although she was

"We never told anyone because we were concerned that it was witchcraft, and if we said anything there might have been more.

"We never had this occur again, but this did happen in Webster County.

"We no longer live on this farm, but this is an actual happening." During my interview with Ken Storch earlier this month, he told me that his estimates were that for every mutilated cow reported to law-enforcement officials, there were nine others that didn't get reported.

If that's true, animal mutilations are just like an iceberg — we're only seeing the tip of the problem!

I've following up several reports of strange lights in the sky and sightings of weird animals in the Cedar Gap area.

A college student told me that he and his girlfriend were parked out in Matney Holler a couple of weeks ago (just like in my youth, kids are still parking out by "Sh()t Creek."

He told me that they were sitting in the bed of his pickup truck looking up in the sky when they spotted a weird light "zigging" and "zagging" all over the southeast sky.

"Fred. there's no way this was an airplane or helicopter." he told me.

"This thing moved all over real fast, and I told my girlfriend. 'That's a UFO we're looking at'," he added.

Stay tuned for more strange happenings in the Cedar Gap area.

As I mentioned earlier, Bob and Ken plan a return trip to the local area in the next couple of weeks.

Don't be one of those nine out of 10 folks who fall under the umbrella of not reporting a cattle mutilation.

As I've stressed over and over, we'll keep your name anonymous, if you so request — and Ken and Bob are sane, sober and highly trained lawenforcement officers who treat these crimes as crimes ... not jokes.

As Bob said, the "giggle factor" is over.

Especially when we're talking about a serious matter like the loss of part of a cattle rancher's livelihood.

Fred Spriggs is the Citizen's news editor. He can be reached at 417-935-2257, or via e-mail at fred@webstercountycitizen. com.

Seymour Webster County Citizen
Seymour, MO
July 15, 2009

e aminer

Idaho UFO makes two 'crash-like' maneuvers; hovers low over field

July 3, 2009

There may be multiple witnesses to this June 30 UFO sighting, as reported from an Idaho witness who was driving and saw what he first thought was an airplane about to crash, according to witness testimony from the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) database.

"It was going so fast towards the ground and then stopped abruptly," the witness wrote.

The object then hovered momentarily, and took off into the sky again.

Then it moved at a high rate of speed toward the ground again as though it was going to crash, but stopped again.

The witness continued driving toward the object until the object was very close. The witness says the object on close inspection had a series of blue and white lights and was hovering 3 to 4 feet over a field, before flying right by the witness.

The witness also observed other vehicles had pulled over behind his vehicle and were watching the object as well.

Please keep in mind that most UFO reports can be explained as something natural or manmade. If Idaho MUFON Director Augustine Fawkes investigates and reports back on this case, I will update this page.

The following report is e unedited.

ID, June 30, 2009 - It was flying really fast, with really bright lights.

i was driving home from a friends house at about 11 pm on june 30th 09. i thought i was seeing an airplane about to crash into the ground 2 mins from me.

i was so scared because i thought it would blow up right there in front of me. it was going so fast twards the ground and then stopped abruptly.

it hovered for a second and took off really fast twards the left at a 45 degree angle.it was so strange so i started to pay attention.

then it looked like it was about to crash a second time, but didnt once again. about 1 min later i was driving right next to the thing. the lights were really really bright. big white lights and smaller blue ones in a pattern. [white, blue, white, blue and so on]. not like any aircraft i have seen.

it was hovering 3-4 feet over a field, then it took off past me right as i was driving by, there were a few people pulled over behind me so im sure they were watching it too.



Wilmington, NC

Oak Island visitors report UFO sighting

August 4, 2009

Oak Island | Two visitors from the Midwest claim they saw an unidentified flying object over the ocean July 28 at Oak Island.

Brothers Sam and Davis Williams of Kirkwood, Mo., were vacationing with their family at a rental property in the 6600 block of West Beach Drive. They say they spotted a lighted object over the water around dusk on July 28. The brothers were standing at different locations on the beach at the time, according to their mother, Wendy Williams, but their accounts were similar.

Sam Williams, 18, said the object had a single row of colored lights down its side. Davis Williams, 16, said the lights were red, white and blue. They said the object hovered and maneuvered for less than a minute, clearly visible in the twilight.

"It was horizontal, and then it was kind of vertical and then, just like that, it was gone," said Sam Williams. "I never saw anything like it before."

The family did not report the event, Wendy Williams said Tuesday, but searched the Internet in vain for any accounts of sightings in the Oak Island area.

No reports of unusual lights or sightings were phoned into the Oak Island police station, according to officers, and no sightings were reported at the Oak Island Coast Guard station.

– Ben Steelman

e aminer

July 22, 2009

Triangle UFO hovers low over Indiana field - five helicopters give chase

.The UFO Traffic Report for Friday, July 24, 2009, includes nine selected sightings over eight states, according to witness statements filed in the past 48 hours with the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) database.

Just outside of Uniontown, Pennsylvania, Fayette County, on July 10, 2009, there was a reported Bigfoot sighting. A team from the Pennsylvania Bigfoot Society investigated, including Stan Gordon, Eric Altman, Dave Dragosin, and Dave's wife Cindy. The witness was driving when she swerved to avoid hitting a figure in the roadway, and she soon realized it was a "strange creature." This piece of Pennsylvania has a long history in both UFO and Bigfoot creature sightings.



Denver, Colorado Aug. 6, 2009

UFOs no laughing matter for investigators

By John Moore john.moore@rmindependent.com

Chuck Zukowski was in the middle of discussing Colorado cattle mutilations when he paused.

The Colorado Springs UFO researcher had just recounted an investigation he conducted in March near Walsenburg in which a cow turned up dead with its udder missing and the animal's newborn calf was found nearby, unharmed.

"What kind of predator would go after an 1,100-pound cow and leave a calf?" he continued. "(The ranchers) bottle-fed the calf to keep it alive."

But the livestock owners, like many others Zukowski has met, were less willing to talk about the case publicly.

"The reason ranchers don't talk about (cattle mutilations) is the giggle factor (concerning UFOs)," he said. "And we all know about the giggle factor."

Several people in the audience nodded knowingly, and a few smiled faintly, but no one laughed. It was a moment that illustrates the no-nonsense — dare we say down-to-earth? — attitude that Zukowski and other UFO researchers who spoke Thursday at the 40th Annual International UFO Symposium in Denver bring to their work.

The lectures were meant to teach the audience of about 60 fellow researchers how to be better volunteer field investigators for the Fort Collinsbased Mutual UFO Network, a national nonprofit group that studies sightings of unidentified flying objects and is hosting the four-day conference at the Denver Marriott Tech Center. Topics the first day ran the spectrum from photo analysis and basic astronomy to evidence collection and interviewing techniques.

As one speaker put it, the presentations were designed to show <u>investigators</u> how to "discern the normal things from the abnormal things."

Granted, the speakers belong to an organization with "UFO" in the title and many of them said flatly that they believe extraterrestrials exist. But they also spoke passionately about not wanting an investigator's belief in flying saucers, or witness's belief, to lead a case anywhere that the evidence doesn't.

"The public is very good at observing things; they're not good with scientific things — we have to be the scientific people in this community," said Jan Harzan, MUFON's assistant state director for Southern California, who led a discussion about the organization's formal investigation process. "... There are about 5 percent of the cases where we really don't know what happened."

Keeping field investigators safe while gathering evidence was a recurring theme during the presentations. Swine flu has been added to the list of potential hazards that researchers working around livestock face in the field, said <u>Zukowski</u>, a computer chip designer who is also a volunteer El Paso County sheriff's deputy.

"You've got to be masked, you've got to be gloved—and they've got to be good gloves," he said. "You don't know what killed the animal—what if it's a virus? ... Do whatever it takes to see that sunrise tomorrow."

UFO investigators also face potential threats from hantavirus, wild animals and radiation even from human-made objects that might have fallen from orbit, the speakers said.

Many of those at the conference freely admitted another obstacle they face: The public doesn't always greet the topic of UFOs with the level of seriousness that they do. They said it can make witnesses reluctant to talk about what they <u>might have seen</u>.

"People are fearful because they see what the press does to people who report UFOs — they make a laughing stock out of them," Harzan said. "That is changing ... but that is still out there with a lot of people."

Famous UFO investigator <u>Stanton Friedman</u>, the symposium's keynote speaker, echoed Harzan's words in an interview with the RMI during a break at the conference. He said he is amazed by the number of people who will tell him they saw something strange but didn't report it.

"'They'd think I was some kind of a nut' is the most common answer," he said.

But Friedman, a former nuclear physicist who lives in Canada, said that the study of UFOs is in transition and that several things are coming together that could boost MUFON's work and the credibility of "ufologists."

He pointed to younger, Web-savvy leadership at MUFON; an increased potential for wealthy donors to step forward to begin paying the organization's volunteer investigators; and better technology for exploring space.

"(Astronomers have) discovered 350 planets outside of our solar system, and before, it was zero," he said. "... We're finding them because our ability to detect them has improved."

Friedman also pointed to the Internet and an increase in cable-television programs about UFOs that help investigators share their findings.

"The word is getting out in a lot of places," he said.
"Is it all true? No. But you aren't going to get the truth on a lot of subjects — not everything the newspapers report is true, either. ... But the climate is changing to get your message out."

Friedman, 75, said he hopes it all adds up to acknowledgment that flying saucers "are real" in his lifetime.

"Times are changing," he said, "and I hope I'm around to see it."

seMissourian

Cape Girardeau, MO

July 16, 2009

'UFO' might be space station, local man says

By Alexander Stephens ~ Southeast Missourian

The orange lights seen in the Southeast Missouri sky last week might not have been so strange after all.

Several people in the region reported seeing unusual, bright orange lights in the sky last Wednesday night. But amateur astronomer Edward Matott, of Poplar Bluff, Mo., said he thinks the light people saw was the International Space Station, which orbits the earth about 220 miles above its surface.

Matott has been tracking the location of the space station since it was launched in 1998. He uses Orbitron, a free computer program, to view its progress. He said he knew the space station was going to be visible over Southeast Missouri last Wednesday, and he watched with his neighbors as it flew across the sky from southeast to northwest at 8:57 p.m.

The International Space Station is visible to the naked eye under certain conditions. When the large solar panels of the space station catch the sunlight at the proper angle, the light is reflected toward the earth. The resulting light is most easily seen shortly after the sun sets and shortly before it rises.

"It gets pretty bright, and it'll be orange or reddishorange," Matott said.

The people who witnessed an orange light in the sky last week said it did not resemble a high altitude jet airplane, in part because of its speed. Matott said the International Space Station travels at about 17,500 miles per hour, whereas, a commercial jet flies at 500 to 600 miles per hour.

He said the observation of some witnesses that the light disappeared suddenly has several possible explanations. The space station can abruptly disappear from sight if it passes behind a cloud or it reaches a location where it is no longer reflecting sunlight at the appropriate angle, Matott said.

H.B. Rice, of Chaffee, Mo., reported seeing lights in the sky last week while sitting outside with four friends. He said Matott's explanation is possible, but he is left with some doubt because he saw a light twice. Rice said a white light flew northward at about 9 p.m., and 30 minutes later a similar, orange light came from the opposite direction, stopped and vanished.

Matott said his experience with astronomy, a hobby of his since the early 1970s, enables him to find explanations for unusual phenomena.

"Being an amateur astronomer, I'm aware of some things in the sky that other people aren't," he said.

Matott said he thinks Rice and his friends saw the

International Space Station at about 9 p.m. The second light could have been an airplane or helicopter that they associated with the first light, he said.

Cecil Haley saw a reddish-orange light streak across the sky in Bloomfield, Mo., last Wednesday. He said he thinks Matott's explanation is possible. But he did not rule out other possibilities.

"It could have been [the space station]. You know, I can't say it wasn't, I can't say it was," Haley said.

Matott said the International Space Station will be visible again in Southeast Missouri next week. He said it will be almost directly overhead at about 9:30 p.m. July 25 and again at about 8:45 p.m. July 27. The space shuttle Endeavor, launched Wednesday, is scheduled to be docked at the station from today to July 29, according to the NASA press kit for the mission. Matott said the addition of the shuttle will increase the brightness of the light reflected from the space station.

To track the International Space Station or find a schedule of sighting opportunities in the region, go to www11.jsc.nasa.gov/sightings.

astephens a semissourian.com

TRUE BELIEVER

Lifetime of study of UFOs honored

By Tyrel Linkhorn THE LIMA NEWS

LIMA, Ohio — After more than six decades, John P. Timmerman has developed a reputation among UFO believers as a premier researcher in the field.

"He knows everything there is to know. If you want to know anything about UFOs, John's the one to ask," said Mike Krick, president of the Lima Area UFO Research Associates.

Describing Timmerman as "a true gentleman, ufologist, and all-around good guy," the group honored him last month with several awards.

Timmerman, 85, began studying UFOs in 1947 and went on to be an investigator and treasurer for the Center for UFO Studies in Chicago. He built a traveling display of UFO information that was presented across the United States and as far away as China and Japan. The exhibit is in the UFO Museum in Roswell, N.M.

Timmerman suspects that governments around the world are working to hide evidence of UFOs, and that it's possible that all U.S. presidents since the 1940s have also been kept in the dark.

"I don't know how they're going to get out of this, but they'll have to one of these days," he said. "The world is going to have to know."

He and Krick admit that not everyone believes, but both said that people should look at the facts. "If people don't believe, you can talk till you're blue in the face, and they're not going to believe it until they see it," Timmerman said.

Columbus Dispatch Columbus, OH Aug. 3, 2009

Courtesy of John Fry



Camdenton, MO July 14, 2009

University professor describes encounter with sphere-shaped UFO in Missouri

A university law professor riding his motorcycle near Camdenton, Missouri, watched a sphere-shaped object "the size of a small house" floating 150 feet off of the ground, according to witness testimony from the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) database.

The witness first saw the object on the south side of the street over a commercial building. He said he became "transfixed" by the object and could not take his eyes off of it. "I kept wanting to pull my bike over to take a picture," the witness stated, "but was too amazed at the object that I didn't for some reason."

He described the object as reddish in color with a glow. The object then passed over him and hovered on the north side of the street.

The witness finally found a suitable place to pull off, and attempted to take a photo of the object - but it was gone. He said there were no obstructions or trees it could have been hiding behind.

Camdenton is in Camden County, population 2,770.

Please keep in mind that most UFO reports can be explained as something natural or manmade. If Missouri MUFON Director Debbie Ziegelmeyer investigates further and reports back on this case, I will update this page. The following report is unedited.

MO, July 8, 2009 - Large Red Glowing Spherical Object Moving Slowly About 150 Foot Above Ground Right in Front of Me, I was taking a motorcycle trip along Route 66 and I was riding my motorcycle to a fellow professor's cabin on Lake of the Ozarks Missouri to stay the night off the Route.

I got the directions wrong to his cabin and was heading West on Highway 54 at about 11:00 p.m. CST right on the outskirts of Camdenton Missouri when I noticed a large sphere on the left hand side of the highway above a commercial building (it was South).

I thought it was a large dealership type balloon at first, but it started moving very slowly across the highway in a zig zag style fashion.

I immediately slowed my motorcycle speed down to about 10 mph, as I was transfixed on the object and could not keep my eyes off of it. I thought it was maybe a hot air balloon ride as I got closer and thought it was amazing that they had hot air balloon rides so late and so low to the ground in the Ozark hills.

It was a spherical type object but was not static in shape...it was hard to identify what it was for some reason. I couldn't see any type of hot air balloon basket, but for some reason I felt as if I was being watched while riding on the bike.

I kept wanting to pull my bike over to take a picture, but was too amazed at the object that I didn't for some reason.

It was large (the size of a small house) and floating about 150 foot above the ground...it was reddish colored with a glow (I thought the glow was the fire for fire for the hot air balloon). It passed right over the top of me along the highway and was hovering along the right side of the highway (the North side).

I was trying to find a place to pull my motorcycle over so I could take a picture, but trees were getting in the way, but I could still see the object for another 10 to 15 seconds or so. I finally found an open spot with no trees to take the picture and within seconds of getting off my motorcycle, the object faded extremely fast heading in a 45 degree angle.

It was literally gone within a few seconds, but there were no obstructions or trees for it to dissappear behind

It couldn't have been a hot air balloon because of the exit speed and how low to the ground it was. It was definitely sphere-like. The whole experience lasted only a minute or two, but I have tried to rationalize what I saw almost every minute of the day since then (It was 6 days ago).

The professor's cabin who I was staying at knew what I had seen, as he had seen the exact same type of object hovering above Lake of the Ozarks 3 years ago in late fall 2006.

We are co-workers at a University...both professors...I am a Law professor and he is a Marketing professor. He told me that I could come forward with his information as well. Him and his wife both witnessed the object hovering above Lake of the Ozarks for about 5 minutes...they could not believe their eyes...and were also so transfixed that they didn't capture it on film. He informed me that he kicks himself all the time for not taking a picture or video, but for some reason he was so mesmerized he didn't move.

The fellow professor and his wife never told anyone but relatives in the past...but him and I have talked for hours in the past 6 days to try to rationalize what we saw, but there is no rational known explanation of the object, how it moved, it's size, shape, and aura around it.

I have never been an avid UFO follower and was not looking for a UFO...it found me...and I completely believe and now intend to spend my summers investigating this phenomenon (as a professor my summers are fairly free). I will help you in any way I can...I am 100% CERTAIN that I witnessed a UFO...as a lawyer and law professor I am very skeptical without evidence...but the evidence was literally about 150 feet right above in front of me...it was the most amazing thing I have ever witnessed in my life. I will remain anonymous for now, but if for proof or other purposes you may request me to come forward, I may at some later time. I also plan to get a tattoo of what I saw on my body...I do not have a photo, sketch or audio or video as of right now, but I intend to have one created for my tattoo.



FROM THE ARCHIVES

THE WEATHER

LIMA NEWS

HOME EDITION 14 PAGES

BY LOS ANGELES DEFENDERS

ANTI - AIRCRAFT **GUNS THUNDER** ALONG COAST

Slow-Moving Unidentified Object May Have Been Blimp Or Plane

ARMY REMAINS SILENT

Japs Arrested After Signal Lights Are Flashed From Pier At Venice

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 25—(AP)—No hombs were dropped and no planes were shot down during the anti-nireraft firing in the Los Angeles area carly today, the Western Defense Command announced.

"Gitles in the Los Angeles area were blacked out at 2:25 s. m. today on orders from the 4th intercepter command when unidentlied nireraft were reported in the area," the Western Defense Command said.

"Altho reports are conflicting and every effort is being minde to ascertain the facts, it is clear that no bombs were dropped and no planes were shot down."

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 26—(AP)

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 25—(AP)

Anti-niveral guns thundered over the metropolitan area early today for the first time in the way, but hours later what they were shooting at remained a military secret.

An unidentified object moving slowly down the coast from Santa Monien was variously reported as a balloon and an aiplane.

Some observers claimed to have seen two planes over Long Beach. Army intelligence, altho uncommunicative, scoffed at reports of civilian observers that as many as 200 planes were over the area.

Anti-aircraft guns fired round after round of annumition and tracer bullets at the object which moved slowly down the coast from Santa Monica and disappeared south of the Rich Signal itil oil fields.

Army officials declined to comment but speculation quickly arose that an enemy blimp might have passed over the area. This was based on the fact the object required pearly 30 minutes to travel some 20 or 25 miles—far slower than an airplane.

An official source which declined to be quoted directly told. The Associated Press that U. S., Army planes quickly went into action. However, just before dawn, another official said to be quoted directly twid. The Associated Press that U. S., Army planes quickly went into action. However, just before dawn, another official said unidentified planes.

No bombs were dropped.

The all clear sounded at 7:19 a. m. (10:19 a. m. EWT).

Police at Venice, 14 miles went on the coast, arrested three Jajanese for investigation of reports they were sending flashlight signals from the pier. Venice is just outside an area ordered evacuated of Japanese yesterday.

A newspaperman at San Pedro said airplanes passer over the Los Angeles-Long Beach harbor area. The craft were not identified. Altho some watchers said they probably were the U. S. 'Army's pursuits.

All of the action, clearly spotlighted for ground observers by 20 or 30 searchlights, was just a

(Continued On Page Four)

PAGE FOUR

ANTI - AIRCRAFT **GUNS THUNDER** ALONG COAST

Slow-Moving Unidentified Object May Have Been Blimp Or Plane

(Continued From Page One) few miles west of Los Angeles

(Continued From Page Une)

few miles west of Los Angeles proper.

Observers said the object appeared to be \$,000 feet or higher.

Firing, first heard shortly after 3 a. m., ceased suddenly at 3:30 a. m. after the object disappeared south of Signal Hill, at the cast edge of Long Beach. Anti-air-craft guns fired ateadily for two minute periods, were silent about 45 seconds, and continued that routine nearly half an hour.

All of southern California from the San Joaquin valley to the Mexican border was blacked out. Los Angeles doused its lights first, at 2:25 a. m. San Diego, just 17 miles from the border, did not receive its lights out order until 3:05 a. m.

Unofficial sources said Army officials at Riverside, 40 miles east of Los Angeles, ordered the blackout.

It came 32 hours after a submarine fired 25 shrappel shells at the Ethwood Tidelands oil field duing President Roosevelt's war address to the nation Monday night. Damage in that attack was negligible — about 5500 to an oil well engine housing and power lines. Cnij two of the shells secored hits; 23 fell harmlessly into pastures, foothills and the beach.

ENEMY SHOT AT OVER COAST



The stretch of California constline shown on this map saw enemy action twice within 36 hours. Los Angeles, Santa Monien, Long Beach and San Diego were blacked out early Wednesday when an unidentified aircraft, either blimp or plane, cruised slowly down the coast amid a barrage of anti-nircraft fire from coastal defenses. Monday night a Japanese submarine shelled an oil refluery further north, near Santa Barbara.

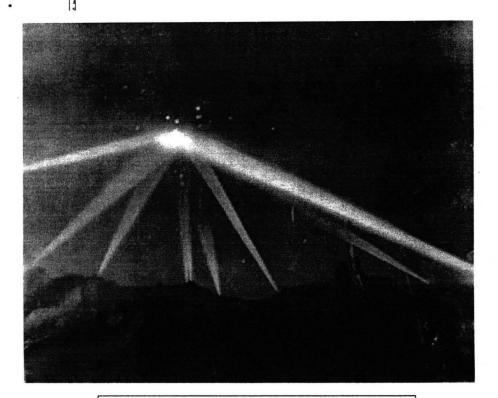


Photo from Los Angeles Times Feb. 26,1942



FOREIGN NEWS

British News Clippings are courtesy of TIMOTHY GOOD Spanish Translations courtesy JANE THOMAS GUMA





Pawns in a game: Gary McKinnon and mother Janis have fought for seven years to stop him being dragged off to the U.S.

In the name of compassion, Britain must reverse this shameful decision

Baily Mail COMMENT

EIGHT years ago, a solitary geek sat at his computer in his flat in North London. A sufferer of Asperger's syndrome (a mild form of autism), he was convinced that the U.S. Government was concealing evidence of aliens visiting Earth. So he tried to hack into its computers to prove his theory.

To his amazement, he found this remarkably easy to do; their security was, frankly, pathetic.

There was, as it happens, no evidence of ET. But then — in 2002 — the hacker was tracked down, and here is where an amusing saga turns sinister.

The mighty U.S. Government, in an excess of post-9/11 zeal, was determined to make an example of Gary McKinnon. They wanted him in an orange jumpsuit in a U.S. court and they wanted to throw the book at him. And our own Government — run by Tony Blair in his most George Bush-loving phase — wanted the Americans to be happy.

So rather than prosecute him in Britain, which would have been perfectly reasonable since he committed the offence here — as he airly confessed to investigators when they caught up with him — they agreed to have him extradited to the United States. This was despite the fact that the British

police admitted that they had more than sufficient evidence to prosecute McKinnon, as they have done with other computer hackers.

To get their hands on him, American officials invoked the new extradition treaty signed between the two countries after 9/11 and which was supposed to apply only to terrorists. Mr McKinnon, even by a stretch of the most fevered American imagination, is not a terrorist.

The Treaty allows America to demand that pretty much any British citizen can be plucked from this country and deposited in a U.S. courtroom with only the most cursory of evidence against them. But, astonishingly, it doesn't give Britain the same rights over U.S. passport holders. We have signed an agreement that puts our citizens at risk of arbitrary punishment while protecting theirs. So far, twice as many Britons have been sent to the U.S. as Americans have been brought to Britain.

Gary McKinnon admits that he broke the law and deserves to be punished for that. But it's impossible to understand why he should be dragged into the brutal U.S. court system, where he could face a sentence of 60 years in jail. And where his Asperger's would, according to one of Britain's most distinguished psychiatrists, make him a significant suicide risk.

The Mail believes that McKinnon has

significant suicide risk.

The Mail believes that McKinnon has behaved stupidly and possibly even criminally. He may even deserve to be jailed; the maximum sentence here is five years. But sending the eccentric, slightly dysfunctional young man to America would be totally disproportionate and an affront to natural justice. It is, frankly, beyond belief that the Home Office is still colluding with this wholly misguided and politically motivated attempt by America to crush a vulnerable man. With the departure of Tony Blair — now there's a real war criminal — and a new administration in charge in the U.S., Britain could change its position without damaging the its position without damaging the

Special Relationship. Our Government has the power to stop the extradition process now, simply by charging him here in Britain.

The new Home Secretary, Alan Johnson, who has already proved flexible enough to reconsider ID cards, should turn his attention to Gary McKinnon, and ask the CPS to reverse its decision not to prosecute him.

And the British Government should explain quietly but firmly to our American friends that this woefully one-sided extradition agreement will be promptly revoked if they ever again attempt to use it in a similar case. It was introduced to deal with terrorism and should be used only for that purpose.

It is sad that our closest ally should—out of what seems to be splenetic rage at the way its security service has been humiliated—behave with such heavy-handed arrogance. But that British ministers should aid and abet this persecution shames us as a nation.

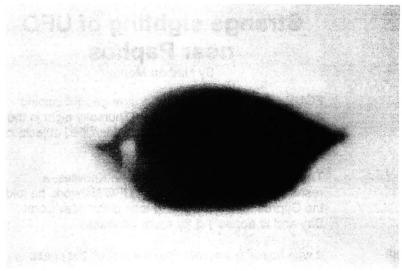
Gary McKinnon may be a wrongdoer, but he is also a British citizen—and a vulnerable one at that—who deserves the protection of his Government. In the name of both sanity and compassion, we call on Mr Johnson to think again.

ALLNEWSWEB

July 30, 2009

JAL UFO incident over Alaska: New evidence

Michael Cohen m.cohen@allnewsweb.com



One of the world most respected UFO researchers just sent me an email expressing amazement at how the UFO seen and filmed by many during the Chinese eclipse (Above still from footage and film below) looks almost identical to descriptions and sketches of the enormous UFO seen in 1986 by the crew of a Japanese Airlines flight over Alaska (Captains Terauchi's sketch and an artists impression can be seen below).

This event is regarded by many ufologists as the most credible sighting ever as the UFO was tracked on both ground and airborne radar, witnessed by experienced airline pilots, and confirmed by a FAA Division Chief (See UFO evidence for more details).

That UFO was said to have been at least four times the size of the plane, a Boeing 747. Could it be that the above image is not of a small probe but a giant UFO very far away?

Undoubtedly this image fits Captain Terauchi's Description of the craft as being 'walnut shaped'.

Interesting to note as well is the similarity between this craft and the UFO seen in the 'image of an Axthadan' drawn by an ex-insider and seen below.

It has long been my opinion that the UFO seen by the JAL crew was the same type UFO seen by Ezekiel of the Bible. The UFO whose terrible appearance had the prophet fall to the ground in fear and awe. I am fairly certain that it was this shape that led Ezekiel to write 'As for their rims they were awesome'. The craft that covered both Ezekiel's and Captain Terauchi's face with a warm glow. The mighty sight of an inter-galactic Axthadan spaceship that led even the heavens to roar 'Oh Wheel'.

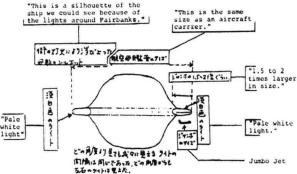


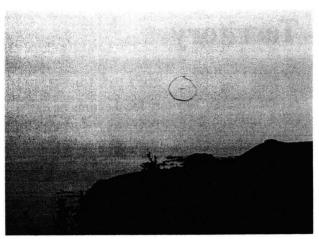
Figure 8: Capt. Terauchi's drawing, a month and a half after sighting, of "gigantic spaceship"

ALLNEWSWEB

July 11, 2009

Japan: UFO snapped by photographer

declared real by expert, photo



Michael Cohen m.cohen@allnewsweb.com

A photographer who took scenic shots on assignment for a Japanese hotel and tourism group last year noticed what appeared to be a fairly clear UFO in a number of the shots. Judging by the photos the UFO was moving on a sequential trajectory (Photo above).

The photographer, an employee of the Mutsumi Mori-Group showed a number of fellow workers the images. They all felt that it might show a flying saucer and encouraged the photographer to take the images to a local UFO expert.

The object was subsequently declared to be a UFO.

The image was captured in the Ise-Shima National park, a popular tourist region known for its natural beauty on Honshu Island.

The appearance of the object itself appears to be consistent with other images and descriptions of the small probe UFOs which are entering earth's atmosphere through specific UFO vortex exits in various locations across the globe.

Governments are currently monitoring these objects that have a tendency to be captured on digital cameras.

Source: Iseshima News





Northern Territory, Australia

Alan Ferguson videos UFOs in Northern Territory

August 11, 2009

A NORTHERN Territory local claims he has spotted UFOs flying in the Territory sky and has posted a video as evidence.

Alan Ferguson captured footage of a small black object flashing above his home in Acacia Hills, south of Darwin two weeks ago, reports *The Northern Territory News*.

The footage has been posted on his website UFO Territory.



Mystery object photographed in Perth skies

Mr Ferguson's video starts by showing nothing but a blue Northern Territory sky, but half-way through the footage a black object flashes on the left-hand side of the screen.

"What was that that just went past," Mr Ferguson says.

"Black, long skinny things just appear and then disappear."

Mr Ferguson, who claims The Territory is a UFO hotspot, created the website in partnership with Tourism Top End.

He hopes the sightings will bring curious visitors and hopes the state will become popular with UFO enthusiasts like Roswell in the US.

CYPRUS MAIL

Nicosia, Cyprus

July 14, 2009

Strange sighting of UFO near Paphos

By Nathan Morley

FOUR RESIDENTS spotted a strange light zipping across the coast off Paphos on Thursday night in the latest in a series of incidents of unidentified objects in our skies.

The UFO was clearly seen by John Knowles, a research specialist with Mutual UFO Network, he told the Cyprus Mail the sighting took place near Coral Bay and is appealing for more witnesses.

It was heading towards Paphos just off the coast, slow moving and a very bright fireball, so there may very well have been other witnesses."

"We had been watching the crescent moon set in Coral Bay. In the darkened skies, as we looked out to sea, an unknown object flying in a north-south direction crossed the sky in front of us. Altitude was about 300 feet, speed about 200 mph or less.

"The object that appeared like a fireball, extremely bright red-orange in colour, it maintained the same altitude as it passed to the south in the direction of Paphos."

Knowles added the object, which he saw at around 20.55pm on Thursday, finally vanished from the sky without trace.

His account was backed up by his next door neighbours, who also witnessed the bizarre sight and rushed to the phone to alert him.

Annie Davidson of Tala said: "I was out walking my dog and I saw a brilliant ball of light travelling very slowly close to the coastline. It was clearly visible for a while and then disappeared. I have never seen anything like it before."

On Monday, several sightings of five bright red lights hovering in the night sky near Cape Greco were observed. According to witness accounts, the lights moved creating several different shapes for around 8 minutes before disappearing.

Some suggest that Chinese lanterns could to be the most likely culprit, as they are often released into the skies at weddings and parties.

Recently Cyprus has been flooded with UFO reports from all parts of the island; last month a pilot approaching the illegal Tymbou airport in the north reported being followed by what he described as a "bright object which resembled a big man or a big garbage bag".

The UFO followed the aircraft until it landed and then disappeared.

Copyright © Cyprus Mail 2009

ALLNEWS WEB

Estonia

August 13, 2009



Estonia: UFO punches hole in cloud above turbines, photo

Michael Cohen m.cohen@allnewsweb.com

Photographer Avo Siim was taking pictures of wind turbines near the town of Virtsu on Estonia's western coast when he noticed a most unusual cloud formation overhead. Something was blowing a hole in the cloud from above and sending out pieces of the cloud in a spiral underneath it.

Mr Siim made sure to take shots of the formation and returned home. After developing the photos (above), to his astonishment, he noticed a UFO hovering above the turbines and just beneath the cloud at the very spot where the formation occurred.

'I did not see the UFO with my eyes so it must have been fast' noted Mr Siim.

UFO experts in Estonia have examined the photo and declared it genuine. They have also attested to Mr Siim's good character.

The story was picked up by 'Ohtuleht', Estonia's second most widely read daily newspaper.

This UFO event might be of interest to researchers looking for clues relating to Britain's recent wind turbine UFO event and the O'Hare International Airport sighting where a UFO was also reported to have punched a hole through a cloud.

Are aliens monitoring our attempts to repair the environment we have so destroyed prior to letting us loose on the galaxy?

ALLNEWSWEB

Sydney, Australia June 20, 2009

<u>Ukraine: UFO lands in village, multiple</u> wintesses

Reports of a UFO landing in a small rural village are filtering out from the Ukraine. Residents of the village of Brailov are insisting that they were woken up to an intensely bright white light in the middle of the night, earlier this month.

The residents, mostly farmers, are also claiming that electrical surges and a strange feeling of electrical currents passing through their bodies accompanied the light.

In the morning after the UFO event three unusual imprints consisting of 'wheels with wheels' arranged in triangular formation were seen on the ground of one of the resident's yards.

The witnesses included 82 year grandmother old Helena Ganzyuk, her daughter 56 year old Nadezhda Ganzyuk and 24 year old Helena Petrovskaya. After the event a number of residents, including some witnesses, became ill.

Symptoms of their illnesses included vomiting and high temperature. Emergency services were called in from Kiev and radioactivity was measured. Radioactivity levels were high but not extreme. Metal traces were identified and dirt samples removed for analysis.

The residents believe a UFO of extraterrestrial origin might have been responsible for the incident.

Source: Gazeta

ALLNEWSWEB

USA July 4, 2009

UFO seen by entire city of Chengdu, China

Michael Cohen m.cohen@allnewsweb.com

On Thursday July 2 at around 8.30pm thousands of residents of the Chinese city of Chengdu witnessed a UFO moving across the sky above their homes. This is being treated as a massive UFO event by Chinese news outlets.

Photos and a video have already surfaced.

Xinhua, China's government news agency, reported that thousands of residents ran from their homes, even in pyjamas, to see the bizarre and unexplainable craft. Many were subsequently seen debating the event for hours after the UFO disappeared.

The pulsating UFO was described by wintesses as being a luminous blue color that changed to red from time to time.

The head of the Chengdu Buddhist Association Mr Zhang Yang, who witnessed the UFO declared the object a 'Heavenly Body' and noted that it could not have been a Chinese lantern, weather balloon or kite.

All News Web recently exposed China's 'Area 51' as being in the Chengdu district. It is also believed that a crashed UFO was retrieved from the area in 1947, only days after the Roswell incident.

Many Chinese UFO researchers are therefore not surprised that a large number of sightings take place in the region on a yearly basis.

Sources: Xinhua Now



Chiloé - Chile

Sunday, January 18, 2009

Chiloé, where myth mixes with reality



A reasonable doubt arises whether there is really something going on in Chiloé or whether what used to be explained in the old ages with the Trauco, the Caleuche or the Pincoya, can actually be justified with UFOs and mythological animals like the chupacabras.

Many of the foreigners who visit the Archipelago refer to Chiloé as a mythological land of the Trauco and the Pincoya. That is the vision that the prestigious British tourism guide Lonely Planet presented at the time of explaining the qualities of the island territory a few months ago.

However, it would seem that the foreign definition will have to add other kinds of peculiarities in the province, because in the last months a series of strange phenomena outlined a new panorama.

Even the well-known Peruvian ufologist Sixto Paz, author of 12 books on the subject, dared to suggest to Diario La Estrella that the events ocurring in Chiloé may be happening because it is a base for extraterrestrials.

"This happened for energetic reasons, as well as due to a lesser population density that allows them to remain close to the islands and enjoy a secure area for their work", said the author of works such as "The extraterrestrial guides",

"Interdimensional Contact", "The secret threshold" and "Messengers from the cosmos".

CULTURE

Up to a few decades ago all the strange phenomena that happened in the islands were explained by means of the rich "chilote" mythology.

The Pincoya, the Trauco and the Caleuche were the most recurrent answers to solve the mysteries. However, as time went by, these answers were forgotten because the Archipelago was not excluded from globalization and the cultural penetration which has been changing the point of view of things through the media.

The UFO phenomenon and the chupacabras have reached them through TV and the internet, to be incorporated for good. In spite of this, the frequency with which these events take place is remarkable, they are now a constant in the province. In fact, on February 16, 2001, a chilote fisherman claimed having been abducted by extraterrestrial beings. "It's almost impossible for me to recall that afternoon when I got together with some friends. I don't like to remember it and tell anybody", he told Diario de Chiloé at that time, adding that "suddently a small light showed up over the treetops, turning more intense. I ran desperately but could not shake it. It got me".

Also, in the Quetalmahue sector, on January 1994, another strange phenomenon of the close encounter kind took place: an object was seen floating above some high tension poles. It was a spherical orange body that moved up and down in full sight of the locals who could not explain what was happening.



Chiloé, Chile

Sunday, January 18, 2009

Mysteries in Llau Llao and others keep causing controversies



The more and more frequent phenomena in the island territory lead to believe that there is really something going on in Chiloé.

In November, in Puntra, Ancud, merchant marine Alex Haro Brintrup was taking pictures of the scenery when he caught a strange object, something he realized a month later.

"We were going over some pictures with my son and he noticed that something appeared in one of them that looked strange", said the Ancud resident, who said that up until then he was "somewhat of a skeptic on this kind of subjects". Regarding this image, ufologist Erick Martínez, who took part in the investigation, said that "it

who took part in the investigation, said that "it clearly is a UFO, and it seems to be an oval, dark colored object".

The expert said results in this case may take several months. At the same time this investigation was underway, a photograph was being analyzed that was taken in the Chonchi bypass sector under construction in March 2008, captured by historian Felipe Montiel.

After the technical analyses by the experts and confirming that the image in the picture is clear, it was determined that the object that showed up had "clearly visible outlines and its shape is oval", for which reason this would be a new UFO.

EXPERT

To Felipe Montiel who is also a UFO researcher, "UFO sightings are quite a normal phenomenon that has been ocurring in Chiloé for quite some time, but people prefer not to make too many comments to avoid disqualifications, but there are many persons who can even draw them in detail".

The expert himself argued that it seems strange to him that "neither the authorities nor the Air Force reacted to such a frequent situation".

Another situation that caused controversy is the change in the sea bed in Llau Llao, in Castro. In that area it seems that the landing of a craft may have caused this change.

"Clearly something landed in that area, crushing everything", Felipe Montiel remarked, convinced of the alien intervention.

The expert himself stated his conviction that "this will continue in years to come until a contact with the extraterrestrials has been established".

Herald.ie

July 27 2009 Ireland

Is this a UFO flying over south Dublin?

By Lloyd Murphy



An unidentified flying object spotted last week in the Dublin sky was probably the planet Venus.

Yvonne Daly, from Windy Arbour, was sitting in her back garden at 6am on Thursday when a strange red object caught her attention in the sky, leaving her puzzled.

She said: "The sun was coming up, it was very bright. When I looked up to the sky a big red blob got my attention, it was like a jellyfish, I couldn't explain what it was.

"Luckily I had my mobile phone on me, so I took a picture of it."

Yvonne was baffled.

She said: "When I was in the hospital yesterday, I was showing the picture to everybody.

"They probably think I am mad, but they were fascinated by it too."

Gavin Byrne, a paranormal investigator in Dublin, said in most cases these sightings can be dismissed as cases of mistaken identity.

He said: "Chinese lanterns that are lit at weddings are a common occurrence of people mistaking them for unidentified objects."

There were similar recent reports of a UFO in Tallaght, but that turned out to be a Chinese lantern.

Having analysed Yvonne's picture, Gavin speculates that the object could have been the planet Venus.

He said: "As it was so bright and early in the morning, Venus can be seen when the sky is clear."

Gavin works for The Paranormal Investigation Guys. Their website can be found at: www.thepigs.org.



England

July 17, 2009

UFO sighting in Otterton

SCEPTICS who have dismissed the idea of UFO activity ever lurking in our skies may have to reconsider their belief after a fresh sighting - this time in Otterton.

A man called Spencer, from Hampshire, was on holiday in Ladrum Bay last week and noticed six bright orange lights moving at speed. He reported what he had seen on the Exmouth Journal website.

His report makes the third sighting in three months.

He said: "I spotted six very bright lights. They appeared over the course of five minutes and moved in a north-to-south direction at high speed over the channel and then faded.

"Five of the six followed exactly the same flight path.

They were flying above the prevailing cloud clove and at some point they faded slightly."

Plane-spotter Milos Balvim, of Maer Road, reported a similar sighting to Spencer earlier this month.

Mr Balvim said he saw an object with clusters of orange lights travelling towards the town at around 11.20pm on Thursday, July 2.

"It appeared to have moved from the Dawlish area and headed towards Exmouth, flying at one point as low as 150 metres above the ground."

The 61-year-old explained he had read reports of an object hovering in the skies over Sandy Bay beach in May, filmed from Devon Cliffs Holiday Park and posted on the internet site YouTube.

The sighting was rumoured to be an alien aircraft but was later dismissed as being a Chinese lantern.

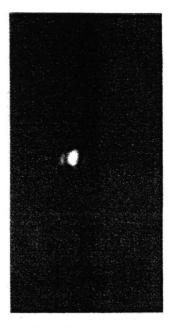
Mr Balvim, however, added: "It was definitely not a lantern. I am quite sceptical about those sorts of things because I am an ex-military officer.

"The shape was like a Rubik's cube and there was an array of light beaming out."

As well as Milos, unusual activity was spotted in the skies while sat in her garden last month.

Steve Bassett is a member of an organisation called Paradigm Research Group who are trying to lobby the Government to make the issue of UFOs discussed in Parliament.

Mr Bassett is planning a visit to East Devon with a view of holding a meeting to discuss the recent spate of sightings.



UFO sighting stirs interest from as far as Florida

Harrow Observer England July 2, 2009



■ GLIMMER: Is this an object from a far galaxy? Let us know what you think (see below) Contributed pictures

by Tom Parnell tom.parnell@trinitysouth.co.uk

A UFO has been caught on camera in broad daylight over Edgware.

Harrow Observer reader Mark Lawes, of Buckingham Road, snapped these shots of the mysterious aircraft last Tuesday (June 23) just after 7pm, after spotting it hovering for a number

of seconds.

After uploading his pictures to photograph sharing website Flickr, Mr Lawes wrote: "There were no clouds and a clear sky. A glint in the sky caught my eye.
"This object was so far away I had

trouble seeing it. I watched it for about two minutes and it remained in the same place throughout.
"I decided to run for the camera,

managed to locate it in the same place and focused the camera as well as pos-

and focused the camera as well as possible with a 150mm digital lens on a Olympus E500 SLR."

Mr Lawes is appealing for Harrow Observer readers to help him solve the mystery of the lights in the sky.

He wrote: "It was not a plane as I see plenty of them, living near Heathrow airport [15 miles away].

"This was strange, didn't move and the pictures now seem to mystify it more. I ran and got my binoculars and, within 10 seconds of turning my back, it was gone."

The unidentified flying object in Edgware follows the sighting in April of an unexplained craft over the skies of South Harrow.

of South Harrow.
Computer network engineer Ahmad Zaigham, of Reverend Close, who also posted his photographs to Flickr, said at the time: "The light coming from this thing is something I have never seen the like. I don't think any aircraft has a light like this.
"And moments after this shot

"And moments after this shot, the object seemed to quickly fade in light and travel above at high speed. I did not hear any loud sound but I did hear a whistle kind of sound.

Malcolm Brenner, a self-confessed 'amateur UFO investigator' from

Florida wants to get in contact with Mr Lawes to study the pictures for him-self.

He told the Observer: "Looking at

He told the Observer: "Looking at the small image of Mr Lawes' photo, I am intrigued by what I see.
"However, when I come across something genuinely mysterious which I cannot identify as either a natural or man-made phenomenon, an artefact or a deliberate fraud, I do not hesitate to say so."

hesitate to say so."
You can see the photos at www.flickr.com/photos/marklawes.

 Did you see the UFO or do you have an idea what it might have been? E-mail ianproctor@trinitysouth.co.uk.

'UFO flew over my home in the Cambridge Evening News

M LAURA JEAN MORRIS

A WOMAN was left awestruck after a "UFO" flew over her house.

Grace Robinson, 50, of Wheelers Way, Little Eversden, contacted the News to ask if anyone else had seen the blindingly bright white light that flew over her home on July 2 at about 11.20pm.

Mrs Robinson said: "I have a lung condition and haven't been out of the house much recently, but I'd just stepped out into the front garden for a bit of peace and quiet when this light suddenly appeared out of nowhere.

"I did think about going and grabbing my phone to get some pictures, but I didn't want to leave as I genuinely thought I was seeing a plane disaster in

"But it was when it went



UFO SPOTTER: Grace Robinson outside her bungalow.

Picture: David Johnson 573705.

over the roof of my bungalow I realised it wasn't trailing flames in any way it was just a bright white light silently moving across the sky, but at the speed you would expect an aircraft to move at.

"I had no idea whatsoever of what it could be and I'm really curious now.

"I know it was that time because a friend was supposed to be joining me and once I'd seen it I rang

her, because I needed to tell somebody.

"I tell you, my heart sank because I honestly thought I was going to be a witness to an air disaster.

"All I could see was that it was white and the only way I can describe it was seeing something, like on a film, going through the atmosphere and burning up. There was no sound, no tail on it, nothing. I was awestruck and I never

believed in UFOs but now I am not so sure."

Brian Lister, chairman of the Cambridge Astronomical Association, says he very much doubts it was a UFO

He said: "It is possible she saw the International Space Station with light reflecting off it. It was a clear night on Thursday and it is often possible to see it and it is much brighter than the stars.

"Another possible explanation is an iridium flare from a satellite which again is all to do with light reflecting off antennae on satellites creating a very bright flash of light.

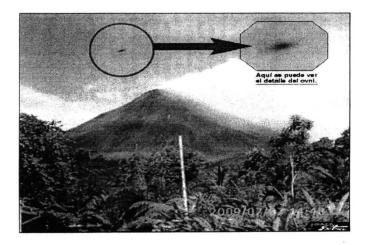
"The third possibility is an earthquake light - especially as there was an earthquake in the North Sea that night - where quartz in the ground reflects light which can range in colour from blue to orange.

> laura.morris @cambridge-news.co.uk

Inside Costa Rica

July 13, 2009

UFO's Visit Arenal Volcano



The activity of the Volcan Arenal during the past week or so has not only attracted national and foreign tourists to the La Fortuna de San Carlos, but also visitors from the outer

Reports of unidentified flying objects (UFO's) have been pouring, according to Ufologist, Edgar Picado, who is investigating the latest reports.

Picado insists that visits by extraterrestrials to the volcano are common and that the recent increase in reports is due to the increase interest in the volcano due to its recent activity.

ShortNews

Germany August 2, 2009

UFO's Sightings Reported in Russian Documents

Unexplained lights & objects have been seen at Lake Baikal in Russia the lake is well-known to be to have the greatest depth in the world. Back in 1982, military under water divers while on training at the lake claim they saw and pursued aliens.

It is claimed the aliens were clad in silver suits. On their attempts to catch the unusual visitors 3 out of the seven men got killed the remaining 4 were seriously hurt, all this is logged in records. Another incident occurred around Pacific Ocean.

Former officer Rear Admiral Yury Beketov, who encountered strange objects on a mission said, "It was like the objects defied the laws of physics. There's only one explanation: the creatures who built them far surpass us in development."

Paisley Daily Express Scotland

July 21, 2009

Stargazer spots UFO

by Kenneth Speirs

AN eagle-eyed believer yesterday told of a strange sighting of UFOs flying high in the sky above Paisley.

The 45-year-old Buddie was mystified when he spotted what appeared to be two unidentified flying objects as they soared over the town on Saturday night.

He was standing at the back door of his home in the Brodie Park area when he saw two orange-coloured shapes glowing in the sky.

The stargazer, who has asked not to be named, told the Paisley Daily Express: "At first, I thought they were fireworks but they just kept on coming towards Brodie Park, in the direction of Neilston Road.

"I was thinking that they might be shooting stars but they were in the sky for a good three or four minutes.

"They definitely weren't lights from an aircraft. We get quite a lot of helicopter traffic round here because the RAH is nearby, so I know what they look like. These lights were just different. It was weird."

The man said the objects, which he saw at around 10.45pm on Saturday, finally vanished from the sky without trace.

Yesterday, Strathclyde Police said they had received no reports of UFOs over Paisley on Saturday night.

However, this sighting is just one of many that have been made in the Paisley area over the past year.

During that time, there have been reports of separate UFO sightings in Elderslie and Renfrew.

And, in February, the Express told how a top UFO-spotting website detailed a sighting in Barrhead.

Brian Vike, a leading UFO expert, told the Express that such sightings are becoming more common in the Renfrewshire area.

And he urged Buddies to be on the alert amid suggestions that aliens could be keeping an eye on Paisley.

Brian, director of the HBCC UFO Research organisation, added: "In Renfrewshire, there are sightings being reported but, for each case, there may be many more UFO sightings not being reported for many reasons."

Almost 300 incidents involving UFOs were reported to the Ministry of Defence last year. That represents a massive increase compared to the 2007 total of just 135 sightings.

The reports included a mystery craft with green, red and white lights that was spotted hovering opposite the Houses of Parliament for abouthalf an hour on February 12, last year.

l Did you spot any mystery lights in the sky close to Brodie Park on Saturday night? If so call Kenneth Speirs on 0141 847 8633 or email pde@s-un.co.uk



Valparaiso, Chile

Tuesday, May 5, 2009

Bus drivers impressed by UFO



Luminous sphere changed colors in the sky

JUAN CARLOS ASTUYA R.

A surprising sighting attributed to an alleged unidentified flying object (UFO), is what several of the bus drivers of line 602 claimed having had in the Playa Ancha sector in Valparaiso where their terminal is.

According to what the amazed drivers said, it was a large luminous sphere that gave off different colored lights.

One of the main protagonists of the event was Romualdo Valdés Norambuena who said he recorded a video on his cell phone.

"When I arrived at the terminal at around 6 am, several coworkers and people in the area were looking at the strange light in the sky", he said. He said that "I can vouch it was not a balloon or aerostat. Should it have been, the strong wind at that time would have blown it away. Neither was

it a plane or chopper. It was a luminous sphere which suddenly gave off different colored lights".

STRANGE LIGHTS

Another coworker said that all the time, especially after sunset, in the sector towards the sea, they saw strange luminous objects that do not belong to any conventional craft.

"For instance, on Friday last week at around 8 pm, I saw a light appear in the sea like a big plate which approached the bay. After illuminating the area for a while, it disappeared. This is usual", he said, but preferred not to give his name.

UFO expert baffled by the case of the illuminated 'flying trampoline

utes. It was the size of a garden trampoline and had four bright orange lights underneath it. I was in total shock and petrified. "It stopped near my house hovered for about two min-

Mr

may say I am bonkers but I know what I saw."

"It certainly wasn't a helicop-

"As I was watching two simi-lar objects appeared and then they all shot off over towards

The sighting happened just before 11pm on June 7 and, according to the woman, she remembers seeing a similar object

"I rang my son and told him to look out of his window as he lives nearby and he saw the ob-

bris, satellites and numerous other normal mundane objects. "However, this could well be one of the five per cent which remains unexplained. I don't think beings from another world have but I am stuck for a rational explanation. This literally has me baffled," been visiting Hastings fident the sighting could be a brush with the unexplained. Robinson said he had

checked with Hastings Coast-guard to make sure no flares had been let off at the time and ruled out Chinese lanterns. the vast majority of sightings (as high as 95 per cent) can be explained away as having natural identifiable explanations from birds in flight, aircraft, wind de-He said: "I have researched UFOs for more than 30 years and wind de-

con-

in regular

about a month earlier. She has been in re

Strange Phenomena Investiga-tions, and the UFO hunter is con-

Anyone who has seen anything strange in the skies above Hastings should contact Mr Robinson on 07949 178835 or at

Hastings & St. Leonard's Observer une 26, England

her mobile phone, Mr Robinson is at a loss to explain what she had witnessed.

crafts hovered above A UFO expert has been left baf-fled by reports that three uniden-

tified

Hastings earlier this month.

home watching television and out of the window I saw what I thought was a plane on fire. I went to the window and it got closer and closer and I realised it had seen was a UFO. She said: "I was sitting at asked to remain anonymous said she was certain what she Speaking to the Observer, the 58-year-old woman – who has

Malcolm Robinson, who is considered a world authority on all things paranormal, got in touch with the Observer after he was contacted by a Hastings woman who said she had seen strange objects flying above her Beaconsfield Road home. interviewed her and footage captured on

A mysterious cylindrical object has been spotted in the skies above the Black Country.

Retired teacher Mike Tunnicliffe was left scratching his head after seeing the UFO from his Walsall garden yesterday afternoon.

Mr Tunnicliffe, who works part time at County Bridge Primary School, ran to get his camera and snapped the strange shaped object. He's hoping Express & Star readers might know what it is.

The 63-yeer-old of Sutton Road said: "It was a long shiny black cylinder shape, pointed at one end like a pencil.

A close-up of the UFO

A mysterious cylindrical object has been spotted in the skies above the Black Country was hailed as one of the most important pieces of evidence of alien life.

The image, which caused excitement among UFO boffins, was captured by a visitor to Dudley Castle and is the latest in a string of sightings in the region.

"I live close to the arboretum where there have been balloon festivation at the black of the most important pieces of evidence of alien life.

The image, which caused excitement among UFO boffins, was captured by a visitor to Dudley Castle and is the latest in a string of sightings in the region.

In 2007 there were reports of a Dorito-shaped flying object which was spotted in Dudley and Wednesfield.

The photograph was sent to a detective constable, Gary Heseltine, who collects sightings of UFOs.

A close-up of the UFO

A close-up of



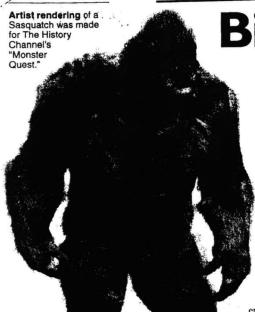


Express & Star Woolverhampton West Midlands, England June 29, 2009



DRTEANA NEWS

tay, July 8, 2009 • THE BONNEY LAKE AND SUMNER COURIER-HERALD



Bigfoot: Real or myth

Reports show creature roamed area forest

By DANNIE OLIVEAUX The Courier-Herald

Did Sasquatch once roam the forest near Bonney Lake, Lake Tapps and Sumner? According to the Bigfoot Field

Field Researchers Organization, the answer is

"yes."

The organization reported on its Web site that sightings of Sasquatch – commonly known as "Bigfoot" – have been documented since 1967 in Pierce County.

BFRO, based in Southern California, was founded in 1995 and is the oldest and agreet organization of its kind

largest organization of its kind

a virtual community of scientists, journalists and specialists from diverse backgrounds.

BFRO is widely considered as the lost credible and respected investi-

gative network involved in the study of Bigfoot.

According to BFRO, members see

According to BFRO, members seek to resolve the mystery surrounding the "Bigfoot phenomenon." BFRO said the large ape-like creatures are most often spotted in forested regions with abundant protein sources like deer and fish.

Bonney Lake Councilman David Bowen said he recalled many people discussing "Bigfoot" and some claimed to have heard something or perhaps caught a dimpse.

a glimpse.
"I owned an auto-wrecking yard and I remember hearing several people discuss or expound on the subject of Bigfoot," he

Bowen said his sister, Wilma Bennett, remembered a girl claiming she had seen the creature.

the creature.

Bowen said his older brother lived in Kapowsin at the time and borrowed a rifle to protect him and his wife if attacked by Bigfoot.

There have been several documents

sightings and reports, including Bonney Lake and Sumner, according to BFRO. In October 1975, two boys reported they saw two white creatures that smelled like skunks standing at the edge of the woods near Lakeridge Drive near Sumner. They estimated the creatures were 7-feet tall.

A couple reported to Bonney Lake

A couple reported to Bonney Lake police that someone was sneaking around close to their home in the south

around close to their home in the south end of Lake Tapps. The officer reported he found a 14-inch human-like track (left foot) close to the front porch.

Richard Noll, a BFRO investigator, contacted the couple and they told Noll strange activity began in the summer of 1975.

The couple told Noll they their daughter was driving home from work about 11 p.m. when she saw a pair of reddishlooking eyes – 7 or 8 feet high – in the middle of the road. When she got closer,

See Bigtoot, page A3

tay, July 8, 2009 • THE BONNEY LAKE AND SUMNER COURIER-HERALD • Section A, Page 3

Bigfoot

from page A1

the daughter reported a shadow going in front of her headlights.

She stated it went into the woods opposite her home and drove into her parent's driveway honking her horn and ran to the front door yelling in a frightened voice.

Late that night, the cou-

ple was awakened by a loud noise and large footprints were found at the north end of the couple's property. The daughter moved out a few days later.

A few days later, the

couples' sons were sleeping in their backyard in a tent when they heard their dog barking frantically.

Days later, the dog was

found beaten to death in the driveway and was bloodied across the nose and chest.

On Oct. 12, 1975, a woman reported she heard something heavy running across the roof where she was babysitting.

The next day, the couple found two ducks dead.

Two days later, another of the couples' daughters heard footsteps and animals screams. Police found a footprint that was 16 inches long and 7 inches wide with five toes 2 inches long. The BFRO Web site shows

Washington with the most sightings at 465, followed by California (411) and Oregon (211), along with British Columbia with 112 reported. The most recent report in the state was March on Camano Island.

One of the earliest reported encounters reported in the state with Bigfoot was in 1924, when a five miners reported they were attacked by several "apenien" near Mount St. Helens. The most famous evi-

dence of Bigfoot is a 58-sec-ond film by Roger Patterson and Robert Gimlin in 1967

in Bluff Creek, Calif. Since the first visual evidence of Bigfoot, there have been books, movies, comic books and documentaries produced.

For more information on Bigfoot sightings, visit www.

bfro.net.

To comment on this story view it online at www.blscou-rierherald. Reach Dannie Oliveaux at doliveaux@courierherald.com or 360-802-

Former Yakima man details sighting of bigfoot for TV

By KIM NOWACKI YAKIMA HERALD-REPUBLIC

Jim Hebert, a longtime insurance agent in Wenatchee who grew up in Yakima, waited three or four years before he told anyone about his bigfoot sighting while on vacation in Yellowstone National Park in 1994.

Wednesday, though, the 59year-old Hebert shared his tale on the History Channel show "MonsterQuest."

The program, which has featured episodes on the chupacabra, Loch Ness monster and giant squids, aims to "examine all the evidence available, from pictures and video to hair and bones, as well as the eyewitness accounts themselves," according to the show's Web site.

Hebert said that while he was driving through Yellowstone, he looked over into a clearing below a wooded hillside and saw a "black hairy thing about 8 feet tall, he recalled during a phone call Wednesday evening.

Earlier this year, a crew from "MonsterQuest" flew to Wenatchee and had Hebert re-enact his experience in a similar-looking area at Chumstick Canyon in Leavenworth.

"There's no question I saw it," Hebert said about what happened 15 years ago, emphasizing that the image was blazed into his brain.

Nobody can shake me," said

Yakima Herald-Republic Yakima, WA July 9, 2009

Book explores legend of Bigfoot in Hoopa

Former police investigator and author David Paulides has published two books recently on Bigfoot, "The Hoopa Project: Bigfoot Encounters in California" and the just released "Tribal Bigfoot." **Above**, Bigfoot appears in one of the sketches by forensic artist Harvey Pratt that accompa-nies the text in the first book. That publication details reported sight-ings of the legendary creature, including a number by Siskiyou County residents. Paulides interviewed numerous individuals who claim to have seen or otherwise had an encounter with Bigfoot. Paulides' books are available through publisher Hancock House's crytozoology series, at www.han-cockhouse.com. Paulides can be contacted by email at dpaulides@yahoo.com.



Siskiyou Daily News Yreka, CA July 16, 2009

Daily Telegraph England July, 11, 2009

legend of Bigfoot

John Keel

UFO observer who also chronicled other paranormal phenomena such as the Mothman and Men in Black

JOHN KEEL, who died on July 3 aged 79, was a prominent American ufologist (an observer and chronicler of UFOs — unidentified flying objects) and the author of *The Mothman Prophecies* (1975), a book about paranormal phenomena which was made into a successful film starring Richard Gere.

One of ufology's most widely read and influential authors, Keel became an original and controversial researcher, and is credited with coining the term MIB (Men in Black), sinister and threatening entities who assume human form to confront ufologists and UFO witnesses.

Of particular importance was Keel's analysis of patterns. His work on "windows" (specific hot spots of combined phenomenal appearances). "waves" (cyclic appearances of the phenomena) and the "Wednesday phenomenon" (the theory that a disproportionate number of UFO events occur on that day of the week) influenced scholars and followers of the genre alike.

In his much-acclaimed second book, UFOs: Operation Trojan Horse (1970), Keel suggested that many aspects of modern UFO reports, including humanoid encounters, often paralleled ancient folklore and religious visions, and directly linked UFOs with elemental phenomena.

"Ufology is just another name for demonology," Keel explained, and claimed that he did not consider himself a "ufologist" but a "demonologist"; as an early admirer of Charles Fort (1874-1932) he actually preferred to be called a Fortean, which covers a wide range of paranormal subjects.

The Mothman Prophecies was Keel's account of his investigation into sightings in West Virginia of a huge, winged creature called the Mothman. Loosely adapted into a 2002 film starring Gere and Alan Bates, who played two parts of Keel's personality, the book explored the





Keel with a picture of a UFO. He also investigated sightings of the red-eyed Mothman, as typically illustrated above

problems facing a UFO investigator when he becomes personally caught up in the unfolding of paranormal events.

The Mothman – so named by an excitable newspaper subeditor – was reportedly first encountered in November 1966, and again, repeatedly, the following year. Sightings dwindled following the collapse of a nearby bridge during the evening rush-hour in December 1967, in which 45 people were killed; the red-eyed apparition is popularly believed to presage or even cause disasters.

As well as producing novels such as The Flying Finger of Fate (1966), Keel began writing articles for Flying Saucer Review, a British-based publication which claims to number the Duke of Edinburgh among its readers.

Also in 1966, Keel became a fulltime investigator of assorted paranormal phenomena, and for the next four years interviewed thousands of people in more than 20 American states. At first he sought to explain UFOs as extraterrestrial visitations. But a year into his investigations, Keel realised that this hypothesis was untenable.

"I abandoned the extraterrestrial hypothesis in 1967, when my own field investigations disclosed an astonishing overlap between psychic phenomena and UFOs," Keel wrote. "The objects and apparitions do not necessarily originate on another planet and may not even exist as permanent constructions of matter. It is more likely that we see what we want to see and interpret such visions according to our contemporary beliefs."

After investigating incidents of paranormal telephony – spirits supposedly communicating electronically – Keel found his phone calls being mysteriously rerouted to another number, one digit different to his own. Oddly, the person answering claimed also to be called John Keel; odder still, the voice of the doppelgänger sounded remarkably similar to Keel's own.

John Alva Keel was born Alva John Kiehle on March 25 1930 at Hornell, New York State, the son of a small-

time bandleader. His parents split up when he was very young, and he was brought up by his grandparents until his mother remarried. Fascinated by magic from an early age (his friends called him Houdini), he had his first story published in a magicians' magazine when he was 12.

Having become a columnist with a local newspaper when he was 14. Keel started to make a living writing pulp articles ("Are You A Repressed Sex Fiend?" was a typical title), became a scriptwriter for radio and television, and a freelance contributor to newspapers.

Drafted into the WS papers.

Drafted into the US Army during the Korean War, Keel served in Frankfurt on the staff of the American Forces' Network. After leaving the military he worked as a foreign radio correspondent in Paris, Berlin, Rome and Egypt, but when he was 24 he resigned and blew his savings on a four-year odyssey around the Middle East and southeast Asia.

The result was his first published book, *Jadoo* (1957), an account of his journey to India to investigate the activities of fakirs and holy men who perform the Indian rope trick and survive being buried alive. He also recounted tracking a yeti (the Abominable Snowman).

Keel first identified the so-called "Men in Black" in an article for Saga magazine in 1967 headed "UFO Agents of Terror". He described sinister figures of gaunt, evil aspect, often with oriental or Hispanic features, a phenomenon he noticed again in January 1969 during President Nixon's first inauguration.

"I was very interested to notice three men in black suits looking very much like our classical men-in-black sitting together a few rows from the front, right behind Nixon when be gave his inaugural address," Keel wrote. "Every time the television cameras shot Nixon from a particular angle, I could see these three men. They seemed out of place. Of course they could have been ambassadors from Vietnam or something.

"I wondered afterward if my imagination had been running away from me. I got a hold of all the magazines I could find with pictures of the inauguration; and I went over them with a magnifying glass; but I could not find those three guys. Yet I had seen them very clearly on television."

In Our Haunted Planet (1971), Keel coined the term "ultraterrestrials" to describe UFO occupants. He discussed the seldom-considered possibility that the alien "visitors" to Earth are not visitors at all, but an advanced terrestrial civilisation, consisting of shape-changing phenomena from another order of existence, which may or may not be human.

Keel, considered a creative and proactive investigator of UFOs, believed ultraterrestrials and their minions could manifest themselves as monsters, space people, ghosts or other paranormal entities. He reasoned there were two kinds: "good and bad guys".