

# UFOs ON THE RISE

## Reported sightings increase

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BREWSTER N.Y. — More multiple sightings of unidentified flying objects than ever before have been reported in the northeast during the past year and a half, a UFO field investigator says.

At a conference yesterday, about 500 persons gathered to see exhibits and learn more about the phenomenon.

The conference organizers, Peekskill attorney Peter Gersten and UFO field investigator Philip Imbrogno, said sightings

from March 1983 to last month in southwestern Connecticut and Westchester, Putnam, and Dutchess Counties in New York constituted the most frequent multiple viewings ever of UFOs.

"In one case we had 24 calls from people at the same time in different counties," said Imbrogno, a science teacher who investigates UFOs for the Center for UFO Stu-

dies in Evanston, Ill.

The latest sightings were June 11, July 12, 24 and 26. Imbrogno estimated that between June 11 and July 12 between 6,000 and 7,000 people may have seen UFOs in a single 1,400 square mile area.

"In the entire history of UFO sightings since 1947, I've never seen a series of sightings of this magnitude," Imbrogno said.

Imbrogno said po-

lice in the Town of New Castle in Westchester saw the object June 11.

A New Castle officer who asked that his name not be used confirmed four officers saw the object, as did 15 people at a board meeting.

The Air Force said it stopped investigating UFOs in 1969, when it concluded they had no substance and curtailed its study, Project Bluebook.

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