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Book lists everything on UFOs

CHICAGO -- George Eberhart has never seen a flying saucer, but after compiling a list of more than 15,600 books and reports about UFOs he's pretty sure there is something to the stories.

"That there is some phenomenon out there which behaves at odds with what we consider reality seems pretty well established from the evidence I have seen," he said Friday.

Eberhart is an editor for an American Library Association magazine in Chicago, but he volunteers his time to serve as librarian for the J. Allen Hynek Center for UFO Studies in suburban Glenview.

Eberhart's two-volume, 1,300-page work, "UFOs and the Extraterrestrial Contact Movement: A Bibliography," lists titles of books, articles, records, tapes and unpublished works on unidentified flying objects, or UFOs.

Eberhart said his interest in the field, and his own collection of publications, does not mean he is eccentric.

"I collect it not because I believe it's all true, but because it's very important," he said.

He agrees that some of the material he listed is far-fetched, such as a book called "UFOs: Nazi Secret Weapon?" It says Adolph Hitler and other Nazis escaped from Germany in 1945 and have survived in a colony at the South Pole, their base for an air force of flying saucers.

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