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PASU stated that "animals showed unusual reactions to the presence of the creature, something which has shown up many times over the years. Many of the Bigfoot sightings occurred along the Chestnut Ridge area from Latrobe to New Derry. Bigfoot sightings are reported yearly in Pennsylvania."

"UFO sightings of an unexplained nature were sporadically reported since the start of the year," the report continued. "But with the start of August, a major wave of unexplained UFO activity began, and this wave of sightings involved very large structured objects seen close to the ground."

"In some cases, physical evidence or physiological effects were also reported by the nearby

with multiple lights.

The object was said to move from the west over high tension power lines towards a wooded area behind an apartment complex along Route 30. It was reported to move slowly horizontally, then turned to a vertical position before going out of sight behind trees.

"A short time later it was seen again, but horizontal," the report stated. "At the same time the object was in this vicinity and close to the nearby power substation. The power in the local area went on and off for several seconds."

Another report included that of a 40-year-old woman from South Greensburg, who said she saw an unusual flying object at 9:15 p.m. Sept. 25. As she was taking out the garbage, she reported that the

This woman had been a skeptic until that experience.

PASU is composed of research specialists, including scientists, medical doctors, engineers and technicians. The group was founded in 1981 by Stan Gordon, a Greensburg electronics technician who has been investigating unexplained incidents for over 28 years.

Gordon, who has never seen a UFO, but has investigated thousands of reports, says that some UFO cases reported by responsible observers "and having associated physical evidence, can't be easily dismissed and deserve serious study to find out what these sightings might represent."

Most sightings reported to PASU are found to be explainable when investigated. The majority of the sightings reported in 1987 were alleged UFO observations, although reported viewings of Bigfoot, mountain lions and other strange animals occurred, as well as unusual underground rumblings, fireballs, unexplained sounds, disappearances and unusual killings of farm animals, and giant footprints found in the ground.

PASU keeps a statewide historical file on these events. Unexplained cases are passed on to other reliable research organizations for comparative study.

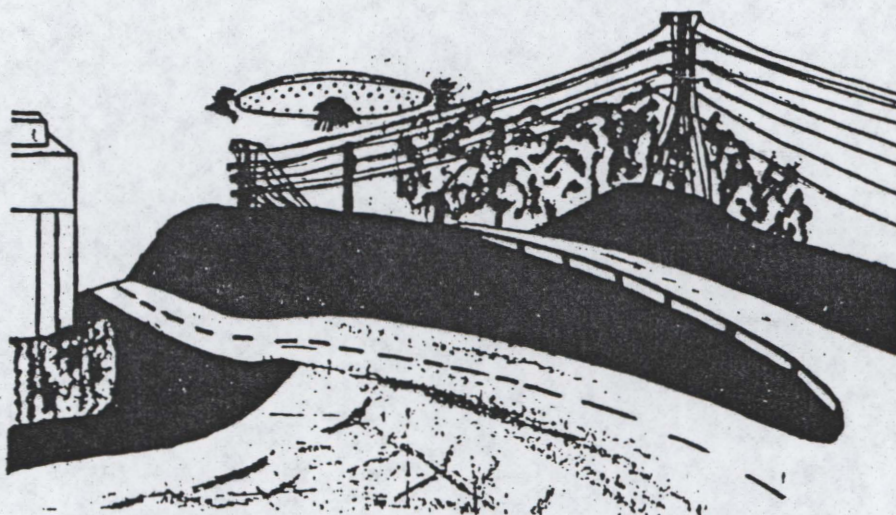
Identities of witnesses are kept confidential, which is done to encourage those who have such encounters to report the incident without fear of ridicule. Important current cases are passed on to other researchers throughout the country via a computer network. Statewide cases are filed in a computer program to provide easy access for research purposes.

In cases where physical evidence is found, samples are taken for further study. Field investigators and the PRT (Phenomena Response Team) will respond to an important case at any hour, to assist in obtaining physical evidence associated with the cases.

To obtain information on PASU or to report a strange occurrence, call 838-7768 or write to Gordon, director, at 6 Oakbill Ave., Greensburg.

PASU officers for 1988 are Stan Gordon, director of operations; Steve Pelles, assistant director; and George E. Lutz, director of information.

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Sketch By Bob McCurry Shows UFO Near Greengate According To Greensburg Group

UFO Sightings, Other Strange Events Noted

Reports of UFO sightings and other strange occurrences numbered several hundred for 1987 for a Greensburg-based group which investigates such phenomena.

Pennsylvania Association for the Study of the Unexplained (PASU) reported that such incidents occurred in 22 counties in the state, including a number in Westmoreland's Greensburg, Derry and Latrobe areas.

"From January through July, a number of different people reported seeing Bigfoot," PASU's year-end wrap-up stated. The creature was described as standing from seven to nine feet tall, with long dark hair, no neck, long arms hanging below the knees, and sometimes with a strong rotten egg smell.

observers. On August 8 near Tylersburg in Clarion County, two people watched as a rod shaped object that was flashing like arc welding rose slowly up from the ground about 150 feet away.

"The object physically began to change form into a 20-foot diameter orange egg-shaped object with multiple lights around it. The object moved very low over the top of the trees, then moved over an open field where it hovered, before ascending straight up into the sky and disappearing in a matter of seconds."

A Sept. 3 sighting was reported at Greengate Mall, Hempfield Township, when four witnesses, including police officers, watched what was estimated as a 300-foot long metallic cigar-shaped object

whole area around her turned to daylight.

She looked up and saw a black circular object, about 40 feet in diameter, with bright individual white lights turning clockwise and flashing like a strobe light around its edges.

She said she was not able to move or call out while being "held in the light from the object" which was about 50 feet above her. When her mother came out to see where she was she saw the object.

It turned on edge, slowly moved over a tree towards the east. After the sighting, both women reported experiencing severe headaches, and one woman had other medical problems which may be caused by microwave exposure, an occurrence that has been reported in other close encounters with UFOs.

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This sketch done by Bob McCurry shows the west side of Greengate Mall as object seen on 9/7