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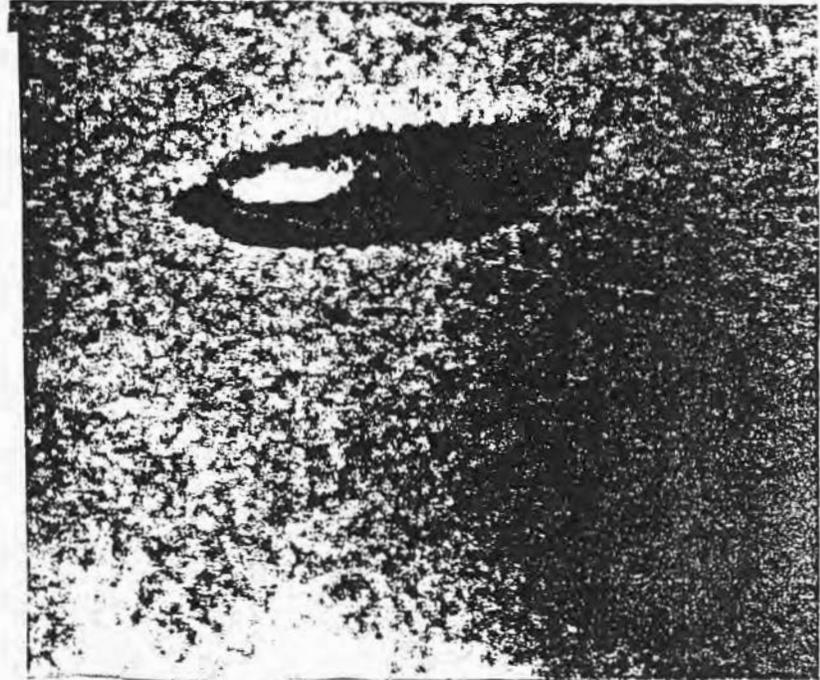
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# BULLETIN

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Crescat scientia vita excolatur (Where knowledge increases, life is ennobled)  
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Left, one of two UFO photographs taken on July 3, 1967 65 miles southwest of Calgary, Alberta. The picture was taken by Warren Smith, who was returning from a prospecting trip with two friends. He used an Instamatic camera with colour film. Lab tests proved the picture to be genuine. A densitometer and a flying spot scanner were used at the lab. The late Dr. J. Allen Hynek investigated the case. The photo above is an enlargement of the UFO which is at the top right of the photo.

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# THE SBI

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To ALL members & friends of the SBI:

By now many of you, if not all of you, are wondering what is going on during the past 1½ yrs. Circumstances beyond my control have occurred, bringing the SBI to its present status. I'll try to explain, step-by-step, to the best of my recollection. But, in order to begin at the beginning, we must go back to my Nov., 1985 auto accident.

1) The accident left me with several serious problems; among them was a leg with nerve damage.

2) Drs. suggested an operation to reattach a nearly severed nerve.

3) Operation completed & considered successful & with the proper physio-therapy I would be able to walk as usual.

4) 4½ months later, my leg went completely dead & the arm on the same side began to feel numb & lose strength.

5) Re-consulted with Drs. who performed operation; suggesting more X-rays. The Drs. were amazed since the nerve showed to be still attached.

6) Totally disgusted, I contacted our family lawyer & began suit to the hospital & Drs. who operated on me.

7) Months passed without me giving a second thought to the SBI or UFOs. Yet, still paying our bills: telephone, lease of telephone, post office box fee [1 yr. in advance], incorporation fees (paid 3 yrs. in advance in order to save money for SBI, Delaware State taxes, & last but not least, a very high typesetting bill from our printer in Montana for typesetting our last issue. This brings up another factor: Our editor gave strong signs that he was going to resign as editor because our 1985 Seminar turned out to be a bomb! So, all prepared to take over as editor again, I began to purchase the proper equipment to layout the issues properly: layout board, lay-out paper, wax, pencils, cutting tools, T-square, & so on. But due to my paralysis, confined to a wheel chair, I was so depressed I did nothing even though SBI had an excellent offer to typeset each issue, editing performed, & reducing or enlarging photos as necessary at 1/3 the price of our Montana printer at a guaranteed price. Not remembering, a year had passed without SBI printing & mailing issues to its members. This gave the post office just cause to cancel our non-profit bulk mail permit. So that ended that:

8) Jan./1987: Began to feel dizzy, headaches occurred, & vomiting. I thought I had the flu & consulted with our family Dr. She prescribed antibiotics, liquids & rest. This worked well for 4 days, then I began to vomit everything I ate.

9) I began to become forgetful, confused & disoriented. Finally I reached the point I couldn't write my own name on a check (a must for the Director of SBI, so bills piled up & eventually late charges were added), or spell the number "eighteen".

10) Needless to say, my own personal bills were handled in similar fashion, tossed up onto the refrigerator from the middle of Jan. to the first week in Feb.

11) Feb. 4, 1987: I forgot to pick up my wife from work at 9:30pm. I heard the phone ringing but I was too weak & confused to pick it up. Of course, my wife received a ride home from a friend. Upon seeing me, she threatened to call my father, who lives nearby, or an ambulance to take me to hospital. Even I knew there was something seriously wrong & had her call our medical plan that would authorize emergency treatment. Arrived at St.

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Vincent's Hospital at 11pm & admitted at 4am on Feb. 5th, after questions from Drs. none of which I knew answers, & my wife telling them that I lost a lot of weight. I weighed 192 lbs. in Dec./1986 & when the Drs. weighed me it showed 160 lbs. Prior to being brought to a room I was given a CAT-SCAN of my head.

12) Feb. 6, 1987: Four types of medication were prescribed four times a day. The pills enhanced my appetite & I ate everything they served me, without vomiting. My headaches also ceased & I was becoming more alert. Yet, I was still confined to my bed due to my weak condition. Every morning two nurses picked me up from my bed onto a stretcher, and I was taken for radio-therapy treatments.

13) A Dr. finally arrived at my bed side to explain what is going on. He flat out told me I have cancer of the brain, with an 8 centimeters long tumor on the right side of my head & the radio-therapy treatments hopefully would reduce much, if not all of the tumor.

14) I was released from the hospital on Fri., Feb. 13th, only to find out my wife & father took my vehicle, thought to be parked outside, & parked it in our driveway. Seems I had to travel home by private ambulance which my medical insurance provided. This same ambulance would provide back & forth service to the hospital for one week of further radio-therapy treatments. Upon arriving home the first thing I saw was a large automatic hospital bed in my livingroom, with a bedside commode along side it. I went through the roof after my wife explained why the Dr. & nurses thought I would need these objects. They believed I would be unable to control any bowel movement (hence the commode); they also believed I would not be able to control my urine & have to be attached to some contraption as in the hospital, I would be unable to walk without the use of a walker (hidden in our hall closet) & would be unable to get from our livingroom to the bedroom (hence the hospital bed). Unfortunately, no one bothered to ask me how I felt: visiting nurses, provided by my medical coverage, came to my home everyday to check my vital signs, take blood & urine samples periodically, & ask questions. Each nurse, a different one each time, was amazed to find my blood pressure normal, pulse rate normal, reflexes normal, walking without a walker, going to the bathroom by myself without any problem, no headaches, & above average appetite. My "positive thinking" type attitude had made all of the above possible.

15) March 2, 1987: Dr.'s appointment: He, too, was amazed I looked healthy & happy with such a weight loss. He ordered another CAT-SCAN, only this time with the aid of an IODINE solution.

16) March 6, 1987: CAT-SCAN results due to arrive at Dr.'s office. My wife calls & the Dr. quickly learns that I'm listening on the extension line. He tells my WIFE TO CALL HIM BACK in about an hour since he hasn't had the time to review the report. One hour later, my wife calls Dr. He tells her, "Is your husband listening on the phone?" My wife replies, "no". "O.K. Mrs. Mazzola, I asked you to call me since I reviewed the report & photos early this morning & it was POSITIVE, showing that the 8 cm. tumor was reduced to close to 4 cm. thanks to the radio-therapy treatments. It is stable at this time, sort of encased by good cells, however this encasement can begin to die & the tumor begin to grow again. This would give your husband 4 to 6 months time. I would strongly suggest to get all your affairs in order." My wife, crying, asks, "Isn't there anything you can do?" Dr.'s reply, "Absolutely nothing! More radio-therapy treatments might have sort of a reversible effect, causing the good cells to die & activate the tumor sooner than anticipated; an operation is out of the question since it would surely kill him on the table; cancer research type hospitals are for guinea pigs, eventually wiping out your bank account, second mortgage on your home, etc." At this point I cut into the conversation. "Hi Doc, listen I'm sorry I had to be a sneak, but it is about me you speak of. I was listening to every word you told my wife. Do you hear me crying or depressed? I'm as calm as can be since, yes, I do believe I have a tumor since X-rays don't lie, but I don't believe I'm going to die & if I don't believe I'm going to die - I won't. I believe my body can heal itself which it is currently doing, all through "positive thinking". The Dr. was amazed & requested I see him on March 10th.

17) March 10, 1987: Dr.'s appointment to review current medication & upgrade where

necessary, as well as check my vital signs. I was jumping around his office like a circus performer, joking as usual & all my vital signs were normal. So, awed at my appearance & attitude, he told me he would begin "chemo-therapy" treatments, that, hopefully, would reduce the tumor even more so, in about six weeks if my condition, appearance & attitude remain the same.

This, finally, brings us back to the SBI: Being International Director, my signature is required on any check to be mailed. This was not done due to my depression & illness. Most of our savings was eaten up from lack of monthly dues (a MUST for any UFO organization for survival), outstanding telephone monthly charges with late charges added on, outstanding lease of telephone bills with late charges also added, & CITIBANK who charges us \$6.25 each month because we no longer maintained a combined amount of \$2000. between our checking & savings accounts.

On March 12, 1987, I took it upon myself to discontinue telephone lease service from AT&T & returned their phone. This was followed by discontinuing of regular phone from N.Y. Telephone. Next, a visit to CITIBANK to close our checking/savings accounts since all checks paid are cleared & returned to me. This left me with a refund from checking of \$8.80 & a refund from savings of \$176.69, enough to purchase five books of stamps to mail 100 copies of this letter. In order to cut down expenses out of my own pocket I have politely asked MUFON DIRECTOR Walt Andrus to please print this letter in his next issue, as well as several other leaders of smaller groups. I requested this because many members of the SBI are members of MUFON & other groups. I also politely ask my State Directors, etc. who have teams of personnel to photocopy this letter or call a meeting & read it to them. This will save me money out of my own pocket. I know that no one has to do anything for me, but under the circumstances I am asking it as a favor.

In any event, those of you who began with SBI back in 1979, that still have my personal home phone number are welcomed to call me. PLEASE ONLY CALL BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 10am TO 2pm. ALL OTHER TIMES ARE RESERVED FOR FAMILY MEMBERS, DRS., NURSES, & NEIGHBORS. Members who wish to write me may do so. Please write me at our Post Office Box # 193 PRIOR TO APRIL 30TH, the day the box number expires & shall be closed as well.

In closing this autobiography, I apologize to all those members that paid their 1985-1986 dues & received for it. It has been fun, interesting & exciting building up the SBI, while traveling around the world, meeting new people, & receiving recognition beyond my wildest expectation. Being able to come out of nowhere & several years later work with Andrus, Hynek, etc was thrilling & mind-boggling. I am certainly going to miss it all & all of you.

I thank each & every one of you for your devotion, loyalty, trust & friendship. Just keep in mind I did not plan these events. MAY GOD BLESS EACH & EVERYONE OF YOU, & YOUR FAMILY, SINCE ONE DOES NOT FULLY UNDERSTAND THE MEANING OF LIFE, OR LOVE, UNTIL SOMETHING LIKE CANCER PULLS THE RUG FROM UNDER YOU. ENJOY LIFE TO THE FULLEST, .LOVING YOUR SPOUSE, CHILDREN, & FRIENDS TO THE END. However, I don't intend to give up & neither should you. As a stubborn Italian I believe I can heal myself & others doing even a better job.

DON'T SMOKE.....DON'T SMOKE.....DON'T SMOKE.....Sincerely yours,

Peter Mazzola

ED.Note: CUFORN wishes Peter Mazzola a speedy recovery. We remember him with fond memories of his visit and speech at the MUFON Symposium in Toronto in 1982. For those of you who do not know, Peter Mazzola was a police officer for many years.

# MAJOR MEDIA TURN SPOTLIGHT ON

## "COMMUNION" AND "INTRUDERS"

Two of the most important books concerning abduction cases are now on sale throughout the United States and Canada. The books have been given extensive promotion in the media, thanks to the publishers.

"Communion", by Whitley Strieber, published by William Morrow, is 299 pages and is priced at \$17.95 in the U.S. and around \$26.00 in Canada. It concerns Strieber's abductions from his family's cabin in upstate New York. Strieber is a professional writer, whose books include "The Wolfen" and "Warday".

Budd Hopkins' "Intruders; The Incredible Visitations at Copley Woods" is published by Random House. It is 223 pages long and sells for \$17.95 in the U.S. and \$26.25 in Canada.

Hopkins' book examines a series of abductions, most of which took place in the Kitley Woods area near Indianapolis, Indiana. The author changed the name to Copley to avoid curious people flocking to the area and bothering local residents.

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In the next few pages, we give you a small sampling of the major publicity campaign which these books received. I'm sure our readers will have heard and seen much more than we here in Toronto.

A few members should be cautioned: Strieber and the abductees in Hopkins' book are abductees, not contactees or phoneys such as Oscar Magosci, George King, and his Aetherius group, Claude Vorilhon and his Raelians, George Van Tassel, George Adamski, the Two, aka Bo and Peep. The latter are or were going around soliciting funds and claiming miraculous inventions or trips to the Moon or other planets. They wrote obviously phoney books, although none of them had the high-quality paper used by Eduard Meier, another hoaxer with his Pleiades books, or the phoney Frank Stranges, who never had a medical degree as he claimed with "title" of Dr.

## MEMBERSHIP DUES INCREASE - 1st in 10 YEARS

As of our next issue, the annual dues for members will increase to \$18.00 for Canadian members and to \$20.00 for American and other foreign members.

The rise in rates is due to an increase in Canadian postal rates. All renewals will be at the new rate. This constitutes official notice of the increase.

Communion and Intruders continued

Most reputable ufologists have great reservations about any of the articles about UFOs which appear in the tabloid newspapers. However, there are exceptions, and here is one story which is not fabricated. It appeared in the May 12, 1987 issue of The National Examiner.

"Communion" author Strieber was present at the 1986 Massachusetts MUFON Forum. He was also on the U.S. television show "The Phil Donahue Show" on February 24, 1987 and was a guest on WRKO radio at 5 p.m. on March 1, 1987, according to Massachusetts MUFON's March, 1987 Newsletter.

# Kidnapped by aliens!

*National Examiner May 12, 1987*  
**A BEST-SELLING novelist has discovered truth  
As indeed stranger than fiction after being  
abducted by UFO aliens.**

Whitley Strieber, 41, author of *The Hunger* and *Wolfen*, says he was kidnapped on the evening of December 26, 1985, at his upstate New York cabin.

Strieber says he was awakened by a strange noise. His wife, Annie, was sleeping peacefully beside him and his faithful dog was snoozing beneath the bed.

Slowly, the bedroom door began to open. Strieber caught a glimpse of an alien. It was three feet tall, had a large head, no ears or nose, a slit mouth, and huge black eyes. It rushed towards him and he blacked out.

Recalls Strieber in his intriguing new book, *Communion* (Morrow, 1987): "My next conscious recollection is of being in motion. I was naked with my arms and legs ex-

## Top author's UFO abduction sparks demand for action by US government

tended, as if I had been frozen in mid-leap. I was moving out of the room."

After blacking out again, Strieber found himself sitting in a small depression in the middle of the woods. He was completely paralyzed. Three beings were there with him.

Suddenly, he was whisked above the tree tops and placed inside a small, gray room that resembled an operating theater.

Aliens examined him, then inserted a hairlike probe into his brain. Strieber woke up in his bed the next morning wondering if he had lost his mind.

But with the help of Dr. Donald Klein, director of research of the New York State Psychiatric Institute, Strieber discovered that he was indeed perfectly sane and that he had not imagined the



UFO ALIEN as Strieber described it



WHITLEY STRIEBER:  
Startling abduction

By EDWARD MANZI

bizarre event.

Now the author is urging the scientific community and the US government to fully investigate the growing number of UFO abductions. He believes an accurate explanation might unlock the secrets of the universe.

UFO expert David Jacobs, a history professor at Temple University, says hundreds of Americans may have been kidnapped by UFO aliens.

Jacobs recently told the

Philadelphia Inquirer: "We just have scores and scores of cases, and they are coming out of the woodwork. And they are all telling the same story, down to the minutest details."

He added: "The amazing thing about this is that it's absolutely impossible to explain what is happening to these people. There is no explanation in science, no explanation in psychology.

"They all have no ax to grind, and none of them ever exhibited anything like psychosis or mental disease or trauma."

April 5, 1987

THE NEW YORK TIMES BOOK REVIEW

# Best Sellers

**COMMUNION**  
by Whitley Strieber  
Morrow, 299 pages: \$17.95



They're here. Creatures from Out There, UFOs are invading the nation's bookstores. Moreover, these accounts of aliens are not sci-fi: they are on non-fiction shelves, and one has even climbed up the best-seller list. In 1985, according to Novelist Whitley Strieber (*The Wolfen*), small creatures with "fierce, limitless eyes" abducted him from his cottage in upstate New York and subjected him to painful prods and probes. Through hypnosis, Strieber later recalled more than a dozen similar occurrences. Credibility is dissipated when he remembers "being terrified as a little boy by an appearance of Mr. Peanut" and evaporates when he speaks of tarot cards and the riddle of the sphinx. Strieber lobbies for understanding between humans and aliens: "two universes spinning each other together ... the old weaver of reality rethreading creation's loom." The last time anyone dispensed such advice was on *The Twilight Zone*, where it belonged. ■

TIME, MARCH 30, 1987

## Strieber on NBC-TV

One of the most timely publicity appearances ever accorded anyone connected with ufology was the May 6, 1987 guest spot given to Whitley Strieber on the "Johnny Carson Show" on NBC-TV in the United States.

He was asked a series of skeptical questions by Carson, whose show is the most popular interview show on American TV with viewers in the 10's of millions. Strieber's answers were low-key so he made quite an impression on the viewers. He appeared at 12.45 a.m.

This Week	Nonfiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	A SEASON ON THE BRINK, by John Feinstein. (Macmillan, \$16.95.) A chronicle of one season spent with the Indiana University basketball team.	1	14
2	COMMUNION, by Whitley Strieber. (Beech Tree/Morrow, \$17.95.) A professional writer tells of the visits of "intelligent nonhumans" to his family's place in upstate New York.	2	6
3	BOONE, by T. Boone Pickens Jr. (Houghton Mifflin, \$14.95.) The autobiography of an oilman and corporation-takeover entrepreneur.	11	3
4*	ADAY IN THE LIFE OF AMERICA. (Collins Publishers, \$39.95.) The nation on May 2, 1986, as recorded in pictures by 200 photojournalists.	7	18
5	THE FITZGERALDS AND THE KENNEDYS, by Doris Kearns Goodwin. (Simon & Schuster, \$22.95.) From the Boston slums of Irish immigrants to the White House: three generations of a family.	3	7
6*	FATHERHOOD, by Bill Cosby. (Dolphin/Doubleday, \$14.95.) Anecdotes and ruminations from the television star and father of five.	4	48
7	ECHOES IN THE DARKNESS, by Joseph Wambaugh. (Perigord/Morrow, \$18.95.) A case involving the murder of a Pennsylvania high school teacher and the disappearance of her two children.	6	8
8*	THE FATAL SHORE, by Robert Hughes. (Knopf, \$24.95.) Australia from penal colony to its gradual emergence as a flourishing nation.	5	8
9	INTIMATE PARTNERS, by Maggie Scarf. (Random House, \$18.95.) Changing patterns in love and marriage.	8	5
10	BETTY: A Glad Awakening, by Betty Ford with Chris Chase. (Doubleday, \$16.95.) A former First Lady's recovery from alcoholism and drug abuse.	9	3
11	YOU'RE ONLY OLD ONCE! by Dr. Seuss. (Random House, \$9.95.) A checkup at the Golden Years Clinic in pictures and rhyme.	10	56
12	LOVE, MEDICINE & MIRACLES, by Bernie S. Siegel. (Harper & Row, \$15.95.) A surgeon stresses the importance of the patient's mind and emotions in treating serious illness.		1
13	THE SEARCH FOR SIGNS OF INTELLIGENT LIFE IN THE UNIVERSE, by Jane Wagner. (Harper & Row, \$15.95.) Acerbobservations on life today; script of the show starring Lily Tomlin.	13	12
14	THE RECKONING, by David Halberstam. (Morrow, \$19.95.) The crisis in the American automobile industry and Japan's role in it.	15	26

The publicity for Strieber's and Hopkins' books is unprecedented in the history of ufology. Whether it will change the minds of the skeptics is a moot point, however. Obviously, Strieber's book will make a profit, although he does not need the money.

The article reproduced on this page is from the Toronto Sunday Sun, of April 28, 1987. This is the smallest of the three major Toronto, Ontario newspapers. It also has, over the years, given the most space to ufology of the three papers. Unfortunately, Hopkins first name is misspelled. It should read "Budd", not "Bud".

"Intruders"' cover was shown on camera on CBC-TV's "Man Alive" which had its April 1, 1987 show dealing with UFOs for the first time, and with two CUFORN abduction cases. Abductees "Betty" and "Dorothy" appeared on camera and CUFORN's name appeared in the credits at the end along with MUFON's name. The show was on national TV, at 8 p.m. on a Wednesday night. The Toronto Star, April 27/87 said the show scored its highest rating ever—1.75 million viewers in a country of only 25 million people.

## UFO HUNTER TELLS HIS TALE

# Are aliens in control?

BY RITA DeMONTIS  
Toronto Sun

Bud Hopkins looks like UFO hunting would be quite alien to him.

Despite appearances, Hopkins, a well-established painter and sculptor, is a meticulous investigator of UFO reports, a sleuth who channels serious considerations into areas normally scoffed at.

In his book *Intruders* (Random House; \$26.25) Hopkins presents a powerful series of "incidents" that leave the reader unsettled and a little leery of reading the book at night — it's that convincing.

The New York native's story was also the basis for a recent CBC *Man Alive* segment.

In the show, Hopkins at times appears earnestly reluctant in his role as other guests poke and prod for more information on the phenomenon he's been investigating for more than 12 years.

But Hopkins' air of skepticism over the whole UFO question had guests, if not altogether believing, grudgingly impressed by what he presented.

His book centres around Kathie Davis, her family and friends, and the extraordinary events that occurred at her home in the Copley Woods.

Hopkins reports Davis was abducted several times over a period of years and subjected to some rather gruesome genetic experimentation. Her recollections are detailed, dramatic and unsettling.

In the book, she is hypnotized repeatedly and each session reveals more of her strange experience.

Her story is corroborated by neighbors and specialists — and by hundreds of other abduction victims from all over the U.S., each one recounting similar, if not altogether identical, events.

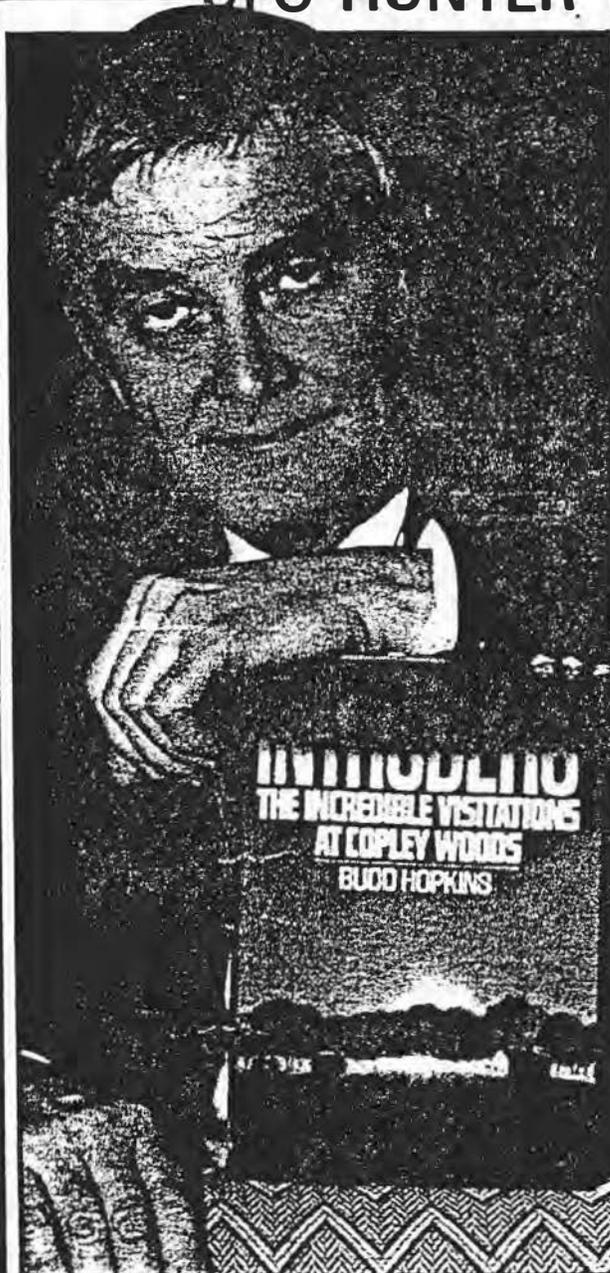
"If someone had said to me five years ago that I would stumble into what looked like genetic experiments I wouldn't have believed it," says Hopkins. "But skepticism has to do with the mind's need to protect itself.

"There have been all kinds of crazy stories. But a crazy story is just a crazy story until you amass enough information and material to blow the craziness away."

The book's revelations require an incredible leap of faith by the reader — even to the point of questioning God's existence.

But whether one believes that aliens exist or not, after reading *Intruders*, one can't help wondering: Just who is watching us when we sleep at night?

Bud Hopkins thinks he has a good idea who it is.



## AN UNEARTHLY STORY

Author and UFO sleuth Bud Hopkins takes readers on a meticulous investigation of alien interference in his newly released book, *Intruders*.

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The book review on this page was in the New York Times Book Review which is a regular section of the paper on Sundays. It was in the issue of April 5, 1987.

## Sampling the DNA

### INTRUDERS

*The Incredible Visitations at Copley Woods.*

By Budd Hopkins.

Illustrated. 223 pp. New York:

Random House.

\$17.95.

By Bettyann Kevles

**J**UST about every night television viewers are offered photographic essays on the lives of insects, birds or mammals. The specimens are often tagged in order to be followed or otherwise mildly inconvenienced. We are so used to the ways of ethologists that we can easily imagine a scenario in which humans are the species under observation and the scientists representatives of an alien life form, creatures as removed from us as we are from whales or moths.

"Intruders: The Incredible Visitations at Copley Woods" is ostensibly the documentation of a case for the existence of U.F.O.'s — unidentified flying objects — whose alien occupants abduct human beings whom they tag, follow through their reproductive years and force to participate in genetic experiments. Budd Hopkins, a sculptor and painter, acknowledges the zaniness of this claim. But he calls himself a skeptic and thus turns the tables on those who doubt him, accusing them of blind faith in the conventional.

Mr. Hopkins became interested in U.F.O.'s more than a decade ago and published an account of seven perplexing cases, "Missing Time," in 1981. Since then he has appeared on talk shows around the country, accumulating testimony from people who claim to have had similar experiences. Their stories echoed one another's until he met Kathie Davis, the central and pseudonymous figure in the events in Copley Woods (an undisclosed Midwestern suburb). Her story so expanded his understanding of what the U.F.O.'s are up to that he wrote another book.

Because "Intruders" is billed as popular science, not fiction, I have no qualms about revealing the plot. Mr. Hopkins skillfully describes his growing familiarity with Kathie's "dreams" and "memories," which he augments with interviews with her friends and family. Many of them turn out to have been abducted in much the same way but were not aware of their experiences until he probed. Mr. Hopkins moves on to people who do not know

Bettyann Kevles is the author most recently of "Females of the Species: Sex and Survival in the Animal Kingdom."

Kathie or one another but who have contacted him and whose stories turn out to be very familiar.

All have seen the mysterious lights of U.F.O.'s and have been inside the vehicles as "guests" of aliens. The men were forced to give sperm or have intercourse with female aliens; the women had eggs removed from their ovaries or were impregnated only to have their fetuses removed after eight weeks. Mr. Hopkins leads the reader to the conclusion that the aliens are conducting genetic experiments in which they are introducing healthy human genes into their own worn-out DNA.

Mr. Hopkins shrugs away the larger implications of this thesis. On the contrary, he says he has no idea what the aliens ultimately intend or what can be done. Rather he focuses on their human victims who have suffered "a species of rape" (his metaphor). They have been violated by the aliens, and violated again by those who dismiss their reports as nightmares. Mr. Hopkins is so convinced that aliens are disrupting our lives he suggests their predations explain not only acute lifelong insomnia in most victims but the apparently unrelated rising tide of teen-age suicides.

Mr. Hopkins has changed the names and disguised the sites to protect his sources so the reader must accept his word for the evidence. I am willing to believe that he believes everything he has written. I am also willing to believe that Kathie and the others experienced inexplicable time losses and strange dreams that may not have been dreams. But I am wary of the accuracy of the information he gathered through hypnosis. This kind of testimony is disallowed in most courts because hypnosis is not thoroughly understood and has proved unreliable as a source of evidence. Witnesses recall events that never occurred, but that they are later, on being brought out of hypnosis, convinced really happened.

**A**LL these victims are white Americans. Are the aliens racists? And why now? Were there no visits before 1940, or did they just go unreported? And what about the genetic experiments? It is hard enough to create hybrids within animal life that has evolved on earth. It is difficult to imagine an alien life form whose genetic code could so easily mesh with our own.

Most of all, "Intruders" is too timely. It echoes our current preoccupation with recombinant DNA, animal behavior and species on the brink of extinction. But all Mr. Hopkins is asking for in these pages is a hearing, and he deserves that. His yarn is much too interesting to put down — even if afterward, mulling over the details, one has the familiar feeling of having read a good piece of fiction. □

# SETI Without Saucers?

By DAVID W. SWIFT  
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NASA should consider taking on as a package popular interest in UFOs and the scientifically sound search for extraterrestrial intelligence because influential laymen still link the two



DAVID W. SWIFT, professor of sociology at the Univ. of Hawaii, received a Ph.D. from UC Berkeley. He has published books and articles on educational systems. While in high school he was commissioned by Airbooks to paint a series of historically accurate illustrations of famous WW I aviation incidents, and in the Air Force at the end of WW II he was stationed at Wright Field working on captured plans for German rockets. Now a contributing editor to *Cosmic Search*, Swift is studying scientists who search for extraterrestrial intelligence. He has organized transpacific conferences on such topics as scientists' responses to new telecommunications.

This article is reprinted from *Cosmic Search* magazine, April, 1982 issue. It appeared in the Cambridge (Ontario) UFO Research Group's journal, December, 1986 issue.

Readers familiar with CUFORN's Editor will notice the author's uncanny resemblance to him. Both majored in a social science in university, as well: Swift in sociology; Fenwick in psychology. Both have published articles on ufology. The world is full of coincidences such as this one.

**NOTE:** APRO has resumed publishing its bulletins. Volume 33, Number 4 and 5 have been mailed to its subscribers. APRO, too, has raised its subscription rates: \$21.00-U.S.; \$22.00-Canada & Mexico; Overseas-\$25.00, and \$27.50 Air Mail.

Scientists searching for extraterrestrial intelligence face many problems. Ironically, one of the most frustrating involves us humans: How can the public and its government representatives be persuaded to pay for the search? Federal funding is needed, yet citizens are in a thrifty mood, challenging expenditures for even the most urgent, down-to-earth projects. Esoteric activities such as searching for extraterrestrial intelligence (SETI) have a difficult time getting money.

SETI scientists clearly do need public support, but in seeking it face a dilemma. Many of the laymen who are enthusiastic about SETI are also interested in such topics as UFOs, telepathy, and Big Foot. Such topics intrigue the public, but they annoy many scientists, particularly those seriously concerned about extraterrestrial intelligence. This friction frustrates both laymen and scientists.

Laymen tend to lump all aerial, celestial phenomena together: flying saucers, "little green men," and ETI are all assumed to be aspects of the same basic thing.

Scientists, in contrast, see a world of difference between UFOs and ETI. They maintain that the former consists of misperceptions or hoaxes, and is merely a lure for charlatans and the ignorant, and most consider ETI a legitimate topic, worthy of scientific investigation. Laymen in turn are puzzled by prominent scientists who advocate SETI but are skeptical of UFO reports. The scientists may be weary of trying to educate laymen, yet they cannot ignore them completely because many citizens interested in UFOs are also interested in SETI.

A recent Gallup poll found that about half of U.S. adults believe intelligent life exists on other planets. Similarly, more than half think UFOs are real. Do these two beliefs go together? Do the individuals who believe there is life elsewhere in the universe also think UFOs are real? The news releases printed in a number of newspapers did not address this question, but statistics in more detailed tabulations (T-1) show that, yes, the two beliefs are related.

**T-1 LIFE ON OTHER PLANETS**

Answers to the question, "Do you think there are people somewhat like ourselves living on other planets in the universe, or not?" in the *Gallup Opinion Index*, Report no. 158, Sep 1978, p. 28. Figures in % of responses.

Response	Yes	No	No opinion
Overall response	51	33	16
UFOs are real	72	19	9
UFOs are imaginary	27	62	11

While 51% of the U.S. adult population believes there are people on other planets, this belief climbs to 72% among persons who think UFOs are real and, conversely, falls to 27% among those who think

UFOs are imaginary. Thus belief in SETI and belief in UFOs go together. Similarly, skepticism about one phenomenon is likely to be associated with skepticism about the other.

How important is this relationship between UFO and ETI beliefs? What are its implications for federal funding of SETI? Can these UFO-ETI believers be safely ignored?

No. Further analysis of the survey results suggests that it would be unwise to do so. T-2 indicates that the higher the education, income and occupation, the more likely a person is to believe in the existence of ETI—and of UFOs.

In other words, belief in both of these phenomena is strongest among better informed, higher income people—the very people who would be crucial to public support for SETI.

T-2 SOCIAL LEVEL OF RESPONDENTS TO QUESTIONS ON ETI AND UFOs  
From the Gallup Opinion Index, Report No. 158, Sep 1978, pp. 28-9. Expressed as percentages.

Class of respondents	People something like us live on other planets.	UFOs are real and not just someone's imagination.
<b>Education</b>		
College	62	66
High school	53	57
Grade school	24	36
<b>Income</b>		
\$20,000 & over	59	65
\$15,000-\$19,999	56	60
\$10,000-\$14,999	55	61
\$7,000-\$9,999	48	51
\$5,000-\$6,999	39	45
\$3,000-\$4,999	37	46
Under \$3,000	34	32
<b>Occupation</b>		
Professional and business	60	65
Clerical and sales	53	61
Manual workers	55	61
Non-labor force	35	38

Thus ETI-UFO believers have the demographic characteristics of politically persuasive citizens. Their high levels of education, income, and occupation place them in the most influential stratum of the population, the people most likely to affect Congress. There are exceptions, but in general, the groups most able to influence federal spending are not the poor and the less educated—who tend to be nonvoters—but rather the people in the upper socioeconomic levels, the "haves" instead of the "have nots."

Why, then, have SETI scientists avoided the UFO question? One reason may be that they feel UFOs have little relevance for their own research or, even if UFOs were worth studying, that it would be difficult to do so with the desired degree of scientific rigor.

A second reason for scientists avoiding UFOs, ESP, and similar topics is that these topics may subject them to unwanted and time-consuming interac-

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tion with the public. If it becomes known that a scientist is interested in UFOs he is likely to be contacted by individuals who have seen something, by reporters looking for a story, and by community groups seeking a speaker for a monthly meeting.

A third reason may be that scientists fear they might be tainted by the ludicrous, zany aura surrounding flying saucers. SETI itself has only recently struggled up out of the realm of comic strips and science fiction. While SETI's future looks hopeful, it is not yet securely established in the mainstream of federally funded activity. Like many status-conscious newcomers, from immigrants to the nouveau riche, SETIists do not want to jeopardize their recently acquired scientific respectability by associating with the "wrong" people. SETI, even on its own, has already received a Golden Fleece Award from Senator Proxmire. Why invite further trouble from Congress by involvement with UFOs?

Such caution is understandable, but is it the best approach? Survey results, general interest in occult phenomena, and the tremendous box office success of "Star Wars" and "Close Encounters of the Third Kind" suggest that potential for public support of topics like UFOs and SETI does exist. Perhaps this potential could be mobilized if scientists and NASA were willing to relax a bit, to soften their present aversion to the UFO problem.

It would not be necessary to get involved with Big Foot, reincarnation, or the Loch Ness Monster. I think UFOs, as aerial phenomena, do lie within NASA's jurisdiction.

Could a more open policy toward UFOs give NASA an opportunity to educate the public on the difference between UFOs and SETI? Would such a policy bring in more funds, some of which could be devoted to SETI research?

NASA is now in the doldrums, with its main attraction, the Space Shuttle, arousing only mild public enthusiasm. In contrast, interest in UFOs remains high, despite thirty years of government and scientific efforts to debunk them. There is no guarantee that a more flexible approach would benefit SETIs, but I see no undue risk and much to gain from NASA taking on the whole mix of questions.

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# UFOLETTERS

Dear Larry;

I'm indeed grateful to you for your most interesting letter of March 18, because it confirmed something that I had heard only very recently, and via totally different sources. So we think there must be "something in it", and that "something's a-cooking"!

Please do immediately notify me if anything else comes in about these two proposed documentaries made by the Pentagon!

Now, if I read your mind correctly, when you refer in your letter to "Star Wars", you must surely be telling me that my hunch is right-namely that "Star Wars" is necessary because there are hostiles out there as well as "Goodies". What you have told me can only make sense if we assume that one side or faction of "them" needs our help against the other lot! That would make sense, and would bear out many theories I've been developing for years.

Unless there is a big war going on, no alien beings are going to want to encourage earthlings to have space programmes and "Star Wars" techniques.

From what you have said in your letter, I read, between the lines, that those who have made these two documentaries have had to do so clandestinely, and that they are going to have

to "slip them in" to the TV programmes with the minimum prior notice so as to avoid being blocked. Am I right?

Many of the details of what you say (about the death of General Robert Bond, for example) fit in with what we too had heard via various channels some time ago.

We too are in touch with Bill Moore and Lawrence Fawcett, but they have never told us anything other than very "run-of-the-mill" stuff.

The information we had got already, from another source than yours, said the first TV programme was due to go out possibly this past weekend. But is there any possibility it is all a big April Fool's Day trick?

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## MUFON will meet in Washington and Lincoln

MUFON's 1987 UFO Symposium will be held at American University in Washington, D.C. from June 26-28. The 1988 Symposium is set for Lincoln, Nebraska, with Ray Boeche as host. A specific site in Lincoln has yet to be picked.

Whitley Streiber and Budd Hopkins will lead a seminar on abductions in Washington, with Bill Moore, Stanton Friedman and Bruce Maccabee leading a discussion on the UFO cover-up. Twelve speakers from a dozen countries will be featured.

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# Newburgh resident says he videotaped early-morning UFO

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A Newburgh resident who grabbed a camera when he saw something odd in the sky early Saturday says he has videotaped an unidentified and, so far, unexplained, flying object.

Scott Lloyd, 31, said he awoke Saturday at his usual time, 6:30 a.m.

"I looked out the kitchen window and saw this light moving through the sky in a strange, erratic way. I went outside to get a better look and watched it for about a minute before I remembered my brother had left his video camera here," he said.

He used a Panasonic video camera, which has a 6:1 zoom lens, and recorded a 50-second tape of the object. The tape was viewed six times Saturday, in both regular and slow motion, by a Whig-Standard photographer and reporter.

In the tape, the object zig-zags through the southern sky. At one point, it appears to stop and hover, then it accelerates rapidly and disappears off to the right of the picture.

The object appears to have one very large white light, a second smaller white light and, at one point, a very small red light. There is a dark, oval-shaped object behind the lights.

It is difficult to estimate how far away the object appearing on the tape is from the camera. At one point, the house next door to Lloyd's residence comes into the picture and serves as a reference point.

The date, Jan. 3, and the time, 6:57 a.m. to 6:58 a.m., are shown on the bottom left corner of the screen, automatically transcribed onto the tape by the camera.

A flight operations spokesman at Canadian Forces Base, Trenton, said there were no military

flights in or out of the base at that time on Saturday. The first takeoff Saturday occurred at 9:20 a.m. and the first inbound flight was a Hercules that came in from Toronto at 7:20 a.m., the spokesman said.

A Transport Canada flight services spokesman at Norman Rogers Airport in Kingston said there was no civilian flight activity in the area at that hour Saturday. The airport did not open until 8 a.m., he said.

And a spokesman for the Kingston Weather Office said no weather balloons are released in the Newburgh area. He added that in any event, weather balloons would not be as large enough to show up as clearly on the tape as the object Lloyd filmed.

Lloyd said the object made no noise. The tape was recorded by a camera equipped with a microphone.

Lloyd, who says he is not a believer in UFOs, said the object he filmed "does not resemble the flight pattern of any aircraft I've ever seen."

Its flight pattern could be likened to a firefly: it loops, twists and turns very quickly on the videotape.

"I have no logical explanation for this thing, so I have to say it is a UFO (Unidentified Flying Object)," said Lloyd, who is a part-time employee of the Village of Newburgh municipal works department.

His father Jim Lloyd, 57, a bus driver for Kingston's Public Utilities Commission, did not see the object, but he said he has viewed the videotape several times.

He said he is "skeptical of the existence of UFOs, but this thing is intriguing. It's impossible for a plane or balloon to fly like this.

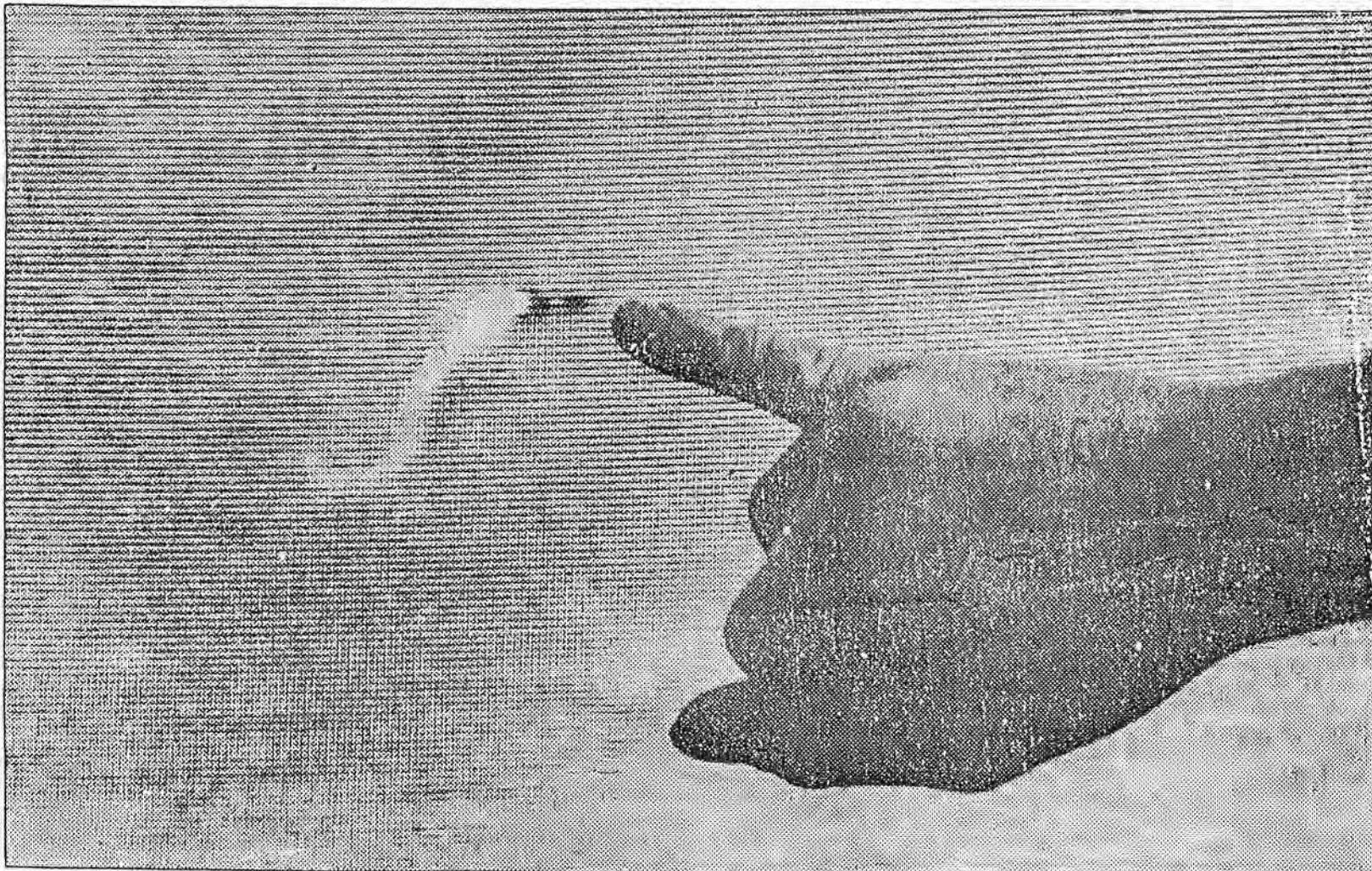
"This doesn't make a believer out of me, but there has to be something to this one. I've got no explanation for it."



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Lloyd points to the object he videotaped flying erratically over Newburgh early Saturday

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