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MEETING DATE: Monday, March 21, 1994 ♦ ♦ MEETING TIME: 7:30 Sharp
LOCATION: 8227 E. Orange Blossom, Scottsdale, AZ (Clubhouse)
PROGRAM: BOB DEAN RETURNS TO GIVE US AN UPDATE!

FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

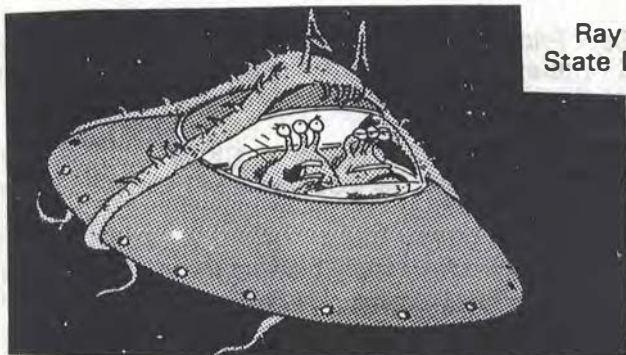
In last month's MUFON Journal an interesting article appeared on the fantasy-prone personality hypothesis. The thing that intrigues me about articles like this is how people try to package the abduction phenomenon into one neatly fitting explanation. On the one hand, you have those that insist that aliens must fit into objective reality, and they are bent on proving that they are real. The other camp insists that there is no physical proof, so therefore we are dealing with a psychological aspect of the mind. Yet the evidence, and you must look at all the data, indicates that we are dealing with both aspects at the same time. The information to date does not fit any distinct theory. As a matter of fact, the phenomenon defies all our current working models of the universe.

I say it is time to throw out all the old models and look at the information at hand without making it fit into a nicely packaged either/or theory.

Right within our local chapter we have people who have had out-of-body contact with aliens, as well as classic abduction experiences. Even within the classic abduction scenario, there are aspects that seem surreal and non-physical. Yet the scars, the pain, the implants, and the tracemarks all represent physical data.

I feel that we are dealing with something so far from the norm that it actually defies the very way we think. I would like to suggest that in further research we open ourselves up and remove all limitations and preconceptions. Let's try looking at the UFO phenomenon from completely new perspectives. Who knows what interesting horizons this might lead us toward.

As always, I look forward to your input and comments.



Ray Maurer
State Director

"Aaaaaaa! Oh, sorry -- it's just the dog."

ROSWELL OUTA LIMITS MUSEUM UPDATE

It's official -- the Outa Limits UFO Enigma Museum will remain open and continue business as usual! However, the video store [which once shared space with the museum] is closed, and the additional 2,200 sq. ft. of space has been used to expand the UFO Museum. With this additional space, many new exhibits have been and will be added to the museum, making it one of the largest and most prestigious UFO Museums in the United States.

Clifford E. Stone, Roswell's only internationally known UFO researcher of many years, will resume as our Director of Research. Cliff's latest effort includes a 170-page report submitted to Congress in November 1993. Congressman Steve Schiff's office has recently requested a second copy of this report. A copy of the report is available here at the Museum for anyone who would like to read it. We will be celebrating our 2nd anniversary with an Open House the last week in March. Kevin Randle and Donald Schmitt will be our special guests. An official date will be given by mid-March.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you who made this dream a reality. Special thanks to Walt Andrus and MUFON members; Timothy Beckley of UFO Universe; Don Eckard of UFO Magazine; Stanton Friedman, nuclear physicist; Kevin Randle & Donald Schmitt, authors and researchers; Paul Davids, producer of the "Roswell" movie; Walter Haut (for making the Incident public); Frank Joyce (who put the story on the radio and out to the world); Loretta Proctor (who celebrated her 80th birthday March 5); KBIM-TV; KOBR-TV; KOAT-TV; Sonny Steele, KOMU Radio; John King, KBIM Radio; The Albuquerque Journal; The El Paso Journal; The Denver Post; The Dallas Sun; The Roswell Daily Record; and The Washington Post. . . .

John Price, Owner/Curator

[Note: Tom Taylor and Mary Hart visited this museum in 1991 (it has been open 6 years) and found the exhibits most interesting and the reception warm and friendly; a must-see for those traveling to the Roswell area!]

CONGRATULATIONS, TOM!

Recently Tom Taylor was promoted to the position of Assistant State Director. There is no better person to fill this position, and the promotion is well deserved.

Tom has been a pillar of the chapter since the beginning. Together with Mary Hart he made from a one-page newsletter a quite sizeable, informative and interesting publication. Tom is also at the center of all UFO-related activities. Besides, he is a very nice, friendly fellow!

And now, while snakes are still sleeping [Tom is a herpetologist], let's go out and catch a couple of "greys"!

MUFON ARIZONA OUTING

It's finally happening!! Mark your calendar for the first MUFON Arizona Outing: Saturday, April 9, 1994! The site will be Painted Rocks State Park, which is located west of Gila Bend, AZ.

Painted Rocks State Park has more petroglyphs than any other site in the Southwest. It is estimated that these ancient works of art, in the shapes of mammals, reptiles and people, were drawn by the Hohokam between AD700 and 1450.

Those attending the outing can bring a picnic lunch for themselves and their guests. There are covered ramadas with picnic tables at the site.

For those wishing to caravan to the area, we will leave Smitty's Shopping Center at the SE corner of Southern and Mill at 9:00 a.m. For those living in the west valley, we will stop by the Circle K on the SOUTH side of I-10 at 59th Avenue around 9:30 to add you to the caravan. From there we will continue west to the Yuma/Gila Bend exit (#112) and then on to Gila Bend, which is the *last chance* for water, gasoline, etc; then on to I-8, about 15 miles to Painted Rocks exit (#102) and then about another 10 miles to the park itself. The roads are all paved, except for the last mile, which is a graded, wide, dirt road. There is a lake just beyond the park (which is CLOSED to visitors).

Bring your cameras and stories and enjoy the Sonoran desert in the spring! Hopefully most of the winter visitors will have headed back home and the area won't be too crowded.

If you need to share a ride or have questions, call Tom at 967-6265 as soon as possible -- don't wait till the last minute! *JOIN US!!*

Oklahoma MUFON has just come out with a 94-page soft cover book on ufology in the state of Oklahoma. The book is a cross-section of prominent Oklahoma abduction accounts, cattle mutilations, and sightings. The book is co-authored by Richard Seifried and Scott Carter. The price is \$15.00 plus \$5.00 postage and handling (for each additional copy, add another \$3.00 for postage and handling). Checks can be made payable to Jean Waller-Seifried and sent to Oklahoma MUFON, 1916 Inglewood Dr., Norman, OK 73071.

MEDIA WATCH

by Tom Taylor

In the interest of keeping the UFO topic before the public, the following is a list of programs on the subject recently aired via television, radio and newspaper in recent weeks. We will attempt to list programs ahead of time whenever possible; unfortunately, we are not notified of the majority of programs until it is too late to publish them in the Newsletter in time for members to view, hear or read them. In the case of TV and radio programs, ask at MUFON meetings to see if anyone is aware of someone who may have taped them to share.

Probably the most impressive news this month is Fox Channel 15's "Special Encounters," which contained film footage of the Long Island [NY] UFO crash; information on "Guardian," the person who sent a videotape of a UFO landing in Canada to the media; information from Puerto Rico on UFOs seen emerging from the ocean; and further information on Area 51. A very well done program, but again -- too much information and too many tape clips for such a short time period!

UFO-AZ TALKS: Tuesday, 9-11 a.m., Local Channel 22 (Dimension Cable). Hosted by Ted Loman, this program continues to be very interesting and informative. The time slot may be changing soon; we will keep you informed. Mary Hart is attempting to tape all the segments.

POPULAR SCIENCE MAGAZINE, March 1994: Area 51 is the very interesting cover story for this issue, and there are good color photos of the area. This issue will become a collector's item for UFO buffs, but with all the publicity the area has received it's hard to believe much will continue to happen there.

UNSOLVED MYSTERIES, March 3: Featured a segment on UFOs but concluded that the sightings may have been nothing more than aircraft. A disappointing opinion by Robert Stack.

X FILES: Fridays, Channel 15, 8:00 p.m. UFOs and related materials are often the subject of this supposedly fictional program.

ANCIENT PROPHECIES: March 1, Channel 12, 7 p.m. See Jim Ossipov's review elsewhere in this Newsletter.

USA TODAY: Thanks to Doris Barley, our contact in Yuma, we are able to offer an interesting article taken from USA today [printed elsewhere in this issue]

concerning Chris Carter, the producer of "The X Files." I originally had planned to reprint an article written about Chris taken from another source, but this one is much better.

THE FACE ON MARS -- 1924 Version

Arguments over the reality of the Face on Mars have waged since the 1976 Viking Probe sent back those enigmatic pictures, and there doesn't seem to be an end in sight. Now comes a detailed story of a 1924 version of a Face on Mars.

Timothy Green Beckley, editor of UFO Universe, was cleaning his bookshelves when a 1954 book entitled A Documentary Report of Interstellar Communications by Radiotelegraph caught his attention. The opening part, by anthropologist George H. Williamson and engineer Alfred C. Bailey, pertained to the planet Mars and a pictograph received from the red planet *over half a century ago*.

Beckley reprints in the Spring 1994 issue of UFO Universe that part which directly relates to the planet Mars, a worldwide radio listening experiment during a Mars close approach from August 21 to 23, 1924, and receipt at regular intervals on an experimental recording device of curiously jumbled groups of dots, each taking the form of a crudely drawn human face.

The recording device was attached to a receiving set adjusted to a wavelength of 6,000 meters. Incoming signals caused flashes of light which were printed on the film by an instrument passing over its surface from side to side. The film was in the form of a roll tape 30 feet long and six inches wide.

The film disclosed a fairly regular arrangement of dots and dashes along one side, but on the other, at about half-hour intervals, what appears to be a man's face. The researchers could not explain the results.

Beckley has been unable to locate the original records or any reproductions of that original face on Mars. If you can help, contact him at UFO Universe, 1700 Broadway, New York, NY 10019.

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Jan-Feb, 1994

BOOK REVIEW: "Visitors From Within"

As a retired engineer, I still stick to my old habits: "stop blabbering and give me the facts." The same attitude prevails concerning UFOs: consider everything, but believe only the facts. It is a proven fact that UFOs fly around, land, and leave traces. CE3s with entities of various sizes and shapes do occur. So do abductions, leaving times painful memories and scars.

However, New Agers, crop circle enthusiasts, pilgrims to India and other "holy places" in search of wisdom, astrologers and assorted crystal gazers leave me, to be polite, absolutely unimpressed.

Contacts: that is something else. They should be taken on individual merit. On the one hand, there are fairly

tales a' la the late Adamski, who took part in a galactic conference on Venus, or the Siberian fellow who had a lively exchange with the Archangel Michael at another galactic conference in Tomsk in 1990. On the other hand, some contacts are serious, providing useful information toward better understanding and mutual acceptance.

A few months ago our State Director recommended a book, titled "Visitors from Within" by Keith Priest. As a fellow respectful of Authorities, I duly bought it at a first opportunity, began to read with my usual open-minded but skeptical approach, and got stuck to it for next four hours.

The contact, this time with Greys or Zetas, confirms what we have suspected for a long time. They are after something we have and they don't: the ability to reproduce and emotions. They lost these things eons ago and would like to recover them. They look, act and think not as individuals but as a part of the collective whole. (ET Socialism?) Thus our outbursts and manifestations of personality only startle them and they begin to act clumsily, "cutting off" and concerning themselves only with the task to be performed. As a result, many abducted individuals feel like they have "been used."

But there is a comforting angle: Zetas are as afraid of us as we are of them. Our fear is based mostly on the novelty of the situation. They are not here to harm us in any way. Once the fear is removed, useful dialogue could begin with mutual benefits.

All this makes sense. This book is an excellent guide not only for potential abductees but for the public at large. Anyone can have a CE3!

I trust the authors' integrity and honesty. I don't think they concocted the whole business in order to sell a book (which happens sometimes). The effort would be too huge for a questionable return.

One caution, however. The authors are at the receiving end of the communications; there is no way to check whether they are told truth or disinformation. But all we know so far points toward truth. And then, there is a future, so, let's see.

Jim Ossipov, MUFON-AZ Member

DO YOU KNOW THIS PERSON?

In the 1960s I knew a person named Joe Lanom from Mercury, Nevada. I also knew that he was doing some type of unusual work for the government in Mercury, which may have some connection to Area 51.

Now that I am involved in MUFON, I wish I had asked Joe more about what he did and where he did it! If anyone is familiar with the name Joe Lanom or knows anything about government projects being performed in Mercury, Nevada, please contact me at the MUFON meeting or by calling the HOTLINE number (listed on the top of the newsletter). Thanks!

Tom Taylor

'X' marks the spot for eeriness

Fox show's creator keeps things scary

By Matt Roush
USA TODAY

LOS ANGELES — What is an X File? Not even Chris Carter, *The X Files*' soft-spoken creator, can tell you for sure. It has to be scary. It definitely helps to be smart. "I know it when I see it. It's kind of like obscenity."

As in obscenely enjoyable. His early pitch on the cult Fox series (tonight at 9 ET/PT) likened it to "Silence of the Lambs meets Unsolved Mysteries, which I think doesn't do it justice. You sort of get it or you don't."

Those who've already got it — a small but hardy following, made up of those demographically desirable viewers who watch little TV but do so with a passion — compare it to *The Twilight Zone*, *The Outer Limits*, even to Carter's youthful fave, *The Night Stalker*. Its genesis was simple: "I looked at the TV schedule and decided there's nothing scary, spooky, telling me there's anything I would want to watch."

So he sold his studio (Twentieth Television) and the Fox network on the paranoid adventures of quirky FBI agent Fox Mulder (David Duchovny), who's convinced "the truth is out there."

As in outer space.

His partner, the skeptical Dana Sculley (Gillian Anderson), looks for logic in the inexplicable. One thing she believes in: Mulder's belief. Tonight, in an episode steeped in ominous government conspiracy theory, she calls his passion "so intense that sometimes it's blind-



ON 'FILES': David Duchovny, left, as an FBI agent who investigates paranormal phenomena, Alan Tudyk, and Gillian Anderson as Duchovny's skeptical partner.

ing." Same could be said for *X Files*.

"One of the guiding ideas when I was creating the show was that everyone wants a religious experience," says Carter. "I still believe that to be true. I think we all want to be dragged to the desert and see a vision. ... We all want our faith tested, we want to find meaning and purpose. I think all of our stories have a sense of that awe and wonder."

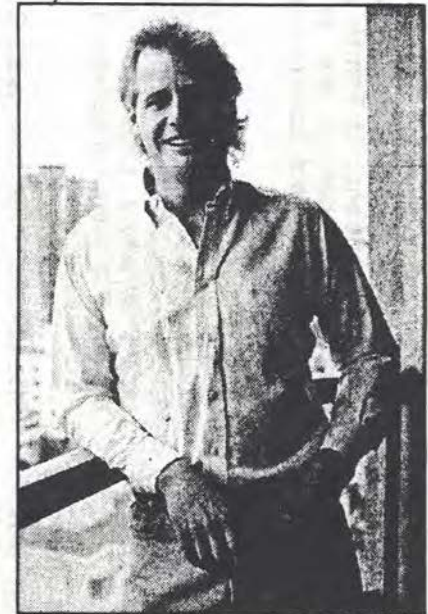
When he senses he's getting too heady, he pulls back. "Really, I'm just trying to tell a good story" — within "the realm of extreme possibility."

Carter's professional resume, which runs toward Disney TV-movies, couldn't be further from *Files* turf. "I

got a reputation for writing contemporary kid voices, probably because I spent my 20s hanging out on the beach. I worked for *Surfing* magazine. I was familiar with hip lingo ... but this is really much more to my strength."

His idea of a perfect *X Files* is one that's "very close to reality," with a signature open-ended finale, "very creepy and not wrapped up" — like the one about a shape-shifting serial killer who, at episode's end, was eyeing the thin slot in his prison door as an escape route.

"Early on, the network was adamant about closure. I kept saying we're not chasing your regular villains." Unless you consider normal an Arctic worm



Canadian Press

CARTER: 'X Files' creator presides over a show with tales that intrigue him.

that one week got under people's skin.

"We're not putting bad guys behind bars each week." Similarly, you won't actually lay eyes on an alien. "It's too easy, it would be too much, go too far. It would be self-limiting. The trick is going to be to figure out ways to keep telling these stories interestingly, from different angles. How to make them sizzle without getting redundant."

So far, he and his staff are pulling it off. Check out those computer bulletin boards. "Last week, I got 50 pages of electronic messages. I sat here until 11 one night and read it all. They see the smallest things and put together ideas in ways I never anticipated. They make connections that are just fascinating to me. I'm calling them *File-o-philes*."

Join the club.

ANCIENT PROPHECIES Television Program Review

On Tuesday, March 1 at 7 pm, Channel 12 presented a program titled "Ancient Prophecies." Prophecies are written in a symbolic, convoluted language, requiring an "expert" to interpret them to us simple folks. Most of the time they are definitely off the mark.

As a kid back in Yugoslavia, I have read one of Nostradamus's explainers who stated that Germany would win the next war, (WW2), that by 1945 Russia would have a Tsar, and that the Roman Empire would be partly recreated by 1950.

What do we have this time? To begin -- 3 Antichrists. The first one is -- of all people -- Napoleon! Come on: In comparison to Nero, Attila, Arpad, Genghis Khan, Tamerlane, even to Cortez and Pizarro -- Napoleon was an altar boy.

The second Antichrist is Hitler. OK, let's settle on that. However, he could be easily overshadowed by old Joe Stalin, who, during his tenure, has killed more than 50 million people, not counting WW2 casualties - and also has persecuted all religions at random.

The third Antichrist is by now 32 years old, and lives in Jerusalem. (Probably at 666, 6th street) and will reveal himself in 1995. And then, for 7 years . . . we gonna get it! Just wait!

Also cited was St. Malachy, who names two last Popes, after Pope John-Paul 11 "De gloriae olivae" and "Petrus Romanus." For a practicing Catholic, it is a clear-cut situation: No Church without a Pope, no World without the Church. Therefore - the end of it all. But could it be another scenario? That in some future, Christian denominations will patch up their differences and unite into one Christian Church, headed by a representative high College, one of whose members will be a Pope, equal to others?

Even a better scenario: humanity will come to its senses, reject divisions, (my God is better than yours) and start, in unity, to worship one Universal God. There is only One God. Then, St. Malachy's prophecy could be a new beginning, not an end!

Several modern seers in the program have predicted all kind of calamities, blaming us for ozone depletion, greenhouse effect, and a rise in temperature, all that, after we were recently gratified with the coldest winter in recent times.

But where are the Biblical prophets? Except for a cursory mention of Apocalypse, there were none. May be not ancient enough.

All predictions point to year 2000. 1000 years ago, our ancestors ran amok at the approach of year 1000. There was a mass hysteria, and then - mankind continued cheerfully for another millennium. Let's face it: 2000 is only a number. For Jews, Moslems or Chinese, it is meaningless.

At the beginning I wrote that prophecies are expressed in symbolic language. Seldom are dates given; and for good reason. First - to keep us guessing. Second - practical: Imagine that all prophecies agree that the end of the world will occur on April 15, 1994. Then, why

should we study, go to work, plan summer vacations or prepare tax form, when we all go "kaboom" in few weeks? Right? There is a profound wisdom in it.

At the end, for amateurs of prophecies, I will make my predictions for 1994 only. (I am not ambitious!). Let's see at the end of 1994 how I did.

1. Few oil-spells in Atlantic or Indian Oceans.
2. Several earthquakes in California.
3. Revolution in one of Central or South-American countries.
4. Sporadic wars in former Yugoslavia.
5. Former USSR will crumble further.
6. Some bigwig in Middle East will be killed.
7. Several Hollywood stars will divorce.
8. Several Hollywood stars will re-marry for an n-th time.
9. There will be Lorena Babbitt's copy-cat.
10. Some 35-year old misfit will remember, with a help of a good psychiatrist, that at the age of 5, he was molested by Pope, Patriarch of Constantinople and Dalai-Lama simultaneously.

That's it for now.

I look forward, doomsday notwithstanding, for MUFON chapter meeting in December 2001, expecting that guest speakers will be couple of "Greys."

Keep the faith! - Cheers!

Jim Ossipov, MUFON-AZ Member

THE PHOENIX GAZETTE Tuesday, January 11, 1994

Scientists ready for Jupiter blast

By The Baltimore Sun

COLLEGE PARK, Md. — The biggest nuclear war humans could ever ignite on Earth will be dwarfed by the explosive power that the newly discovered comet Shoemaker-Levy 9 will unleash when it collides this summer with the planet Jupiter, scientists say.

The resulting fireballs and flashes will occur 480 million miles from Earth — too far away to see without a telescope. But scientists gathered this week at College Park to organize observations.

Nothing this big has happened on Jupiter for 10,000 years, according to some calculations. And modern astronomers have never seen anything like it.

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