

NEWSLETTER

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New Edition of MUFON Field Investigator's Manual Now Available

Marge Christensen has received a box of copies of the new FIELD INVESTIGATOR'S MANUAL. These may be obtained at the Sept. meeting for \$7.50, payable to the Mutual UFO Network. They may also be obtained by writing or calling Marge and sending a check for \$7.50 payable to Mutual UFO Network and \$1.00 to Marge for postage.

UFO HOTLINE
617-944-0686

Our Hotline telephone answering machine is currently malfunctioning, and Joe Santangelo has been informed by the manufacturer that the machine must be returned to the factory for repairs. Joe has graciously managed to obtain a back-up machine for us, so that we are still maintaining a telephone hotline on a 24-hour basis. The telephone number, of course, remains the same. The back-up machine, however, will record messages, but we will not be able to call and play back messages as we generally do on a daily basis with our regular machine. Joe has assured us that he will relay all messages to us.

DON'T FORGET

On August 22, on WRKO radio, Barry Greenwood and Marge Christensen will be guests on Dr. Harry Sobel's program, from 12:00 noon until 2:00 p.m.. There will be phone calls from listeners, so there is a possibility of new cases arising from the program.

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

Because of the many people taking vacation time during August, the August meeting has been cancelled. Instead, we will direct our efforts in August toward arrangements for the upcoming UFO INFORMATION CONFERENCE for Police Officers, scheduled for late Sept. All MUFON members are invited to attend the conference, which is free of charge. Specific details of the conference will be announced at the Sept. 10th meeting, or may be obtained by contacting Marge Christensen.

At our SEPTEMBER MEETING, Ann Horr will present a workshop on hypnosis. Also, we will kick off our annual magazine subscription drive. Remember that this will be the first year that the funds raised will go totally to Mass. MUFON, so please support this drive.

Recently several members have voiced displeasure with the church in Belmont as our monthly meeting place. I have been in contact with other State Directors, and have found that several states have monthly meetings at restaurants. If you know of a centrally located restaurant with a function room where we could hold our meetings each month, and which is not terribly expensive, please bring it to my attention at the Sept. meeting, or before. Also, if you know of another hall, not necessarily a restaurant, where you feel the surroundings are more comfortable for our meetings, kindly bring it to my attention. We will include a discussion of this topic on the agenda in Sept., so please make every effort to attend the Sept. Meeting.

Marge Christensen

COMPUTER PROJECT

We are preparing to begin the actual data entry process for our computerized listing of Barry Greenwood's holdings in the area of UFOs. Bob Gildea and Joe Santangelo, who are coordinating this project, would like to know which of our members have home computers and what makes and models those computers are, so that they will be able to determine which of our home computers are compatible for tackling this process. If you have a home computer and would be willing to key in items to be either recorded on disk or transmitted to Joe's computer by telephone modem, please contact either Joe or Bob. Check your membership list for phone numbers. If you do not have a membership list, please ask for one at the next meeting.

This computerized listing will be a great asset to us all. Don't rely on someone else to do the work. Let's all pitch in and make this a real group effort. If you don't have a home computer, but are willing to help, please contact either Joe or Bob and they will tell you how you can assist. Thank you for your cooperation.

**We need each other
to get the job done**

Please Remember the Clipping Service

Since there is no August meeting, we would like to remind everyone that monthly donations to the UFO Clipping Service costs may be made by mailing your checks to Fred Chaffee, 136B Fletcher St., Belmont, MA 02178.

Remember that your contributions to MUFON are tax deductible.

Your support of the clipping service is important to us all, and is much appreciated.

Thank You

MUFON UFO SYMPOSIUM

NOTES

The 1983 Symposium in Pasadena was very scientifically oriented. Four of the participants had some connection with the NASA Johnson Space Center at Houston. Much of the content of the program dealt with theories on propulsion systems, EM interference, etc.

Approximately 240 persons attended the symposium.

One highlight of the program was the Corporate Meeting, at which James McCampbell, MUFON's Director of Research, presented a report on the various research projects which have been undertaken by our consultants. A copy of this report may be obtained by contacting Marge Christensen.

State Directors were in attendance from: Northern and Southern California, Iowa, Hawaii, Washington, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Utah, Massachusetts, Texas, and there were representatives from several other states as well. We found that Massachusetts has one of the most active groups, and we were approached by other state reps. for copies of our annual report, newsletters, MUFON information page, Mass. MUFON policies public education information, etc.

The 1984 Symposium will be held in Dallas, Texas, and State Dir., Neal Hern, has notified Marge Christensen of a new feature which is being planned for the Texas symposium, and which has never before been a part of a MUFON Symposium. Marge has been asked to run that portion of the program. It is not definite at this time, but it is interesting to see Massachusetts contributing to other MUFON groups in several ways. When this information is definite, it will be announced to our local group.

The North American UFO Federation (NAUFOF) has a new director-- Dr. Richard Haines, NASA research scientist, and author of Observing UFOs. The vice-chairman is Henry McKay (MUFON of Canada); secretary is Pete Mazzola (SBI), and treasurer is Ann Druffel (California MUFON).

COPIES OF THE SYMPOSIUM PROCEEDINGS ARE AVAILABLE FROM MARGE CHRISTENSEN, AND ARE \$10.00 EACH.