



# P.I.P.E. LINE

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## NEW MEMBER

I am appointing Jim Melesciuc, State Section Dir. for Norfolk County, as a new member to our P.I.P.E. Committee. Jim has been very active in public information endeavors in Massachusetts, and is one of the people responsible for the production of the tv documentary on the UFO subject currently being compiled. Jim's address is: 8 Maple St., Reading, MA 01867 (tel: 617-944-9570. Jim will attend the St. Louis Symposium, and will be present at the P.I.P.E. Committee meeting on Friday evening. Jim will be an asset to our committee.

### FUND FOR UFO RESEARCH PLANS

#### FOR NATIONAL UFO INFORMATION WEEK

I recently received a phone call from Fred Whiting, in Washington, D.C., in regard to the Fund's plans for the week of Aug. 18-25. According to Fred, the Fund will issue press releases to all of their contacts across the country, and will offer to serve as guest lecturers in as many locations as possible.

### SILENT STATES-- WHAT TO DO ABOUT THEM?

Despite repeated efforts to obtain some sort of communication from the following State Directors, they have not responded in regard to National UFO Information Week:

Alabama, Idaho, Indiana, Kansas, Nevada, Mississippi, Minnesota, Oregon, ~~N. DAKOTA~~ and West Virginia.

I would like to have 100% participation, even if that participation was limited to mailing press releases furnished by us to local newspapers, or limited to taking our tv documentary to a local cable tv station. Do any of you have any ideas as to how to get any of these people to respond?

### NATIONAL UFO INFORMATION WEEK

AUGUST 18-25, 1985

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## *My Personal Thanks...*

I would like to thank each one of you for your efforts toward making the work of our committee successful. Dennis Stacy, thanks for the plugs for the National UFO Information Week in the Journal. Walt Webb, I appreciate your request to meet to plan out the press releases for the National UFO Information Week, and your willingness to write the press releases. Dennis, when Walt and I meet to work on the press releases, we will call you to discuss it with you.

Dan Wright, congratulations on a job well done. Compiling the two slide sets and narratives was no small feat, and I am confident that the two sets of slides will go a long way toward standardization and improvement of the caliber of public information presentations given on the UFO subject by our MUFON members nationwide. These slide sets have been badly needed for a long time. Also, our compliments on the wonderful job you have done in arranging the 1986 MUFON Symposium to be held at MSU.

Paul Cerny, I very much appreciate your efforts in contacting Ron Lakis at KPIX and your inquiries on behalf of those of us who are working on the tv documentary. You have been very helpful.

Bob Bletchman, thanks so much for writing to the networks, national newspapers, etc. for National UFO Information Week. I am confident that your letters will be well written and powerfully eloquent; and will hopefully wake up some of the powers that be in those establishments to the fact that their publications and networks are missing one of the greatest stories of all time, -- the UFO story.

Barry Greenwood, John Schuessler, Dan Wright, Walt Andrus, Allen Hynek, Budd Hopkins, and Ray Fowler and David Jacobs, thanks for taking the time to do the videotaping we asked for, with relatively little advance notice, and for allowing us to impose upon you. Your videotape products have the potential of going a long way toward opening minds and eyes of the public about the UFO phenomenon. Without you all, the film would not have been possible.

Tom Deuley, thanks for working on the design of the poster for the National UFO Information Week. I am looking forward to seeing the finished product.

Marge Christensen



ST. LOUIS, MO

On Friday evening, following the opening reception at the MUFON Symposium, there will be a meeting of our committee. The agenda is quite brief (only 5 or 6 items), but I would like to have any of you who will be attending the Symposium please be prepared to offer suggestions for next year's P.I.P.E. Committee projects and endeavors. We will hold a National UFO Information Week next year as well. Should we capitalize upon the fact that our symposium will be held at an institution of higher learning, in order to really emphasize the need for public education of the UFO subject? Should we have the National UFO Info. Week coincide with the week of the Symposium? This would have some good points and some bad points. One of the bad points would be that many State Dirs. would be away from their State organizations during the Symposium, as they will be at the Symposium. These are things to think about. Do you have any ideas for ways in which we might achieve national media coverage? What can we do to improve next year? What have we learned about running such a project this year that we should modify or change or use again next year?

Are you willing to remain on our committee for another year? Do you have any persons whom you would like to recommend as new members for the committee? I think that a committee of more than 15 persons would be too large and too cumbersome to work efficiently with. We now number 13. I hope to get a great deal of input from the committee members at the meeting on the 28th of June.

KEN MC LEAN TO ADDRESS P.I.P.E. COMMITTEE AT SYMPOSIUM

Walt Andrus has notified me that Ken McLean, Wyoming State Dir., will address our committee and State and Asst. State Directors or State PR Directors in attendance at the St. Louis Symposium during our meeting on Fri. evening. Since we will have a sizeable crowd, is there anything you would like to bring up or anything you would like to discuss with the State Directors? Please let me know so that I can include it on the meeting agenda. This may be an opportune time to get some feedback from the State Directors in regard to next year's projects. Let me hear from you and let me know what you think of this.

Marge Christensen

TELEVISION DOCUMENTARY UNDERWAY

At the time of this writing, the television documentary being produced for the Mutual UFO Network by Mass. MUFON, Inc. is well underway. Taped segments of the program have been received from Walt Andrus, Allen Hynek, Dan Wright, Ray Fowler, Barry Greenwood, John Schuessler, Budd Hopkins; and David Jacobs will be in Beverly, MA within days to host the program and to introduce each segment. Visuals already have been selected and a program outline has been compiled. Credits and background slides for the credits, as well as background music for the credits have all been arranged. State Directors and others from just about every State have indicated a willingness to obtain a copy of the tape and arrange to get it aired in their respective States. Thus, if we cannot get national tv coverage, we will get tv coverage nationally, bit by bit.

HATS OFF TO CERNY AND GATES !

Paul Cerny and Tom Gates recently went to Stockton, CA for a lecture on UFOs to the Astronomical Society. Also, their UFO display is on its way to the State Fair exposition in Stockton. Paul's saucer model will be one of the attractions also. They are also participating at the big Space-Science expose at the San Francisco Moscone Center (Convention Center). Nice going, Paul and Tom!

MUFON STATE DIRECTORS IN NEW BOOKLET  
ON VISITORS FROM SPACE IN  
NEW ENGLAND

A new booklet (50 pgs) entitled:

New England's Visitors From Outer Space, by Bob Cahill (Chandler-Smith Publishing House, Inc, 1985) features the following New England MUFON State Directors: Maine, Dr. Leland Bechtel; New Hampshire, Peter Geremia; Vermont, William Chapleau; Massachusetts, Marge Christensen. The book also mentions Barry Greenwood, Jim Melesciuc, and others who are members of MUFON. It dates back to 1639, when the author claims that America's first UFO sighting was reported, and continues right on up to the present time, including the current boomerang sightings being reported in NY and CT. The booklet, which sells for \$3.95 might be able to be obtained from Bob Girard at Arcturus Book Service. Watch the Arcturus catalog for this interesting booklet.

STAY IN TOUCH, EVERYONE!