

## Peter Robbins Presentation a Success

### Words From the State Director



For those of you who were there, you know that Peter Robbins delivered three great UFO presentations on September 18 and 19. We were fortunate to have such a presenter of his caliber come to Michigan. Big thanks to Jay Korinek, David Twichell, and the rest of the WHFR for making Henry Ford Community College an available venue for the Saturday night lecture. DVDs for the HFCC talk will be made available for purchase at our upcoming meeting.

Also, I must add, funding for Robbins' presentations was largely aided by our charitable gaming fundraising event. Hopefully, more fundraising will be scheduled soon.

Important MIMUFON Position Update: Due to the streamlined process that CMS has

consistently provided for investigation management over the course of the past several years, Michigan MUFON is retiring the title of State Section Director, including Regional SSD, effective immediately. That being said, anyone who was holding this title at the time of this announcement is still welcome to participate in our Board discussions. Thank you all so much to everyone who has ever been an SSD.

2011 is approaching quickly. MUFON dues remain \$25 per family for the new year and can be paid through the mimufon.org website, at our meeting, or by mail.

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Thank you for your continued membership.

Our upcoming Michigan MUFON meeting will be November 7 at Walli's East in Flint.

Deputy Chief Investigator Robert Nolan will conduct our morning Field Investigator Training.

For our afternoon presentation, MIMUFON Consultant and CUFOS Board Member Bill Murphy will give a presentation entitled, "Northern Lights," highlighting many of Michigan's most prominent and important UFO sightings over the years. I saw him deliver this presentation to the Southeast Michigan MENSA group on October 16 and it was the most in-depth of his kind.

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See you Sunday, November 7th, at Walli's for Robert Nolan's morning Field Investigator's training plus Bill Murphy's afternoon presentation, "Northern Lights."

And let me take this opportunity to wish all of our members a very Happy Thanksgiving, a Merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year.



## Monthly Statistical MUFON Report for Sept 2010:

CMS continues to amass sighting reports from around the globe.

In Sept. 2010 there were 353 sightings reported to MUFON through CMS worldwide. Of these, 310 were in the United States, of which 15 were in Michigan. Most impressively there were 15 Landings, Hovering, or Takeoffs reported and 9 Entities observed worldwide.

To review the CMS data yourself go to [www.mufon.com](http://www.mufon.com) and click on "UFO Case Files" to 1.) Easily look at the Last 20 Sightings, or 2.) Do a customized search of the CMS database by date and/or location, or 3.) Logon to CMS for even more detailed UFO sighting information about your State and the World.



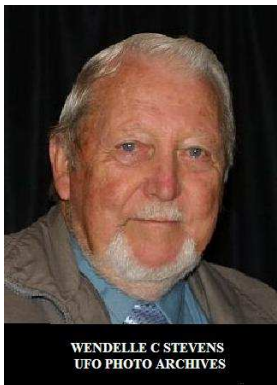
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## UFO Researcher Wendelle Stevens dies at age 86



WENDELLE C STEVENS  
UFO PHOTO ARCHIVES

Retired USAF Lt. Col. and UFO researcher Wendelle C. Stevens, author of such books as 1986's *UFO Crash at Aztec: A Well-Kept Secret*, has died at the age of 86. He passed away on Tuesday, September 7, 2010, at 4:21 p.m. of a massive heart attack. Another source says he died at 4:44 pm in his home in Tucson, Arizona of respiratory failure.

Wendell C. Stevens was born January 18, 1923, in Round Prairie, Minnesota. After enlisting in 1941 in the US Army and he was transferred to the Air Corps in 1942. He was accepted for Aviation Cadet Training the same year and graduated from Fighter Pilot Advanced Training in 1943 as a very young 2nd lieutenant in the then U.S. Army Air Corps. After that he attended the first Air Corps Flight Test Pilot School at Kelly Field where he learned to fly all the aircraft in the Air Corps inventory at that time, and a few U.S. Navy Aircraft. He was assigned as the first commander of the First ARU Floating, an aircraft, maintenance squadron, in the Pacific theater. This continued until the war ended in 1945.

Wendelle Stevens was actively involved in ufology for 54 years, first as Director of Investigations for the Aerial Phenomena Research Organization (APRO) in Tucson, Arizona, where he retired.

Becoming disenchanted with the dearth of detail on contact events reported in contemporary books and journals of the time, several years ago, Stevens began preparing detailed reports of his own investigations of extensive and on-going UFO contact cases that came to his attention. These reports often ran to over 200 pages and some to over 600 pages, in length and were published in heavily illustrated permanent hard cover library style bindings.

He amassed one of the largest collections of UFO photos and investigated a number of contact cases, published in more than 22 books. His most famous one was the Billy Meier case in Switzerland.

In December 1997 he received an award for lifetime achievement at the First World UFO Forum in Brazilia, capital of Brazil. He was a founder and Director of the International UFO Congress and recently transferred his extensive photo collection, library and archives to Open Minds Production.

Stevens often expressed strong opinions. For example, Stevens included a section in his *UFO Crash at Aztec* book about the alleged crash of a UFO at Laredo, Texas on July 7, 1948, believing that the UFO was a top-secret U.S. experimental aircraft and that the burned body allegedly found was that of a large rhesus monkey. In a 2009 interview, Stevens said that, although he believed many UFO incidents do involve extraterrestrial spacecraft, he thinks the 1948 Laredo crash was really a secret experiment that originated at the White Sands, New Mexico missile range.

For serious ufologists, one of the most problematic associations that Stevens had was with Billy Meier, who most in ufology feel is a hoaxer. Wendelle C. Stevens' several volumes of *Message from the Pleiades: The Contact Notes of Eduard Billy Meier*, were the world's introduction to the citizen of Switzerland who claims to be a UFO contactee and the source of many controversial UFO photographs presented as proof Meier has had contact with space aliens.

Source: <http://copycateffect.blogspot.com/2010/09/stevens-obit.html>



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# The Vatican and United Nations ready for contact?

by Herbert Deary

Lets see??? Where do I begin???

Seems to be a ton of new activity in high places in the regards to alien life and human contact with these beings from beyond our world.

Lets first look at the United Nations new appointed position to the "United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs" and the naming of Mazlan Othman to be Alien – UFO ambassador in case contact is made.

This United Nations office is responsible for promoting international cooperation in peaceful uses of outer space. UNOOSA is also going to be responsible for the implementation of the Secretary-General's responsibilities under all international space laws. It also will be responsible for the United Nations Registry of Objects sent into Space as well.

Mazlan Othman is a Malaysian astrophysicist that will be the official "Greeter" to any contacted species from space. Some people would argue that this type of appointment should be the responsibility of a high ranking official such as a president of some other world leader, but this is a unanimous decision on the part of the United Nations for this job



Mazlan Othman. Photo Credit To: <http://unoosa.org/>

to be carried out by Othman. She does have a background in science and other space related credentials like overseeing the Malaysian national space program, and she saw over the training and flight of Malaysia's first astronaut. Mazlan Othman's job as within UNOOSA includes possible issues that may involve space technology, and the preparedness and protocols if an asteroid or comet was on a direct collision course with Earth. One U.N. peer out of the UK, a Professor Richard Crowther, said "Ms. Othman is absolutely the nearest thing we have to a 'take me to your leader' person".

Next I think I will touch on the Vatican and some of the things coming out of it. This story is even strange for me to read. It seems the Vatican's astronomer says he'd love to 'baptize an alien'. Yes... You read that correctly. He wants to baptize an alien if we make contact. Dr Consolmagno is the curator of the little known Pope's meteorite collection, and he is a trained astronomer as well as a planetary scientist at none other than the Vatican's own private observatory. Dr Guy Consolmagno, 57 who was speaking publicly at a British Science Festival in Birmingham, also mentioned to the festivals attendants that intelligent aliens may be living among the heavens and most likely are to have souls. This is a profound statement for a Vatican official to make openly on any measure of importance in the disclosure movement. The implications of such a public verbal opening up and change in the Catholic doctrines and views on the alien contact or existence issue is mind boggling to say the least. Not to mention wanting to baptize them. The idea of the existence of ET or life beyond our own world is not a new one for the Vatican, but the idea that they want to bring them into the fold because they may have souls is definitely a landmark idea from the Vatican.

There are also some other tidbits that have come to the surface as of late, such as the Churchill documents that state they covered up the entire UFO issue in his day, to recent stories of the compromising of nuclear missile sites by visiting UFO craft.

Those two revelations are also just as important as the Vatican and UN stories, but I feel that the fact that these are two of the mighty pillars in our worlds eye view of things that they stand apart from many other stories that also carry a very heavy weight with them. These are not just a person's account of hearsay or some documents that may or may not be able to be verified 100% as authentic. These are from the horse's mouth. If the United Nations and the Vatican are in a major change of direction and policies towards first contact then I personally have to stand up and take notice in a way that I and others have been waiting for over a very long time. This could be the signals we have been waiting for from the powers that be. Could open contact and or full disclosure be around the corner for mankind? Well??? It is starting to look like the idea of such things is looking more plausible with these new developments from the two groups.

So what is next? That is the question now. We will have to sit back and see how this plays out. It seems that the Vatican and the UN are rallying into position and be prepared for contact and the possible meeting of a new race with humans. Let's look at it realistically; worldwide organizations like these two would not hang themselves out there for ridicule unless they have something up their proverbial sleeves and are very sure that the move will be met with results to justify such a controversial policy change of direction. In closing I just want to say I really hope that the signs and signals that these two heavy weights are sending turn out to be the real deal and we finally make contact in a full and open view for all to see.

Source: <http://www.ufodigest.com/article/vatican-and-united-nations-ready-contact>



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## Did You Miss MUFON's 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Symposium?

If you did not attend this year's MUFON sponsored 41st Annual UFO Symposium you are probably disappointed that you missed out on a lot of important information about current UFO investigations. Don't worry. It's not too late to obtain a transcript of the informative and compelling presentations given by this year's panel of top notch speakers!

The official MUFON Symposium Proceedings is offered this year for the same price of \$29.00. The proceedings include the papers presented by each conference speaker. Order your copy today so you won't miss out! This year's content includes: MUFON SYMPOSIUM SPEAKER ARTICLES.

George Filer: Personal UFO Encounters while in the Air Force Linda Moulton Howe & John Burroughs: Update December 1980 FRA Bentwaters; Telepathic Lights Marc D'Antonio: Drawn in Stone - Cosmic Hints of the Petroglyphs Kathleen Marden: The Conundrum of Alien Abduction Richard Dolan: A.D. (After Disclosure) Outlining the Contours of Our Society After the Great Change Nick Redfern: Mysterious Landscape; A Personal Investigation of the Crop Circle Phenomenon John Greenwald: UFO's - 101 Kevin Randle: Len Stringfield and Crash Retrieval History Donald Schmitt: Roswell On Trial; Witnesses Speak out Michael Schratt: Bombshell UFO Case Files Revealed.

This year's Symposium is a must read for anyone interested in the Cutting Edge of UFO Investigations. For more information go to: <http://acv24.h9ftv.servertrust.com/ProductDetails.asp?ProductCode=MUFON-041>

Sincerely,

Clifford Clift

MUFON International Director

### **Open letter from Zach Swinehart, MUFON.com & MUFONCentral.com Webmaster**

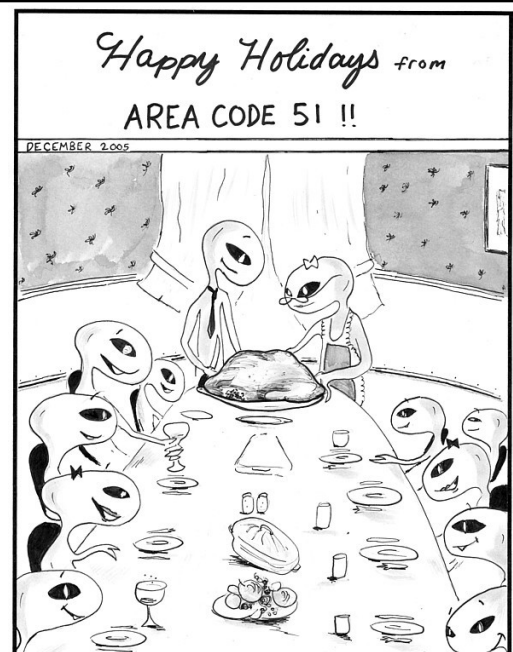
I am happy to announce that the MUFON forum is now officially up and running!

Steps to use the forum:

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2. Click the "Forums" link up top
3. Click the "Login" link in the top right of the forums area
4. Type your MUFON id number into the username AND password fields and click "Login"
5. Your profile page should automatically pop up once you're logged in. (if not, simply click the "profile" link in the top right of the forums area)
6. From your profile view, click the "Change Password" link
7. Type in your new password in both fields, and click the "update profile" link
8. For any instruction on how to use the forums, just go to the forum titled "How to use MUFON Central" or follow this link [http://mufoncentral.com/?page\\_id=224/how-to-use-mufon-central/](http://mufoncentral.com/?page_id=224/how-to-use-mufon-central/)
9. Happy posting! Note: for future logins, you can log in from the main MUFON Central page, rather than navigating to the forums page.

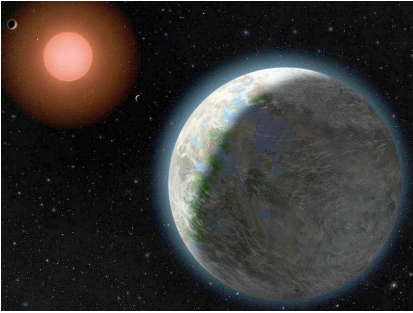
If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact myself or one of the forum moderators and we will work to get the problem resolved.

# **KEEPING IT** **LIGHT**



# Major Discovery: New Planet Could Harbor Water and Life

By Ker Than Staff Writer Space.com



An Earth-like planet spotted outside our solar system is the first found that could support liquid water and harbor life, scientists announced today. Liquid water is a key ingredient for life as we know it. The newfound planet is located at the "Goldilocks" distance—not too close and not too far from its star to keep water on its surface from freezing or vaporizing away. And while astronomers are not yet able to look for signs of biology on the planet, the discovery is a milestone in planet detection and the search for extraterrestrial life, one with the potential to profoundly change our outlook on the universe.

"The goal is to find life on a planet like the Earth around a star like the Sun. This is a step in that direction," said study leader Stephane Udry of the Geneva Observatory in Switzerland. "Each time you go one step forward you are very happy."

The new planet is about 50 percent bigger than Earth and about five times more massive. The new "super-Earth" is called Gliese 581 C, after its star, Gliese 581, a diminutive red dwarf star located 20.5 light-years away that is about one-third as massive as the Sun.

## Smallest to date

Gliese 581 C is the smallest extrasolar planet, or "exoplanet," discovered to date. It is located about 15 times closer to its star than Earth is to the Sun; one year on the planet is equal to 13 Earth days. Because red dwarfs, also known as M dwarfs, are about 50 times dimmer than the Sun and much cooler, their planets can orbit much closer to them while still remaining within their habitable zones, the spherical region around a star within which a planet's temperature can sustain liquid water on its surface.

Because it lies within its star's habitable zone and is relatively close to Earth, Gliese 581 C could be a very important target for future space missions dedicated to the search for extraterrestrial life, said study team member Xavier Delfosse of Grenoble University in France. "On the treasure map of the universe, one would be tempted to mark this planet with an X," Delfosse said.

Two other planets are known to inhabit the red dwarf system. One is a 15 Earth-mass "hot-Jupiter" gas planet discovered by the same team two years ago, which orbits even closer to its star than does Gliese 581 C. Another is an 8 Earth-mass planet discovered at the same time as Gliese 581 C, but which lies outside its star's habitable zone.

## Possible waterworld

Computer models predict Gliese 581 C is either a rocky planet like Earth or a waterworld covered entirely by oceans. "We have estimated that the mean temperature of this super-Earth lies between 0 and 40 degrees Celsius [32 to 104 degrees Fahrenheit], and water would thus be liquid," Udry said.

The scientists discovered the new world using the HARP instrument on the European Southern Observatory 3.6 meter telescope in La Sille, Chile. They employed the so-called radial velocity, or "wobble," technique, in which the size and mass of a planet are determined based on small perturbations it induces in its parent star's orbit via gravity.

## WE ARE NOT ALONE

Awarded the Silver Mic in the category of "Interviews" for 2010 by The Michigan Association of Educational Broadcasters.



Tune in to David Twichell's one-hour radio talk show, "We Are Not Alone" on WHFR, broadcast from Henry Ford Community College (89.3 FM).

Author Philip Imbrogno will discuss his new book "Files From The Edge" on November 2, 2010.

Richard Dolan author of AD—After Disclosure will guest on Dec. 7, 2010.

Leslie Kean (Generals, Pilots, and Government Officials Go on the Record) guests on Jan. 7, 2011.

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Udry said there was a fair amount of time between the calculation of Gliese 581 C's size and the realization it was within its star's habitable zone. "That came at the end," Udry said. When it did hit him, Udry knew he would be spending time fielding phone calls from the media. "You right away think about the journalists who will like it very much," he told *SPACE.com*.

### **More to come**

David Charbonneau, an astronomer at the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics (CfA) who was not involved in the study, said the new finding is an "absolutely fantastic discovery. It means there probably are many more such planets out there," Charbonneau said in a telephone interview. Whether Gliese 581 C harbors life is still unknown, but "it satisfies for the first time a key requirement." Charbonneau also praised the team's technical skills. "The wobble induced on the star by each of these planets is really tiny – It's just a few meters a second. That means their measurement precision is exquisite," he said.

David Latham, another astronomer at Harvard-Smithsonian CfA, echoed other scientists' praise of the discovery but said the next step is to find a similar world where the orbit of the habitable planet carries it between Earth and its parent star. This will allow scientists to observe it using the transit technique, whereby the small dimming starlight caused by the planet's passage across the face of its sun can be used to calculate its size. "Only then can scientists determine for certain whether the world is rocky or covered by water," Latham said.

Alan Boss, a planetary theorist at the Carnegie Institution of Washington, said the new planet's potential for liquid water made it "fascinating." Gliese 581 C "is the closest planet to another Earth that has been found to date. I hope the SETI folks are listening," Boss said.

Seth Shostak, a senior astronomer at the SETI institute, said the Gliese 581 system has in fact been looked at twice before for signs of intelligent life. The first time was in 1995 using the Parkes Radio Telescope in Australia; the second time occurred in 1997 using the 140-foot telescope in Greenbank, West Virginia. Both times revealed nothing. "It has been looked at twice, but that doesn't mean we shouldn't look at it again," Shostak said. "And indeed we should because this is the best candidate the extrasolar planet guys have come up with yet."

Shostak said he was "jazzed" by the discovery. "This is pointing to something that in the past has only been an assumption, namely that Earth-sized worlds are not rare," he said. "We know of only two [planets in the habitable zone]. We know this one and we know our own. But two is better than one."

Shostak said the Gliese 581 system will likely be looked at again over much wider range of the radio spectrum when the new Allen Telescope Array begins operations this summer. "You could say it's going to the head of the class," he said.

Source: [http://www.space.com/scienceastronomy/070424\\_hab\\_exoplanet.html](http://www.space.com/scienceastronomy/070424_hab_exoplanet.html)



### **NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE**

I was sitting in my garden having a coffee and first noticed a bright light on the object. It came from the west not very fast and seemed to be tumbling. The light was the sun reflecting from the nose cone. It did a 90 degree turn to the north toward Newcastle Upon Tyne air port. There was no wind. I was excited so I got my camera and as it crossed my roof I locked my camera on the edge of my roof and took two pictures.

Thanks to MUFON CMS

**"I suspect there could be life and intelligence out there in forms we can't conceive. Just as a chimpanzee can't understand quantum theory, it could be there are aspects of reality that are beyond the capacity of our brains."**

**Stephen Hawking on possible alien life forms.**



# Michigan UFOs and the November MIMUFON Meeting Presentation

## Bill Murphy's Column

Ever get a little tired when people you talk to roll their eyes if you bring up your interest in UFOs, or they say something to the effect that they thought you had more sense, or, maybe most disturbing of all, break off into their vocal rendition of the old TV program *Twilight Zone's* “do-do-do-do” main theme? Well, UFO researcher and lecturer extraordinaire Stanton Friedman has an arsenal of *bon mots*—pregnant sayings that he intersperses throughout his presentations to create dazzlement and at the same time provide a memorable “tag” for an important point that he wants to make. One of my favorite “Friedmanisms” is his saying that we have to stop being “apologist ufologists.” I think he’s absolutely right on this one. In my November presentation to our organization, *Northern Lights: the Michigan UFO Experience*, I intend to provide some Michigan ammunition that I think strongly makes the case to friends, family, and co-workers that unidentified flying objects deserve respect and attention, and that you haven’t been wasting your time on the subject. My last MIMUFON presentation dwelt upon the fact that ufology wasn’t all that different from Science in its warts; this presentation goes on the offensive to make the positive case that UFOs are indeed “Serious Business.”

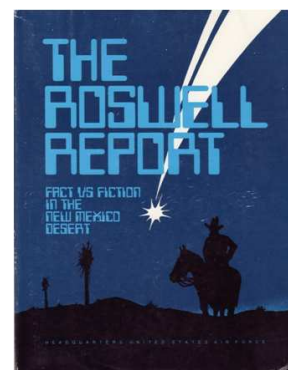
I’ve done the core Michigan UFOs presentation a few times now, but will expand it to include more Michigan cases, both the “classic” ones to which I’m adding some little-known or “new” information I found during my researches over the last three years, and some dramatic but little-known cases. Regarding the “classics,” for instance, among other items we’ve got some additional “human interest” touches to the 1953 Kinross case, as well as radar-records from the 1994 Holland-Grand Haven sightings that most people haven’t seen. In between these cases there’s more information surrounding the famous “Swamp Gas” sightings of 1966. On lesser-known but amazing cases, you’ll learn such things as how “Michigan’s Flying Bird Cage” debunks the debunkers, and how a dramatic Selfridge Air Force base case so concerned the Continental Air Command that it reversed its position regarding reporting radar detections of UFOs. And we’ll discover that wading around in a devastated Michigan corn field in the dark can, sometimes, contribute importantly to our understanding of crop formations. There’s even a tie-in with a weird CEIII reported by a 12-year-old boy on the state’s west side and a harrowing experience I had after midnight, alone next to the Third Pyramid at Gizeh in Egypt.

I plan also on providing a series of powerful arguments for taking UFOs seriously, positions that I believe are unanswerable by the critics. As mentioned elsewhere, I have some points to make about the Roswell mystery that I maintain *must* be accepted by all who claim even a passing interest in the subject, points that cast strong doubt, whatever one’s preconceptions, upon the proposition that Roswell was a “non-event.” I’m using both logic and the *Air Force’s own materials* on the subject—the accepted USAF position—to show the inconsistencies in the now-fourth set of “official” explanations that have been provided for public consumption.

Along the way, we’ll consider enough UFO history both to provide a background for the Michigan cases that will compose most of the presentation, and allow us to show how Michigan has played a critical role in that history. Then-Congressman Gerald Ford’s role in this history is extremely significant but poorly understood, as we’ll demonstrate. Plus, the Ford Congressional correspondence at his Presidential Library at the University of Michigan, which has not to my knowledge been well-studied, provides a capsule summary of most of the human reaction to UFOs and their implications. There’s a rather chilling 1957 “Big Brother” communication to a Michigan UFO group that also needs to be considered here.

One of the most important things you learn as a UFO investigator is that every UFO case has two main elements: the initiating phenomenon, whatever that is or may be, and the human reaction to it. To get at the core of a UFO report requires understanding how the witness perceives what they’ve reported. But beyond that, it’s critical to be sensitive to how their experience impacts the person involved. We’ll see the life-altering effects of UFO events again and again in November’s talk.

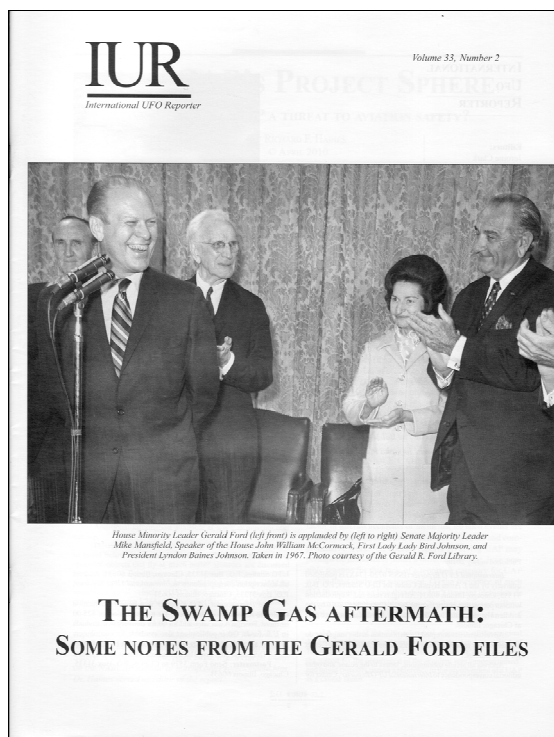
I’ve been reading three recent books that will be fully incorporated into the November presentation, works that will provide the latest support for some of the arguments I’ll be making about the significance of UFOs. Leslie Kean’s *UFOs: Generals, Pilots, and Government Officials Go on the Record*, along with the work Ms. Kean has done to have some of



The Air Force’s “Project Mogul” Explanation of July 27, 1994

these people make public statements to support what they say in the book, may indeed help provide some momentum towards making UFOs considered seriously by the American public as a whole, and in particular some of those in opinion-making positions. A distillation and expansion from some of the book's themes will help bolster my arguments for taking UFOs seriously. Incidentally, as I was polishing this article for submission to *MIMUFON Newsletter* Editor Dave Twichell I received and read the current *MUFON UFO Journal*, which has an article and book review about Kean's book, as well as a "Guest Opinion" inspired by it—more than 6 pages in all. I'll be taking more explicit statements and points in Kean's book to support my contentions. Dr. Peter A. Sturrock's *A Tale of Two Sciences: Memoirs of a Dissident Scientist* is an autobiography by an immensely erudite and accomplished, yet civilized and approachable, scholar. Dr. Sturrock co-founded the Society for Scientific Exploration, engineered the famous Rockefeller Review of UFOs, and performed some of the most important surveys that proved how, when assured anonymity, astronomers and other technically-minded people show an open-mindedness towards UFOs that they don't demonstrate in public. Dr. Thomas E. Bullard, who spoke some years back to Michigan MUFON, has just had *The Myth and Mystery of UFOs* published by a university (Kansas) press, that publication itself being an achievement for ufology. I will make a few points demonstrating from Eddie Bullard's work how ufology deserves respect as a credible field of study, no matter what the debunkers say. Plus, Bullard has several points that help us understand ufology better as a cultural expression, quite aside from the core phenomenon that interests us. In addition to these three new books, I want to suggest a work that was updated last year. When we consider Roswell as a possible anomalous event, Don Schmitt and Tom Carey's *Witness to Roswell: Unmasking the 60-Year Coverup*, whose first edition I reviewed some time ago, will be proposed as the one recent work on Roswell that all people, positive, negative, and fence-sitting alike, should read if they want to understand the human implications of what happened in New Mexico in the early summer of 1947.

We'll also have for sale copies of the current *International UFO Reporter*, which issue includes my article on Gerald Ford, and the earlier *IUR* issue that has what is still the best treatment available of the Holland-Grand Haven sightings. Based upon the reception this presentation received this past week, including the fact that it apparently changed a mind or two about UFOs, I'd urge you to consider inviting people you know who, while open-minded, may not be at all convinced about unidentified flying objects. And the presentation should provide a basis for better understanding Michigan's true significance in this remarkable and important study that engages the rest of us.



**Cover of the Current Issue of the  
*International UFO  
Reporter***

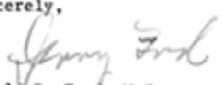
I wish to acknowledge and thank you for your recent letter, in which you say, apparently referring to my proposal that there be an investigation of unidentified flying objects, that there are no little green men, no flying saucers, nor any super race of men living in the North Pole.

I have never said that I believe any of the reported UFO sightings indicate visits to earth from another planet, nor any of the other items you suggested that I might believe. Apart from pranks and natural phenomena, some of these objects may well be products of experimentation by our own military. If this is so, why doesn't the Air Force concede it and in this way reassure the American people? There would be no need to go into detail on the nature of the experiments. There are over 600 unexplained sightings, many of which have been seen by competent witnesses. Nor do they all claim then to be some supernatural or bizarre occurrences as you suggest. It is for this reason that I continue to support this "horse radish" as you call it.

Thank you for your other comments and observations which were noted.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely,



Gerald R. Ford, M.C.

**Gerald Ford's Response to One Critical Letter**



# Former Air Force officers discuss UFO sightings

By Ledyard King – Gannett of The Air Force Times. Monday Sep 27, 2010

WASHINGTON - Armed with declassified documents and vivid details, a group of former Air Force officers gathered Monday to go public with an assertion they have kept mostly under wraps for decades: that UFOs visited the bases they were stationed at and caused nuclear weapon system to temporarily malfunction.

The group, convened by UFO researcher Robert Hastings, came to the National Press Club in Washington to discuss their individual experiences and to urge a government that tried to ignore and silence them when they came forward years ago to finally come clean.

Hastings said he believes that visitors from outer space are fixating on nuclear weapons because they want to send a message: Disarm before the world destroys itself.

Robert Salas, a former missile launch officer at Malmstrom Air Force Base, said that 10 nuclear missiles were suddenly and inexplicably disabled in March 1967 at the Montana installation after members of his flight security team saw a "large glowing, pulsating red oval-shaped object" about 30-40 feet in diameter hovering over the front gate. When he reported the incident to his superiors the next day, he was told to keep quiet.

"What you have heard today is evidence of a phenomenon. It sounds fantastic, and it is fantastic," said Salas, after he and his fellow officers from other bases in the Western U.S. shared similar accounts. The government, Salas said, is "deliberately withholding the facts, continuously since 1969 and, by doing so, do not allow the people of this country to engage in the decision regarding events that are clearly a national security issue for concern all of us. We're simply asking for the truth."

From 1947 to 1969, the Air Force investigated unidentified flying objects under what was called Project Blue Book. Of a total of 12,618 sightings under the program, 701 remained "unidentified." The military discontinued the program after consulting with scientists and concluding that none of the objects posed a threat to national security or could be identified as "extraterrestrial."

When asked to comment on the new assertions, an Air Force spokeswoman cited a 2005 fact sheet that said: "Since the termination of Project Blue Book, nothing has occurred that would support a resumption of UFO investigations."

Hastings said he has heard of a UFO incident occurring at Malmstrom as recently as 2007.

The declassified documents Hastings presented at Monday's news conference include decades-old government memos detailing reports of sightings of objects in the skies above Alabama, Montana, New Mexico and North Dakota. "The American people have a right to know the facts," Hastings told reporters. "This is a national security issues but it is (also) a need-to-know issue, a right-to-know issue. Citizens in every country on Earth should be let in on this secret."

Hastings said he has talked to 120 former or retired U.S. military about the presence of UFOs at nuclear weapons sites across the United States and around the globe as early as 1945, when the world entered the nuclear age with the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. For some of the officers who came forward Monday, going public wasn't easy.

Bruce Fenstermacher, a missile combat crew commander at F.E. Warren Air Force Base in Cheyenne, Wyo., was "laughed at" by superiors when he reported a UFO sighting at a launch site that one of his sergeants had passed on to him, he said. He decided to keep his head low after that.

"I was very careful about who I told what," he said. "I was concerned. I don't want to be considered a kook. But I think it's more important to come out and tell our story."

Source: <http://www.airforcetimes.com/news/2010/09/ap-Former-Air-Force-officers-discuss-UFO-sightings-092710/>



**Robert Hastings**



**Robert Salas**



**Dwyne Arneson**





## Michigan MUFON State Section Directors Meeting Minutes September 19, 2010

The September 19th State meeting, held at Walli's Restaurant in Flint, Michigan, was called to order at 1:10 PM. In attendance were Bill Konkolesky, David Twichell, David and Darlene Bleicher, Gary Golem, Judy Kulka, Bill Murphy and Wendy Smith.

Bill Konkolesky reported that attendance at Saturday's Peter Robbins lecture at Henry Ford Community College was 55. The fee charged by Robbins for both Saturday and Sunday is \$600.00.

Gary reported that a new member felt the lecture was not well advertised. Bill suggested that we ask the member how they learned of MIMUFON, and would they volunteer to post messages on on-line forums.

David Bleicher reported that he could no longer fulfill the duties of the MIMUFON Librarian because his home computer cannot open the Excel spreadsheet that maintains the lending status of the materials. Gary asked about activity at a typical meeting, and David reported that today 10 items were returned and six borrowed, with CDs as the most frequently borrowed category. Bill questioned whether we should make the library available only at selected meetings. Darlene suggested that MIMUFON donate some of the CDs to a public library, to increase recognition of MIMUFON. Gary noted that the items might be sold at a used book sale if they were infrequently borrowed.

Gary reported that four Field Investigators have done the majority of the recent Investigations, and MIMUFON's 100% grade in the CMS rankings are largely due to their diligence.

Bill reported the current status of the MIMUFON Store, which requires a volunteer manager and new stock. If any member knows of a good source for printed clothing please let him know. Bill Murphy suggested that he could sell items from the store along with the reprinted articles he currently offers.

Bill suggested that the State Section Director title could be eliminated, since so few of the current directors are active in investigations.

Wendy reported that the attendance at today's meeting was 50, including the speaker.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:40 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Wendy Smith, October 3, 2010.



## CGI's Mr.Ed: ET UFO Are Real : Ben Rich Lockheed CEO Admitted In His Deathbed

Ben Rich Lockheed Skunk Works CEO had admitted in his Deathbed Confession that Extraterrestrial UFO visitors are real and U.S. Military travel to stars. According to article published in May 2010 issue of the MUFON UFO Journal - Ben Rich, the "Father of the Stealth Fighter-Bomber" and former head of Lockheed Skunk Works, once let out information about Extraterrestrial UFO Visitors Are Real And U.S. Military Travel To Stars.

What he said might be new to many people today, but he revealed the information before his death in January 1995. His statements helped to give credence to reports that the U.S. military has been flying vehicles that mimic alien craft. The article was written by Tom Keller, an aerospace engineer who has worked as a computer systems analyst for NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory.



**Ben Rich Lockheed CEO**

NUGGET ONE: "Inside the Skunk Works (Lockheed's secret research and development entity), we were a small, intensely cohesive group consisting of about fifty veteran engineers and designers and a hundred or so expert machinists and shop workers. Our forte was building technologically advanced airplanes of small number and of high class for highly secret missions.

NUGGET TWO: "We already have the means to travel among the stars, but these technologies are locked up in black projects, and it would take an act of God to ever get them out to benefit humanity. Anything you can imagine, we already know how to do.

NUGGET THREE: "We now have the technology to take ET home. No, it won't take someone's lifetime to do it. There is an error in the equations. We know what it is. We now have the capability to travel to the stars. First, you have to understand that we will not get to the stars using chemical propulsion. Second, we have to devise a new propulsion technology. What we have to do is find out where Einstein went wrong."



NUGGET FOUR: When Rich was asked how UFO propulsion worked, he said, "Let me ask you. How does ESP work?" The questioner responded with, "All points in time and space are connected?" Rich then said, "That's how it works!" Lockheed "Skunk Works" former CEO knew the Roswell extraterrestrial UFO influenced designs of Testor model kits for Roswell UFO models, and U.S. top secret aircraft. According to a CNI News report by Colorado resident Michael Lindemann, the design information was derived from forensic illustrations and numerous witness testimonies about the Roswell UFO, provided by William L. "Bill" McDonald.

In an e-mail, dated July 29, 1999, apparently addressed to Lindemann, McDonald referenced an excerpt of a discussion with Harold Puthoff, founder of the highly classified U.S. "remote viewing" program.

McDonald said: "Well Hal, you asked for it! Now that legendary Lockheed engineer and chief model kit designer for the Testor Corporation, John Andrews, is dead, I can announce that he personally confirmed the design connection between the Roswell Spacecraft and the Lockheed Martin Unmanned Combat Air Vehicles (UCAVs), spy planes, Joint Strike Fighters, and Space Shuttles.

Andrews was a close personal friend of "Skunk Works" CEO Ben Rich -- the hand-picked successor of Skunk Works founder Kelly Johnson and the man famous for the F-117 Nighthawk "Stealth" fighter, its "half-pint" prototype the "HAVE BLUE", and the top-secret F-19 Stealth Interceptor. Before Rich died of cancer, Andrews took my questions to him.

#### **Dr. Ben R. Rich former Lockheed Skunk Works CEO confirmed:**

1. There are 2 types of UFOs -- the ones we build and ones 'they' build. We learned from both crash retrievals and actual "hand-me-downs." The Government knew and until 1969 took an active hand in the administration of that information. After a 1969 Nixon "purge", administration was handled by an international board of directors in the private sector.

2. Nearly all "biomorphic" aerospace designs were inspired by the Roswell spacecraft -- from Kelly's SR-71 Blackbird onward to today's drones, UCAVs, and aerospace craft.

3. It was Ben Rich's opinion that the public should not be told [about UFOs and extraterrestrials]. He believed they could not handle the truth -- ever. Only in the last months of his decline did he begin to feel that the "international corporate board of directors" dealing with the "Subject" could represent a bigger problem to citizens' personal freedoms under the United States Constitution than the presence of off-world visitors themselves."

Lindemann added that "Bill McDonald received the above information from Andrews from 1994 until their last phone call near Christmas in 1998." Lindemann also noted "It should also be known that Dr. Ben R. Rich attended a public aerospace designers and engineers conference in 1993 before his illness overwhelmed him in which he stated -- in the presence of MUFON Orange County Section Director Jan Harzan and many others that 'We' (i.e., the U.S. aerospace community/military industrial complex) had in its possession the technology to "take us to the stars".

NASA cannot deny secrets discovered by UK hacker Gary McKinnon and many astronauts if it expects full funding from the Obama White House administration.

#### **Lockheed Skunkworks Engineer USAF, and CIA Contractor Admitted: UFO Are Real**

Don Phillips: "These UFOs were huge and they would just come to a stop and do a 60 degree, 45 degree, 10 degree turn, and then immediately reverse this action". During the Apollo landing, Neil Armstrong says, 'They're here. They are right over there and looking at the size of those ships, it is obvious they don't like us being here'. When I was working with the Skunkworks with Kelly Johnson, we signed an agreement with the government to keep very quiet about this.

"Anti-gravitational research was going on. We know that there were some captured craft from 1947 in Roswell, they were real. And, yes, we really did get some technology from them. And, yes, we really did put it to work. We knew each other from what we call an unseen industry. We can term it black, deep black, or hidden.

"The knowledge I have of these technologies came from the craft that were captured here. I didn't see the craft, nor did I see the bodies, but I certainly know some of the people that did. There was no question that there were beings from outside the planet.

"Are these ET people hostile? Well, if they were hostile, with their weaponry they could have destroyed us a long time ago. We got these things that are handheld scanners that scan the body and determine what the condition is. We can also treat from the same scanner.

"I can tell you personally that we've been working on them. And we have ones that can diagnose and cure cancer. One of the purposes I had for founding my technology corporation in 1998 was to bring forth these technologies that can clean the air and can help get rid of the toxins, and help reduce the need for so much fossil fuel. Yes, it is time. I can tell you personally that it has already started."



Don Phillips, Lockheed, CIA, USAF

Source: <http://ufohorizon.blogspot.com/2010/09/extraterrestrial-ufo-are-real-ben-rich.html>



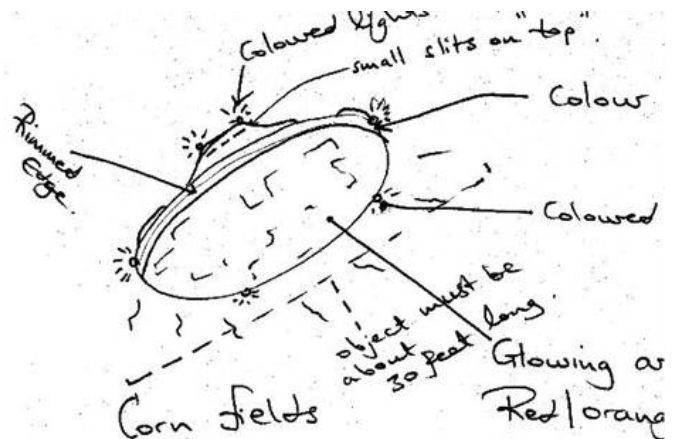
# British X-Files reveal secret UFO study

By Maria Golovkina Reuters.

Britain released hundreds of previously secret "UFO files" on Thursday, including a letter saying that Winston Churchill had ordered a 50-year cover-up of a wartime encounter between an unidentified flying object and military pilot.

The files, published by the National Archives, span decades and contain scores of witness accounts, sketches and classified briefing notes documenting mysterious sightings across Britain.

One Ministry of Defense note refers to a 1999 letter stating that a Royal Air Force plane returning from a mission in Europe during World War II was "approached by a metallic UFO." The unidentified author of the letter says his grandfather attended a wartime meeting between Churchill and Dwight Eisenhower during which the two expressed concern over the incident and "decided to keep it secret."



A sketch from the National Archives' UFO files shows a "flying saucer" that was purportedly sighted over a cornfield at East Grinstead in 1995.

The Ministry of Defense subsequently investigated the case but found no written record of the incident, the files say. In a 1999 note, the ministry said it "does not have any expertise or role in respect of 'UFO/flying saucer' matters or to the question of the existence or otherwise of extraterrestrial lifeforms, about which it remains totally open-minded."

## Latest in a series of releases

Britain has been slowly releasing long-classified files related to sightings of mysterious craft in the skies above its cities, compiled and investigated by the Ministry of Defense over past decades.

Some cases subsequently received rational explanations, such as meteors burning up in the atmosphere, but many are unsolved. One memo, dated 1997, contains reports of "sonic booms" and a mysterious plane crash in northern England. No wreckage was found in an ensuing search by the police and rescue teams. Another incident refers to sightings of a "black triangular UFO" over the home of the shadow home secretary in Kent in the late 1990s. An investigation showed no breach of security.

In a case filed in 1995, the captain of a plane approaching Manchester's airport reported a near-miss with an "unidentified object," and a witness on the ground separately provided a sketch showing a UFO "20 times the size of a football field." An inquiry failed to identify the object, the memo said.

## Cold War incidents

Buried deep among meticulous sketches and ministry memos, some files refer to curious episodes in Britain's history. During the Cold War, Britain sent fighter jets to intercept Soviet aircraft as often as 200 times a year, one document from the ministry showed. The note, filed in 1996, said mystery sightings picked up on radar during the Cold War were invariably proved to be Soviet anti-submarine or long-range reconnaissance planes.

"Prior to the demise of the Former Soviet Union, aircraft were scrambled some 200 times annually to intercept and investigate uncorrelated tracks penetrating the UK Air defence region (AKADR) from the north," it said. The last such scramble was in September 1991 — around the time of the collapse of the Soviet Union.

[http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/38566733/ns/technology\\_and\\_science-space](http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/38566733/ns/technology_and_science-space)



**Sir Winston Churchill, when Prime Minister, asked to be thoroughly briefed:**

**"What does all this stuff about flying saucers amount to? What can it mean? What is the truth?"  
(July 28, 1952 memo to Secretary of State for Air, Lord Cherwell; reprinted in Good, T., *ibid.*)**

# Recent Michigan Sightings

August 23, 2010

9:30 AM EDT

Farmington Hills, Michigan

**Description:** MY GIRLFRIEND AND I JUST FINISHED BREAKFAST. WE HEADED DOWN ORCHARD LAKE ROAD TOWARDS HIGHWAY 696 WE WERE STOPPED AT THE LIGHT AND I LOOKED UP AND SAW A MIRROR LIKE OBJECT IN THE SKY. IT WAS A VERY CLEAR DAY. MY GIRLFRIEND LEANED OVER TO ME TO GIVE ME A KISS AND WE BOTH WATCHED AND SAW IT DO A C SHAPE LOOP IN THE SKY AND DISAPPEAR. THERE WAS A PLANE IN THE SKY CLOSE BY ABOUT 1 TO 3 MILES. IT CONTINUED IT'S PATH. WE LOOKED AT EACH OTHER AND BOTH HAD GOOSE BUMPS FROM WHAT WE SAW.

**Note:** I don't have an explanation or even a speculation on what the witnesses saw. It sounds like that they got a good look at the object.

Thanks to <http://ufosnw.com/>

August 13, 2010

11 PM EDT

Sylvan Lake, Michigan

**Description:** In the first sighting there were 2 "lights" flying with no sound erratically towards and away from each other. They were doing loops, flying up, down, left and right. Airplanes were passing overhead and these "lights" were moving tremendously faster than the planes. They were northwest of our location and I am bad at guessing distance, but I would say they were 5 to 10 miles away. We were sitting at a lake and they kept going down past the tree line, then would zoom up and do their crazy flight pattern and zoom down again into the tree line. That lasted about 15 minutes. Then they were gone. We went back out about an hour later and we saw the same "light," but only one. It did the same thing as before, but for only 5 minutes or so. I don't know of any flying vehicle that moves that fast & can maneuver like that.

Thanks to <http://ufosnw.com/>

July 11, 2010

**Time of Sighting:** Between 3:15 & 4:00 pm EDT

**Location of Sighting:** Detroit, Michigan

**Description:** We saw an object in the distance hover and then move in a straight line accelerating to a specific point in the sky some many miles away in seconds. The object stopped from the tremendous speed instantly. Two people watched for 30 to 60 seconds before the object became too hard to follow. The general location would be over Lake St. Clair. The observation point was a parking lot behind The Rooster Tail on the Detroit River. We watched the object move 6 to 7 times, darting from point to point, hovering momentarily before changing location. It looked like the object was using high altitude clouds as a type of cover. Sunlight didn't brighten the object. It was dark gray, graphite in color. Last year a friend and I witnessed one of the glowing orbs in the evening sky red orange like glowing steel. That was over St. Clair Shores not more than a few hundred feet in the air. There was no sound. We noticed the orb in the southern sky and watched for 30 seconds as it traveled northwest eventually fading away and disappearing.

Thanks to <http://ufosnw.com/>

August 26, 2010 Location: Lapeer, MI

Reported: 8/27/2010 3:41:57 PM 15:41

Duration: 3 hours

Illuminating circular object whisking through the night sky, changing colors, and disappearing (only to reappear).

It started as us looking for the big dipper (during a camping trip) and we noticed a star brighter than all the other stars but was in too odd of a location to be the North Star. Then it got smaller, smaller, smaller, and finally disappeared. It came back, bright as it was before and it started moving in odd motions to distinguish it from a shooting star. After whisking across the sky it turned red and got very close to the moon. Soon after that it became its brightest again and it stayed right beneath our sight of the moon for about three hours. Our cell phones had no service that night.

Thanks to <http://www.nuforc.org/>



## Bill Murphy Presents at the November 7th Meeting



**Bill Murphy**

### "Northern Lights: The Michigan UFO Experience"

Bill Murphy, Board Member of the J. Allen Hynek Center for UFO Studies and Consultant to the Michigan Mutual UFO Network, examines the UFO phenomenon and how it has expressed itself in Michigan sightings, including an apparent UFO-jet collision in 1953, the famous "swamp gas" episodes of 1966, and the Holland-Grand Haven radar-visual sightings that were featured on CBS' 48 Hours. Many additional lesser-known but stunning cases will show the spectrum of mysterious UFO experiences that Michigan has recorded. Mr. Murphy, a former automotive engineer, college teacher, and historian, uses his own case investigations and research into little-known UFO files, including Center for UFO Studies archives and those at the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Library, to provide insights that will interest those with any background level in the subject. Bill's presentation will provide you with many points to prove why UFOs are important; these can come in handy when explaining to others why you're interested in this subject. Bill will also summarize what all interested persons can believe about UFOs in general and Roswell in particular, including another "cover-up" not recognized by most researchers.

Bill Murphy retired from General Motors after a 30-year career that included experience as a line worker and Quality Engineer, trainer, and facilitator, concluding with dual positions as Senior Data Analyst for GM Product Development Quality and Associate Dean of the General Motors University Quality College. He also taught for 17 years at Lansing Community College in the areas of World Civilizations, Archaeology, Egyptology, and Quality Control. Bill holds Bachelors and Masters Degrees from Michigan State University, and did further graduate work at the University of Michigan. He edited newsletters for corporate, professional, and also UFO groups. Bill has produced scores of technical manuals and two books on ancient history, and currently is editing and contributing to the MUFON History Project's massive study of international governments' involvement with the UFO phenomenon. A former MUFON Co-State Director for Michigan, Bill is also a MUFON Research Associate in both History and Quality Control, and contributes articles, book reviews, and translations to the *Michigan MUFON Newsletter* and the *International UFO Reporter*. He is a member of the Engineering Society of Detroit and of the American Society for Quality, holding both its Six Sigma Green and Black Belt certifications. Bill is currently exploring new opportunities in the Quality Engineering field, and making presentations to civic and other public organizations and senior groups on ancient Egypt, Greek mythology and culture, Oriental rugs, world butterflies, and unidentified flying objects.



### **MUFON Field Investigator's Training**

**Investigator Robert Nolan will be conducting the morning Field Investigator's Training. 10:00 AM. All Field Investigators and those wishing to become Field Investigators are urged to attend.**

### **Make Your Meeting Reservations Today!**

Phone in your reservations to State Director Bill Konkolesky at (248) 515-9568 or email at [wjk@mimufon.org](mailto:wjk@mimufon.org) no later than **Wednesday, November 3, 2010**. Please leave your name, number attending in your party, and a telephone number where you can be reached, in case we need to contact you. Please let us know as soon as possible, whether you will be attending. Thank you.



# Michigan MUFON Meeting

at Walli's East Restaurant

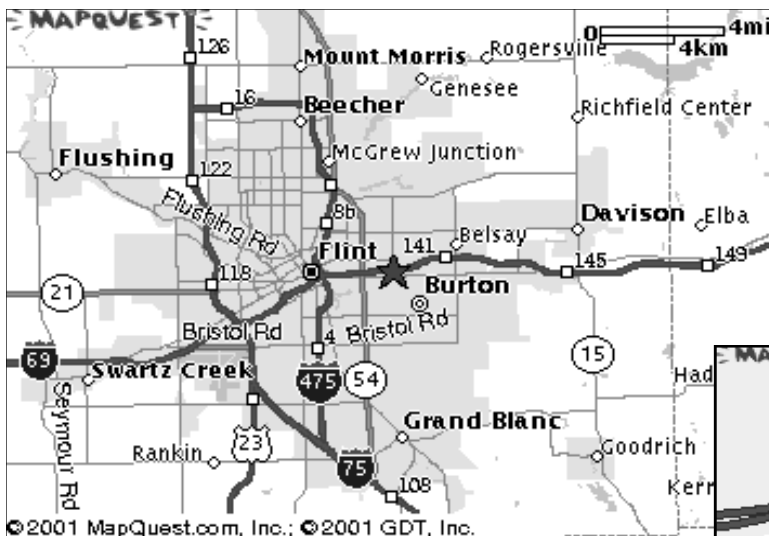
Sunday, November 7, 2010

Members \$14.00 / Non-Members \$16.00

First time guests are \$5.00.

<b>10am</b>	<b>FI Training: Robert Nolan</b>
<b>12pm</b>	<b>Buffet Lunch</b>
<b>1:30pm</b>	<b>Presentation by Bill Murphy</b>
<b>4:00pm</b>	<b>MIMUFON Announcements &amp; Necessary Business</b>

**MIMUFON Board members: Please plan to attend the brief at 1:00 PM before the presentation.**



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**G1341 South Center Rd**  
**Burton, Michigan**  
**(810) 743-9600**



- Exit 139 off of I-69
- Just East of I-475
- SE Corner of South Center Rd & Faith Way

From The Editor's Desk



David Twichell

## Disclosure by Acclimation

NBC has come out with yet another “who are the aliens?” show for our consideration. Their craft crashed landed in Alaska in 1944. (I guess using Roswell in 1947 has been overplayed or there were legal ramifications involved in using that scenario.) The occupants are very human in appearance, bearing only a one percent differential in their DNA from that of us humans. The U.S. military discovered the survivors and they have been held as “guests” in a detention camp right there on the spot ever since. However some of them were able to get away before being detected and have been living among us ever since. The fact that they age at a ridiculously slower rate than we do keeps them as ageless as vampires.

The present U. S. president was finally apprised of the situation and planed to break the news to the public, reasoning that the masses’ right to know trumped the “secrecy card” in a true democracy. (Where do I go to vote for this guy?)

One faction of the “free” aliens tries to stop the announcement with assassination by passenger plan, while another faction uses “wormhole technology” to instantly transport the plane from Miami to Arizona just before the plane strikes. Fortunately everyone survives the crash in Arizona only to be cut down by approaching helicopters. But don’t despair; they all come back to life while lying in a makeshift morgue.

Say what? Stay tuned.

If we can keep track of what is going on in real time while enduring the countless flashbacks, perhaps it will catch up to a chronological timeline and we can figure out who’s on whose side, from where the aliens originate and what the agenda is of the different factions involved. The creators of “The Event” are the same ones that created “Lost”. They seem to like the premise of messing with the space-time continuum . . . and totally losing the viewer in the process.

Fox’s “Fringe” is now in its third season and enjoys decent ratings. This show explores the possibilities of other dimensions right next door to our own. The people in the neighboring dimension are mirror images of us although their society seems a bit more advanced than our own. The main character, Walter, discovered a method of traversing through to the other side to save the life of his alternate son, Peter, who had died from a rare disease on this side. He brought the other Peter back as a child who had no idea that he didn’t really belong here. Now the adult Peter realizes what has happened and he uses the process to get back to his original dimension. The problem is that this constant dimension hopping has weakened the membrane between the two dimensions and consequently buildings and people inadvertently slip through to the other side, threatening to destroy both dimensions by merging as one.

Are these shows simply entertainment for entertainment’s sake, capitalizing on the general public’s recent interest in such phenomena, or is it a further example of indoctrinating the public to the UFO and related realities?

Meanwhile, back in the real world, serious documentaries on the UFO topic are become more and more commonplace. They still offer equal time to the UFO debunker who offers nonsensical explanations to unexplained cases that tend to bolster the UFOlogist’s position.

On September 27, 2010, Air Force officers and UFO researchers teamed up to conduct a press conference at the prestigious National Press Club in Washington DC. (See page 11 of this publication.) The topic focused on UFOs being spotted over nuclear missile sites and rendering many missiles harmless. The conference was carried live on CNN and treated almost reverently by many of the major media. Now there’s a headline!

The Pope recently declared that extraterrestrials were “God’s children” as much as we are. This was followed even more recently by the curator of the Pope’s meteorite collection, Dr Consolmagno, publically offering to “baptize an alien”. (See page 4.) What better acceptance of ET’s existence than the church preparing to convert an entire newly discovered species?

To legitimize the matter further, the UN has dubbed Mazlan Othman, a Malaysian astrophysicist, as the official “Greeter” to any contacted species from space as the head of the newly formed “United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs”. (See page 4.)

England’s Nick Pope told James Fox in the documentary “I Know What I Saw” that he predicted official UFO disclosure to begin with a “little d” instead of a “big D”. UFO researcher Richard Hoagland recently stated on Coast to Coast (regarding disclosure) “This drip, drip, drip has become a splash, splash, splash.”

Do all of these recent developments reinforce the theory of disclosure by acclimation? Are all of these fiction and non-fiction programs laying the groundwork for official disclosure? Has the secret that has been kept in plain sight for so long become too obvious for the powers-that-be to deny much longer? Will the analytical minds of the world be forced to reanalyze the ever mounting evidence that appears to be self-evident to so many people in high places?

Time will tell. But for my money, it’s an exciting time to be involved in the wonderful world of UFOlogy.

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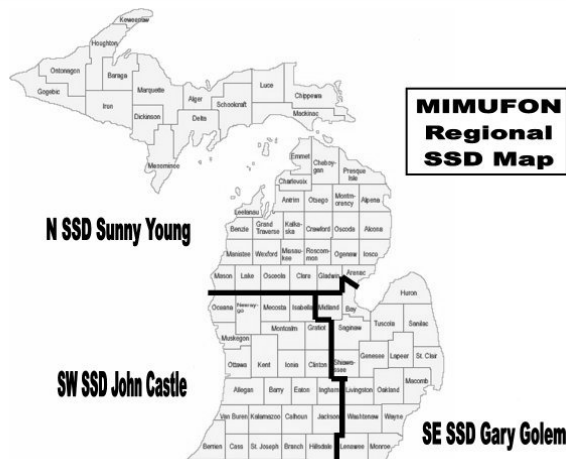
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