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From the State Director

A phenomenon as deceptive as the UFO hardly seems a candidate for scientific study. Someone has written that what we *really* need are good detectives in our ranks! Scientists are welcome in MUFON, of course, but they must think like Sherlock Holmes in order to make sense of the unending circumstantial evidence.

One of the tenets that makes science possible is the orderly way in which the chemical and physical universe behave. If an experiment yields a certain result today, but different tomorrow, and still different next Friday, then we have no way to discover the equations that describe laws of nature. Repetition of behavior is key to the

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inductive reasoning that eventually leads to our understanding of the universe.

Symposium speakers sometimes speak to the issue of patterns that show up in UFO behavior and in the actions of the aliens. Budd Hopkins had some things to say about all of this in his presentation at Richmond titled *INVISIBILITY AND THE UFO ABDUCTION PHENOMENON*.

The Betty and Barney Hill case introduced the public and UFO researchers to the idea of abductions. At the time, it was considered unique. Since everything about it was new, no issues of patterns were raised. But there were details that were to be repeated later: missing time, Barney's physical paralysis, an interest in human reproduction and sample taking, use of mental telepathy, a preoccupation with the process of physical examination, physical sequels such as marks on their car and on Barney's shoes, and the use of hypnotic regression in investigating such cases.

The 1973 Hickson-Parker case reinforced the Hill events. The Villas-Boas case in Brazil was a straightforward example of alien interest in human sexuality.

MINNESOTA MUFON Meetings

Saturday, November 13, 1993
and

Saturday, December 11, 1993

THE IRISH WELL



1975 University Ave. (at Prior)

Social: 1:00 p.m. Meeting: 1:30 p.m.

Raymond Fowler's work on the Andreasson case added information on nasal implants, passing through solid walls, and the switched-off-state of companions (her family).

The Lorenzens in *ABDUCTED!* described a detail that turned up frequently in later abductions — the presence of apparently normal humans assisting the aliens.

In *MISSING TIME*, Hopkins added more patterns that we would later hear over and over. Unlike the Hills or Hickson and Parker, it was possible to be abducted with no conscious recall of the experience, including no memory of having even seen a UFO. "Screen memories" were created by the aliens in order to conceal the reality of the abduction from the abductee. Repeated abductions of the same individuals lead to the "logged-animal" syndrome. Abductees began reporting various kinds of *new* scars appearing on their bodies.

In *INTRUDERS*, Hopkins reported on the aliens' focus on the human reproductive process: the artificial insemination of human females, the removal of fetuses, and the apparent creation of hybrids.

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Since all of these patterns have been consistently reported by UFO abduction researchers around the world, the scientific method demands a simple conclusion. When the findings of American investigators are replicated by investigators in other countries, the collective results must be taken seriously.

Dr. Thomas E. Bullard, Ph.D. in folklore from Indiana University doing important research with abductees, concluded that there are clear differences between the content and formation of abduction reports and the shifting patterns typically found in folklore. He also found highly specific patterns among 270 cases published by investigators who had little acquaintance with other abduction accounts. These independent researchers provided unintentional replication of the findings of colleagues completely unknown to them.

In *SECRET LIFE*, Dr. David Jacobs was able to establish a typical sequence of abduction

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events — which technical procedures usually came first, which came second, etc.; which of the procedures were usual, and which were rare.

Jacobs described *mindscan*, a procedure in which the abductee is stared at from very close proximity (nose to non-nose!). Feelings often reported suggest “thoughts or emotions being taken.” He also described the activity of the abductee being submerged in a pool of liquid, but still being able to breathe. Only a handful of these experiences exist and we have no idea as to their purpose. (Did Ray Fowler describe something like this happening to Betty Andreasson?)

Hopkins has reported on several cases involving a pair of humans who, although they did not know each other, were abducted during their childhood and temporarily placed together in a strange, non-human environment. They were “re-abducted” at intervals, and as it were, allowed to “grow up together,” each thinking of the other as some sort of *dream companion*. Several of these enforced friendships eventually

resulted in sexual activity. These phantom comrades have all eventually met in the real world. They have recognized one another and have recalled shared events, details and situations. The inference that Hopkins draws from this pattern suggest an alien curiosity about how human friendships and romantic relationships come about.

Another recently discovered pattern has to do with abductions in which humans are taken and made to teach hybrids about the earth and life upon it. These abductions often involve young children who are asked to show small hybrids about human games and, in one case, how to use playground equipment. Human adults were made to instruct older hybrid children about earthly geography and social customs. There are enough of these kinds of reports to warrant serious attention.

In January, I will continue with the Hopkins presentation and discuss the issue of invisibility involving Linda Cortile and a family in Australia.


Richard Moss

It was a dark and stormy night but a bright orange glow hovered over The Irish Well. With his collar turned up against the pounding rain, John Dingley sprinted through the flooded parking lot toward his car. Suddenly, he was zapped by a blue beam of light — a smell of sulfur permeated the air... and John was gone...

Oh surely, we can do better than that! And to prove it, pick up any one of these great books to keep you company during the long winter months ahead!

 **EXTRATERRESTRIALS — FRIENDS AND FOES** by George C. Andrews

 **BRINGERS OF THE DAWN** by Barbara Marciniak

 **REUNIONS** by Dr. Raymond Moody

LEAR, LAZAR, AND MJ-12

by William McNeff

John Lear has been a controversial figure in ufology. However, I had occasion to communicate with him in regard to a case or situation in Rochester, MN, which I won't go into here; ultimately I concluded there was nothing of ufological interest in this case, although it was very interesting and left me with some unanswered questions. But the communications I had with Lear, and everything else I have learned about him, leaves me with the belief that he is a sincere and intelligent individual whose views should be respected. This, of course, does not mean that he couldn't have been misled on some points. But I believe Lear may be in possession of some potentially important information relating to UFOs.

The following is from a communication from John Lear to Jack Mathias via computer bulletin board (BBS) and was sent to me by Bob Seath. It clears away some of the questions about the KRILL document:

Dear Jack,

...I have been flying cargo DC-8's three weeks on and one week off [that] is the reason for the delay. I also don't check in with Compuserve very often.

The Krill papers were written by John Grace. At the time he wrote them, he was with the Air Force stationed at Nellis Air Force base and wanted to distribute the Krill papers but not under his name. I suggested the name "Krill" which was an inside joke on the name CRILL which was the name of one of the ETs first contacted by the Navy (see *UFOs Are Real*). John then added the initials "O.H." which had no particular significance.

When Bill Cooper and I were doing an interview with *PM Magazine*, he told the producer that he had read the Krill papers while in the Navy and that "O.H." stood for "Original Hostage." I took Bill privately aside and told him that "O.H.Krill" was a name made up by John and myself in jest, so that John could release the papers without using his name. In my subsequent interview with George Knapp, I told him that "O.H.Krill" was a "joke," meaning the name was a joke — not the papers, and that it was impossible for Bill to have seen them in the Navy in 1970. It has been a long time since I read the Krill papers so I don't remember what was in them but I believe John was sincere and that they included his speculation. I did not mean that they were a hoax. Further, I have not participated in any

hoax, although in 1987 I was approached by Jim Speiser to hoax an alien encounter to lure the government into a trap. I declined to participate in any manner.

I recently saw a Russian spy satellite photo taken of the Groom/Papoose Lake in July of 1988 about 9:00 in the morning. It clearly shows a disc about 60 feet in diameter, several hundred feet in the air, near the Papoose Dry Lake where Bob Lazar said he worked for the Dept. of Naval Intelligence on highly advanced extraterrestrial spacecraft. Since the Russians use film instead of digital imaging, it is highly unlikely that this is a hoax.

As you know, I flew contract missions for the CIA and have taken a lot of flak over that association. Nevertheless, I stand by and fully believe the Bob Lazar story as told by Bob, Gene Huff and myself. It is not important to me whether or not anybody believes it. I believe it to be the truth. Some speculate that Bob is just a very bright guy and reads *Scientific American*. Let the record show that Bob was the first to talk about the Instantaneous Propagation of Gravity, the gravity A and B wave, the increasing stability of elements up to 115, the instability of 116, the accessibility and amplification of the gravity A wave from element 115 and the nature of space travel many times faster than the speed of light. I would ask any interested parties to show me which issue of *Scientific American* or any other scientific journal to specifically — with the

possible exception of the stability of the elements, make these statements.

On another note, Timothy Good accused me of "admitting" that some of my sources "have proved to be completely unreliable" and that I made "wild and exaggerated statements" (*Alien Liaison*, Timothy Good, Pg. 19). I categorically deny that I ever made that statement and asked for a retraction from Good. He promised that this would be corrected in the U.S. version of *Alien Liaison* [which is] called "*Alien Contact*." The correction was not made. I asked Timothy what sources he considered completely unreliable. He answered "Bill Cooper and Paul Bennewitz." I told him that Bill Cooper was never a source for anything and that, in fact, I had FED EX'd all of my information to Cooper in late 1987 before

Cooper made any public statement. As far as Paul Bennewitz is concerned, I know of no statement Paul made that was erroneous and that, in fact, *Paul was the first one to talk about the murder of the 44 scientists by the grays which was later confirmed by Naval Intelligence briefings read by Lazar at the test site.* It is still unclear to me which "disinformation" Bill Moore claims to have fed Bennewitz as Moore never related any specifics.

With the unfortunate passing of General James H. Doolittle, a very close personal and family friend, I am now able to disclose the General as my source for the existence of MJ-12. Out of respect for his heroic personal and professional accomplishments, I did not mention this fact until his passing.

Sincerely,
John Lear

The Krill papers claim that exchanges between aliens and U.S. scientists were taking place in an underground base in New Mexico, when a security guard violated an agreement with the aliens by carrying a weapon into a meeting room where aliens were present. This allegedly started a firefight during which 44 scientists were killed. I find it hard to believe that a member of an elite security guard would be so lax in discipline, or that aliens would take so much offense at such a breach but both things may be true. I would like to know: 1.) Who is John Grace; and 2.) What is the nature of his source(s) and how reliable are they?

But of equal interest to me are Bob Lazar's statements about alien craft at Groom/Papoose Lakes and artificial gravity propulsion systems. Nothing I know about science allows me to find any serious fault with any of the statements he has made about these systems. The slowing of time with gravity is a part of Einstein's Theory of Relativity. As far as Instantaneous Propagation, scientists recently carried out an experiment in which an electron pair was split up, one being forced to go in the opposite direction from the other. These electron pairs always have opposite spins. A detector was set up on one side of the room to detect one of the electrons. This detection process changed the electron's spin. Meanwhile, *the other electron was detected at the same time on the other side of the room, and it was discovered that its spin had been changed also.* This meant that information had passed instantaneously from the one electron to the other. Most scientists had previously believed that to be impossible. To me, this indicates the existence of a field that can change instantaneously, and makes it possible to believe that a gravity field can do the same. The increasing stability of elements up to element 115 has been theorized by scientists but not proven, since no element 115 has been available (except possibly at Groom Lake). If element 115 is ever found — in a meteorite perhaps — maybe a byproduct of a super-nova — and is found to be stable, this will be another feather in Bob Lazar's cap. In addition, claims made by physicist Tom Bearden about producing scalar potentials and scalar waves from electromagnetic waves, and about these scalar waves being identical with gravitational waves, seem to agree with statements by Lazar that gravity is related to electromagnetism.

In regard to the Timothy Good/Lear dispute, Good's reliability has been questioned by others. It appears that Good seriously misinterpreted Lear's statements.

Regarding Paul Bennewitz, there has been a lot of confusion. Dr. Bennewitz lived adjacent to Kirtland AFB, from which location he observed a variety of UFO activity. He brought his observations to the attention of the Air Force, who seem not to have appreciated his interest! They later claimed to have sent transmissions to his home computer comprising images of alien beings, and convinced Dr. Bennewitz that he was communicating with these alleged aliens! As a result of all this, Dr. Bennewitz suffered a nervous breakdown and spent some time recuperating in a sanitarium. It is not clear to me whether the story of the murder of the 44 scientists was disinformation sent to Dr. Bennewitz or whether he got that from some other source. However, if Bob Lazar says he later read this in a Naval Intelligence briefing, this gives it more credibility. Lazar impresses me as being very intelligent, honest and taking great care to be as accurate as possible.

Then there is the MJ-12/General James Doolittle connection. For those not familiar with it, MJ-12 was supposed to be a super-secret government group formed to investigate UFOs in response to the crash of a disc near Roswell in 1947. At the 1989 Las Vegas MUFON Symposium, I overheard a conversation between Dr. John Altschuler, an MD. who has been researching livestock mutilations, and physicist Stanton Friedman. While I do not recall any of the rest of the conversation, one of them, I believe Dr. Altschuler, told the other that Gen. Jimmy Doolittle was a close friend of the William Lear family (of Lear-Jet fame), and that Mrs. Lear (John Lear's mother) visited Gen. Doolittle and asked him, "*Was there an MJ-12?*" Gen. Doolittle replied, "*Well, that was a long time ago, but yes, there was an MJ-12.*" At the time, I felt that I was overhearing what was probably intended to be a confidential conversation, and I don't believe I have told anyone else about hearing this. In this connection, it is of interest that, according to Friedman and Berliner's book *Crash at Corona*, Jimmy Doolittle had made a study of the "foo-fighters," small UFOs seen during WWII, and had been involved with the Swedish "ghost rocker" sightings of 1946. The authors' comment, in the context of setting forth the evidence that there must have been an earlier UFO crash that prepared the government for a quick and efficient response to the 1947 Roswell crash(es), was "*As one of the most respected men in American official and scientific life, (he received the first Ph.D. in aeronautics). [Gen. Doolittle's] opinions and advice would have carried great weight. And he had direct access to the White House.*" Clearly, Gen. Jimmy Doolittle was in a unique position where it was likely that he would learn or be told of the existence of a government group whose mission was to study alien craft, both crashed and flying, and alien activities. It should also be mentioned that William Lear has also been involved in classified activities, which may have had something to do with UFOs.

The Doolittle/Lear/MJ-12 connection is a very interesting one!

William I. McNeff



***FIRE IN THE SKY* revisited!**

Some interesting items have been coming in the mail recently, thanks to someone using the moniker "Anonymous Truth Seeker!" Among the items was an article from a recent *UFO* magazine featuring a discussion of why and how Travis Walton's abduction experience as depicted in the

movie was so far removed from the truth.

In an opening commentary, Dan Drasin reports that folks in the UFO community, though impressed with the story of the personal impact on Walton and his family as a result of the encounter, they cannot understand why Walton agreed to the "goopy scene" which

gives the impression that all alien encounters culminate in the abductee being stuffed in a beehive of green slime along with other bodies and/or body parts! As one critical reviewer put it, "*The alien sequence is unmitigated semi-neo-Gothic exophobic propaganda. Or as they say in France, gar-BAGE!*"

Just to set the record straight, Walton was neither physically injured during the abduction experience nor hospitalized afterward. So how and why were these scenes incorporated into the screen version?

According to one explanation, when the "Fire" producers saw the CBS mini-series "Intruders" last year, they were afraid their alien sequence would be too similar. Industrial Light and Magic, the special effects company working on "Fire" were instructed to put a different look on the picture. The latex/beehive interior of the craft is an example of one of the changes made.

The "Fire" screenplay was written by the same writer, Tracy Tormé (yes, singer Mel's son!), who wrote "Intruders." In fact, Tormé actually traveled to Snowflake AZ and approached Walton with the idea of making the movie. "I went up there, and I had no real preconceived notion that the story was true," he explains, "but after you spend any time around [Travis and family], it becomes apparent that they are not actors and liars."

It was Tormé's sincere overtures that convinced Travis to go ahead with the movie. And Tormé did not write a script with the special effects-laden alien sequence.

However, when he saw the film with Travis, the abduction experience matched metaphorically the same feelings Travis had during the abduction. As memory began flooding back, he talked about a feeling of suffocation. Seeing actor D.B. Sweeney's panic

brought back the feeling in spades!

Rumbles of grumbles

MUFON'S Walt Andrus helped arrange private screenings of "Fire" prior to its public opening. Afterward MUFON held discussion groups in which they answered questions from the public and the press.

Many ufologists wondered by the 1975 incident was given such fictional flourishes and also why Walton, a self-described "private person" would allow such dramatic license to be taken. The bottom line was that they didn't appreciate the Hollywood version and were just plain mad about it!

Tormé wrote a letter to MUFON apologizing for the discrepancies between the book and the movie. The letter was published in the February issue of MUFON Journal, but that didn't stem the continuing complaints from UFO researchers.

Travis' side

Travis Walton says he has mixed feelings about the movie. Although he thinks the movie was "great," he's concerned about people's reactions. "So much of what I experienced in that 20 minutes (that's all he remembers of the missing five days) was a psychological state," he says. "The shock when I regained consciousness inside this dimly lit small space, with an atmosphere that was extremely hard to breathe, is hard to communicate. The feelings of claustrophobia and

suffocation — it's hard to show that visually. I think [the movie] very accurately generates that panicky feeling of suffocation." Travis feels the movie does "communicate the notion of being subject to overpowering forces of impending horror, powerlessness, and the sense of being manipulated and the sense of violation."

It is this graphically depicted scene that disturbs author Dan Drasin. He regards the on-board sequence as being "pointless physical and psychological violence." His concern is that it "radically misinforms the public. If taken seriously enough by enough people (after all, this film is "based on a true story") these ghoulish scenes could set back the clock of public perception of the phenomenon by decades."

For his next project, writer Tracy Tormé has abandoned UFOs for a good old-fashioned (and uncomplicated) Western. "It's a good opportunity to move away from this for awhile — away from trying to explain to people for the fortieth time why we did certain things, and that it wasn't a documentary."

If you haven't read the real story about Travis Walton, you'll have an opportunity to do so when *The Walton Experience* is reissued under the title "Fire in the Sky" later this year.



Bill Knell: The Rush Limbaugh of Ufology?

Someone sent a copy of Bill Knell's latest newsletter — it was either Joe Dundovic, our friend who keeps the editor supplied with interesting material, or our new friend, "Anonymous Truth Seeker" — and it is, without a doubt, fun to read.

Make no mistake — Knell is not keen on MUFON! He spent a great deal of ink on what he considers to be the worthlessness of most UFO symposiums which offer little more than "beating dead horses like the Gulf Breeze Case and Budd Hopkins' mythical "Linda" encounter (he refers to her as "Linda Mutilated Cow!") Further, he accuses the "MUFON Hierarchy" of spreading disinformation and worse, *boring* information and cites the recent Operation Right to Know march on Washington as an example. "It was run by NUTS!" he states. What was the basis for this observation? He didn't really explain!

It would be easy to dismiss *Knell* as a nut — a *Rush Limbaugh* kind of nut, though. Like Limbaugh, he is convinced that he knows and understands more than the average bear — about almost anything. But also like Limbaugh, there's a shade of truth in what he has to say. You may not like the way he says it, but some of what he says makes sense. The Operation Right to Know march came across the television screen as being no more than a handful of straggly UFO whackos. Was anything really accomplished? It's doubtful. But heck, someone gave it a try, right?

But then, also like Limbaugh, Knell presents **SOMETHING YOU DIDN'T KNOW BUT HE DOES**. Entitled "The UFO Cover-Up by NASA: Probes Destroyed-Disabled, Rockets Destroyed, Alien Artifacts Hidden!", it is a press release which he says gained him print in major newspapers like The Denver Post and many radio and TV guest spots. Most people even remotely interested in UFOs became immediately suspicious when NASA announced that they'd "lost touch" with the Mars Probe this past August. Knell compares this event with that of the 1989 Soviet Probe Phobos II which was mysteriously destroyed after photographing a huge cylindrical object under the Mars moon.

These events are worthy of comparison, but was Knell the "original thinker" here? Had no one else discovered the similarity?

Knell's press release also rehashes stories (he beats dead horses, too!) such as astronauts Glenn, Cooper and Armstrong having been "dogged" by UFOs, and spacecrafts which have experienced "problems" following appearances of UFOs near the launchpad.

After reading through most of the newsletter, one wonders what Bill Knell has to say that *hasn't* been said before? (And by MUFON people, Bill!)

To be fair, less known incidents were also cited by Knell. As an example, he states that in 1980, ABC's *20/20* was to present a Special concerning the over 20 English scientists who all died mysteriously in less than a year after they (individually) spoke publicly of a secret U.S./British space program. The program was never aired despite announcements in TV Guide. Supposedly, the network said they "couldn't fit it into the schedule..."

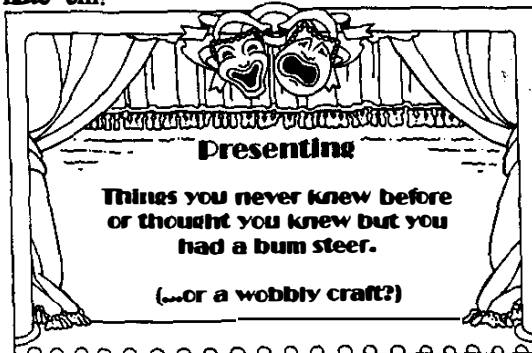
Finally, Knell assumes even more of a Limbaugh persona when he mentions that he'll be presenting

"proof of NASA and other governmental cover-ups in upcoming lectures in your area and will be available for live, in-studio GUEST SPOTS on FM MORNING SHOWS, AM TALK, TV NEWS and for PRINT INTERVIEWS."

Note: These were Knell's caps, not the editor's!

Bill Knell's lecture and slide show presentations are thoroughly entertaining — and his newsletters are fun and interesting to read, too. Rush Limbaugh is also entertaining. But neither probably have any kind of an edge when it comes to possession of unique or profound knowledge of the goings on — whether *in* or *of* — the government.

And as stated earlier, you either love 'em or hate 'em!





Space Probe Finds Signs of Life on Earth

Reprinted from *Twins Cities Extra*.

In case you had any doubts: A new analysis of spacecraft data shows strong evidence of intelligent life on Earth?

The key tip-off is stray radio signals like those from radar and television stations, astronomer Carl Sagan and colleagues say.

Writing in a recent issue of the journal "Nature," they said the analysis provided a test of how well spacecraft can detect life on other worlds.

So far, they said, no strongly suggestive evidence of extraterrestrial life has appeared in spacecraft encounters with more than 60 planets, moons, comets and asteroids.

But a different story emerged when Sagan and colleagues examined data gathered by the Jupiter-bound Galileo spacecraft in December 1990, when it passed within 600 miles of Earth.

Of all the data, the radio signals "provide the only indication of intelligent, technological life on Earth," the researchers wrote. They noted that such signals would not have been available before this century.

Other signs of life included abundant amounts of oxygen, methane and nitrous oxide in the atmosphere, and the plant substance chlorophyll all over the planet as detected by near-infrared photography.

Paranormal Group Meeting

Saturday, November 27, 1993

The Irish Well

1975 University Ave. (at Prior) St. Paul

Speaker: Marion Senn & Windwalker

NOTICE: There will be no meeting in December.

Saturday, January 22, 1994

The Irish Well

Speaker: Wells Horvereid "Possession"

Wells is an extremely knowledgeable, entertaining speaker — don't miss this one!

Meetings du jour!

Tesla Society

Saturday, November 20, 1993

Pavick Museum of Radio
St. Louis Park

Noetic Science

Saturday, December 4, 1993

St. Anthony Park Library
Como at Carter — St. Paul

Speaker: Dan Ryan "Healing Past & Present"

Theosophical Society

4401 Upton Ave. So. — Minneapolis

Monday, November 15, 1993
(Topic not finalized at this printing.)

and

Monday, November 22, 1993
Study Class

"First Principles of Theosophy"

and

Monday, November 29, 1993

Speaker: Dan Winter "Sacred Geometry"
(Tentative)

\$15.00 per person
(for this meeting only)

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