

MINNESOTA MUFON

Newsletter

From the State Director

Michael Lindemann spoke at the 1995 MUFON Symposium in Settle on the topic, *MAPS, MYTHS, AND MILLENNIAL MADNESS: UFOL-OGY MEETS THE END TIME*. Here is a brief summary of his main points.

Lindeman began by noting that this was his second consecutive year speaking to MUFON despite not having told anyone that he had anything further to say. He admitted his state of confusion, but said that confusion isn't necessarily a bad thing if it provokes one to diligently seek clarity. However, confusion becomes debilitating if it persists without apparent hope of relief. Yet, many are claiming that they see strange events coming.

There is a sense of an impending "something." The possibilities are many, including melting ice caps, earthquakes, Ebola virus or worse, nerve gas attacks, asteroid collisions, pole shifts, and photon belts. Whether by God's hand, or by Gaia, we'll see hard times ahead. While UFOs continue to elude scientific tests of authenticity, they are making greater inroads into the mythic context of Western culture. UFOs have become linked with expectations of catastrophe.

Lindemann uses the Roswell event as an example of the dichotomy (division into two subordinate parts) of the UFO problem. They are the scientific pursuit of the real phenomenon and the myths that

have evolved. But first, he examines some characteristics of maps and myths, so that the dichotomy can be viewed in terms of what a map is, and what it represents.

A map is a drawing that represents important features. It never shows everything about the territory it depicts. Different maps of a territory can emphasize different features, such as rainfall amounts, topography, or highways. They are important in giving our heads simplified images of reality. Really interesting maps represent frontier territories seen by only a few people, but they are often inaccurate. Medieval maps told sailors nothing about what lay beyond the ocean except "Here be monsters!"

A theory is a map of sorts because it purports to describe a portion of reality that was previously unknown or mysterious. But the map is not the territory. If we only have a map, there will always be some things we don't know about the territory. If any of these things are important for our understanding of reality, then the map can be misleading. We often settle for the map instead of exploring the territory ourselves. If a map has proven useful, we may ignore new information from someone who has gone on to further explore the territory. We might even energetically defend a map that is at variance with the territory!

Lindemann then uses the theory of evolution to illustrate the

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difference between a map and its territory. The theory, then, is a detailed map supposedly showing how advanced species arose from less advanced species by a process called natural selection. We have all seen diagrams, or literal maps, showing how ancient primates gave rise to hominids, then to the genus Homo and finally, to modern man. In this map, there is no intelligence or purpose behind evolution. It happens by accident.

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Darwin's theory required that the future fossil record should produce clear indications of transition forms between known species. The lack of transitional forms during his lifetime was due to a lack of fossils. By now, however, the lack of transition forms is so glaring that paleontologist Steven Gould has said that the extreme rarity of transitional forms in the fossil record is the trade secret of paleontology. Gould's partner, Niles Eldridge admits that, "We paleontologists have said that the history of life supports the story of adaptive gradual change, all the while really knowing that it does not." Their theory of *punctuated equilibrium* proposed that adaptive changes must occur in sudden bursts, or *punctuations*. But this theory has a terrible time explaining the Cambrian Explosion.

At the boundary between the Pre-Cambrian and Cambrian periods 600 million years ago, the fossil record shows the sud-

den appearance of 25 - 50 complex animal phyla, all without pre-cursors in the Pre-Cambrian fossils. Most "Pre's" were primitive, soft-bodied creatures. But they left enough fossils to dispel the notion that they somehow adaptively spawned the profusion of life-forms that arrived next.

The Darwin map of evolution almost carries the force of religious authority in Western culture, yet it is clearly flawed. Many scientists don't want to consider its problems because the alternative seems to require the discomfiting idea of *conscious manipulation of natural order*. Whether this means God, Gaia, or ancient astronaut geneticists from the stars, it's a can of worms most scientists don't want to confront. Lindemann's purpose here was simply to show how a time-honored map (theory) can retain authority even though it is at odds with the territory it describes. This map remains energetically defended.

Lindemann then considers the mapping problem as it relates to UFO studies. No abduction account (map) is the even itself (territory). No sighting report (map) is the sighting itself or the thing sighted (territory).

There are four reasons why we cannot visit the territory of real UFO events. The first is that *the territory no longer exists*. It is always receding into the past. We can never be sure that something critical was not missed. Our maps are incomplete, but they are all we can see. The second reason is that *the territory is restricted*. Imagine the "secret government" territory. Are there files to answer all our questions in this territory? We may never know because we can't get to that territory — it is restricted. We hear that people are jailed or killed for

trying to enter this particular territory, and this adds to our sense that there must be something of great importance there. We have our map.

The third reason we cannot visit the territory of real UFO events is that *the territory is too far away*. We have an actual map of such a territory — the Marjorie Fish map is known to all who have studied the Hill case. Is Zeta Reticuli really the place depicted by the map? Until we go there, we will not know, even though we have the map.

The fourth reason is that, *although we're sure the territory exists, we don't know where it is or when it will show up*. This is precisely our problem with abductions. If we could predict the onset of an abduction, we could lie in wait. WE could then actually explore the territory. Although our maps are drawn from vivid testimony, they contain such strange elements that we cannot be certain whether they depict normal territory, or some other reality altogether.

The Roswell crash is supposed to be a best case event. Our maps are thought to be accurate and persuasive. Lindemann quickly covers many of the main points on the map, such as the rancher's claim, the press release, Ramey's weather balloon cover story, the sheriff's involvement, Marcel's story told later in his life, his son's description of the debris, the story of Glenn Dennis and the nurse that disappeared. The story Glenn Dennis tells is most certainly the truth, but does that prove there were bodies? We haven't seen them and neither did Dennis. The nurse who did is gone forever.

Several of the top researchers disagree on the existence of a second crash site. Those who

think there was a second crash site can't agree on its location!

What *isn't* on the Roswell map is most impressive. The biggest "non-thing" is the official *non-explanation* of what happened. Lots of *non-routine* activity fades into a fog of *non-documentation* and *non-explanation*. The Project Mogul revision of the weather balloon cover story does not justify the elaborate handling of the event. The GAO showed that the routine records disappeared for unknown reasons. This does not, however, tell us what happened.

What we have, then, is a map containing much guesswork. WE want this map to be true, and we argue over it as if argument will refine its truthfulness, but this is nonsense. The truth about Roswell remains out of reach.

What if a government spokesman went on television and told us all about what happened at Roswell? There *had been* a cover-up, MJ-12 was real, and so was the Santilli film. Then we would question the motive behind the announcement. *How much was modified or held back?* Was somebody serving a much larger agenda? Even if the story was true and complete, we would never know for sure.

Even when the existence of a second crash site cannot be certain, millions of people already "know" all they need to know about Roswell. They gravitate to one or another revelation direct from alien sources, hardly caring about the truth of Roswell. They concern themselves with patters of age-old alien/human relationships, the prospect of species transformation in our generation, alien judgment of our mismanagement of the planet, the prospect of coming catastrophe and deliverance. The mythic currents at work can potentially rewrite

humankind's expectations for the future in ways that might be felt for generations.

Indemann concludes that those of us who want to do real science on UFOs, who believe that better maps are possible, must contend with cross currents of seeming madness. Yet, this madness may be part and parcel of the main event. UFOs and normal reality have always made strange bedfellows. Today, they seem more at odds than ever.

Dick Moss

Is the End of Secrecy In Sight?

*by William McNeff
Asst. State Director*

Often the most interesting information that you pick up at a UFO symposium or conference is not in the speakers' presentations but in private conversations. This was the case for me at the July MUFON Symposium. In a private conversation with an individual who must remain nameless but whom I trust, I was told that a representative of the United States government stated in his presence to a small group of UFO researchers that the government is carrying out a three phase program to reveal the existence of Extraterrestrial Aliens and to transfer technology obtained from these aliens to the Fortune 500 companies.

The ETs are said to be concerned that we humans are despoiling the earth, and are also

said to have told the US government that if the government did not reveal their existence, they (the ETs) would. The government is said to have replied that they would reveal the ETs existence but in their own way and on their own timetable. Government concerns are said to be the possibilities of public panic and race or religious war.

The three-phase program is said to be as follows:

1. A program utilizing the mass media to get people used to the idea of extraterrestrial beings.
2. A period of acquainting the heads of the Fortune 500 companies with the technology to be made available, and transferring this technology, starting two years after the start of Phase 1. This phase will include gradual release to the general public of information about the extraterrestrials.
3. The official mass medial final government announcement of involvement with ETs that has occurred over the past some 50 years. This is to happen within ten years of the start of Phase 1.

The government representative cautioned that *our government is not acting in a concerted effort in this plan*. There are "old-timers" who still do not want this information released. *However, Phase 1 has begun!* It started in 1994 and will be underway for two years, then the technology transfer would begin in 1996. The Phase 1 media blitz will continue on in 1996 and beyond. (Anyone notice an increase on TV and radio of programs relating to ETs and references to ETs

on programs that have nothing to do with ETs as their primary subject?)

Phase 2 will continue until the government feels the vast majority of the population has been educated, both by the media and by working on new out-of-this-world technologies as company employees. The three phases are to be completed in ten years, which would be about the year 2004.

As mentioned earlier, some of the government concerns are said to be the possibilities of public panic and race or religious war. One fear was the religious right would be able to sway a majority of the US population into believing there were a bunch of nuts running the government if the government made the announcement at this time (i.e., the present). The religious right would then have the votes to get their own officials elected to important positions in our government. [They might then proceed to root out, McCarthy-style, anyone in government or prominent in private life who is promulgating "the ET myth."—WIM]

According to PBS, a recent survey had determined that 35% of the population believes that ETs are visiting Earth and that our government is keeping this a secret; another 15% believe there are other people living on planets in our galaxy who have probably not made contact with us yet; and the other 50% believe it is absolutely beyond all belief that there could be other living creatures in our galaxy. Interestingly, something like 80% of the population under 30 years old made up the first two groups.

There was an urgent request expressed by the government representative: *That UFO researchers not produce some mass*

media TV program that could panic the population or replace our elected officials with the far right.

What can we say about all this? Do we have a right to be skeptical about government pronouncements, particularly those made to a select few? Of course we do, in view of past history. On the other hand, we only have one government and owe a certain loyalty to it. It does seem reasonable that we should avoid making statements that could increase the possibility of public panic and a religious or race war against the ETs. The government representative did encourage us to teach others both by word of mouth and by teaching courses or producing video tapes *as long as they are not shown on network TV.*

While I cannot personally prove that the government has initiated this three-phase program, I felt that I should at least say something about what I heard. This is all that I can and should say on the subject for various reasons, so please don't ask me to elaborate further! Instead, I suggest that we should watch events unfold, and continue our efforts toward a gradual release of reliable information.

Maybe this is a good time to quote Tennyson:

"For nothing worth proving can be proven, Nor yet disproven: wherefore thou be wise, Cleave ever to the sunnier side of doubt."

The Ancient Sage, 1:66

or

That scraping sound you hear
is the sound of a paradigm
shifting!



Laser Tag, Anyone?!

Scientists at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory have successfully test-fired the most powerful laser ever. At full power, the laser produced 125 trillion watts of power in an extremely short pulse, lasting less than 0.5 trillionths of a second, said a Livermore spokesman. He said the components of the new laser would fit in a small truck; the previous most powerful laser, called Nova, is the size of a three-story warehouse.

The laser is a prototype for a "petawatt" laser, capable of producing 1,000 trillion watts of power, that the scientists hope to test before the end of the year. The laboratory said the powerful new laser, capable of focusing intense power on very small spots, will have applications in physics, X-rays and fast-igniter research.

Interview: Jeff Sainio

At the Seattle Symposium, a list of interview questions was given to MUFON Staff Photoanalyst Jeff Sainio. Although time did not permit a taped interview, Mr. Sainio was kind enough to reply via letter.

Jeff Sainio is a broadcast technician, and has analyzed many videotapes for MUFON. He is a featured speaker at the Second Annual "The Science and Politics of UFO Research" Symposium in St. Paul, October 28-29, 1995.

How did you become interested in ufology?

When I was about 12 (probably during the 1965 flap) two policemen in my hometown of

Newberry, Michigan, reported two silvery circular daylight disks fly overhead. In a small town of 2000 where everybody knows everybody, these stories aren't pranks, and I was convinced they reported the truth. I've studied the phenomenon since.

How has technology in general, and what you use in particular, evolved over the past ten years to help evaluate photographs and videotaped evidence?

Photo techniques are unchanged, just cheaper and easier to document. Color-measurement, edge-sharpness, and brightness gradients are now done with under \$1000 in equipment connected to your PC. These could previously be done with a microscope but eye-ball measurements were difficult to quantify. Advances in camera technology have concentrated on improving ease-of-use, but are of little use (or counter-productive) in night photography.

What are the commonest mistakes people make when they evaluate pictures of supposed UFOs?

Video techniques have gotten vastly cheaper. The poor quality of video means that video's advantage, motion, must be more relied on. Quality digital-slow VCRs are now available for about \$5000. Advances in camcorders, like cameras, have given little quality improvement, again concentrating on ease-of-use. These "improvements" such as auto-brightness and auto-focus are a major problem since they fail in night work.

What suggestions (such as your handout) do you have for Field

Investigators which will allow them to "screen" photographs or videos for obvious identifications, or for weaknesses that will make any analysis inconclusive?

FIs given photo/video evidence should remember that their purpose is to advance the state of science. A snippet of evidence, disconnected from anything else, is probably worthless. A photographer who saw nothing unusual, but finding an odd blob on the print, has little for evidence. The blob is probably a film defect, and even if not, nothing is to be learned from the case. Unless a pattern, leading to a falsifiable hypothesis, can be found, science is not advanced.

Is there a good general book on the subject of video analysis that investigators could read?

I know of no book on video analysis to study. It's not a big field. The usual scientific test of "attempt to recreate the video" teaches much. Use the original camcorder to videotape a star, or streetlight, or airplane. If the reference video and UFO video are similar, chances of misidentification are high.

In your years of study, what one or two photographic cases seem to stand out as the strongest proof of non-conventional activity?

The most conclusive evidence of non-conventional objects I've seen was taken by Brenda Pollack, 1-8-90, in Gulf Breeze, FL. A group of people saw one of the notorious red UFOs, and Brenda used her 220 mm telephoto lens and automatic camera (no tripod) to film it. (So numerous witnesses preclude fakery.) As ex-

pected, the camera spent seconds trying to collect enough light for a proper exposure. For a point-source of light in a black frame, this would normally give an overexposed white blob and black background. Fortunately, the lack of a tripod meant that the hand-hold was unsteady, and the film shows an erratic streak expected from the shakiness. The odd part is that the color of the streak changes color over 100 times, from green to red to blue to cyan to pink to white to yellow to brown to green... There is no pattern apparent in the color changes. I know of nothing which randomly changes color some 25 times/second and flies over Florida.

Do you think that photographic evidence alone can ever constitute irrefutable proof of the existence of non-conventional objects in our airspace?

Videos are much better. Videos with multiple witnesses would be needed.

Do you have any opinions as to the source of phenomena that resist conventional explanations?

Until I can make out "Vulcan Star Command" or "Vietnamese Air Force" on the side of a UFO, I will make no opinions on the source of UFOs.

Is there anything in the current mass of photographic evidence that either strongly supports or excludes the probability of extra-dimensional versus extra-terrestrial, but coming from our own dimension, vehicles?

On the topic of extra-dimensionality, I analyze using the principles of optics, electron-

ics, physics, film chemistry, etc. Despite what you may hear from the prattlings of those who are arrogantly ignorant of how science uses the term "dimension," I've never seen any extra-dimensional theories which have any effect on my analyses. With no principles with which to study evidence in light of these "extra-dimension," I can't study "extra-dimensionality." But most of the "extra-dimensional" photos I've seen look like film defects and lens flares.

In your experience, what percentage of photographic or video cases seem to be knowing "hoaxes" on the part of the camera people involved?

Hoaxes are rare but noisy in UFOlogy. I've seen a beautiful correlation; hoaxing is directly proportional to the money involved. Stories about the world ending, religious connotations, ecology, etc. are also easy tip-offs. Remember there's a sucker born again every minute.

What are some good sources for pictures (slides, especially) of UFOs?

Probably 90% of my submissions these days are videotape. CD-ROMS are the best medium for distributing text/photo/video, but the only quality material I've heard about in this medium is an upcoming release from Kal Korff's debunking of the Billy Meier case.

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Craft Executes Roll Maneuver Over Ohio

This report is based upon a two-page letter submitted to Sen. John Glenn by Kenneth Young, ASK (Associates for Scientific Knowledge). It has been slightly edited by Francis Ridge, Director & Editor of UFO Intelligence Newsletter, produced by the UFO Filter Center, for inclusion in the September 1995 issue. Public Affairs Officer Captain Betsy Freeman has told POPULAR MECHANICS that "We have no aircraft matching these descriptions." Mr. Young's letter ended requesting Sen. Glenn's assistance in obtaining much needed answers to the current and very serious questions raised in these over-flights.)

An airborne object was videotaped in Clermont County, Ohio, on November 10th, 1994. The resident claims to have been distressed by the 2:00 AM, very noticeable assemblage of four white lights in a triangular configuration.

The videotape has been exhaustively analyzed by ASK computer specialists for months, and no determinate identification can be applied to the object recorded on the November 10 videotape. Computer enhancement and enlargement of the recording has revealed an unequivocal triangular surface behind the headlight arrangement. The surface is illuminated by the four very bright lights, and curiously resembles the hull of the B-2 Stealth Bomber.

The soundless device clearly demonstrates a "rolling" motion, as seen on the videotape, appearing to complete a maneuver that would put a conventional aircraft in an "upside-down" (inverted)

pitch at the conclusion of the roll. This feat, if performed by conventional aircraft (military or otherwise) is a highly dangerous maneuver over a populated region that would obviously put the lives of the area residents in jeopardy due to the risk of an accident.

In addition to the camera operator who has recorded the material, several other residents in the immediate vicinity have also stepped forward with declared statements claiming to have seen this and other unknown aerial objects in the exact same region, some multiple sightings from independent witnesses, and others taking place days or weeks after the initial event.

"...why [would] military testing or operational aircraft ...parade itself with bright headlights around populated regions, alarming residents..."

The journal, *Aviation Week & Space Technology*, has contended that many observations of triangular-shaped aircraft are traceable to secret flight testing of the *Northrop TR-3A*, a classified tactical recon vehicle about 42' long with a 60' to 65' wingspan. This explanation is weak, however, due to the frequently reported "high performance" maneuvers described by some well-qualified witnesses (for example: 90-degree turns on its wing-tip, racetrack turns at high speed, tremendous acceleration from a dead stop, rotating in place, and hovering vertically). Speculation has also centered around the top secret *Aurora* Air Force recon and *Darkstar* military surveillance programs, but questions continue to emerge

when one considers why military testing or operational aircraft would parade itself with bright headlights around populated regions, alarming residents and demonstrating its high performance capabilities, mostly during the late night/early morning time periods between 12:00 AM to 4:00 AM.

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Uh Uh, No Way

An 1836 never-before-published novel by Jules Verne, *Paris in the 20th Century*, is on the stands. The manuscript was discovered by Verne's great-grandson in the family house in France five years ago. Apparently, it had been rejected by a 19th century publisher who wrote in the margin, "My dear Verne, had you been a prophet, no one today would believe your prophecy."

The novel describes "cards running silently through the city, automated mass-transit trains suspended in air, and electric lights everywhere."

Are You Sure?

"Our work has nothing to do with things that go bump in the night or people claiming to be snatched from their beds." — Richard Hoagland, In *Omni*, Dec. 1994, comparing his research into structures on Mars with Ufology.

Credit to Houston Sky

Too Good To Be True?

Following are excerpts taken from an article written by Ed Walters for the National UFO News, September/October 1995

For almost eight years, the UFO sightings in the Gulf Breeze/Pensacola area have remained unsolved. Depending on your point of view, there are only two answers: 1) the UFOs are real and as yet still unidentified or, 2) the UFOs are not real. They are simply misidentified airplanes/helicopters, fantasies or hoaxes.

Many scores of witnesses have come forward to tell of seeing a wingless, soundless flying object perform aerial feats apparently impossible for conventional aircraft. Even so, either of the above answers can explain these single witness and multi-witness UFO sightings.

Scores of photographs and video tapes have been taken during local UFO sightings. If the photographs and video tapes show a distant glowing light, or the photographs show no structural detail, again, either of the above answers apply.

But what if...the photographs and video tapes show an "OOPS, there it is," — "knock your socks off," flying, wingless, soundless object in broad daylight? Some people might say, "End of debate, that's it, UFOs are real," but they would be wrong. The debate will continue despite any amount of definitive proof.

The reason for this is a psychological one (kind of a knee-jerk, human nature kind of thing: *the more absolute the evidence, the more it can not be real, and since it can't be real, answer # 2 still applies.*

So here's the dilemma. What is it so many people are seeing? What is it they are photographing and video taping? The photos I took eight

years ago and some more recently, show "something" that looks like what "it can't be!"... You know, that unbelievable picture that shows what "couldn't" be an F-1 jet fighter racing past in front of what "couldn't" be a UFO. The Air Force said the jet was a Navy F-14. The Navy said, "No, no — it wasn't us!" The Air Force said the "non-UFO" was a bunch of weather balloons!

Seriously, my point is this: there seems to be a normal reaction whenever clear, ~~factual~~ actual UFO evidence is presented. That is, *if the UFO evidence is too good, it can't be real.*

Not so long ago, on July 21, I witnessed several "fly-bys" and captured one on video. The UFO can be seen clearly entering the field of view, crossing half way (camera was on full zoom) and reversing direction. Below the UFO can be seen the Gulf Breeze shoreline, the Santa Rosa Sound, and the 40 ft tall trees that cover the...park. *The UFO briefly cast its shadow on the trees that line the beach. The shadow proves its real.*

UFO witnesses, photos, videos, shadow evidence, etc. are all there. Is it all too good to be true? Or are we witnessing an historic event? The evidence may be overwhelming, but *not* too good to be true — rather, it's too good to be ignored.

Brad Pugh, National UFO News (NUFON) Editor, viewed the tape, and was impressed. Ed said, "Wait, let me point out something to you." And there it was, a shadow moving on the trees under the UFO.

Ed mentioned that he'd sent a copy to Dr. Bruce Maccabee for analysis. Maccabee's calculations show that the angle of the sun and alignments of the shadows correspond to the hour of the day.



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The Crash That (Supposedly) Wasn't

The Long Island U.F.O. Network, a five year old non-profit organization which investigates UFO phenomena, announced to the national and international press community that it has evidence regarding an alien spacecraft crash near the area of South Haven Park in Suffolk County in Long Island, NY. The crash is said to have occurred on Nov. 24, 1992 at 7:12 PM.

The event has been under continuous investigation for six months by the investigative division of LIUFON. It was reported to the LIUFON hotline on Dec. 13, 1992, by Mr. H.K., a resident of Mastic Beach, Long Island.

Mr. K reported that he was driving eastbound on a highway near the park when he noticed an unusual object over the trees to the south of the highway. He described it as being tubular in shape with two large bright blue lights on each end and a bright white light in its center. The structure was composed of a dull

metallic grey texture. The object executed a right angle turn and tumbled end over end into woods to the north side of the highway. He pulled over to the right shoulder and exited his vehicle in time to see the object crash. Upon impact, it emitted a powerful white beam of light which shot up into the sky and turned the night sky into daylight. Other motorists stopped to watch as the light subsided into an amber glow, indicating a fire was in progress.

Mr. K left the area convinced he'd seen a UFO crash. As he neared an exit a short distance away, he saw a formation of **four large military helicopters** on a course from the southeast headed for the impact zone over the park. The helicopters were black, with no markings, and arrived within minutes of the crash.

Mr. K reported that there was a military roadblock on William Floyd Pkwy with civilian traffic being detoured from proceeding west onto Sunrise Highway. The military personnel were dressed in black jump suits and their vehicles were unmarked. Nearby side streets were blocked by additional military personnel. At one point, five New York State Police cars were not allowed to enter the area (even though the State Police at the West Hampton Barracks deny this event, a confidential source from that unit has confirmed the story).

LIUFON also received a report from a second eyewitness, a B.H., who was traveling eastbound on about 7:15 that evening. He observed an oval shaped object pass to the north on a descending course 30 degrees to the horizon. The object left a green ionization trail as it passed. Although this witness did not observe the actual impact, his sighting puts it in the

perspective of the time from of the South Have Park incident.

LIUFON's ongoing investigations have revealed some interesting information:

- Aerial observation over the park revealed evidence of extensive vehicular traffic in the northwest section of the park's fire roads and fields.

- Federal, State and local agencies, including local Fire Departments which would have been involved in this incident deny any records of such an incident occurring the night of Nov 24, 1992. Park officials said there had not been a fire in the park in some years.

- Nearby residents reported seeing fire trucks enter the park that night.

- LIUFON retrieved fire department equipment from the main fire road in the park on Dec. 20, 1992. A source from a nearby station confirmed that indeed, they were called to put out fires caused by something which fell out of the sky. However, he went on, *Federal government orders prohibit them to speak about the matter.*

- There was a county wide alert sounded by the Suffolk County Police that night which stated that a UFO had crashed in the park and for all units to use land lines to receive instructions for emergency mobilization.

- The park was closed for several days after the crash and residents noted police road blocks at all entrances.

- Residents also reported hearing a crash that night and others

observed helicopters over the area for hours. Some reported strange electrical problems with cable TV and home appliances burning out (even months after the incident); car batteries failing, and the telephone system malfunctioning. This phenomena would be the result of a massive electromagnetic pulse effect occurring in the area.

- For several months, LIUFON covered the entire park area by foot. The fire roads had been widened in the northwest section and [there was] evidence of heavy construction equipment brought in. Areas prohibited to vehicular traffic showed signs of heavy tire marks. Mounds of freshly chipped trees were discovered and were found to be slightly radioactive.

- The fencing in the area was tested by an electronics engineer using a portable magnetometer for magnetic anomalies. Tests results showed that *the fencing exhibited signs of reversed magnetic polarity, as if exposed to a South Pole magnetic field.*

A video tape of the purported crash was received anonymously by the LIUFON chairman, containing images of what is said to be body parts of non-humans. MINNESOTA MUFON's Joe Dundovic has a copy of the tape but says the quality is poor and nothing conclusive can be seen.

*Credit to Paul Carlton,
Internet reporter.*



Visitors From Outer... Town!

Attendees of the October MINNESOTA MUFON meeting were pleasantly surprised to discover Jerome Clark, Tom Deuley and Rob Swiatek in their midst. The three were in St. Paul attending a convention hosted by the Society of Professional Journalists, where they seized the opportunity to promote the Fund for UFO Research (FUFOR). Luckily for all of us, John Dingley spotted them on his trek through the Radisson Hotel and invited them to the MUFON meeting.

Jerry Clark, representing the Center for UFO Studies (CUFOS) and editor of *IUR*, (International UFO Reporter) is a resident of Canby, MN (near enough so maybe he'd consider being a speaker for a future MUFON meeting!). Jerry is probably best known as the author of the information packed volumes (two) of the UFO Encyclopedia. In fact, a third edition, covering more recent UFO-related phenomena has hit the press and will be available shortly. Jerry is extremely knowledgeable about the subject and according to Dick Moss and others, you won't find better, more complete, information anywhere.

Jerry explained that the CUFOS office in Chicago contains a wealth of UFO history, including files purchased from the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP). These files are available for viewing at the CUFOS office.

Tom Deuley, Corporate Secretary of MUFON, described the mountains of work connected with the operation of the International MUFON office. Only one person handles the steady

stream of correspondence (about 250 letters per day), and another person oversees the subscriptions and maintaining the database. The working quarters are cramped but a larger facility and more help is only a long-term dream at this point.

Deuley also explained that the increased cost of paper and production has caused a need for a resultant increase in subscription rates. As of this writing, the new rate has not yet been determined.

Rob Swiatek, Mt. Rainier, WA, represented the Fund for UFO Research (FUFOR), headed by Navy physicist Dr. Bruce Macabee. FUFOR is a financial support aid for research groups which, among its many operations, gave assistance as part of a project to verify the authenticity of the MJ 12 documents.

Naturally, the subject of the alien autopsy (or, as Teresa Carlson more rightly calls it, "dissection") film was broached. The consensus of all three *fake*.

Spending time with these gentlemen, learning about their involvement in the UFO investigation community, and having them answer our many questions was a rare treat. We hope to have this opportunity again — our door is always open on the second Saturday of each month!

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Welcome Back, Bill!

It's official! Bill McNeff, our Assistant State Director, is on his way back home to Minnesota! Bill left us a couple of years ago to accept a position in Yankton, South Dakota. Happily, we learned that he has taken a new job with a Bloomington firm and will once again become a Twin Cities resident. Glad to have you back, Bill — we missed ya! ☺

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