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If it ain't broke, don't fix it - beliefs and our responses to the phenomenon

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In correspondence with experiencers as part of the MUFON abduction response team, I hear a lot of different perspectives. There are a lot of beliefs among experiencers. Some believe that the visitors are evil, diabolical, or similar. Others believe that "They" - whoever they are - are here for our benefit, benevolent, altruistic, etc. There are many variations on these themes, but at the core of each is pure belief.

Belief can be a coping mechanism - a way to rationalize events in life that would otherwise be incomprehensible. Throughout history, we have attributed the random forces of nature - weather, earthquakes and volcanoes, etc. - to the will of the gods. We form beliefs in many other ways to help us understand a reality beyond our own control. Beliefs are one way we make sense of the world. They help us cope with the world around us. And what's most important, they work.

Like other areas in life, we see the belief process used to cope with the visitor experience, as well. Why would beings from a realm beyond our own swoop in and divert a person's life. Why would they subject the experiencer to the reality shattering experience of the close encounter? What is going on, and how does one come to terms with such an experience? In many cases, the answer is to form (or adopt) some form of belief. And just as in other times in our history, beliefs do help to cope with that shattered reality.

In short, beliefs work. But they bring with them their own price. They constrain a person's view of the world, potentially reducing one's understanding of that world. When dealing with the close encounter phenomenon, especially, the comfort of belief comes at a very high price - it limits potential understanding of the phenomenon. It restricts our view of the phenomenon to a limited range of possibilities.

In recent correspondence of the MUFON Abduction Response Team with one experiencer, I found members of the research community coming under criticism for advancing their own beliefs about the phenomenon. The gist of the criticism was that each researcher was somehow coloring their research on the phenomenon with their own beliefs. The person was very critical of the work of Budd Hopkins and David Jacobs (the aliens are evil), John Mack (the aliens are benevolent), etc. Among them, I also received criticism that I have focused a lot on fear management - implying that fear is an important element of the phenomenal interaction. Thus, like the other distinguished company on his list, I too am apparently bringing my own agenda to the phenomenon.



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Perhaps, in a way, I am. I am human and I have beliefs just like everybody else. Specifically, in the last ten to fifteen years, I have become progressively more active as a healer. And I believe that the hypnotherapist needs to be a healer first - a researcher second.

Each person's life is unique. One person may simply be curious - wanting to understand that strange event that happened as a child on the way to grandma's house. Another person may be badly traumatized - afraid to look up at the sky, and yet unable to understand why that is the case. Still another may be experiencing unexpected and unexplained gifts in life - psychic or spiritual awakening somehow traceable to phenomenal interactions. Each case is unique, each person has their own needs, and for each, the approach needs to be different.

Yet people rarely come to see a hypnotherapist because their life is too wonderful. Usually, there is a degree of pain, fear or similar issue in a person's life. This tends to be true regardless of whether the person is seeing the hypnotherapist to help them quit smoking, to relieve a phobia or a mind-body illness, or whether they want to better understand some unexplained events some time in the past.

Where fear, pain or trauma management is needed, I believe it must come first for the wellbeing of the experiencer. Yet when this is not present - and in some cases this is truly the case - I certainly do not believe trying to fix what isn't broken. There are many fear management tools in the hypnotherapy tool box but if it ain't broke, don't fix it.

Is the phenomenon good or evil? To me, that depends upon the perspective of the person asking the question. Lying naked on an alien examining table, looking up at a pair of big black eyes, with their owner holding some type of ugly-looking surgical instrument, "evil" might be a good description - at least for that moment. Yet years later, that same experiencer may end up with a deep spiritual awakening - directly traceable to the phenomenon - something that they would definitely classify as "good." Many describe the phenomenon as being a mixed bag, different things in different ways at different times.

If I hold any particular belief about the phenomenon, it is that we simply do not understand it. It appears to transcend our understanding at the present time. I do not believe I am qualified to judge it beyond that. Yet I do

believe that each person deserves to be treated with the dignity and respect due any conscious being. As a friend of mine once said, we are sentient beings in a free-will universe. We each have the right to self-determination and sovereignty over our own life. In that respect, I believe each experiencer has the right to determine what relationship with the phenomenon they would like to have. And yet, each client is unique, so as a hypnotherapist I need to temper whatever belief or agenda I might have and adopt a fully client-centered perspective.

All I can do is try to understand each person's interactions through their own eyes. What relationship do they have with our unexplained visitors? What relationship do they want to have with "Them"? How can the experiencer come to terms with what is happening in their life? And what does that question even mean in the context of that person's life?

For each experiencer, the questions appear to be different. For some, the relationship is negative, fear-based, exploitive, etc. For others it is positive. It is at least acceptable to them. And in that case, as the old saying goes, "If it ain't broke, don't fix it..."

AN EARLY SIGHTING

By William I. McNeff

The following sighting is not in CMS, due to the witness being deceased:

Donald E. Flickinger is a retired ATF agent. ATF is a department of the U.S. Treasury. Flickinger took part in at least one major "drug busts" in the Twin Cities. I knew him thru my church in Coon Rapids. During his career he was also a border patrolman. As a Treasury agent, on separate occasions he was tasked with providing security for Presidential candidates George Wallace and Jesse Jackson. Flickinger was also a Field Investigator for CUFOS, knew Dr. J. Allen Hynek, and carried out some joint investigations with him.

Donald Flickinger's grandfather was Fred Flickinger. As a young man, Fred was a cowboy, and he had a homestead near Ledger, Montana, which is north of Great Falls about 70 miles. His grandson Don remembers him telling how he was riding down a gully leading to the Marias River, when he saw this thing coming at him. Writes Don, "I recall him saying his horse almost stampeded with him on the back, but he got the horse under control" This craft was flying so low that after it

passed overhead, a couple of leaves drifted down from a nearby tree. This was around 1917 or 1918, because he mentioned WWI being on and he wondered if it was some kind of German plane!

Aliens already walk among us and are refusing to share their technology until we change our warring and polluting ways, claims former Canadian defense minister

-Former Canadian defense minister Paul Hellyer, 90, declared on Russian TV on Saturday that there are 80 different species of aliens

-He said aliens have 'been visiting our planet for thousands of years' and are rather unimpressed with how we live

-Hellyer described several types of aliens including 'Tall Whites' who are working with the U.S. air force in Nevada

-He claims that 'a couple of their ladies dressed as nuns go into Las Vegas to shop and they weren't detected'

-Hellyer first went public with his belief in aliens on earth in 2005 and he is the first high ranking politician to publicly state that aliens are real

By David McCormack, 8 January 2014

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-2535698/Aliens-walk-theyre-refusing-share-technology-change-warring-polluting-ways-claims-former-Canadian-defense-minister.html#ixzz2tdx2oe4o>

A former Canadian defense minister has declared on Russian TV that not only do aliens already walk amongst us but they are refusing to share their advanced technologies until we change our warring and polluting ways.

According to Paul Hellyer, who was a Liberal defense minister from 1963 to 1967 under prime minister Lester B. Pearson, there are 80 different species of extra-terrestrials.

Some of whom 'look just like us and they could walk down the street and you wouldn't know if you walked past one,' he told Russia Today's program SophieCo on Saturday.

Watch the full interview at:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pg6VTzacb9I>

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In a bizarre interview, Hellyer made a series of pronouncements about aliens which grew increasingly outlandish and sounded closer to the plot of Star Trek than what is officially known about ETs.

'We have a long history of UFOs and of course there has been a lot more activity in the last few decades since we invented the atomic bomb,' he said.

'They are very concerned about that and that we might use it again, because the whole cosmos as a unity, and it affects not just us but other people in the cosmos, they are very much afraid that we might be stupid enough to start using atomic weapons again.'

However Hellyer told SophieCo that most of the aliens want to help rather than destroy us.

'THEY WANT TO TEACH US':

SOME OF PAUL HELLYER'S MORE OUTLANDISH PRONOUNCEMENTS ABOUT ALIENS

-Most aliens come from other star systems, although there are some living on Venus, Mars and Saturn's moon

-There have been four species of aliens visiting our planet for thousands of years

-There are between two and twelve total species of aliens (although some place the number closer to 80). Some look just like humans, while others appear more like the creatures portrayed in popular culture

-Most alien species have benevolent intentions toward humanity, although a handful have ulterior motives

-One alien species, known as the 'Tall Whites' is working with the U.S. Air Force in Nevada and has been known to pass for humans in public

-The 'federation' of alien species has vowed not to intervene in human affairs unless they are invited to

-The federation is disappointed in the way humans have treated the planet

-Aliens technology is far more advanced, but have given us LED lights, microchips and Kevlar vests

'I would say that nearly all are benign and benevolent and they do want to help us, there may be one or two species which do not,' he said.

Hellyer, 90, first went public with his belief in aliens on earth in 2005 and he is the first high ranking politician to publicly state that aliens are real.

He adds that the aliens have 'been visiting our planet for thousands of years' and are rather unimpressed with how we live.

'We spend too much time fighting each other, we spend too much money on military expenditures and not enough on feeding the poor and looking after the homeless and sick,' he said.

'They would like to work with us and teach us better ways but only, I think, with our consent. They don't think we are good stewards of our planet.

'We are clear-cutting forests and polluting our rivers and our lakes. We are dumping sewage in the oceans. We are doing all sorts of things which are not what good stewards should be doing and they don't like that.'

At times Hellyer's pronouncements got a little too close to Star Trek as he talked about a 'federation' of aliens that has a rule not to interfere in our affairs - much in the same way as Star Fleet follows a very similar 'prime directive.'

'Our future as a species, and here I mean all of the species in the world, is potentially at risk if we don't figure what's going on and work together to try and make life more amenable for all of us, and to work with our neighbors from other planets as well.'

Aliens are also responsible for some of our modern technology including the microchip, LED light and Kevlar vest, he said.

Hellyer said there has been a lot more activity with aliens in the last few decades since we invented the atomic bomb.

One of the technological advances that humans have aliens to thank for are Kevlar vests.

While Hellyer said he has never met an alien, but has seen a UFO near his cabin on Ontario's Lake Muskoka.

Hellyer described several types of aliens including 'Tall Whites' who are working with the U.S. air force in Nevada.

'They're able to get away with that; they had a couple of their ladies dressed as nuns go into Las Vegas to shop and they weren't detected,' he claimed.

Another group of aliens are called 'Short Greys' who have very slim arms and legs and are about five feet high with large heads.

A third group are called 'Nordic Blondes' and Hellyer said that if you meet one you'd probably say, 'I wonder if she's from Denmark or somewhere.'

Read more: <http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-2535698/Aliens-walk-theyre-refusing-share-technology-change-warring-polluting-ways-claims-former-Canadian-defense-minister.html#ixzz2u4cYt7uK>

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An Extraterrestrial 007? Nick Redfern, December 9, 2013

<http://mysteriousuniverse.org/2013/12/an-extraterrestrial-007/>

Now and again a story comes along that is just about as bizarre as it is fascinating. And the following most definitely falls into both categories. It's one that many might dismiss out of hand. Others, of a more open mind, however, might ponder on the possibility that the case in question is just the tip of a very big iceberg. And, with that said, read on...

The date was early 1974, and the setting, the Marconi Space and Defense facility at Frimley, England. At the time, the witness was employed as a draughtswoman in the Central Services branch – having previously served an apprenticeship in a division of the British Royal Navy – something which ensured that she had access to much of the establishment.

On arriving at work one particular morning, she was surprised to see an inordinate number of Ministry of Defense personnel swarming around one specific building which had been cordoned off. Although she was aware that something of deep significance had occurred, it was not until later that she was able to tackle a trusted colleague, who was himself a manager at the base.

"Something very serious has happened, hasn't it?" she inquired. "Yes," was the quiet response, "we've had a break-in. I can't say anymore." Over the

course of several weeks, however, further pieces of the puzzle fell into place. It transpired that the break-in was far more than simply an unauthorized entry. What occurred was nothing short of the penetration of a highly sensitive facility by a living, breathing, extraterrestrial creature!

I was cautiously advised that the incident had occurred late at night, and the solitary witness was a security guard who had been patrolling the building as part of his routine duty. While walking along a corridor, the guard was startled by a dazzling blue light that emanated from one particular room. But this was no ordinary room: it was a storage facility for top secret documentation generated by Marconi as part of its work on behalf of the British Government and the Ministry of Defense, much of which was related to classified, radar-based programs.

Realizing that no-one – at all – should have been in the area at that time of night, the guard burst into the room, only to be confronted by a shocking sight. There, literally sifting through pages and pages of top secret files was a gray-skinned humanoid – but decidedly non-human – creature which quickly dematerialized before the shocked guard's eyes. Although severely traumatized by the event, he was able to provide a brief description of the being to his superiors and noted that the blue light emanated from a helmet which encompassed the head of the entity.

By the following morning the guard had suffered a near-complete nervous collapse and was taken away, under a military guard, to an unspecified hospital for intensive therapy. He was not seen at the Frimley facility ever again. Some weeks later, my source had occasion to overhear snippets of a conversation which took place in the office of her boss, a Mr. Bevan.

I have been advised that the following is a close approximation of the relevant section of the conversation: "We have no way of keeping these beings out; we just don't know what to do next. If they can get in here, they can get in anywhere."

Are James Bond-style extraterrestrials really infiltrating our most protected research stations and stealing our defense secrets? As outlandish as such a theory may sound at first glance, it does receive a degree of support from official sources. For example, consider the following, extracted from a 1972 report titled Controlled Offensive Behavior – USSR, (<http://www.amazon.com/Controlled-offensive-behavior->

[USSR-U/dp/Booo6X9PAW](#)) which was prepared for the U.S. Defense Intelligence Agency:

"...before the end of the 1970s, Soviet diplomats will be able to sit in their foreign embassies and use ESP (extra-sensory perception) to steal the secrets of their enemies...a spy would be hypnotized, then his invisible 'spirit' would be ordered to leave his body, travel across barriers of space and time to a foreign government's security facility, and there read top-secret documents and relay back their information...the Soviets are at least 25 years ahead of the U.S. in psychic research [and] have realized the immense military advantage of the psychic ability known as astral projection (out-of-the-body travel)."

Bizarre? Most certainly. But military agencies throughout the globe are very keen to exploit new and novel intelligence-gathering techniques. The method described above is simply one of many which have been examined in the past half a century by the governments of the United States, the United Kingdom, and the former Soviet Union.

Perhaps, somewhere else in the Universe, such techniques have already been perfected, to the extent that a living organism can now literally come and go at will, completely unhindered by our seemingly rigid, physical laws...

Just for the record
By [Billy Cox](#), Herald-Tribune
March 14, 2014

Something happened during USAF veteran Gerry Flood's Cold War duty in Alaska, and it had been bugging the retired military air traffic control radar operator for nearly half a century. As the years passed and turned to decades, he saw and read "a lot of bullshit UFO stories," which got him to wrestling with his own piece of peculiar data. It was all ancient history, of course, but from his home in Birmingham, Mich., Flood recalls, "I figured I've got to make a record and put it out there somewhere, because this was a legitimate radar event and I would've been considered a trained witness."

So in 2005, the old ATC guy decided to post his first-hand account at the UFO Evidence web site, where you can get [the detailed account today](#). Scene-setter: Early 1958, January-February, Eielson Air Force Base outside Fairbanks, home to nuclear weapons and state-of-the-art U-2

surveillance technology, just months after the Soviet Union rattled the West with its successful launch of Sputnik. Sometime in the wee hours, 2-3 a.m., Flood was watching the scope when a target popped up and began logging speeds of up to 5,000 mph, sometimes at right angles. (NASA wouldn't be able to reach those velocities with an experimental plane until 2004, when the unmanned X-43A managed to hit Mach 7 before exploding off California after an 11-second run.) With an assist from a search radar antenna, he was able to gauge its upper altitudes at 55,000 feet and beyond.

Flood alerted Distant Early Warning Line outposts as well as ground control approach counterparts at Ladd AFB, all of whom managed to track the bogey for up to four hours. But it stayed confined to a relatively narrow area and made no aggressive moves. Ultimately, around daybreak, a T-33 and a helicopter were ordered up for a look-see, but pilots reported only an "ice cloud" over a LAFB energy plant.

"Well, that didn't just didn't fit; the thing was moving all around and it was too high, it was going too fast, and it was picked up on multiple radars," says Flood, 76. "And the right angle turns it was making — no human being could've survived that."

So Flood's report languished in virtual obscurity until recently, when he was contacted by Tampa Bay MUFON state section director Bill Schroeder.

"Gerry was great — he'd sat on this stuff for 50 years and when I talked with him he was babbling like a kid who'd just hit a home run," says Schroeder. "He just didn't care what people thought anymore."

Flood's tale was music to Schroeder's ears. In the spring of 1967, at about the same time a Cuban [MiG-21 is alleged to have been destroyed during a UFO encounter](#) and [10 nuclear ICBM missiles at a Strategic Air Command base in North Dakota went off-line during UFO flyover](#), Schroeder was monitoring yet another drama from his Army post in Key West. As a result, the retired police officer is on a quest to contact as many former military ATC personnel as he can. More on that next time.

RECENT CMS CASES

The descriptions of the following cases are taken from the "FIELD INVESTIGATOR REPORT" section of the CMS file, with only slight editing, mainly to protect witness anonymity:

CASE 53033:

SYNOPSIS:

On Dec 25th, 2013 at approximately 9:00 p.m. in Woodbury, MN, the witness, a businesswoman, was driving north on Century Ave. when she noticed a dark object with strobe lights maneuvering above the golf course to the northwest. The shape was hard to see due to darkness and obscuring trees. The witness stopped the car and watched, then proceeded very slowly forward. She was close to Pouliot Parkway. After a short time, the object came at her, shining headlights which engulfed the car in light. There was darkness as it passed over her car. The witness pulled over and jumped out and saw two lights about 10-12 feet apart moving away from her at tree top level over a wooded area. Witness wrote: "So it must have disappeared, because I did not see it go anywhere." This sudden disappearance suggests a possible time discontinuity in the account, or the object turned off its lights, or it may have been suddenly lost to sight because it was at a low altitude and was occluded by the trees. The witness stated she was left terrified and in shock.

OBJECT DESCRIPTION:

The witness compared the shape to a whale. This would imply an oblong shape. If the length of the object was, say, three to four times the width of the "tail lights" which she estimated were 10 to 12 ft apart, it would have been perhaps 30 to 50 feet long. The object carried strobe lights which were a dull silver. The object appeared to be black. The witness stated it was like a big whale rolling around on the surface of the ocean. It began to turn to the right and came toward her quickly. When the object approached, the witness saw at first two square lights and then one square light coming at her. If the object were over the middle of the golf course when she first saw it, it would have been about 200 meters or 700 ft from the witness. The object apparently passed over the car. The witness pulled over and jumped out of her car, saw strobe lights to the SE and felt the object to be near treetop level and less than 100 feet away. The witness then suddenly lost sight of the object.

NATURAL PHENOMENON OR MAN MADE:

There is no natural phenomenon which fits the witness account. The possibility of a man-made craft cannot be ruled out, but is considered extremely unlikely.

WEATHER INFORMATION: (www.wunderground.com).

Temp. 15.1°F; Visibility 10 mi.; Wind: Speed: 8.1 mph, Direction: West; Conditions: Overcast

LOCATION:

Suburban, with golf course to the west of the witness and a wooded area to the southeast.

WITNESS CREDIBILITY:

The witness has exhibited reactions appropriate to what she witnessed. The witness has a business and education background, and has an Arts degree. The witness is considered very reliable.

CORRELATING CASES: Please list existing cases that might be related to the sighting.

No cases that might correlate with this sighting were found for the date of the Event.

CONCLUSIONS:

Because the witness account correlates with the details of the area, the witness has exhibited reactions appropriate to what she witnessed, and is considered very reliable, it is concluded that the witness experienced a close approach of an unknown aerial vehicle.

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Chief Investigator

Feb. 20, 2014

SYNOPSIS:

On Dec. 29, 2013, a technician was in a parking ramp near 2nd St. SE and SE 3rd Ave. in Minneapolis when he saw a large black object in downtown Minneapolis below skyscraper height moving slowly, then hovering, then it moved slowly to the east 3 blocks, then it accelerated and ascended at 30 degree angle east/southeast towards Eagan, MN. Speed was described as twice as fast as any commercial aircraft. The object had no lights and no sound was heard. Witness saw it for 5 minutes.

OBJECT DESCRIPTION:

Witness estimated size as: VW Beetle or between 11 and 30 ft. largest dimension. Shape difficult to see against sun, seemed fuzzy and may have been triangular or more spherical. First seen to the SW, last seen to the SE. Object was hovering at first, then moved slowly to the east 3 blocks, then accelerated and ascended at 30 degree angle

east/southeast. Est. distance at closest point: 501ft to 1mile. Lowest Altitude: 500 ft. Estimated actual distance at closest point based on map (Filename 53028-map02) is 3500 ft. At that distance, a 30 foot wide object would subtend an angle of approx. 0.5 degree, the size of the full moon, while an 11 foot wide object would cover about 0.2 degree.

WITNESS INTERVIEWS/STATEMENTS:

Interview was conducted by phone. Witness was asked about the shape and size of the object. Witness estimated size as: VW Beetle or between 11 and 30 ft. largest dimension. Shape difficult to see against sun, seemed fuzzy and may have been triangular or more spherical.

NATURAL PHENOMENON OR MAN MADE:

There is a small possibility that the object was a man-made drone. A drone of the estimated size of the object over the city in the vicinity of tall buildings is very unlikely.

WEATHER INFORMATION: (www.wunderground.com).

Temp. -2°F; Visibility 10 mi.; Wind: Speed: 7 mph, Direction: N ; Sky: Clear

LOCATION: Object seen over downtown Minneapolis near tall buildings.

EVIDENCE/INVESTIGATION:

The evidence is strictly verbal, but indicates good memory of the event and the course over which the object flew. Described sightlines agree with the location of the witness and various city buildings.

WITNESS CREDIBILITY:

The witness has a technical background and has a BA in Fine Arts. After his observation he told a coworker about his sighting, which indicates that he had confidence in his observations and did not expect the coworker to doubt his veracity or his sanity. During the phone interview the witness was very serious and matter-of-fact; tried to relate his observation to the possibility of the object being a drone; and left the impression that he is rather intelligent.

CORRELATING CASES: Please list existing cases that might be related to the sighting.

Check made with NUFORC for possibly related sightings: One object reported near Omaha, NE, same date, 18:20 hours, a bright circle which reversed course. Check made with CMS for Wisconsin, Iowa and South Dakota for that date: Nothing reported.

CONCLUSIONS:

Based on the witness' technical background, the length of the observation (5 min.), and an evaluation of the witness as being a careful and intelligent observer, it is concluded that the witness saw an unknown aerial vehicle.

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MUFON's Hangar 1: The UFO Files

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Feb. 26, 2014

Colleagues:

1. Please plan on watching the new MUFON based UFO series on History's H2 channel this Friday at 10pm. It is called "Hangar 1: The UFO Files".
2. Attached is info on our 3- 2014 Pa conferences including the 45th annual MUFON Symposium.
3. My new book, "An Alternative History of Mankind" is now available at: www.johnventre.com.

Announcing the MUFON-based TV series on The History Channel's H2 network entitled "HANGAR 1: THE UFO FILES" premiering on February 28 2014 at 10:00 pm EST/PST.

The series features interviews with Jan Harzan, John Ventre and Jeremy Ray of MUFON and Jason McClellan of "Open Minds" radio along with other experts including Richard Dolan, Grant Cameron, Leslie Kean, and Michael Schratt.

In cinematic history, 60 years ago was the release of the movie "War of the Worlds." This is actually a significant movie since the Brookings Institute and our government based its policy regarding UFOs on the panic that followed the original Orson Wells Panic Broadcast on radio in 1938. The policies regarding the implications of extraterrestrial contact are that we cannot tell the public the truth regarding ETs out of fear of riots and a breakdown of the religious and scientific communities. Our guess is that it has more to do with the control of technology.

Twenty years ago, we had another cinematic anniversary with the premiere of the TV show, the "X-Files." This show featured two FBI agents investigating bizarre events with an underlying conspiracy as one agent was a believer and the other a semi skeptic. The X-Files also influenced a generation of baby boomers as did "Star Trek" almost 30 years prior to the "X-Files." In the UFO

genre, it appears that a classic show comes around every 20-30 years.

We now have the MUFON-based TV series on The History Channel's H2 network entitled "HANGAR 1: THE UFO FILES" premiering on February 28, 2014.

The premise of each episode is to examine a number of MUFON cases, looking for patterns that tie in to historic UFO events and try to show what the alien agenda may be. Actual footage and recreations will be used along with expert testimony. The "HANGAR 1" title comes from the actual Hangar One where the vast archive of 75,000 MUFON cases and evidence are stored, including the Leonard Stringfield files. The show will showcase MUFON's mission to educate the public about the UFO phenomenon.

Stay tuned because the "truth is out there" or shall we say, it's actually in "HANGAR 1."

Rest In Peace, Elaine Douglass

Posted by [Mike Clelland](#)

January 28, 2014

<http://hiddenexperience.blogspot.com/search/label/Elaine%20Douglass>

Elaine Douglass died yesterday. It is with a heavy heart that I share this sad news.

I first heard of Elaine in 2008 on an audio interview with Karyn Dolan. After hearing her talk, I simply looked up her number and called her. Later, while driving through Moab Utah, where she was living, I made it a point to visit her home. On our very first meeting she asked for my help in planting a tree in her yard. I also met, and played with, her new kitten, Pip. When we went into her house, she revealed that she had made me a cake (a lemon cake). This, at a time when I was terribly distressed at what might have been my own involvement with the phenomenon.

I met with her a few more times at her home in Utah, and we spoke on the phone often. Elaine was a very strong personality, and that's a understatement. I can see how she could rub some folks the wrong way, especially the higher ups at MUFON. I liked her enormously. I am drawn to very intense people.

I posted an [audio interview with Elaine](#) (where she calls me *Honey*) back in October of 2013, just a little over three months ago. There was a side of me

that was a it hesitant to do that interview, because her outlook on these subjects was so dark. There is a curious pressure within this UFO sandbox to share only the love & light vibe. Elaine was in top form during that talk, and I feel very strongly that her ideas need to be a part of the overall UFO debate.

Elaine and I spent a lot of hours on the phone, late at night, wrestling with the questions and challenges that emerged from her ongoing research. She was also extremely supportive when I shared my experiences. I loved that she spoke to me straight and bluntly. I will forever cherish her passionate forthright ways. I gained something enormously vital from her friendship.

Rest In Peace, Elaine

From Ron Regher:

Elaine Douglass, formerly MUFON Director for both the District of Columbia and the State of Utah passed today, January 27, from a recurring cancer. Services will be held in California at a time and place to be determined.

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Fellow Ufologists, Investigators, Researchers, and Enthusiasts,

It is with great pleasure that we, Aerial Phenomena, invite you to attend another amazing UFO conference for 2014. Aerial Phenomena: Never Stop Believing will take place in Tampa, FL from 16 to 17 May 2014 at the Clarion Hotel and Convention Center (Busch Gardens). We have an amazing line up of speakers, all confirmed!

-Antonio Paris, from Aerial Phenomena and Destination America's Unsealed: Alien Files
-Bill Murphy, SyFy Channel's Fact or Faked
-Bill Birnes, History Channel's UFO Hunters
-Anthony Sanchez, UFO Highway
-Nick Redfern, The Real Men in Black
-John Alexander, UFOs: Myths, Conspiracies and Realities
-Chris Flemming, UFO Encounters
-Marc DAntonio, Discovery Channel, Life in the Universe

and others!

In addition, there will be a:

- Meet the Speakers Pool-side Reception on Friday, 16 May (Food Included)
- Lunch is provided for Saturday, 17 May
- Vendor tables for those who want to sell and/or promote their UFO related stuff
- Speaker Q&A broadcasted live via Google Hangout
- Photo opportunities with speakers
- Special Discount for MUFON members, FIs, etc.

Only \$50 for both days instead of \$75. Contact us for payment details.

Earlybird prices are now on sale at <http://airial-phenomenon.org/conference/tampa-2014/>

For more information regarding the conference contact Antonio Paris at 202-258-4001.
See you in Tampa!

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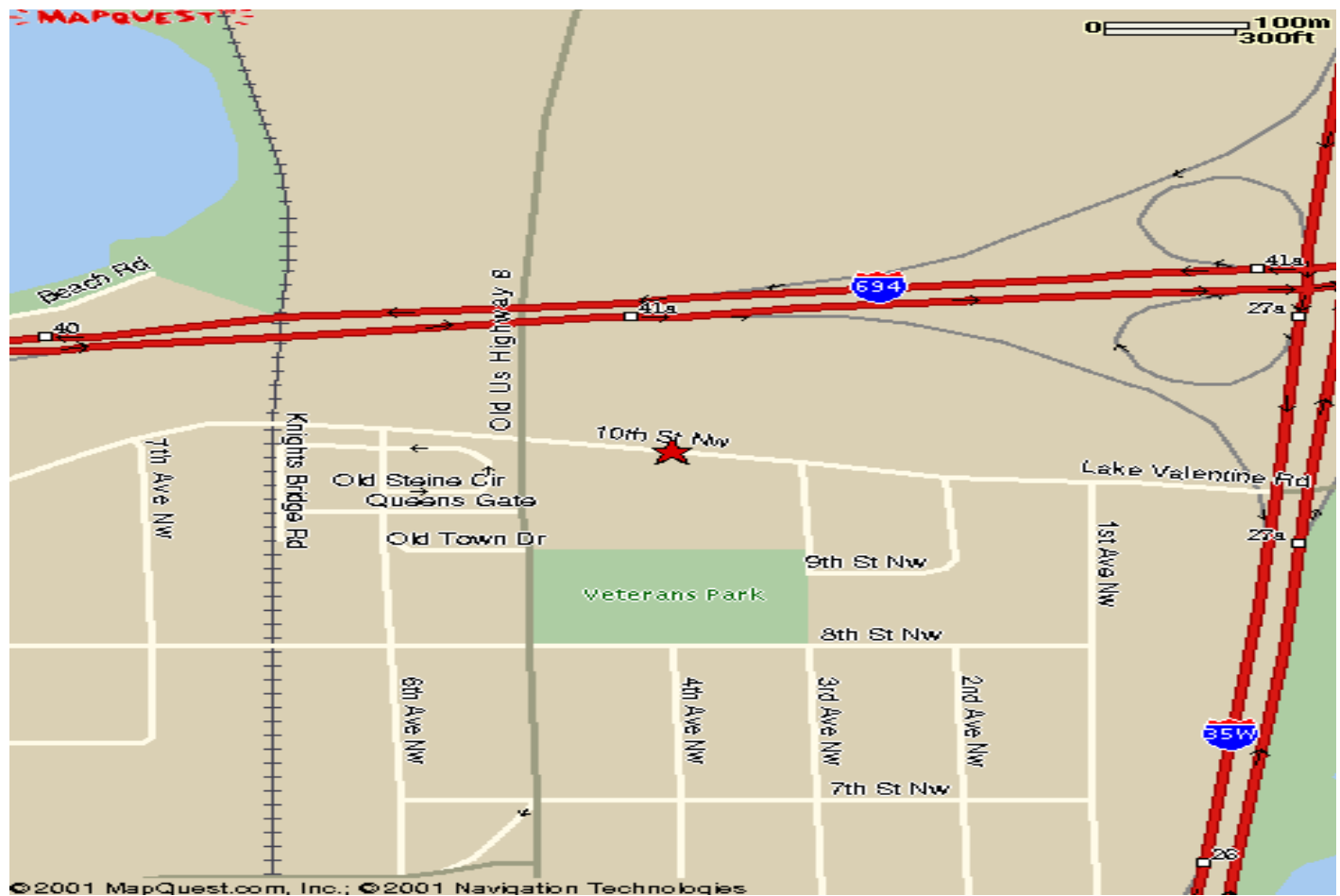
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