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The CE4 Corner

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The sky has been busy in the last month or two. As a result, have seen a number of fascinating new cases take their places in the Minnesota MUFON case files. Several of those cases have brought us some solid glimpses of the strangeness the phenomenon brings to us. It brings a logic all its own, offering a narrative of unexpected and unexplained interactions with - something. Most of all, we see a hint of physical evidence, a glimmer of potential solid proof that something extraordinary has happened. Like so many times before, that evidence seems so full of promise. Yet like so many times before, a truly solid case remains just beyond our grasp.

The events of recent weeks remind me of the story in Greek mythology of the Grapes of Tantalus (<https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tantalus>). In this classic tale, the gods condemn the hero, Tantalus, to stand in a pool of water he cannot drink, overhung with grapes he cannot eat. The grapes are just within his reach, yet any time he tries to reach for them, they recede just out of his grasp. Just like the grapes, solid evidence for the UFO/CE4 phenomenon at times seems almost within our grasp. We can almost touch it but all too often it slips away.

Several new entries in the Minnesota case files deserve special note. In each case, the phenomenon has had a powerful effect on the experiencer, disrupting lives and threatening their very well being. As usual, I will obfuscate and aggregate the cases so that they are not specifically identifiable or traceable to the existing witness. Yet the descriptions capture the essence, especially the strangeness of the cases.

The first is a composite of several cases over the course of several years, and captures the essence of at least one recent event. The drama began as the witness experienced a close sighting of a UFO hovering over a nearby park. She watched for several minutes as the craft remained motionless a few hundred feet from her. Then suddenly the craft was gone. At that same moment, she became aware of a gap in her memory, a period of missing time along with a powerful, unexpected feeling of fear.

Severely shaken up, she reported the sighting to MUFON as well as several other agencies. A short time later, things became even more disturbing. Pulling up in front of her home were two classic Men in Black (MIBs). They approached the front of her home, driving a big, highly polished older model car. The interior of the car was hidden behind the darkly tinted windows. The car approached where she was



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standing as the driver rolled down his window. Both men in the car wore dark suits and sunglasses. The driver mentioned the UFO sighting she had just had and referenced the knowledge that she had had missing time. Then he threatened her, telling her that she "didn't see anything." This witness is a very combative woman and told the men she knew what she saw. Nothing he said would hide the truth.

"You shut up or you're in for a world of trouble," was the man's terse reply. "We can make your life miserable." The witness responded with an obscenity and turned away, closing and locking her front door. The car lingered in front of her house for some time and then drove off. Unfortunately, the man was right. Days and weeks of grief began, starting with losing her job and continuing with personal, financial and legal troubles. All had a common theme - invisible, pervasive harassment by some entity or organization with the ability to influence and manipulate things behind the scenes.

Since this is an aggregation of cases, it is not possible to relate a single outcome. However in most cases, the witness has "clammed up" and no longer would speak with us. Still we are left with a significant case of a well-defined close encounter and a record of official harassment, with possible evidence to support both. This clearly suggests something extraordinary happened and the authorities know it. It tells us how powerful the phenomenon and those behind it can be. Yet the evidence is not sufficient to establish this without a doubt. The grapes still hang beyond our reach.

In another set of cases (also aggregated and heavily obfuscated), an experiencer (we'll call her 'Patty') had undergone several late-night abductions over the previous few weeks. In each case, she awoke the next morning with the sense that something extraordinary and frightening had happened.

Following one event, she suddenly became very ill. While she generally avoids the conventional medical system, she decided her illness was severe enough that she went into the hospital emergency room. After a thorough check, the doctors were unable to find the cause of her illness. However, they did conduct numerous tests to rule out known causes. When the results came back, they suggested her illness was at the very least, unusual though not immediate cause for concern. The doctors could not explain the exact symptoms of the illness, itself. To

this day, the cause and mechanism of the illness remains a mystery.

After several discussions with possible medical investigators and analysts, we concluded that the illness potentially had a non-extraordinary medical origin. Yet the details of the illness had no apparent cause and seemed closely related to her UFO encounter experiences. So what happened? Was this health event the result of a UFO abduction or would some other more prosaic explanation account for these events? Again, we don't know. We can only add the data to our case files and continue on. The grapes are once again beyond our reach.

In case after case, there are subtle (and sometimes not so subtle) indications of the reality behind UFOs and close encounters. We can touch the answer, but oh-so-often we can't quite get our hands around it.

In yet another set of cases, we find the witness in a public place such as a retail store when a stranger walks in. The stranger has an unusual or awkward bearing, with unusual eyes (or is wearing sunglasses) and seems unfamiliar or uncomfortable with normal everyday activities of life. An example might be a stranger standing behind the experiencer in line at a convenience store, carrying on a conversation, which in retrospect was very unusual. In one such case, the experiencer had just such a conversation, talking with a strange couple in line behind her. The couple seemed to know details of her life, including of her recent UFO encounter. They talked for a short time and then they parted company. She later realized she couldn't recall the stranger's eyes, and during their entire conversation the stranger's lips never moved.

In another case, a stranger came into a local convenience store to buy a bottle of pop while the experiencer was standing at the counter. The man seemed uncertain of how to purchase it, even how a convenience store worked. He finally came up to the counter where the experiencer was standing. When the experiencer talked with him, the man behaved as if autistic, paranoid or other unusual behavior. Yet the eyes seemed to hold a subjective message that he was closely associated with the phenomenon. That night, the experiencer had another abduction event which appears to be closely related to the stranger.

In each case, there is an interaction with the experiencer, a conversation in line, a purchase at a store or something similar. Then the stranger walks out of the public place, turns a corner and is gone. In more than one case, the experiencer has suddenly remembered something, some final question, etc. They hurry after the stranger, trying to find them once again. But the stranger has vanished - even though there is no apparent place they could have gone, no nearby car, no alleyway, etc.

On several occasions, security cameras have captured an image of the stranger. Yet in the video, there does not appear to be anything unusual about the person. There is simply that aura of strangeness and the unusual mannerisms they project to those around them. Are they from another place? Are they extraordinary in some way? I don't know. Again, we are presented with a lead into the unexplained. Our fingers again close in on the grapes. And once again they are snatched out of our grasp.

In yet another case, which I refer to as the case of the Flying Fisherman (see The Case of the Flying Fisherman on my website, www.craigrlang.com), an avid fisherman with a GPS device attached to his boat experienced multiple cases of missing time. Each time, the GPS captured unusual traces, along with time resets, and other anomalies. Analysis of the GPS traces showed that during his periods of missing time, he had apparently travelled in his boat on a path which at times took him over land(!). The anomalous paths would begin at the start of his missing time and end at the moment his memory resumed. Unfortunately, the GPS device was intended for fisherman and so did not show altitude. Thus, we don't know if he ascended from the lake or remained at the surface. While the evidence from his GPS device is anomalous and tantalizing, it again lacks the ultimate proof value. The grapes are not quite within our reach.

Will we ever grab the grapes of Tantalus? Perhaps, or maybe not. But for now, the best we can do is solid field investigation work, measurement, sampling, etc - along with careful documentation, finding glimpses and glimmers of an answer. At the same time, we can try to help the experiencer come to terms with the extraordinary events of the close encounter. And maybe, just maybe, in the process, a grape will fall into our hands.

On whistling past the graveyard

By **Billy Cox**, Herald-Tribune, 9/3/2015
<http://devoid.blogs.heraldtribune.com/15363/on-whistling-past-the-graveyard/>

So now, thanks to a conscientious insider, we finally have legitimate video evidence of UFO activity captured by a federal agency in pursuit of its official duties. After being subjected to forensic-caliber scrutiny by an independent team of researchers calling themselves the Scientific Coalition for Ufology (SCU), the recorded encounter over Aguadilla, Puerto Rico, in 2013 is now available for critical feedback online at <http://www.explorescu.org/>

Short of dumping a wheelbarrow's worth of warp-drive hardware etched with "Alpha Centauri" serial numbers on the front door, this is the type of data that hardcore debunkers insist they'd love to dive into *if only there was something to look at*. One of the most emphatic is SETI cheerleader Seth Shostak. In [Tuesday's Huffington Post](#) he went on another tiresome binge about how "the so-called good evidence for visiting aliens is as stale as Gothic croutons." Shostak is a master of this sort of sophistry; his standards for so-called good evidence are contingent upon someone claiming that an event has alien origins. It relieves him of having to spend 162 pages with an incident veiled in ambiguity, for which conventional explanations simply do not apply. And that allows him to get away with statements like "as our cameras have gotten better, the number of interesting UFO cases has lessened."

The 2013 Aguadilla incident was recorded by a state-of-the-art Wescam MX-15D camera. SCU's investigation hit the wall once it encountered proprietary issues with the company. But the point is moot. No one who's made a career of ascribing UFOs to hoaxes, delusions, wishful thinking and stupidity has much incentive to venture anywhere near this stuff. Retired NASA scientist Richard Haines has been conducting and publishing research online at the [National Aviation Reporting Center on Anomalous Phenomena](#) since 1999. Some of those Unidentified Aerial Phenomena (UAP) cases, as he calls them, involve photographs. But since none of the researchers identify UAP as "alien," Shostak is free to weasel out of the discussion.

Thus, for the last 16 years, NARCAP has served as a beacon for more intellectually honest brokers trying to get a handle on the global UAP issue. In fact, NARCAP has had successful partnerships with

international research groups, largely France and Chile, in a trend Haines calls “consolidation.” But Haines, whose network is dedicated to exploring the impact of UAP on flight safety, has been in this game long enough to know that curiosity for its own sake isn’t enough to turn the corner on this conundrum. That’s why it’s worth revisiting portions of his recent email blast reiterating the imperative of pragmatism.

“I fear that this consolidation is still very weak and thin,” writes the former NASA-Ames Chief of the Space Human Factors Office, “in that most of them represent a bottom-up approach where relatively small, poorly funded, unrepresented groups (within their own national governments) are attempting to change longstanding negative attitudes and unstated hidden beliefs held by those in positions of real power. It wasn’t by chance that the proposal to establish a formal study commission within the U.N. failed long ago.

“Nevertheless, it is encouraging to note that this consolidation is following in the same path as that taken over a hundred years ago by the so-called ‘hard sciences.’ Each of these scientific disciplines began just as UAP studies began – without meaningful taxonomies for the phenomena they were studying, without needed funding, without very clear goals or objectives, without a clear (name) identity, and without the peer recognition that is required to form needed powerful alliances having critical mass.

“In the U.S. today, special interest groups literally buy their way into positions of power, while UAP researchers are mostly poor and burdened with a shroud of ridicule and disbelief. Even the most serious UAP researchers face marginalization within academic circles. So what was it that permitted the hard sciences to become what they are today?

“Each of these scientific areas (eventually) paid their own way. Each showed politicians and citizens alike that they were worth the effort and could give back much of use and value. Most UAP workers have yet to make this same essential point, or at least to make it clearly enough.

“In my opinion, only NARCAP has offered to help provide something to government and the American public that they truly value and need – safety in flight (relative to these weird aerial phenomena). Unless and until UAP researchers not

only promise but actually show some tangible value to government leaders, politicians, academics, and military personnel from their research, they are destined to be sidelined and disregarded. Unless and until some aspect(s) of UAP can be shown to answer some of the challenges of society today, the phenomena will remain a quaint oddity, a rare mystery considered fit only to be a personal hobby. To me this is perhaps the most important goal we face today.”

Aguadilla fits the air safety angle like a glove. A scheduled commercial takeoff from Puerto Rico’s Rafael Hernandez Airport was delayed for 16 minutes until the submersible bogey flying without a transponder (now *there’s* a combination) cleared the area. Maybe that’s why scientists like Seth Shostak are so quick to disparage UAP research. Tens of millions of dollars, financed by billionaire sugar daddies and taxpayers alike, for more than half a century -- and radio astronomy has produced no data whatsoever to justify its exclusive methodology. Zilch. Trying to persuade public opinion that SETI is the only game in town is part of the con.

Large Grey Aliens Require Full Disclosure by 2015!

<http://www.ufointernationalproject.com/latest-news/large-grey-aliens-require-full-disclosure-2015/>

Apparently a former treaty was made with the Large Grey Aliens which requires FULL disclosure by 2015.

In an article titled “Secret Space War VIII: Alien Quantum Computing and the End of Secrecy?” on the Veterans Today website the author Dr. James Preston refers to a treaty that may have been created between the large Grey alien race and the Secret Shadow Government. The article describes several alleged treaties between several different alien races and various nations here on earth.

This alleged treaty states that the SSG must provide Complete Disclosure soon or the large alien Greys will allegedly make massive public displays of themselves and their anti-gravity crafts (AGCs) and disclose everything themselves directly to the American people, including the temporary use of the major mass media.

It has been claimed that a certain prior treaty with the large alien Greys requires complete disclosure of alien presence and technology by a certain date

or these aliens will supposedly make large public landings in every major city of the world, guaranteeing a systematic but rapidly developing complete end to secrecy and especially the deep black and beyond black programs previously protected by immediate assassinations.

This article also suggests there is a split between the older members and the younger ones who want complete disclosure to be attained in logical steps done in a manner preventing public panic or out of control business changes from occurring too rapidly.



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Stories such as this can sometimes be pretty tough to swallow, especially to any potential non believers out there or people who are possibly 50/50 on the whole UFO matter, however, it appears very clear nowadays that 'something' is going on and that we are all being built up to something BIG what with the amount of clear UFO sightings being seen by many across the world!

Perhaps, just perhaps, the Aliens want to be seen and they are actually after Disclosure themselves and no longer want to be hidden away from the human race....and angry at us for not keeping our word.

[I won't be holding my breath. - Ed.]

According to US Government classified documents Aliens Flying Object do exist

<http://www.ufo-blogger.com/2009/04/according-to-us-government-classified.html>

Documents were found in 1979 under the Freedom of Information Act that clearly state and acknowledge that there IS an alien presence among us. They were found in a memo written by General Nathan Twining and J. Edgar Hoover former FBI head: ([read the original documents here](#))

In [mr Hoovers own writing](#) - below it mentioned - 'We must insist upon full access to discs recovered. For instance in the La [battle of LA](#) or Los Alamos] case the Army grabbed it and would not let us have it for cursory examination..

(Clyde Tolson),

I think we should do this
7-15

(J. Edgar Hoover),

I would do it but before agreeing
to it we must insist upon full access
to discs recovered. For instance in
the case the Army grabbed it &
would not let us have it for cursory
examination. - 2 -

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The existence of AFOs (Aliens Flying Object) is not the secret anymore for people who have commonsense.

But there is another secret:

Why the governments of developed countries tried to cover up their existence?

Recognizing the existence of AFOs in our Earth's atmosphere lead us to the following conclusions:

1. ETs use Free Energy in their spacecrafts. With time the Free Energy will be the main source for humanity, that will replace all other primitive source of energy: oil, coal, atomic, electric power stations that pollute and destroy our natural environment on the planet.

2. Free Energy will dramatically reduce our dependency on working people and increase the productivity in our society by ten-fold. In reality all those problems created by introduction of Free Energy: millions of unemployed people who will

lose their jobs in sectors producing oil, coal, electricity etc. and in sectors which directly or indirectly connected with them, conflict of interest for rich people, who control those branches of productions - can be solved within the frame of the capitalist society without stepping on somebody's toes among the rich people. The future form of this capitalist society is called "Social capital" and described in the book "Capitalism today and Capitalism tomorrow".

3. AFOs (Aliens Flying Object) represent for our scientists physical laboratory where people can observe unknown for us The Laws of Nature that ALOs are using in their technology. For example, from my observations I concluded that Newtonian Laws are not fundamental Laws of nature. They are limited and work only within classical mechanics but do not apply to the behavior of the body in the gravitational, magnetic, electric fields and etc. Another words, all laws of Physics have their meaning only in relation to their sufficient ground that is the 4th law of formal logic. On the other hand, from the negation of the 2-nd Law of Newton in any field it follows the absence in alien's spacecraft of Inertial Force, that we get used to . These conclusions undermine the scientific meaning of General theory of relativity of Einstein. (see the article "[Why classical mechanics limited](#)").

**'UFO Sightings From The US
Department Of Homeland Security
Are Real, Alien Researchers Claim
The Huffington Post UK,**

By [Nitya Rajan](#), 14/08/2015

http://www.huffingtonpost.co.uk/2015/08/14/ufo-hunters-claim-us-department-of-homeland-security-took-this-video_n_7988106.html

A video showing a "UFO" rising from the sea and splitting in two allegedly belongs to the US Department Of Homeland Security (DHS).
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q6s5RwqnnLM>

A group known as the [Scientific Coalition for Ufology \(SCU\)](#), say the footage was captured by a DHS aircraft.

In a [report](#) published online, the researchers claim they received an original copy of a thermal video from an "official source" who wished to remain anonymous.

The "UFO" they refer to appears as a tiny dot zooming past the screen and although there could be several explanations for what the object might be, SCU are stubborn about their conclusion.

They believe that "no bird, balloon aircraft" or "known drones" have the ability to travel under water at 90 mph or through the air at 120 mph. Nick Pope, who previously ran the British Government's UFO project told [The Express](#) that he was "intrigued" by the footage.

"Assuming the video isn't a clever hoax - which is always a possibility these days - it's a fascinating piece of footage.

"About the only conventional explanation that might fit the bill is that this is some new drone, but the entry and exit from the sea and the apparent splitting in two of the object makes even this explanation seem unlikely.

"This is exactly the sort of video that I and intelligence specialists at the MoD got most excited about, as the available data allows for a proper, scientific analysis.

"I'll be watching developments on this one with interest."

**Alien & UFO News: Astronaut From
Apollo 14 Says Aliens Came to Earth
to Stop Possible Nuclear War**

By [Robert C. Weich III](#), Aug 20, 2015

<http://www.latinpost.com/articles/73479/20150820/alien-news-astronaut-from-apollo-14-says-aliens-came-to-earth-to-stop-a-possible-nuclear-war.htm>

Did UFOs stop a possible nuclear war?

An astronaut who has walked on the moon says aliens are responsible for stopping a nuclear war between the United States and Russia, [according to Mirror Online](#).

Edgar Mitchell, the sixth man on the moon and part of the Apollo 14 mission, says that top-ranking military officials saw UFOs during weapons testing. Mitchell has believed in aliens for quite some time. He has made his beliefs public since landing on the moon. He now is one of the most prominent figures in the UFO community.

Mitchell told the Mirror Online that military insiders saw strange aircraft flying over missile

bases and the White Sands facility, where the first nuclear bomb was detonated in 1945.

Mitchell's upbringing in New Mexico could have caused his belief in aliens. Mitchell grew up near Roswell, where one of the most famous UFOs was supposedly spotted and also near the bomb testing zone.

"You don't know the area like I do," he said in an interview with Mirror Online.

"White Sands was a testing ground for atomic weapons -- and that's what the extraterrestrials were interested in.

"They wanted to know about our military capabilities.

"My own experience talking to people has made it clear the ETs had been attempting to keep us from going to war and help create peace on Earth."

Mitchell said he is not the only one who believes the aliens may have stopped a nuclear war. He said he has heard stories from people who manned military bases during the tense time period between the United States and Russia.

"I have spoken to many Air Force officers who worked at these silos during the Cold War," he said. "They told me UFOs were frequently seen overhead and often disabled their missiles.

"Other officers from bases on the Pacific coast told me their [test] missiles were frequently shot down by alien spacecraft. There was a lot of activity in those days."

Nick Pope, a former Ministry of Defense UFO researcher, said that Mitchell's claims are not exactly true.

Pope said Mitchell's claims are based on what other people have seen and not what he has experienced. He also argued Mitchell won't reveal his sources or give any names.

Pope added aliens coming to Earth and warning humans they are about to make a big mistake by getting involved in a nuclear war is a good thought, but it is more like something out of a movie.

"There have certainly been some intriguing UFO sightings around nuclear facilities, and around military bases more generally, but an alternative

explanation is that some of these sightings are attributable to espionage activity involving secret spy planes or drones," Pope said.

Whatever happened to the Marshall County cop who hit a UFO?

John Enger · Aug 27, 2015

<http://www.mprnews.org/story/2015/08/26/minnesota-deputy-squad-car-ufo-mystery>

At 1:40 a.m. 36 years ago, Marshall County Sheriff's Deputy Val Johnson was on night patrol along a rural section of State Highway 220 near Warren, Minn., when he drove into a ball of white light.

"I noticed a very bright, brilliant light, 8 to 12 inches in diameter, 3 to 4 feet off the ground," Johnson said in a taped police interview. "The edges were very defined."

Johnson drove toward the light, and woke up in the ditch a half-hour later with burns around his eyes. The windshield and one headlight of his 1977 Ford LTD were smashed. Both radio antenna were bent sharply back. The watch on his wrist and the clock on the dash both ticked 14 minutes slow.

The incident turned Johnson into a local legend and national media sensation. And years later, people are still talking about it.

Johnson's squad car is preserved in the Marshall County Museum with a plaque that says: "U.F.O. Car." People still come from miles around to see it. It's an annual display at the Marshall County Fair.

Sometimes former Marshall County Sheriff Dennis Brekke gives talks at the museum about the car and the night his deputy drove it into a ball of light. Police investigated and never drew any conclusions.

But the incident's enduring fame has lingered far beyond Marshall County.

What's known as the "Val Johnson Incident" remains one of the top 10 most influential UFO encounters in history, according Jerome Clark, who wrote about it in his 1998 book, "The UFO Encyclopedia."

Paranormal TV shows like "UFO Files" and "Mysteries at the Museum" filmed reenactments. Even now, people debate the legitimacy of the encounter on [online forums](#).

"It was an extraordinarily important case," Clark said.

Plenty of people have strange experiences on back roads late at night, Clark explained, but very few of them yield any tangible evidence. Fewer still are ever investigated.

But one thing is strikingly absent from the small town museum, the TV shows and online discussions: Val Johnson. When you try to track down Val Johnson, people tend to say he's hard to find, that he's still haunted by what happened to him 36 years ago. A 2013 [Pioneer Press article](#) said Johnson "quickly grew tired of interviews" after the incident and is "believed to now live somewhere in Wisconsin."

Sheriff Brekke's wife Louise said Johnson hasn't kept in touch with his old colleagues in Marshall County for three decades, aside from a letter he sent a few years back with no return address.

As it turns out, Johnson isn't that hard to find. He lives in Eau Claire, Wis., and he answers his phone. At the first mention of UFOs, he laughed aloud.

"It's unexplainable, and will remain so. I'm happy with my mental stability," said Johnson.

"People don't call about that anymore," he said.

It becomes readily apparent that the details of the Val Johnson incident still enthralling UFO enthusiasts, just don't fascinate Johnson.

"I looked up at the sky and said, 'Well shucks, what happened?'" Johnson recalled. "And then I shuffled on with my life."

He had small kids to raise back then. Hitting a ball of light and ending up in a ditch wasn't close to the most important thing going on in his life.

For almost a year after the incident his phone hardly stopped ringing. He's quoted at the time by Associated Press writer Barbara Dewey saying his wife was "run ragged" by the constant calls. He appeared on Good Morning America, and in dozens of newspapers across the country. For a while, he was a very big deal.

"And then other stories came along and pushed me off the front page," he said. "Thank goodness."

Johnson stayed on as deputy for a while after the incident. Then he took a job as chief of police in the nearby town of Oslo, Minn. Locals, he said, never questioned his ability to enforce the law.

In 1982 he was hired to set up the Roseau, Minn., Police Department, but lost the job less than a year later over a funding dispute.

"Once you're a chief of police, and then you get fired," he said, "you're un-hireable."

He was working as a security guard in a Twin Cities mall when a friend got him a job answering the customer service line at 3M.

"He asked me how I'd like to take 60 angry phone calls a day," he recalled, "I said, 'Dang, I can do that.'"

For years people sometimes showed up on his front porch with theories about his experience in Marshall County.

"We'd sit in the back yard with lemonade and talk," he said. "They'd tell me what they thought happened to me and I'd nod at the appropriate times. Eventually they'd go away."



Val Johnson's squad car, a 1977 Ford LTD known locally as the "U.F.O Car," is preserved in the Marshall County Museum. People still come to see it. Courtesy of the Marshall County Museum

Johnson is 71 now. He has a short white beard and thinning white hair. He's retired, still living in Eau Claire with his wife, Rosanne. No one has stopped by in years. No one calls about UFOs even when his name airs on television.

He has great-grandchildren.

To this day Johnson won't speculate on what happened to him in 1979. He doesn't think the light

he saw was an extraterrestrial — but also won't rule out the possibility. For years, he said, it just hasn't crossed his mind.

"I saw a ball of light," he said. "I drove toward it, and suddenly it was in the car with me. It's unexplainable, and will remain so. I'm happy with my mental stability."

If it seems Johnson's ambivalence could cast some doubt on the famous incident, those passionate about UFOs are unfazed. Clark said it's a textbook UFO encounter coping mechanism.

Clark talked to scores of people involved in UFO encounters for his books. Some became obsessed with what happened to them. Some plunged into denial. Others he said, found peace, refusing to allow an encounter to change their lives.

"If anything," Clark said, "It's a story to tell at the bar, and that's it."

Minnesota Lights



Shakopee -- A co-worker of mine took this photo two nights ago on August 24, 2015, of a circle of lights. It looks to be the same as the one you posted. Has anyone determined what this may be? Note: An almost identical photo was taken in Chanhassen, Minnesota on August 9, 2015. [Click here to read this report](#). Also, the photo seems to show ground lights shining into the sky. Perhaps this could be a reflection of ground lights off the 6000-foot cloud cover. Thanks to William Puckett, Director [UFOsnw](#) (from: Filer's Files # 36 -2015 UFOs Serious Business)

Family See & Take Photos of Strange Lights.
<http://www.ufosnw.com/newsite/family-see-take-photos-of-strange-lights/>

Location of Sighting: Chanhassen, Minnesota

Date of Sighting: August 9, 2015

Time of Sighting: 10:30 PM CDT



1 of 3 PHOTOS TAKEN OF CIRCULAR BAND OF LIGHTS SEEN BY FAMILY.

Description: We saw lights of perfect circular shape. They were very bright lights above the thick clouds. They remained stationary for a few minutes (about 10 minutes) and then disappeared. My whole family saw this phenomenon. We live in a very quiet area. There were no lights beamed from below. It wasn't moving in the air like a kite with lights.

Note: Some will say that these lights are a reflection from the ground. I say no (as did the witnesses). The lights were observed (and photographed). They persisted for 10 minutes and then abruptly vanished. The photos were taken with a Canon EOS REBEL T3 digital camera. This is a "high end" camera with a high resolution.

National UFO Reporting Center Sighting Report

Occurred : 5/24/2015 23:30

Reported: 6/14/2015 7:12PM

Location: Savage, MN

Shape: Triangle

Duration: 5 minutes

2 triangular objects with ability to change direction without banking; also able to disappear suddenly.

My first report was in Q4 2013. A friend and I had observed something from my deck. I've since seen in several times, including on this date with a different friend of mine.

We were sitting on my deck, talking and enjoying a cool evening, when a fast-moving light coming up out of the south caught my eye. I pointed it out to

my friend and he and I watched as the object continued to move north.

As it began to pass over our heads (quite high, but not high enough to be a satellite), the object zig-zagged, and then suddenly made a 90° turn toward the east. There was no banking like a plane would have to do-it was a complete and immediate change of direction.

The object continued toward the east before changing direction and heading north once again before suddenly disappearing. My friend and I stayed on my deck, trying to find the object, but we were unsuccessful. What we did see, however, was another object traveling rapidly up from the south, following approximately the same trajectory as the previous object. This object also changed direction abruptly, but this time this one went west. It zig zagged several times and then suddenly disappeared.

Not long after these two objects were observed, we heard planes passing overhead at a rapid rate of speed-but we were unable to get out to the deck to see them.

Savage had not been in the flight path for MSP or Flying Cloud on this night, so it was surprising to see aircraft in the vicinity.

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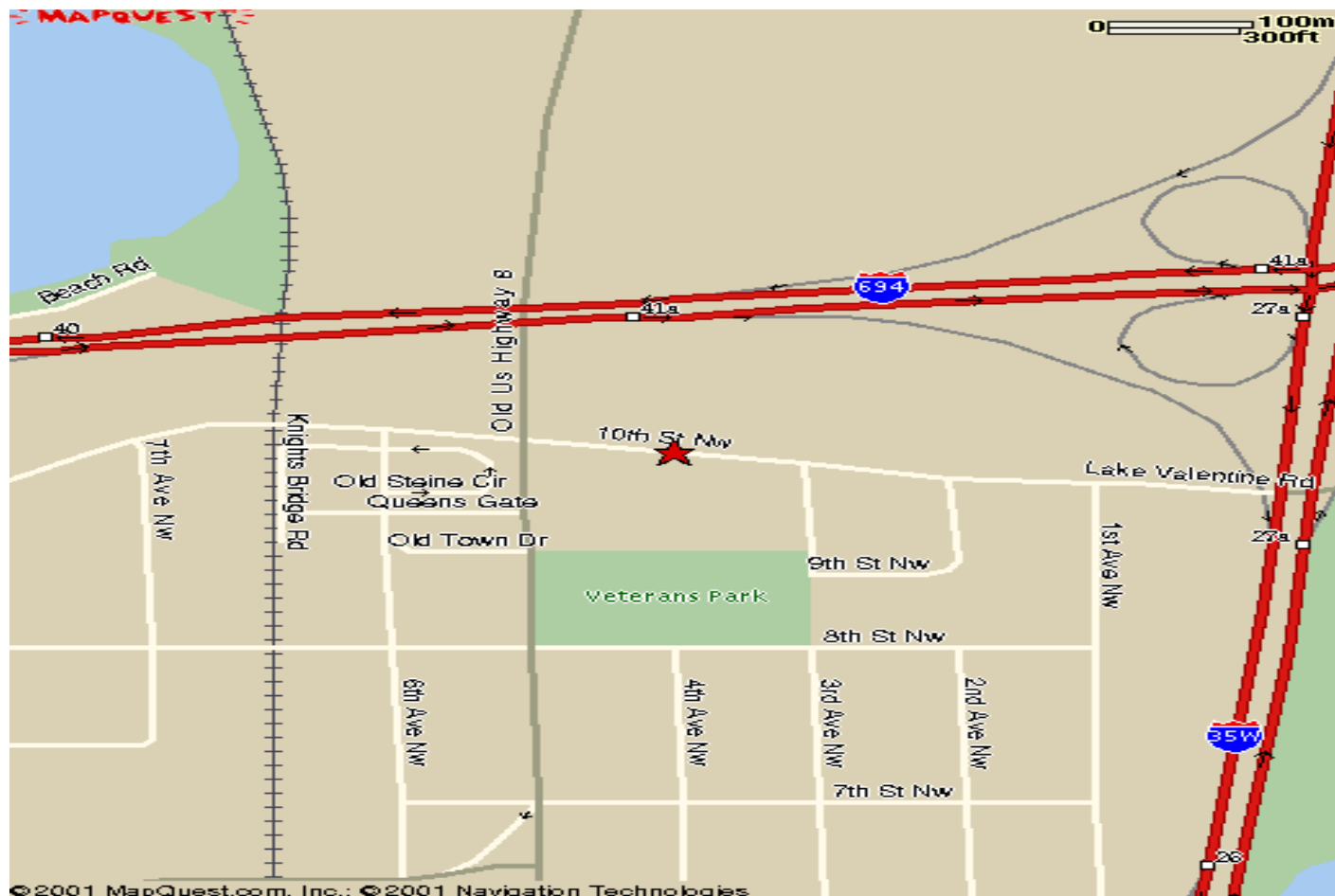
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