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Evidence of success: Over 400 Attendees, Media Coverage for MUFON's 35th Annual Symposium

By Rana Bakhtiari, Rocket Marketing

Denver, CO (July 19, 2004) MUFON (Mutual UFO Network) attracted a crowd of over 400 to its 35th annual symposium from July 16th-18th, 2004. Attendees had the unique opportunity to hear presentations from the most highly respected speakers in ufology. Experts ranged from UFO Lobbyist Stephen Bassett, to law enforcement official Ken Storch, who has researched the UFO phenomenon for 30 years, since he served in the Air Force's Strategic Air Command unit.

The symposium drew camera crews seeking to broadcast what was gleaned from the speakers. Peter Jennings Production's cameras rolled while speakers discussed the UFO phenomenon in the context of presidencies, space research, forensic evidence, and more. The program in development is scheduled to air on ABC in early 2005. Numerous Denver television stations interviewed speakers

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Colorado Director's Message:

As we enter into fall 2004, we can look back on what has happened in Colorado MUFON so far. We've increased membership to nearly 150 members state wide, our Investigator teams are growing but we need more trained Investigators, we've helped International MUFON with the 2004 Symposium and are looking forward to helping them with the 2005 Symposium that will be here in the Denver area again. Volunteers are needed now so we can plan and

avoid the mistakes we made this year, few as they were.

I do want to thank the volunteers who helped International MUFON and all our volunteers on the Colorado MUFON staff, without you, nothing would have happen.

Our case load of investigations is increasing daily with new cases reported. The good side is we are seeing a upturn in cases needing investigations, the down side is we need more investigators who are willing to help shed more light on the Unconventional Flying

Objects seen over Colorado skies. Please contact Ethan Rich, Director of Colorado Investigations, if you are interested.

As many of you are aware, we always have interesting meetings and this year the state meetings are moving around the state for the spring and summer. We will continue this next year and into the future as it gives you and me a chance to meet and really put a face to the names.

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From left to right, speakers David Sereda, John Greenwald, Paul Davids, Budd Hopkins, Leslie Kean, Peter Davenport, Ryan Woods, John Schuessler. Taken at the Symposium Press Conference.

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COLORADO SPRINGS COMUFON MEETINGS

Colorado Springs has its very own, separate series of meetings, organized by CO MUFON Assistant State Director Ed Burke. CO Springs meetings are held at the **Gold Hill Police Station (705 South Nevada)** from 1:00 p.m. till 4:00 p.m. on the first Saturday of "even-numbered" months. (Feb 7th, Apr 3rd, June 5th, Aug 7th, Oct 2nd, Dec 4th). Meetings are free, and open to the public.

GREELEY COMUFON MEETINGS—For information on Greeley area meetings, call Clifford Clift at 970-302-9118.

WESTERN SLOPE—DELTA/MONTROSE COMUFON MEETINGS—For information contact Davina Ryszka at nightsky25@juno.com.

Colorado MUFON General Meeting

Admission:

*CO MUFON members admitted FREE**

\$5 non-members \$8 per family

(kids age 10 & under free)

*(*An annual CO MUFON membership is only \$20. If you attend more than half of our monthly meetings, it's cheaper to become a member — so why not join?)*

All CO MUFON meetings are held the second Saturday of every month at the **Glendale Community Center (999 S. Clermont, Denver CO)**.

Before the 1– 4pm Meetings, also at the Glendale Community Center (See the schedule on page 3 for General meeting Times and Dates):

Board Meeting—9:00AM TO 10:30AM All Welcome!

Investigator Training—11:00AM TO 12:00PM All Welcome!

For up-to-date agenda info, visit www.comufon.org

Next Meeting: October 9th!

Ron Russell

Director of www.cropcircles.org

OCTOBER 2004 GENERAL MEETING 6:30-9:30 PM

Ron Russell, 501(c)(3), develops and researches special projects of interest. Using scientific protocol, appropriate field methodologies and intuitive skills, we apply "New Scientific" principles in observing, collecting information and interpreting the mysteries confronting our world.



**UPCOMING COMUFON
MEETINGS:
DATES & SPEAKERS**

**Saturday, October 9th,
6:30—9:30 pm**
General Meeting

Ron Russell

**Crop Circle Researcher
Glendale Community Center**
The board meeting will be held at
the Perkins at I-25 and Colorado
Blvd. at 2:30 PM.
(see ad on page 2)

Saturday, November 13th
General Meeting

Joe Fex

**Paranormal Researcher
Glendale Community Center**

Saturday, December 11th
General Meeting

Special Holiday Potluck

John Schuessler

MUFON Director

Glendale Community Center

Late Newsletter

I apologize for this newsletter being a month late. The computer the newsletter is produced on is having technical difficulties. There will still be a newsletter next month to get us back on schedule.

Some membership records may have not been recovered yet. We will do our best to get everyone their newsletters, and please let us know if you find any discrepancies.

Alejandro T. Rojas, COMUFON Newsletter editor,

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MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

If you have not become a member of **Colorado MUFON**... now's the time!

Regular Member: \$20 per year
Student Member: \$15 per year
Family Membership: \$30 per year

Membership includes the following:

- *Bi-monthly newsletter*
- *Reduced admission to events*
- *Investigator training classes*
- *Special deals on publications*

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state organization's website:*

www.comufon.org
Or call 303-932-7709

International MUFON membership is vital as well. Are you a member? Is it time to renew your membership?

Dues are only \$45 per year.

Benefits include a subscription to the monthly *MUFON UFO Journal*, as well as special reduced prices on publications and events.

MUTUAL UFO NETWORK
P.O. Box 369
Morrison, CO 80465-0369
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*For more information, visit the
international organization's website:*

www.mufon.com

Congratulations and Thank You!

This summer's symposium was a great success. There were many people responsible, and many were rewarded at the Symposium. COMUFON has chosen to show special appreciation to the following three individuals by making them honorary lifetime COMUFON members.

Lin Simpson, MUFON Director of Membership and Symposium Organizer.

John and Kathy Schuessler, John is the international Director of MUFON, and a speaker at the symposium. Both worked hard on putting the Symposium together.

Judy Orsatti, she organized and secured a large amount of advertising and media for the Symposium.

Wanted: Colorado Field Investigators

To become a certified Field Investigator, you must pass the Investigator's Exam with a score of 80% or above.

The exam, available from MUFON HQ, is a take-home exam.

It is an open-book exam, and can be completed at your leisure.

The *MUFON Field Investigators Manual* is available from

MUFON HQ for \$25. It is essential for taking the exam, and is an invaluable reference tool in conducting field investigations.

COMUFON's ongoing investigator training classes, while not mandatory, are also very useful in preparing for the exam. **Check them out!**

**NEW FIELD INVESTIGATOR:
Congratulations to our latest
Investigator, Brian Johnson in
Broomfield!**

CO Director's Message (Continued from page 1)

As we did last year, we had our meeting this August at the UFO Watchtower in conjunction with their event planned for the same weekend. A good number of Colorado MUFON members attended and we even picked up a new member or two from the event. The editors have published some of the photos in this issue for those who could not attend. This will be an annual event held the second Saturday in August of each year in conjunction with the UFO Watchtower.

Those of you who are on-line can go to www.ufowatchtower.com and learn more.



From left to right, speakers Ken Storch, Grant Cameron, Nick Refern, David Sereda, John Greenwald, Paul Davids, Budd Hopkins.

Those of us who went had a great time and yes we even had some excitement in seeing some objects. They were not close and we had to use the night-scopes to watch them but they were there showing off for us. And yes, again, this year they got to my magnetometer and fully magnetized it so I could not get readings. The up side of this is the engineer and manufacturer has promised to send me a newer model that will not be subject to over magnetization by the strong fields. I understand that there were photos taken of an event that happened the first night we were camped there but as of publication we have not received these photos.

I invite all members to come out and enjoy some fun camping next year. This is dry camping which means you pack it all in and out again. The ranch owner will provide the basic necessities and there are motels in nearby towns for those who don't like the idea of tent camping. You may also use a RV or trailer to camp as I do. This does make it a little more fun and is easier on the advanced bones.

Our last meeting was in Montrose on the western slope. I hope some of the members from the east side of the mountains were able to attend and meet your counterparts from the west. Next year, I invite all members, who wish, to travel to the various meeting places so we can all meet and exchange ideas. We never know when we may be working together on a project or investigation so getting to know each other before sure helps. It is also a good way to justify a mini-vacation to another part of our beautiful state.

In closing (the editors don't like long things to edit) I want to invite everyone to the next Denver meeting at our usual place in Glendale and please don't forget our Holiday Party. This too is becoming a Colorado MUFON tradition and we always have fun and the International Director always has a great talk lined up. As usual information will be published in the newsletter and on-line at www.comufon.org.

OK, one last thing and then the editors can put this to print. I'd like to thank each of you for joining and supporting MUFON and Colorado MUFON. Without your support we would not be growing like we do and be able to begin exciting projects such as Pandora. More on Pandora

in a future letter.

Leslie Varnicle

State Director Colorado

A NEW TWIST ON CATTLE MUTILATIONS

By Barry Roth, COMUFON Newsletter Co-Editor

Fascinating new information is offered by Bud Hopkins and Carol Rainey in their new book, "Sight Unseen."

For nearly a century, particularly in the decades between 1960 and 1990, ranchers and farmers have reported bizarre cattle mutilations. Typically, the animals were discovered in remote locations with certain body parts, an anus, eye, udder or cheek, cored out cleanly with the absence of blood, tooth marks or tracks leading to the cow. Predators would not even go near the dead cow. Law enforcement were confused about what to attribute towards the animals' death.

But according to Dr. John Altshuler, a Denver physician, "These animals are often found within hours of having been seen alive at a time of unusual observed aerial phenomena." Altshuler believes that extraterrestrial forces must be consid-

ered a possible suspect. In addition, several witnesses claimed to have observed a distressed cow being hauled up in a beam of light to a hovering craft. The big question is why are cows in particular targeted with these grisly mutilations.

The answer may come in new discoveries in using cow eggs to produce embryonic clones from a completely different species. According to Dr. Neal First from the University of Wisconsin, Madison, cow eggs seemed to be the preferred package for experimental cloning material. Studies show that even after a cow egg (oocyte) is stripped of its own bovine nucleus and DNA, the egg still retains a small amount of genetic material in the cytoplasm (thin inner structure) of the egg. When other adult mammalian cells are introduced into the emptied cow oocyte, its cytoplasm reprograms the adult nucleus back into its infancy stage.

Scientists have stripped bovine eggs of their own nucleus and inserted skin cells from five different species of adult animals by scooping from the surface of their ears (sound familiar - abductee scoop marks?). This would become the donor nuclei or DNA that's specific to a species. Fused into the outer shell of the cow egg, the adult ear cells of a monkey, rat, pig, sheep and cattle were actually "reset" back into an earlier embryonic state. In the final stage, when the cow egg with the different animal nucleus is implanted into a surrogate mother, theoretically we'd expect the birth of that animal's cloned self.

Cow eggs actually function as a sort of cradle to hold and nurture the DNA of these different species. As a matter of fact, the cow egg cytoplasm seemed just as accepting of a nucleus cell from a three-year-old male rat as it was towards a 10-year-old female monkey. In fact some scientists refer to cow oocytes as a possible universal container for many other animal species.....including humans.

Wouldn't these cow eggs make the ideal cloning incubator for our alien visitors as well?

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT.....

By Barry Roth, COMUFON Newsletter Co-Editor

International MUFON Director, John Schuessler, spoke at COMUFON's August meeting on the subject of increasing international UFO sightings. From South America to North America to Europe to the Middle East, unusual aerial sightings are being phoned in, videotaped and forwarded to the MUFON Worldwide UFO Database nearly everyday.

South American sightings include countries such as Argentina (a UFO was filmed for 17 minutes at Comodoro Rivadavia), Brazil (farm workers spotted a UFO north of Sao Paulo) and Chile (Northeast of Santiago bright lights were seen in the sky. Seven to ten smaller lights descended from a large light and then proceeded to change shapes, rearrange themselves in different patterns and zigzagged at incredibly fast speeds).

England, Ireland, Portugal and Poland all had recent sightings of small to large objects. In Ireland, two men witnessed an enormous delta-winged craft that soundlessly traveled at ultrasonic speed, taking just a few seconds to reach the horizon.

Not to be outdone, the United States has had numerous sightings throughout the summer from California to Maryland keeping investigators extremely busy.

John talked about how UFOs have been reported since 1566 in Europe. He also discussed the way in which UFOs are reported state by state. A chart was shown that displayed the different types of unconventional objects reported by shape, color and other characteristics.

In 1951 the United Nations rejected a request to investigate UFOs. So in the meantime, we will continue to individually, state by state, investigate reports as they arrive. Hopefully the Pandora project (scanning the more than 35,000 UFO written reports that sit idle) will come to fruition so we can have a more comprehensive view of this unusual phenomenon.

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and filmed portions of presentations for their audience as well.

"We want the symposium to be an experience for every attendee, where they can explore cutting-edge research on the UFO phenomenon through the most brilliant minds exploring UFOs. As importantly, we want this to be a place where individuals have access to these experts and the time to meet them and talk one-on-one. This is the only symposium of its kind that makes that possible." Said Lin Simpson, MUFON Director of Membership.

MUFON (Mutual UFO Network) is a leading non-profit organization promoting research into the true nature of the UFO phenomenon worldwide. The 35 year-old organization has a three-fold mission: To investigate UFO Sightings, to promote UFO Research, and to educate the public. This information is shared on the website: www.Mufon.com, as well as the MUFON UFO Journal, and the annual MUFON International UFO Symposium held in Denver, Colorado.

Summer of Wonder and Discovery in Colorado

By Alejandro Rojas, COMUFON Newsletter Editor

The 35th Annual Symposium held in July, turned out to be a success by all those who cared to give an opinion. It turned out beautifully from my perspective. There were an abundance of brilliant minds to discuss with, among the speakers and guests.

The first night there was a roundtable with John Schuessler, Stephen Bassett, David Sereda, and John Greenewald, Jr., Symposium M.C., with Ken Storch as a moderator. There was a lot of discussion about the “giggle” factor in the subject of UFOs.

That night Co-editor, Barry Roth and I had a few drinks with one of Westword’s staff writers, Jason Sheehan. He had a unique perspective because he was part of the media, and had exploited the giggle factor in his story on our Symposium. He was very impressed by the speakers, and felt guilty about his article. Although he was still a little proud of how funny his story had turned out. In this discussion, as well as all of the others I had that weekend, I left feeling as though I understood things a little better.

The A/V crew put on a brilliant show. Organized and provided by Bob and Teri Brown, who also work on the UFO Congress convention.

We will have even more information and pictures from the symposium in coming issues of the newsletter, and on the website. www.comufon.org

The next stop for the COMUFON Express was the San Luis Valley UFO Event, at the UFO Watchtower in Hooper, CO. This was another great event with some wonderful speakers. Judy Messoline, Watchtower owner, along with this talented group of speakers, put on some fantastic presentations. All in the beautiful mysterious valley.



A full house at the UFO Watchtower.



Speaker David Perkins drives home a point.



The big San Luis Valley sky over the Watchtower rock garden. The Sand Dunes are on the horizon.



Majestic Mountains watch over a full Watchtower parking lot.

More Mystery in the San Luis Valley

By Alejandro Rojas, COMUFON Newsletter Editor

I am sure everyone who attended either of this summer's events has a few stories to tell. Those of us who attended the San Luis UFO Event at the UFO Watchtower met a man named Arnie Nan.

I got to the Watchtower around 1 or 2 AM Saturday morning. That morning my Chihuahua and I went out looking for others. I found Barry Roth, the Co-editor at the end of the row next to Leslie, the State Director's, large camper. One of the first things he mentioned was the story of a man compelled to come to the event who had an experience the previous night, and another that morning. Barry thought we should talk to him more, and possibly write a story. It sounded like a good idea.

After the first speaker, we caught up with Arnie and had lunch with him. He told us that he was from Los Alamos, NM. He had driven up to visit his brother in Gunnison. This was a vacation that had been delayed.

Arnie planned on leaving his brother's house and going home. He had appointments to keep. However, the night before he left he had a dream that he was at the UFO

Watchtower event, and a UFO landed. He said it landed and three people came out. He was perplexed to see humans come out. When he woke up, he felt compelled to cancel his appointments back home and go to the UFO Watchtower. He had already known about the event.

He arrived at the watchtower in-between 3 and 3:30 PM. While sitting at the table inside his camper, at about 4:30 PM, Arnie got the feeling he was not alone. He then began to see an apparition. He felt compelled to draw the vision. He said he didn't think, he just drew. The picture to the left is a copy of Arnie's drawing. Arnie said the being radiated light, and didn't have a distinct outline. The points of glowing

lights along the body were a yellowish gold. Arnie said he felt an incredible benevolence. The apparition gave him the impression that there would be a mass extinction and major world environmental problems. Arnie made notes below the picture. Arnie then asked it for a name, he got the impression that it couldn't tell him it's real name be-



OZIBORAD

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2. ENVIRONMENT - MAJOR
CALAMITY COMING

cause he couldn't understand it, but gave him the name, Oziborad. Arnie wrote that down also.

The next morning, at 7:30 AM, Arnie was back in the same spot having some cereal and orange juice, when he received the feeling even stronger. He stopped eating and realized he was having the experience again. The being appeared again. This time it's message was that the earth was going into a spiritual awakening and that they were here to help. They also needed others to help as well. During this experience Arnie felt compelled to look outside, but he didn't. The first speaker at the event had been Mark Kimmel. He writes an email newsletter called The Cosmic Paradigm. The website is: www.cosmicparadigm.com. He gave a great talk, and his theme was that certain of these visitors were here to help because we are obviously destroying our planet. He even talked about mass extinctions that scientists predict. Arnie was amazed how Mark's themes were similar to what Oziborad had told him.

This whole story amazed me. I asked Arnie if he thought the bright spots on the apparition were related to the chakra points. He said yes, that he was familiar, and thought they seemed to be related. I personally had recently come to the conclusion that some of these visitors are here to help, and that their message is related to the concepts behind these three particular chakras. I had told friends about how important I thought these chakra points were just that week. Arnie agreed he thought the message was similar.

The morning of the last day, Arnie came out to our camp and said he thought he realized what his dream meant. He realized that humans came out of the UFO because one day we will be flying in them. He seemed very happy about his realization, like it was a happy ending to his UFO Watchtower experience.

Other Great Denver Events

World UFO & Paranormal Expo—Sunday, Nov. 7, 2004, Sheraton Denver West. Call Dana Cain at 303-347-8252, or visit www.wupe.net for more information.

Men in Black—You can watch it on channel 58 in Denver only or watch it on the web at www.dctv.org. The program is live every third (3rd) and fourth (4th) Thursday of every month. You can be part of the audience at the DCTV studios at 29th and Welton. Show up a little early, around 6:45pm. If you have questions contact Tim and Jerry at meninblacktvshow@go.com or call Lin at 720-353-5972.

UFO MOVIE NIGHT—North of Denver, the first Thursday of each month. Call Mark Stahl at 303-422-7606 for more information.

The Denver UFO Society—Meets the 4th Friday of the month. Glendale Community Center at 7pm. For info call--Kathy at 303-838-4381.

The Denver Spiritual Community- For happenings around town, see website:
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