

Famed UFO investigator
and NCAS co-founder
Philip J. Klass passed away
in early August.



Remembering Philip J. Klass

An electrical engineer and senior editor for Aviation Week and Space Technology, Philip Klass began investigating UFOs in 1966 after participating in a panel discussion on the subject for the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE). From that time forward Klass investigated UFO sightings in an effort to find a credible prosaic explanation, and became one of the most widely recognized UFO "debunkers." In 1976 Klass was a founding member of the Committee for the Scientific Investigation of Claims of the Paranormal (CSICOP) along with Carl Sagan, Isaac Asimov, Paul Kurtz, Ray Hyman, James Randi, Martin Gardner, and Sidney Hook, serving on the Executive Council and the UFO subcommittee. In 1987, the longtime Washington, DC resident co-founded the National Capital Area Skeptics. He authored seven books and numerous articles on UFOs, and produced the Skeptics UFO Newsletter from 1989 to 2003.

NCAS board member Scott Snell will lead a presentation that will highlight Klass's achievements.

Saturday September 10, 2-4pm

Montgomery County Library

Bethesda Branch

7400 Arlington Road

Bethesda, Maryland

(A short walk from the Bethesda Metro station)



National Capital Area Skeptics Public Lecture Series

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Shadow of a Doubt

THE MONTHLY CALENDAR OF THE NATIONAL CAPITAL AREA SKEPTICS

SEPTEMBER 2005

Welcome to the 2005/6 NCAS Season

Shadow Format Changes

Welcome back to another season of NCAS activities. There are some changes to the format of the *Shadow of a Doubt* this year. In a continuing effort to involve all members in our activities, we will be publishing a section called "NCAS Board Notes" consisting of notes of the last NCAS board meeting.

Not only are the meeting notes publicly available, but, since our board meetings are public, we encourage all interested NCAS members to attend. Our next board meeting will be held on September 10, right after our monthly activity; *Remembering Philip J. Klass*.

NCAS Election Results

The following were elected to the NCAS board in our Spring 2005 election. All but two were already members seeking reelection:

Gary Stone,
Jim Giglio,
Marv Zelkowitz
Grace Denman
Chip Denman
Neil Inglis
Brian Morton (new)
Eugene W. Ossa
Meredith Rode (new—1 year term)

NCAS Board Notes

1. In the recent elections, NCAS members elected two new Board members: Meredith Rode and Brian Morton (bios in ballot). The continuing Board members are: Chip Denman, Grace Denman, Sharlene Deskins, Herb Federhen, Jim Giglio, Curtis Haymore, Neil Inglis, Eugene Ossa, Walter Rowe, Tim Scanlon, Scott Snell, Gary Stone, Jamy Ian Swiss, and Marv Zelkowitz.

Non-voting member: (*Skeptical Eye* Staff)
Helen Hester-Ossa

2. The new NCAS Board elected these Executive Officers: Gary Stone, president; Jim Giglio, vice president; Marv Zelkowitz, secretary; Grace Denman, treasurer; Chip Denman, spokesperson (see <http://ncas.org/board.shtml>)
3. Plans for an NCAS public access cable TV program are taking shape.
4. The NCAS website will be redesigned.
5. The NCAS Board welcomes your comments and suggestions any time at ncas@ncas.org

Comments welcome

Next Board meeting is tentatively set for 3:00 pm after the September 10 meeting in the Library. ALL are invited to attend.



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