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Alaska, a vast remote wilderness twice the size of Texas.

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You could walk for a year without seeing another person.

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In one of the most mysterious corners of the globe.

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Everything in your being is telling you to get the hell out of there.

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This is a place hundreds of times more deadly than the Bermuda Triangle.

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Oh my God!

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Stories of alien abductions.

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That was definitely something not from this world.

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The paranormal, vanishing airplanes and strange beasts.

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Bigfoot could be anywhere in Alaska hiding out.

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Have hunted those who dare set foot here.

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Who's that? Now I feel like something's after me.

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In the last 30 years, 16,000 people have disappeared without a trace.

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In the vastness of this country, it's easy to be swallowed up in it.

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Witnesses tell us their shocking stories.

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I was horrified.

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And we've gathered some of the world's leading experts in their field.

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I wanted to go out and get the evidence myself and say, this is real. This stuff exists.

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To try and unlock the mystery of the Alaska Triangle.

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Alaska. A land full of strange apparitions.

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Go ships that roam the seas and haunted buildings that terrify the living.

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It's a space with a high energy level.

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That could be the cause for these manifestations.

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But one of the most haunted places in the Triangle appears to be its oldest fairground.

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There's stuff that makes the hair on your arms stand up.

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And when ghost hunters try to investigate, strange forces seem intent on shutting them down.

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The screen just went black.

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The message that I got is, leave me alone.

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The Tanana Valley State Fair.

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In the north of Fairbanks, towards the middle of the Triangle.

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Since first starting in 1924, it's become one of the city's oldest and best loved traditions.

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Every August, this fairground becomes one of the most beautiful and most beautiful places in the world.

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It's become one of the city's oldest and best loved traditions.

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Every August, this fairground becomes a thriving place, full of fun and pleasure.

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Lloyd Husky was manager here in 2002.

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There's a lot of passion around the fairgrounds.

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It's been pretty continuous event in the interior since 1924.

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But when the fair closes at the end of summer,

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the grounds are largely deserted for the rest of the year.

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Then, it's said the only company is strange ghostly spirits that stalk its empty buildings.

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When Lloyd first arrived here, he found an eerie energy.

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My daughter, who was five or six, when I was the manager here, she said there was just something weird.

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There's just something weird about the fairgrounds.

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When a child has that, you know, that sensitivity, it's like, okay, I believe you.

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Soon, Lloyd discovered that there were ghostly goings on here that no one could explain.

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Some of the staff felt like they were being followed,

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especially when they were going into the bathroom or they were hearing voices.

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One day, Lloyd himself experienced something sinister in the fairgrounds' offices.

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A book came off the bookshelf. It wasn't like precariously perched there or anything.

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It came out of the stacks and hit the floor very loudly.

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I was like, whoa, okay, that was weird.

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But whatever dark spirit was behind this had more in store.

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A office chair came rolling around into the center.

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Not a soul was around.

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But then Lloyd seemed to sense a terrifying presence.

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A wavy motion of something going by the office.

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That scared me.

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That was one where it's like, okay, I'm done. I'm out.

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It seems Lloyd wasn't alone in these menacing encounters.

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And soon this dark entity appeared to launch physical attacks.

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As ex-security officer, Doreen Lowe, found out,

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one day she was closing down the site for a winner with her coworker.

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I went in the one room to shut the water off and get it ready to drain the big old water tank and stuff.

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And all of a sudden something smacks me in the head.

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Not lightly. I mean, smacks me. You know, like thrown at me.

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When Doreen found a sanding sponge on the floor,

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she thought it was a prank and blamed it on her colleague who'd been next door.

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He came out from the other room and when I was yelling at him, he goes, I didn't move.

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I go, what? He goes, no. And we were like, that sanding sponge hit me in the head.

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Disturbed by these events, Doreen and her coworker quickly moved on to shut down the men's bathroom.

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But the spirit here seemed to have other ideas.

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We walk in the door, all of a sudden the paper towel dispensers and the soap dispensers start shooting out.

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There was soap going everywhere, paper towels everywhere.

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Suddenly it seemed to Doreen that she was being targeted by an evil poltergeist spirit.

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We look at each other and go, uh-uh, and we turned around, locked the building up and left it alone for a month.

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Because it scared us both.

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No one could explain who this entity was or what was behind these physical attacks.

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But Jeff Richards may have the answers.

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He's one of North America's leading experts in the paranormal.

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Moving an object is certainly escalation. That shows a high degree of energy.

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That spirit is capable of physically attacking that individual. This is a huge cause for concern.

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An environment like the Alaska Triangle is this massive spiritual draw.

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And now on top of that, you place a fairground, a place that has a high concentration of emotional connection.

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That is giving us a perfect storm for manifestations and spiritual activity of all kinds.

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Former TV anchorman Daryl Clark investigated reports of hauntings at the fairground for the local news.

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When you come up here, you're cold, have that feeling that somebody's here.

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And it's something intriguing to me.

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Daryl's news item focused on Badger Hall.

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A building at the heart of the fairground.

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This is where strange footsteps and voices have reportedly been heard.

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Today, Daryl's back to continue his investigation.

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But an unknown force here seems to have unsettled him.

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As soon as I was alone in this building, I had to get out. I had to get air.

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00:10:14,000 --> 00:10:20,000

It's not like I couldn't breathe. It was just this place engulfed me.

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00:10:20,000 --> 00:10:25,000

And for that one minute, I had to get out.

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It's just this place. It's what happened here.

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Daryl found answers during his news investigation.

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Five years previously, he spent the night at Badger Hall with a team of paranormal researchers.

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As soon as they walked through the door, their electromagnetic meter confirmed a ghostly presence.

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We turned it on and pretty soon it just spiked all the way to its highest level.

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00:11:04,000 --> 00:11:09,000

Later that same evening, reporter Daryl and the investigators moved upstairs.

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Here, they witnessed more unsettling paranormal activity.

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There were footsteps heard over and over again. And it wasn't just coming up and down the stairs.

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00:11:34,000 --> 00:11:37,000

It was throughout the room.

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By the time the clock struck 2 a.m., the ghost hunters heard another strange phenomenon.

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00:11:53,000 --> 00:11:58,000

We heard murmurs. We could hear talking.

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00:12:01,000 --> 00:12:05,000

And nobody was there. Nobody was there.

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Perhaps the dark entity that's said to stalk these buildings is also behind these ghostly incidents.

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Paranormal expert Jeff Richards thinks some kind of tragedy from the past could have created a so-called residual haunting here.

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A residual haunting is essentially a snapshot of an event or emotion.

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And sometimes these emotions are tied to tragedies and things that have caused a scar, almost of sorts, that has captured the energy.

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00:12:46,000 --> 00:12:49,000

So it just replays again and again and again.

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The next step was to work out what could have caused this residual haunting.

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Soon, Daryl uncovered a horrific truth.

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One of the fair's workers from its earliest days had a brutal criminal history.

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This man is long dead, but over a hundred years ago, he pleaded guilty and was jailed in a case of violence against a child.

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I think this place has an energy because of him.

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00:13:26,000 --> 00:13:35,000

The fair has been here for years, and then after this disclosure, this place has just become decay.

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00:13:35,000 --> 00:13:38,000

And it never was that way. It never was.

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So perhaps a guilty spirit is behind these hauntings.

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00:13:47,000 --> 00:13:50,000

Melanie Hodgman has been looking at this theory.

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As one of Alaska's leading paranormal investigators, she believes this case could point to a poltergeist.

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Usually poltergeists are formed by someone who's going through mental anguish.

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And the more anguish there is, the more it can feed off that anguish and fear.

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00:14:15,000 --> 00:14:17,000

The stronger they get, the more they can move things.

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00:14:18,000 --> 00:14:22,000

You hear footsteps, you get the more physical activity.

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00:14:24,000 --> 00:14:26,000

We're going to investigate.

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00:14:28,000 --> 00:14:30,000

Melanie will journey to the scene of the haunting.

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00:14:31,000 --> 00:14:38,000

Together with her paranormal team, she'll embark on an overnight investigation to reach out and talk to the spirit.

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00:14:38,000 --> 00:14:40,000

Or spirits.

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00:14:40,000 --> 00:14:43,000

She's spending the night in one of the fair's most haunted buildings.

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00:14:44,000 --> 00:14:46,000

Badger Hall.

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00:14:47,000 --> 00:14:50,000

We've heard stories of voices and footsteps.

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00:14:52,000 --> 00:14:54,000

We know there's something up here.

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00:14:55,000 --> 00:14:58,000

Eric Wardlaw is helping with the investigation.

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00:14:59,000 --> 00:15:06,000

That's kind of one of the reasons why we do these things is, you know, we're looking for answers for a lot of this stuff.

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00:15:07,000 --> 00:15:14,000

Close Circuit TV with Night Vision is placed all over the building so that any paranormal activity is caught on camera.

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00:15:15,000 --> 00:15:18,000

Camera 2 is online and they're all recording.

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00:15:19,000 --> 00:15:20,000

Are you ready?

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00:15:20,000 --> 00:15:21,000

Uh, yeah.

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00:15:22,000 --> 00:15:23,000

The lights are brought down.

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00:15:25,000 --> 00:15:29,000

And Melanie and Eric look out for signs of the spirits.

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00:15:30,000 --> 00:15:32,000

Then, eight minutes later...

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00:15:36,000 --> 00:15:37,000

Did you hear that?

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00:15:39,000 --> 00:15:40,000

I heard it.

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00:15:40,000 --> 00:15:41,000

Yeah.

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00:15:41,000 --> 00:15:46,000

A sound from upstairs where footsteps and voices have been heard by staff.

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00:15:48,000 --> 00:15:50,000

Eric investigates.

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00:15:51,000 --> 00:15:55,000

Do we have anybody up here that'd like to maybe come out and talk?

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00:15:57,000 --> 00:15:59,000

Probably been a long time since you had anybody to talk to.

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00:16:01,000 --> 00:16:04,000

A strange orb appears on CCTV.

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00:16:05,000 --> 00:16:08,000

Perhaps belonging to some kind of entity.

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00:16:09,000 --> 00:16:14,000

So Eric starts the ghost box to search for high electromagnetic frequencies.

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00:16:15,000 --> 00:16:21,000

It's said these can be manipulated by the spirits to produce words and messages to the ghost hunter.

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00:16:24,000 --> 00:16:27,000

Tell us your name and be sure it'll be a lot easier to talk to you.

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00:16:30,000 --> 00:16:31,000

It's Marsh.

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00:16:32,000 --> 00:16:35,000

From Melanie, the word sorry has significance.

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00:16:36,000 --> 00:16:43,000

It made me feel like whoever was trying to communicate with us had done something that they're sorry for.

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00:16:45,000 --> 00:16:49,000

This could be the dark spirit expressing remorse for his crime.

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00:16:52,000 --> 00:16:56,000

Melanie tries to find out more using another tool of her trade.

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00:16:57,000 --> 00:16:58,000

Flashlights.

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00:16:58,000 --> 00:17:05,000

I turn the flashlight where it's barely off.

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00:17:06,000 --> 00:17:10,000

Then Melanie will ask the spirits a series of questions.

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00:17:14,000 --> 00:17:16,000

Does anybody want to talk?

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00:17:17,000 --> 00:17:19,000

I want someone to turn on a flashlight please.

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00:17:19,000 --> 00:17:21,000

There you go, thank you.

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00:17:22,000 --> 00:17:25,000

At last, Melanie's made a connection to the other side.

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See if you can get it to turn back off.

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00:17:30,000 --> 00:17:31,000

Can you turn it off?

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00:17:35,000 --> 00:17:38,000

But Melanie needs to find out more.

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00:17:40,000 --> 00:17:44,000

Melanie's been trying to find out more about the other side.

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00:17:45,000 --> 00:17:47,000

Melanie's been trying to find out more about the other side.

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00:17:48,000 --> 00:17:50,000

But Melanie needs to find out who this spirit is.

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00:17:53,000 --> 00:17:54,000

Are you sad?

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00:17:55,000 --> 00:17:56,000

Because there's no spirit.

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00:17:57,000 --> 00:17:59,000

Usually the place is full of laughter.

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00:18:02,000 --> 00:18:03,000

Oh, there you go.

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00:18:04,000 --> 00:18:05,000

Thank you.

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00:18:06,000 --> 00:18:07,000

It seems like a yes.

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00:18:08,000 --> 00:18:09,000

Do you like it here at the fairgrounds?

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00:18:14,000 --> 00:18:15,000

There you go.

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00:18:15,000 --> 00:18:16,600

Thank you.

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00:18:16,600 --> 00:18:18,880

Again, a yes.

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00:18:18,880 --> 00:18:21,040

Can you make that light turn back off now?

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00:18:26,800 --> 00:18:32,240

This spirit, however, remains silent for the rest of the night.

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00:18:32,240 --> 00:18:36,160

But Melanie's investigation continues.

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00:18:36,160 --> 00:18:41,120

I always hope that we get a little more interaction

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00:18:41,120 --> 00:18:43,880

because then you learn things about people.

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00:18:43,880 --> 00:18:46,720

But it still was a very exciting night.

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00:18:51,840 --> 00:18:54,640

Back at base, Melanie's been reviewing the footage

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00:18:54,640 --> 00:18:56,640

from her investigation.

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00:18:56,640 --> 00:19:00,080

She's found something intriguing upstairs at Badger Hall.

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00:19:04,120 --> 00:19:06,000

Eric is upstairs.

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00:19:06,000 --> 00:19:09,000

And when he leaves the room, there

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00:19:09,000 --> 00:19:13,320

are three orbs that follow him.

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00:19:13,320 --> 00:19:15,720

There's one orb.

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00:19:15,720 --> 00:19:17,680

And then there's the second orb.

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00:19:17,680 --> 00:19:21,000

And then the third orb just comes right out of the wall there

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00:19:21,000 --> 00:19:23,480

and follows him out the door.

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00:19:23,480 --> 00:19:27,160

My theory is that the orbs are spirits.

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00:19:27,160 --> 00:19:28,720

Usually they'll hang around a place

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00:19:28,720 --> 00:19:32,160

where something traumatic happened to them and they're stuck.

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00:19:32,160 --> 00:19:36,200

It's hard to tell what has gone on in the past.

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00:19:39,800 --> 00:19:42,200

Perhaps they're fleeing from the dark spirit

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00:19:42,200 --> 00:19:45,000

of the violent criminal.

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00:19:45,000 --> 00:19:50,000

Next, Melanie finds a more sinister orb.

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00:19:50,000 --> 00:19:52,000

It's square.

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00:19:52,000 --> 00:19:56,000

And a square orb is something that I've never seen.

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00:19:56,000 --> 00:19:59,000

It just goes up and disappears.

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00:20:02,000 --> 00:20:06,000

Paranormal expert Jeff Richards has been looking at this orb.

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00:20:09,000 --> 00:20:12,000

That's a remarkable capture.

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00:20:12,000 --> 00:20:16,000

Whatever source of negativity that those other energies

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00:20:16,000 --> 00:20:21,000

seem to be moving away from, maybe this is the assailant,

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00:20:21,000 --> 00:20:24,000

the boogeyman, the thing that they're scared of.

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00:20:28,000 --> 00:20:33,000

Then it seems something ominous happens to Melanie's footage.

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00:20:34,000 --> 00:20:36,000

Suddenly...

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00:20:37,000 --> 00:20:39,000

It goes black.

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00:20:39,000 --> 00:20:41,000

It's just crazy.

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00:20:41,000 --> 00:20:44,000

I don't know how to explain it.

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00:20:44,000 --> 00:20:50,000

Perhaps a warning from the evil entity not to dig any deeper.

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00:20:51,000 --> 00:20:56,000

The message that I got is, leave me alone.

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00:20:57,000 --> 00:21:01,000

This feels to me like something might be trying to stand in the way

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00:21:01,000 --> 00:21:04,000

of us seeing what else is happening here

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00:21:04,000 --> 00:21:08,000

and stop this investigation dead in its tracks.

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00:21:17,000 --> 00:21:19,000

The Alaska Triangle.

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00:21:19,000 --> 00:21:24,000

A place that's infamous for the strange and unexpected.

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00:21:24,000 --> 00:21:28,000

But most sinister of all, it's missing people.

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00:21:28,000 --> 00:21:34,000

Not only do ships and planes mysteriously go missing here,

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00:21:34,000 --> 00:21:39,000

but also thousands of people, you enter it at your peril.

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00:21:41,000 --> 00:21:45,000

Hundreds of Alaskans go missing every year

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00:21:45,000 --> 00:21:48,000

at a rate that's twice the U.S. average.

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00:21:49,000 --> 00:21:53,000

Their families are left with unanswered questions.

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00:21:53,000 --> 00:21:55,000

They found no evidence of them.

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00:21:55,000 --> 00:21:57,000

And he's still missing to this day.

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00:21:57,000 --> 00:22:00,000

It was just like he vanished.

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00:22:01,000 --> 00:22:06,000

Perhaps these mysterious disappearances have a shocking explanation.

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00:22:06,000 --> 00:22:11,000

Is it possible that many of these were due to alien abductions?

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00:22:19,000 --> 00:22:20,000

Alaska.

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00:22:20,000 --> 00:22:27,000

A dangerous place whose history is littered with thousands of unexplained disappearances.

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One of the strangest happened in July 2012 in Seward,

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on the southern edge of the Alaska Triangle.

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This mysterious vanishing occurred during a running race

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on the mountain that towers over this town.

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Mount Marathon.

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Journalist Andrew Goff has been investigating.

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The Mount Marathon race is infamous for its cruelty.

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The route is only three miles long,

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but up a grueling 3,000-foot slope to the race summit.

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Before rushing back down to the finish line,

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it's not for the faint-hearted.

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At pre-PM, around a thousand competitors set off.

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One of them, a fit 65-year-old runner, made his way up the mountain.

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The weather was a bit foggy, but you could clearly see the race summit.

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Even the spectators can see the runners making their way up the mountain and back down again.

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And they cheer them on.

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Nothing seemed out of the ordinary on that day.

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Nearly three hours later, the 65-year-old became one of the last stragglers of the race,

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but he was determined to reach the summit.

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A race official told him he had just 200 feet to go to the summit.

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Took his bib number and expected to see him over the finish line in about 90 minutes.

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But 90 minutes came and went,

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and the runner never made it back down the mountain.

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Organizers launched an urgent search and rescue mission,

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as local Alaskan writer Steve Levi remembers.

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We're talking about a full-blown search,

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because this is right in the middle of the mountain marathon,

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which means that there were lots of state troopers down there, lots of people.

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And when he was missing, everybody went looking for him, and he was just gone.

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Vanished.

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Helicopters with heat-seeking equipment hunted desperately for days.

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But with no sign of the missing runner, the search was called off.

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Vancouver-based researcher Johnny Enoch has been looking into this case.

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This story is so terrifying, in full view,

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in front of thousands of people watching that race, he just disappears off the mountain.

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And is never seen again.

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No sign, no clues, he disappears into the ether.

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To this day, he is gone, they have not found the body, not a piece of clothing, nothing, nothing.

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He just vanished.

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With no sign of the runner ever found, this disappearance has baffled all experts.

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But perhaps this points to the triangle at work.

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Planes here have reported strange electromagnetic interference moments before crashing to Earth.

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The same forces could have led the runner to his fate.

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Could the strange magnetic forces of the triangle have somehow steered him off course?

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We just don't know. It's a complete mystery.

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No one knows what happened to the runner, but he sadly joined the thousands of others who've gone missing in Alaska.

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In the last 30 years, 16,000 people have mysteriously vanished here.

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One such disappearance took place in September 2012, near Ambrer, in the northwest of the triangle.

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A 32-year-old tourist left the cabin he was staying in to explore the gates of the Arctic National Park, where he went missing.

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Dwayne Stone investigated this case when he was a sergeant with the Alaska State Troopers.

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He was really interested in the remoteness, and I think he was wanting to test himself and his skills in a place that you truly are challenged.

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The trained survivalist was highly skilled at bushcraft and living off the land.

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He planned to end his stay with a straightforward 30-mile hike to the nearest airport, where he would catch his flight home.

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But he never made it onto that plane.

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The alarm was raised with the state troopers, and Dwayne headed up the search and rescue mission.

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We got a call from family and friends, and they said that he was overdue and he didn't catch his flight.

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By now, it was well into fall, and the temperature was dropping rapidly.

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Because of the weather and the time of year, I thought that we needed to get on it immediately, and we did.

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With no time to waste, Dwayne's colleagues flew towards Ambler, then hiked the remaining journey by foot to the remote cabin where the hiker was last seen alive.

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They started looking in the cabin for anything that would give us a clue to what he might have done or where he may have gone.

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They found his notebook or diary. It gave us some clue that he might have gone upriver farther to some higher country.

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It's pretty treacherous. Just about the time the bears are going to bend.

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Armed with these new clues, the team continued their search.

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Eventually, they found something strange, and perhaps even sinister.

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They found a circle that was made with stone. We thought it might have some significance. The troopers looked it over.

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First, they thought maybe an SOS, but there was no S's with it. There was just a circle. So we're not sure exactly why it was there or how it got there.

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This circle was perhaps the strangest and most mysterious aspect of the case. What did it mean? Could this hiker have made it?

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Or could there have been something that could have created it?

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Journalist Andrew Goff has a radical theory behind this strange circle.

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Most terrifying of all, could this have signified some kind of vortex taking this man into another world or another dimension?

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What could have been the cause of this?

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Some experts linked this vortex phenomenon to the 1931 disappearance of SS Vachymo,

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and the vanishing of the C-54 Douglas military plane in 1950 with 44 passengers on board.

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The Alaska Triangle has reportedly had vortexes opening up that have drawn in planes, even ships. Who's to say the same thing hasn't happened to people?

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Thousands of miles of terrain was searched for the missing hiker, but no trace of him was ever found.

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For investigator Dwayne Stone, one of his strangest missing cases remains unsolved.

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The mystery is what happened, what did he do? Something went wrong in this journey.

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On the western edge of the triangle, there's a place where the authorities have been investigating a whole catalog of unexplained disappearances.

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On the edge of the Bering Sea lies Gnome, where dozens of people have vanished without a trace.

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Researcher Johnny Enoch has been looking into this case.

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Many of the missing were native Alaskans from nearby villages who were just visiting Gnome when they disappeared.

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At one point, local native communities were so afraid that they even refused to venture into the city.

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The high numbers of disappearances around Gnome caused such concern that in 2005 the FBI were brought in to investigate.

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And a year later, they reported their findings.

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When the FBI investigated these cases, they explained them away as just being a product of the cold weather.

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But I think that there's more going on here.

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Former resident Brian Kulik also believes there's more than meets the eye here.

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In the space of just a month, he lost two family members in mysterious circumstances.

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In December 2010, one of these relatives had been staying in a cabin on the coast.

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For some reason, he decided to walk to Gnome and he walked along the coastline.

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He never made it to his destination.

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Search and rescue teams went out to go look for him and they found no evidence of him.

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He's still missing to this day.

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Just days earlier, Brian's family had already suffered another unexplained loss.

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His young relative set off by snowmobile from the village of Brevig Mission to nearby Teller.

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They're eight miles apart and it's a straight shot and you can see the lights from one village to the next.

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So it would be hard to get lost.

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He never made it to Gnome.

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He never made it home and was reported missing.

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When search and rescue teams went to look for him,

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they found his tracks in the snow, but mysteriously they stopped dead and didn't go any further.

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They just end and there's no hole in the ice where he could have fell through.

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There's no evidence of him or his vehicle anywhere.

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It was just like he vanished.

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And to this day, he's still missing and would like to get him back.

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Brian doesn't believe the FBI's theory that many local disappearances are down to the cold Arctic climate.

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Perhaps there's something even more menacing at play.

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Alaska is infamous for its high numbers of missing people.

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Researcher Johnny Enoch has a radical theory on what's behind this.

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Over 16,000 people have gone missing in the last 30 years, presumed dead in strange circumstances.

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Is it possible that many of these were due to alien abductions?

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On the western edge of the triangle lies Gnome, which appears to be the epicenter for dozens of these strange disappearances.

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Brian Kulik lost two relatives in mysterious circumstances in this region.

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And he's linked it to a sinister incident he had near the town of Teller when he was in high school.

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One day, right around midnight, I was down in Teller and I decided to go home. It's a two mile drive.

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Suddenly, Brian says a strange object appeared ahead of him.

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It was heading towards me and I turned and I looked.

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And what I saw, it was a round, stainless steel, highly polished machine.

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And it moved really, really fast.

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This UFO was now hovering above him.

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And it shined a really bright light at me.

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It was almost like an arc light, like a welding light. It kind of blinded you.

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I thought that I was going to get abducted.

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I got the shakes. Maybe I was in the wrong place at the wrong time.

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It was the most scariest thing that I ever saw.

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Luckily for Brian, it seems the UFO decided on a change of course.

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It went up in the air and it zipped back the way it came.

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It seemed Brian had been spared.

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I broke down crying. I got really nervous.

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And that's when I realized it just had a close call with a UFO.

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To this day, it still scares me.

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To add further weight to the alien abduction theory,

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journalist Andrew Goff has found evidence of UFO activity around the region of Nome

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in the U.S. Air Force's official record of UFO sightings.

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Project Blue Book.

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An incident is reported as far back as the 19th of August, 1960.

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A brown white object, red at the base, was seen flying over the city.

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It was occurring for nearly four minutes.

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Then it disappeared over the horizon.

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Two hours later, the same mysterious object was reported once again.

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More recently, in October 30th, 2011, a mutual UFO network case file reports

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a star-like object in the night sky for several hours.

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According to the file, it may turns, change directions, all at extremely high speeds.

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This just adds to the weight of evidence that there is some sinister extraterrestrial activity in and around Nome.

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The reason why Nome has been targeted by UFOs could lie in its secret Cold War history.

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Sixty-foot antennas were built here to detect and warn the military of a Soviet invasion,

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and they remain as a navigational aid for aircraft to this day.

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Perhaps alien intelligence is using them too.

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So could extraterrestrials be using them to navigate to some kind of alien base, deep underground,

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or in the water off the coast?

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Some local residents say they've had sightings to support this theory.

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There might be underwater bases around just because there's so many sightings of things in the water, of lights.

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I think what I saw might have been a UFO heading towards an underwater base.

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Are these strange disappearances part of mass experiments and humans by this unknown alien life form?

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We can only assume that extraterrestrials that are coming here from thousands of light years away in these very advanced vehicles

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probably are equipped with scientists that are highly fascinated by our biodiversity.

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So why wouldn't they be abducting humans to take samples?

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Why aliens would experiment on humans is anyone's guess.

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It could be purely inquisitive or perhaps an act of evil.

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This wouldn't be the first time that alien intelligence has been accused of setting its sights on Alaska.

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In a land as remote as this, anything can happen.