

Jose, who had been in the middle of preparing his breakfast, wasn't put off so easily.

He went outside to check for himself—and came back with an amazing story.

He told his mother he had seen two greenish creatures about three feet tall, who rotated on a base instead of having feet, and two "steely" crafts in which 2 other creatures were sitting.

He claimed that one craft rested in the back yard and the other on a flat section of the roof of the house. He told her he had hidden behind a washing machine stored outside next to a shed.

From that vantage point, he said he saw the two creatures join the other two in the crafts. He added that the crafts were brilliantly lighted inside, had "straight stairs" (much like a ramp) and a door that opened in "two parts, like a cross" to reveal the interior which contained two chairs with very tall bases. Jose said the craft in the yard rose from the ground and disappeared into something that resembled a cloud, steam or smoke.

When she heard the story, Jose's mother did what any mother might do in the same circumstances. She sent him to school.

At the Harrah Grade School, Jose repeated the story to Diane Gomez, an aide. "Jose is a serious boy. He's not one that tells stories or lies. What he told me, I took very seriously," Gomez said.

At 10:10, recess time, Gomez and another aide accompanied Jose to his

he saw what he said he saw.  
Vogel said he and Akers thought that Jose had "definitely" had an experience with a UFO.

If Jose did, he is in good company.

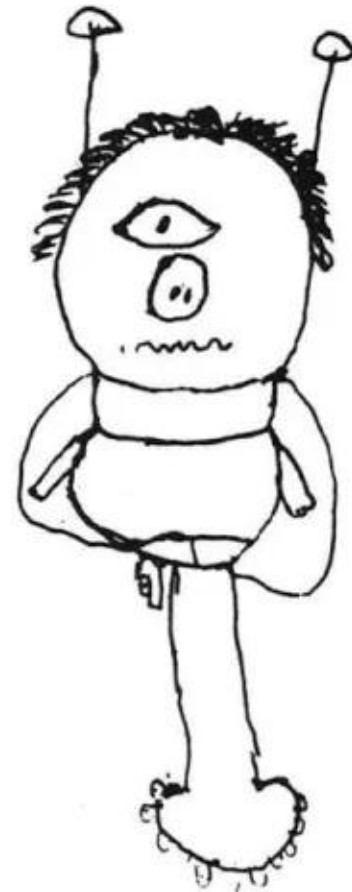
Barbara Brost, co-owner with her husband Earl of the Huba Huba Cafe in Toppenish, had a similar experience 20 years ago in southern Idaho on a ranch east of Blackfoot.

On a summer morning—about 6 a.m.—Barbara and her uncle were saddling horses and, as they left the barn by a rear door, they spotted an object "greyish white and as big as a boxcar" about half a mile away. Stunned, they watched it for about a minute. Barbara's aunt and Earl rushed from the house when the two called to them, but Earl was too late to see the cigar-shaped object which seemed to lift from the ground with a noise "like the transference of air," Barbara said. It disappeared so rapidly she couldn't tell which way it went, she said.

"When I see those rockets lift off now, on t.v., I just say to myself 'this thing was something else!'"

Another Toppenish resident, a man who prefers not to be identified, made a similar sighting eight years ago over a cornfield in Toppenish. The object that he, his wife, son and daughter saw from a distance of a quarter of a mile or less from their home was "not large. It was huge."

When asked to equate it to the size of a boxcar, he estimated it would be the length of three such train cars. He has described the object, which was off the



**Jose's conception of creature he reported seeing.**

He said reports of a bright light over

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ufos and strange creatures in harold

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washington by charles lear when a

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nine-year-old boy in harrow washington

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approximately 12 miles west of the city

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of toppenish told his mother a story

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00:01:32,149 --> 00:01:30,240

about seeing strange creatures in their

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vehicles on the morning of a school day

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00:01:36,230 --> 00:01:34,159

she heard him out and then sent him to

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00:01:37,830 --> 00:01:36,240

school his story would likely have gone

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00:01:39,830 --> 00:01:37,840

no further had it not been for a

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00:01:41,910 --> 00:01:39,840

teacher's aide who went with him back to

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00:01:44,310 --> 00:01:41,920

his house during recess after hearing

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00:01:46,230 --> 00:01:44,320

his story and believing him this led to

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00:01:48,870 --> 00:01:46,240

the discovery of physical traces that

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00:01:51,350 --> 00:01:48,880

backed up his story and an investigation

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00:01:53,590 --> 00:01:51,360

by members of the center for ufo studies

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00:01:55,510 --> 00:01:53,600

and a reporter from a local paper

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00:01:58,069 --> 00:01:55,520

according to the article harry youth

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00:02:00,389 --> 00:01:58,079

reports ufos with greenish creatures

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00:02:04,550 --> 00:02:00,399

written by francis story and published

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00:02:07,190 --> 00:02:04,560

in the january 26 1977 toppenish review

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00:02:10,630 --> 00:02:07,200

nine-year-old jose cantu woke his mother

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00:02:13,110 --> 00:02:10,640

up at 6 30 a.m on wednesday january 19th

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00:02:16,150 --> 00:02:13,120

wanting her to explain a little man he'd

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00:02:18,070 --> 00:02:16,160

seen outside his mother martha had had a

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00:02:20,390 --> 00:02:18,080

rough night with her baby and sent him

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00:02:22,710 --> 00:02:20,400

away so she could get some more sleep

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00:02:25,110 --> 00:02:22,720

jose then went out to investigate on his

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00:02:27,430 --> 00:02:25,120

own jose came back in and told his

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00:02:29,110 --> 00:02:27,440

mother what he'd seen according to him

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00:02:31,670 --> 00:02:29,120

there were two greenish creatures in the

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00:02:33,910 --> 00:02:31,680

yard that were about three feet tall and

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00:02:36,949 --> 00:02:33,920

instead of having feet they rotated on

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00:02:39,589 --> 00:02:36,959

round bases he said he saw two steely

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00:02:41,350 --> 00:02:39,599

craft one sitting in the yard and one on

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00:02:43,430 --> 00:02:41,360

a flat section of the roof and that

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00:02:45,350 --> 00:02:43,440

there was a creature in each one he said

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00:02:48,070 --> 00:02:45,360

he observed all this while hiding behind

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00:02:50,070 --> 00:02:48,080

a washing machine outside next to a shed

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00:02:52,390 --> 00:02:50,080

as he watched the two creatures in the

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00:02:54,550 --> 00:02:52,400

yard returned to the vehicles he said

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00:02:56,869 --> 00:02:54,560

they had straight stairs leading to

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00:02:58,869 --> 00:02:56,879

doors that opened in two parts like a

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00:03:01,670 --> 00:02:58,879

cross and that there were two chairs

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00:03:03,750 --> 00:03:01,680

with tall bases inside the vehicles then

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00:03:06,710 --> 00:03:03,760

rose up and disappeared into some sort

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00:03:09,110 --> 00:03:06,720

of vaporous cloud martha san jose off to

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00:03:11,910 --> 00:03:09,120

hera grade school and there he told his

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00:03:13,990 --> 00:03:11,920

story to a teacher's aide diane gomez

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00:03:16,630 --> 00:03:14,000  
she is quoted in the article as saying

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jose is a serious boy he's not one that

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00:03:21,910 --> 00:03:19,360  
tells stories or lies what he told me i

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00:03:24,309 --> 00:03:21,920  
took very seriously gomez and another

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00:03:25,589 --> 00:03:24,319  
aide went with jose to his house and he

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00:03:27,990 --> 00:03:25,599  
showed them where he'd seen the

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00:03:29,910 --> 00:03:28,000  
creatures standing according to gomez

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00:03:32,229 --> 00:03:29,920  
where jose said one of the creatures had

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00:03:33,990 --> 00:03:32,239  
rotated on its base there were two round

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00:03:35,990 --> 00:03:34,000  
marks in the gravel and where he saw

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00:03:38,710 --> 00:03:36,000  
both creatures standing together there

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00:03:41,509 --> 00:03:38,720  
were three indentations in two separate

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00:03:44,390 --> 00:03:41,519

spots the aides spoke with mrs cantu and

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00:03:46,710 --> 00:03:44,400

then took jose back to school mrs cantu

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00:03:49,030 --> 00:03:46,720

called her neighbor irene sanchez and

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00:03:51,430 --> 00:03:49,040

asked her to come over they examined the

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00:03:53,830 --> 00:03:51,440

yard and besides seeing the indentations

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00:03:56,149 --> 00:03:53,840

described by jose in the aids saw a

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00:03:58,229 --> 00:03:56,159

10-foot diameter circular impression in

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00:04:01,030 --> 00:03:58,239

the grass with the grass in the middle

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00:04:02,869 --> 00:04:01,040

whirled up mr cantu said he could see it

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00:04:05,750 --> 00:04:02,879

clearly when he returned that evening

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00:04:08,070 --> 00:04:05,760

from work on thursday two investigators

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00:04:10,229 --> 00:04:08,080

bill vogel and dave akers came to the

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00:04:12,789 --> 00:04:10,239

house both were affiliated with the

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00:04:15,350 --> 00:04:12,799

center for ufo studies they were able to

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00:04:17,110 --> 00:04:15,360

see the circle and the indentations and

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00:04:20,069 --> 00:04:17,120

took geiger counter readings which

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00:04:22,469 --> 00:04:20,079

showed no unusual radiation story

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00:04:24,469 --> 00:04:22,479

visited on saturday and by that time the

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00:04:26,310 --> 00:04:24,479

trace evidence had faded he could see

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00:04:28,469 --> 00:04:26,320

only one of the foot marks and the

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00:04:30,230 --> 00:04:28,479

circle was only faintly visible he

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00:04:32,629 --> 00:04:30,240

brought along a translator to interview

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00:04:34,629 --> 00:04:32,639

jose in spanish the language he was most

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00:04:36,469 --> 00:04:34,639

comfortable with the translator is

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00:04:38,629 --> 00:04:36,479

described as being a skeptic in the

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00:04:41,030 --> 00:04:38,639

article and is quoted as saying after

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00:04:43,749 --> 00:04:41,040

the interview i believe he saw what he

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00:04:45,909 --> 00:04:43,759

said he saw according to story vogels

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00:04:48,710 --> 00:04:45,919

said that he and acres thought jose

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00:04:51,270 --> 00:04:48,720

definitely had a ufo experience vogel

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00:04:52,950 --> 00:04:51,280

himself had seen a ufo in the area story

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00:04:55,189 --> 00:04:52,960

doesn't say when but it seems to have

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00:04:57,510 --> 00:04:55,199

been within three years prior to jose's

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00:05:00,150 --> 00:04:57,520

sighting after being contacted by the

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00:05:02,310 --> 00:05:00,160

toppenish police and told that mrs stan

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00:05:04,629 --> 00:05:02,320

johnson and her friend judy farkah

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00:05:06,950 --> 00:05:04,639

harsen had spotted a bright light over

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00:05:08,710 --> 00:05:06,960

toppenish ridge vogel was able to see

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00:05:11,189 --> 00:05:08,720

the light and watched it until it

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00:05:13,749 --> 00:05:11,199

disappeared according to story the

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00:05:15,909 --> 00:05:13,759

johnsons were area farmers and not only

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00:05:18,230 --> 00:05:15,919

had repeated sightings of lights but

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00:05:20,950 --> 00:05:18,240

also remained mystified by a series of

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00:05:23,189 --> 00:05:20,960

three holes six feet wide and four feet

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00:05:24,390 --> 00:05:23,199

deep that showed up at some point in one

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00:05:26,230 --> 00:05:24,400

of their fields

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00:05:28,710 --> 00:05:26,240

story talked to others who would witness

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00:05:30,950 --> 00:05:28,720

ufos in the area but the closest thing

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00:05:33,350 --> 00:05:30,960

to corroborating evidence he presents in

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00:05:35,909 --> 00:05:33,360

this article is information offered by

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00:05:39,749 --> 00:05:35,919

toppenish resident ron gardner who'd had

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00:05:42,710 --> 00:05:39,759

a ufo experience in 1958 or 1959 when he

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00:05:45,350 --> 00:05:42,720

was 14 years old and living in a rural

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00:05:47,990 --> 00:05:45,360

area gardner told story that there had

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00:05:50,390 --> 00:05:48,000

been reports by cb radio users of a

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00:05:58,720 --> 00:05:50,400

bright light over here the night before