

INVESTIGATING UFOs



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00:00:04,580 --> 00:00:00,170
there

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00:00:08,860 --> 00:00:08,630
[Applause]

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00:00:19,820 --> 00:00:08,870
[Music]

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00:00:19,830 --> 00:00:25,830
reading citizens and welcome to unknown

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00:00:33,000 --> 00:00:30,320
[Music]

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00:00:34,560 --> 00:00:33,010
I'm Jason McClellan I'm here with my

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00:00:36,240 --> 00:00:34,570
friend and colleague Shane herd and

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00:00:38,280 --> 00:00:36,250
we're grateful to you for hanging out

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00:00:40,160 --> 00:00:38,290
with us today Shane it's good to have

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00:00:43,049 --> 00:00:40,170
you back on the show buddy have you been

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00:00:46,470 --> 00:00:43,059
awesome and it's great to be here and I

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00:00:49,260 --> 00:00:46,480
just heard that you completed one more

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00:00:52,100 --> 00:00:49,270

revolution around our Sun that's what

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00:00:54,900 --> 00:00:52,110

that's that's the rumors for sure

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00:00:58,110 --> 00:00:54,910

happy birthday well thank you friend I

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00:01:01,080 --> 00:00:58,120

appreciate that now I I'm too young to

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00:01:04,530 --> 00:01:01,090

be depressed by my birthday's yet I know

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00:01:08,609 --> 00:01:04,540

that's coming I'm creeping dangerously

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00:01:09,630 --> 00:01:08,619

close to two four zero so so I don't

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00:01:11,249 --> 00:01:09,640

know how I'll feel when that rolls

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00:01:13,620 --> 00:01:11,259

around but you know I don't mind getting

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00:01:16,950 --> 00:01:13,630

older I think older is better yeah and

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00:01:19,650 --> 00:01:16,960

for me 40 wasn't bad 50 was the one that

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00:01:20,969 --> 00:01:19,660

was a little hard to take but yeah you

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00:01:22,260 --> 00:01:20,979

know now you're just making things up

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00:01:27,660 --> 00:01:22,270

because I know you're only a couple

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00:01:29,340 --> 00:01:27,670

years older than I am so nice to say but

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00:01:32,999 --> 00:01:29,350

we can roll with that that can be our

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00:01:34,230 --> 00:01:33,009

secret okay let's do it well so glad to

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00:01:36,090 --> 00:01:34,240

have you here today we're gonna talk

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00:01:38,429 --> 00:01:36,100

some UFOs of course because this is a

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00:01:41,730 --> 00:01:38,439

UFO podcast and you know I love talking

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00:01:45,000 --> 00:01:41,740

UFOs with you but we've now reached the

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00:01:47,330 --> 00:01:45,010

end of 2018 and it sure has been an

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00:01:50,539 --> 00:01:47,340

interesting year for the UFO community

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00:01:54,390 --> 00:01:50,549

there's been endless excitement

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00:01:56,700 --> 00:01:54,400

frustration discussion and speculation

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00:02:00,120 --> 00:01:56,710

regarding recent and present-day

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00:02:03,780 --> 00:02:00,130
government UFO studies and Shane you're

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00:02:06,899 --> 00:02:03,790
someone who investigates UFOs not for

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00:02:09,150 --> 00:02:06,909
the government but for MUFON the largest

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00:02:12,569 --> 00:02:09,160
civilian UFO investigation organization

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00:02:16,110 --> 00:02:12,579
in the world and when I say investigates

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00:02:17,960 --> 00:02:16,120
UFOs that's exactly what I mean I mean

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00:02:20,100 --> 00:02:17,970
conducting actual in the field

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00:02:23,039 --> 00:02:20,110
investigations and that's so cool

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00:02:25,440 --> 00:02:23,049
now I think more people have a general

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00:02:28,050 --> 00:02:25,450
understanding of what's involved in

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00:02:32,130 --> 00:02:28,060
ghost hunting because that's been

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00:02:35,670 --> 00:02:32,140
portrayed on countless TV shows but walk

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00:02:37,680 --> 00:02:35,680
us through what what it's like to you

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00:02:40,729 --> 00:02:37,690
know conduct UFO investigations what's a

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00:02:43,350 --> 00:02:40,739
real-life UFO investigation look like

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00:02:45,690 --> 00:02:43,360
absolutely love to tell you about it

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00:02:49,980 --> 00:02:45,700
you know it's interesting we when I when

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00:02:52,740 --> 00:02:49,990
I first got into you know UFOs and kind

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00:02:55,110 --> 00:02:52,750
of moved from consuming to wanting to

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00:02:57,780 --> 00:02:55,120
participate I did look for something

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00:02:59,700 --> 00:02:57,790
that was you know structured and and

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00:03:02,610 --> 00:02:59,710
kind of had a sense of purpose and

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00:03:04,560 --> 00:03:02,620
direction and you know MUFON really kind

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00:03:06,690 --> 00:03:04,570
of fit that bill for me and you know I

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00:03:08,910 --> 00:03:06,700

wanted to make sure that I chose Elena

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00:03:12,390 --> 00:03:08,920

it was good for me but also that I could

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00:03:14,610 --> 00:03:12,400

contribute and so investigating UFOs I

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00:03:17,910 --> 00:03:14,620

mean that just sounds cool yeah right

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00:03:19,800 --> 00:03:17,920

and it really is cool so you know I'm

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00:03:23,100 --> 00:03:19,810

really loving it enjoying it a lot but

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00:03:26,180 --> 00:03:23,110

I'll say you know the statistics that we

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00:03:29,520 --> 00:03:26,190

hear how you know a certain percentage

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00:03:32,310 --> 00:03:29,530

you know is explainable by the more

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00:03:34,229 --> 00:03:32,320

mundane or prosaic things and then

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00:03:37,140 --> 00:03:34,239

there's a smaller percentage that are

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00:03:38,729 --> 00:03:37,150

true unknowns and those are the ones

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00:03:41,490 --> 00:03:38,739

that we you know really get a kick out

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00:03:44,880 --> 00:03:41,500

of and really focus on but I'll say for

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00:03:48,289 --> 00:03:44,890

for MUFON you know I get in the Phoenix

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00:03:52,770 --> 00:03:48,299

chapter here maybe 2 to 4 cases a month

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00:03:55,289 --> 00:03:52,780

and a lot of them do fall in the

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00:03:57,960 --> 00:03:55,299

category of like lights in the sky that

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00:04:00,240 --> 00:03:57,970

kind of thing and then a percentage of

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00:04:02,310 --> 00:04:00,250

them you know get a little more complex

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00:04:05,490 --> 00:04:02,320

some of them even get pretty weird and

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00:04:08,160 --> 00:04:05,500

so from that standpoint is just

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00:04:10,500 --> 00:04:08,170

fascinating these are you know real

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00:04:13,500 --> 00:04:10,510

people real things happening to them

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00:04:15,870 --> 00:04:13,510

that they're you know willing to go on

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the record and share and so I really

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kind of hold that as quite a

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responsibility to to do them a good

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00:04:24,960 --> 00:04:22,180

service in in you know handling their

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case well and also the fact that you

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know these become part of UFO history

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and it's recorded in in the MUFON

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database you know and there's a I think

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00:04:36,090 --> 00:04:33,910

somewhere in the neighborhood of a

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00:04:38,400 --> 00:04:36,100

hundred thousand cases and I just think

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00:04:40,409 --> 00:04:38,410

that's so cool that you know we actually

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00:04:42,800 --> 00:04:40,419

can become a part of history

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00:04:45,659 --> 00:04:42,810

you know based on our experiences so

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00:04:47,940 --> 00:04:45,669
when it comes to MUFON Case and how you

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00:04:51,360 --> 00:04:47,950
go about investigating it you know

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00:04:53,550 --> 00:04:51,370
there's certainly some you know steps

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00:04:56,640 --> 00:04:53,560
and procedures and processes that you go

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00:04:57,060 --> 00:04:56,650
through on each and every case but then

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00:04:59,070 --> 00:04:57,070
other

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00:05:01,470 --> 00:04:59,080
cases required that you kind of diverge

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00:05:03,240 --> 00:05:01,480
down one path or another because these

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00:05:05,760 --> 00:05:03,250
case has you know different kinds of

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00:05:08,400 --> 00:05:05,770
evidence you might have you know just

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00:05:12,180 --> 00:05:08,410
eyewitness testimony or you may have

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00:05:15,930 --> 00:05:12,190
that and photograph or video or you may

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00:05:17,850 --> 00:05:15,940

have multiple witness testimony and then

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00:05:20,280 --> 00:05:17,860

you might even in some cases these

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00:05:22,080 --> 00:05:20,290

they're fewer of these cases but where

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00:05:24,060 --> 00:05:22,090

you have like trace evidence and that

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00:05:26,940 --> 00:05:24,070

kind of thing so you've got to be

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00:05:30,810 --> 00:05:26,950

flexible in how you deal with those

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00:05:33,270 --> 00:05:30,820

different types of information but most

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00:05:35,790 --> 00:05:33,280

certainly you go through a process in

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00:05:38,460 --> 00:05:35,800

the process it's largely like a process

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00:05:40,080 --> 00:05:38,470

of elimination you you know you gather

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00:05:42,780 --> 00:05:40,090

all of the facts that you've got from

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00:05:46,290 --> 00:05:42,790

the report we try to interview every

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00:05:48,060 --> 00:05:46,300

person that makes a report and then you

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00:05:50,430 --> 00:05:48,070

go through the process of eliminating

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00:05:53,880 --> 00:05:50,440

the more obvious things and those are

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00:05:57,570 --> 00:05:53,890

things like planes and moons and you

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00:06:00,540 --> 00:05:57,580

know spacecraft or or weather phenomena

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00:06:03,510 --> 00:06:00,550

or you know astronomical stuff all of

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00:06:05,760 --> 00:06:03,520

those things and so you know you do a

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00:06:09,330 --> 00:06:05,770

lot of the investigation from your desk

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00:06:13,410 --> 00:06:09,340

on your computer and you there's various

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00:06:15,330 --> 00:06:13,420

websites that you you check for certain

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00:06:17,010 --> 00:06:15,340

data and then you know you go through

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00:06:18,570 --> 00:06:17,020

that process and then you know hopefully

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00:06:20,580 --> 00:06:18,580

you get down to the fact that you know

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00:06:23,490 --> 00:06:20,590

there's really no other explanation and

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00:06:25,410 --> 00:06:23,500

this thing gets recorded as unknown and

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00:06:28,650 --> 00:06:25,420

those are pretty fascinating so at about

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00:06:31,650 --> 00:06:28,660

the 45 cases I've had I have about four

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00:06:34,320 --> 00:06:31,660

or five that ultimately came up as

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00:06:36,150 --> 00:06:34,330

unknown which you know it's about 210

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00:06:38,700 --> 00:06:36,160

percent range which I think's fairly

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00:06:41,330 --> 00:06:38,710

accurate right and even if there was

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00:06:42,510 --> 00:06:41,340

just one that's incredibly exciting

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00:06:44,760 --> 00:06:42,520

absolutely

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00:06:46,560 --> 00:06:44,770

we've even dealt with some abduction

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00:06:49,140 --> 00:06:46,570

cases and some that are even a little

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00:06:52,140 --> 00:06:49,150

bit weirder than that which you know for

151
00:06:55,710 --> 00:06:52,150
me is kind of you know it's new and you

152
00:06:59,070 --> 00:06:55,720
know you know it's not the thing that I

153
00:07:01,260 --> 00:06:59,080
pursued let's say you know duction cases

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00:07:04,260 --> 00:07:01,270
as much as just nuts and bolts sightings

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00:07:06,900 --> 00:07:04,270
but it has forced me to you know grow on

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00:07:07,570 --> 00:07:06,910
myself and to you know expand my mind

157
00:07:10,089 --> 00:07:07,580
and then

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00:07:12,279 --> 00:07:10,099
you know I found just some of someone is

159
00:07:14,740 --> 00:07:12,289
just so interesting and the people as

160
00:07:18,969 --> 00:07:14,750
well so you know it's really you're just

161
00:07:21,339 --> 00:07:18,979
exposed to so much more and you know I

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00:07:22,360 --> 00:07:21,349
really appreciate being a part of it and

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00:07:24,550 --> 00:07:22,370

I imagine that's one of the more

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00:07:26,140 --> 00:07:24,560

challenging aspects is you know

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00:07:28,209 --> 00:07:26,150

something like the abduction phenomenon

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00:07:30,990 --> 00:07:28,219

something that you know might not

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00:07:33,399 --> 00:07:31,000

necessarily be your focus area or

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00:07:37,869 --> 00:07:33,409

something that you spend much time in

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00:07:40,119 --> 00:07:37,879

this larger UFO field focusing on so

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00:07:42,520 --> 00:07:40,129

when you have to deal with something

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00:07:47,529 --> 00:07:42,530

like that I imagine it's one of your

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00:07:49,899 --> 00:07:47,539

more challenging issues to sort of deal

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with those with the the people making

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00:07:55,180 --> 00:07:52,819

the claims the allegations and just

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00:07:56,850 --> 00:07:55,190

keeping that open mind and truly

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00:08:00,159 --> 00:07:56,860

listening to what they have to say

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00:08:03,249 --> 00:08:00,169

yeah and thankfully MUFON is you know

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00:08:05,499 --> 00:08:03,259

has done a great job given we the

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00:08:08,019 --> 00:08:05,509

investigators information to work with

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00:08:10,420 --> 00:08:08,029

and help us so we have an investigation

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00:08:12,459 --> 00:08:10,430

manual and it has you know chapters on

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00:08:16,209 --> 00:08:12,469

that range from you know handling

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00:08:18,730 --> 00:08:16,219

materials to you know abduction cases

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00:08:20,709 --> 00:08:18,740

and you know sort of the questions you

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00:08:23,200 --> 00:08:20,719

would ask people on you know just things

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like that so I didn't feel you know left

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00:08:26,170 --> 00:08:24,409

in the lurch with it

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00:08:29,499 --> 00:08:26,180

definitely had good support and backup

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but it did force me to think outside of

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00:08:33,069 --> 00:08:31,069

my box and I'm really grateful that I've

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00:08:35,740 --> 00:08:33,079

done it because it has helped me grow

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00:08:38,259 --> 00:08:35,750

that's awesome yeah and I think you know

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00:08:40,659 --> 00:08:38,269

from talking to you I think you have a

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00:08:43,689 --> 00:08:40,669

really you know commendable and

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00:08:46,509 --> 00:08:43,699

sought-after mindset approaching these

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00:08:48,790 --> 00:08:46,519

topics because I can't stress enough how

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00:08:50,350 --> 00:08:48,800

important it is and it seems like a

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00:08:53,620 --> 00:08:50,360

no-brainer but how important it is for

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00:08:55,990 --> 00:08:53,630

an investigator looking into the unknown

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00:08:59,949 --> 00:08:56,000

to mister mysteries like UFOs and

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00:09:02,139 --> 00:08:59,959
related topics to be objective to keep

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00:09:04,870 --> 00:09:02,149
an open mind and not bring in your

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00:09:07,540 --> 00:09:04,880
already established few points because

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00:09:09,880 --> 00:09:07,550
we all you know when it comes to UFOs we

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00:09:12,069 --> 00:09:09,890
all have our different personal beliefs

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00:09:16,030 --> 00:09:12,079
our own different views on various

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00:09:18,040 --> 00:09:16,040
topics and I think for being a is that

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00:09:20,170 --> 00:09:18,050
someone who is investigating this you

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00:09:22,300 --> 00:09:20,180
you have to put all that aside and

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00:09:24,519 --> 00:09:22,310
let the evidence speak for itself yeah

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00:09:27,970 --> 00:09:24,529
absolutely like I said I really feel a

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00:09:30,070 --> 00:09:27,980
great responsibility to do it in as an

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00:09:32,710 --> 00:09:30,080

unbiased way as possible and so

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00:09:35,079 --> 00:09:32,720

everybody has biases right because you

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00:09:37,510 --> 00:09:35,089

know it's just the way we are lens yeah

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00:09:40,389 --> 00:09:37,520

yeah for humans definitely but you can

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00:09:42,610 --> 00:09:40,399

set that aside and so like you know I

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00:09:45,310 --> 00:09:42,620

think of myself in some areas I might be

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00:09:47,500 --> 00:09:45,320

too skeptical or maybe in some areas

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00:09:49,780 --> 00:09:47,510

being too believing or whatever well

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00:09:51,190 --> 00:09:49,790

both of those are a bias even though

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00:09:53,440 --> 00:09:51,200

they're on the opposite sides of the

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scale so you know I try and just

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00:09:59,230 --> 00:09:57,050

mentally go in with a complete neutral

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00:10:02,530 --> 00:09:59,240

clean slate and just look at the

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00:10:04,300 --> 00:10:02,540

evidence as it is presented and you know

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kind of go through the checklist of

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00:10:09,610 --> 00:10:07,010

things and you know I don't formulate an

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00:10:12,100 --> 00:10:09,620

opinion until the very end and and I've

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00:10:15,130 --> 00:10:12,110

learned if you do that what can happen

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00:10:17,500 --> 00:10:15,140

is you can miss important information or

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00:10:19,750 --> 00:10:17,510

details that maybe you dismiss because

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00:10:22,030 --> 00:10:19,760

they didn't fit your bias and yet that

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00:10:24,190 --> 00:10:22,040

were relative and so again you could be

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doing so in quite a disservice by doing

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that so I it is a challenge but to me

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00:10:31,930 --> 00:10:29,810

it's just the primary mindset to have is

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00:10:34,510 --> 00:10:31,940

just be completely unbiased and as

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neutral as possible that's a great

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00:10:39,370 --> 00:10:37,310

mindset I love it so let me ask you this

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for people who are interested in

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becoming UFO investigators for MUFON how

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what is the process like for that how do

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00:10:49,960 --> 00:10:48,320

people become with on investigators yeah

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00:10:52,000 --> 00:10:49,970

it's pretty straightforward first of all

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join MUFON at you know they have

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00:10:56,530 --> 00:10:53,810

different packages it's fairly

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00:11:00,100 --> 00:10:56,540

inexpensive you know 35 dollars a year

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00:11:02,400 --> 00:11:00,110

to maybe 75 I'm not quite sure up on the

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00:11:05,769 --> 00:11:02,410

on the different levels but and it just

251
00:11:07,480 --> 00:11:05,779
as a member you're entitled to you know

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00:11:10,569 --> 00:11:07,490
a newsletter and some other things that

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00:11:14,019 --> 00:11:10,579
kind of help you you know get what the

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00:11:17,949 --> 00:11:14,029
program kind of a thing and then once

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00:11:20,460 --> 00:11:17,959
you've done that you can express your

256
00:11:23,079 --> 00:11:20,470
desire to be an investigator

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00:11:24,400 --> 00:11:23,089
headquarters will you can send them a

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00:11:27,460 --> 00:11:24,410
message and they'll send you the

259
00:11:29,980 --> 00:11:27,470
information but basically you purchase a

260
00:11:30,680 --> 00:11:29,990
manual which is a hundred bucks and that

261
00:11:32,270 --> 00:11:30,690
manuals

262
00:11:35,480 --> 00:11:32,280
you'll carry with you the rest of your

263
00:11:37,670 --> 00:11:35,490

life basically and then you study that

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00:11:40,940 --> 00:11:37,680

manual and then you'll take a test and

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00:11:44,060 --> 00:11:40,950

an exam online it's open book it's a

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00:11:46,340 --> 00:11:44,070

couple hours and then once you complete

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00:11:48,500 --> 00:11:46,350

and successfully pass that you also have

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00:11:50,570 --> 00:11:48,510

to pass a background check and you have

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00:11:52,760 --> 00:11:50,580

to coordinate with your state your local

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00:11:54,830 --> 00:11:52,770

state chapter and this really is the

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00:11:56,630 --> 00:11:54,840

person the director the state director

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00:11:59,060 --> 00:11:56,640

is a person who will kind of manage you

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00:12:01,670 --> 00:11:59,070

and get you up and going so again you

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00:12:03,410 --> 00:12:01,680

you have support and it's coordinated

275

00:12:05,930 --> 00:12:03,420

effort and then once you've done that

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00:12:07,430 --> 00:12:05,940

and you get your identification and you

277

00:12:10,550 --> 00:12:07,440

passed your background check and

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00:12:13,280 --> 00:12:10,560

everything is set that way then what the

279

00:12:16,100 --> 00:12:13,290

local chapter will do is pair you with a

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00:12:18,170 --> 00:12:16,110

mentor another experienced investigator

281

00:12:21,280 --> 00:12:18,180

and then they'll send you out on cases

282

00:12:24,080 --> 00:12:21,290

um you know maybe you know six eight

283

00:12:26,120 --> 00:12:24,090

months or it just depends on your you

284

00:12:28,490 --> 00:12:26,130

know the the volume and your development

285

00:12:30,590 --> 00:12:28,500

and all those things but you will Co

286

00:12:33,170 --> 00:12:30,600

investigate with an experienced person

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00:12:34,460 --> 00:12:33,180

until they feel like you're up and

288

00:12:36,260 --> 00:12:34,470

running on your own and then they'll

289

00:12:38,120 --> 00:12:36,270

start assigning your cases on your own

290

00:12:40,880 --> 00:12:38,130

so in my case I've been doing it about

291

00:12:42,920 --> 00:12:40,890

two years you know in about three or

292

00:12:44,690 --> 00:12:42,930

four months maybe you know four to six

293

00:12:47,000 --> 00:12:44,700

cases and then they went ahead and

294

00:12:48,740 --> 00:12:47,010

turned me loose and and then even though

295

00:12:52,010 --> 00:12:48,750

you're turned loose like I say in

296

00:12:54,140 --> 00:12:52,020

assigned cases you're never alone every

297

00:12:57,130 --> 00:12:54,150

case it once you complete your case and

298

00:12:59,600 --> 00:12:57,140

submit it it's reviewed by your

299

00:13:02,570 --> 00:12:59,610

Cheapskate chief investigator in our

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00:13:05,390 --> 00:13:02,580

case it's Dennis friar meth and he's

301

00:13:08,390 --> 00:13:05,400

just excellent and you know he'll he'll

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00:13:11,870 --> 00:13:08,400

coach you you know help you correct you

303

00:13:14,870 --> 00:13:11,880

you can ask any question anytime very

304

00:13:17,960 --> 00:13:14,880

supportive and and as well as as Jim

305

00:13:20,780 --> 00:13:17,970

Mann instance Stacey Wright our director

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00:13:23,030 --> 00:13:20,790

and assistant director and then just

307

00:13:25,010 --> 00:13:23,040

other investigators that you get

308

00:13:27,110 --> 00:13:25,020

familiar with and you kind of bounce

309

00:13:29,540 --> 00:13:27,120

things off each other and you know it's

310

00:13:31,490 --> 00:13:29,550

just really it's it's a it's a great

311

00:13:33,980 --> 00:13:31,500

environment it's intellectually

312

00:13:36,710 --> 00:13:33,990

stimulating and there's even a social

313

00:13:38,540 --> 00:13:36,720

element to it that or you know you have

314

00:13:41,600 --> 00:13:38,550

a good camaraderie and all of that

315

00:13:43,560 --> 00:13:41,610

within our one within our chapter so you

316

00:13:45,390 --> 00:13:43,570

know I recommend it

317

00:13:49,170 --> 00:13:45,400

if you're interested just do it that's

318

00:13:51,690 --> 00:13:49,180

what I did that collaborative spirit and

319

00:13:53,730 --> 00:13:51,700

the sort of mentorship and the shadowing

320

00:13:55,770 --> 00:13:53,740

ability sounds really cool and you

321

00:13:57,300 --> 00:13:55,780

really useful to be able to gain that

322

00:14:00,270 --> 00:13:57,310

experience from other people who have

323

00:14:02,580 --> 00:14:00,280

been doing it move on also does a boot

324

00:14:05,610 --> 00:14:02,590

camp don't they to provide training for

325

00:14:08,130 --> 00:14:05,620

investigators yeah this year we had it

326

00:14:11,190 --> 00:14:08,140

here in Phoenix I was a three-day Advent

327

00:14:13,560 --> 00:14:11,200

each day had a half-day of classroom and

328

00:14:15,630 --> 00:14:13,570

then the second half of the day was in

329

00:14:17,940 --> 00:14:15,640

the field investigation techniques like

330

00:14:22,170 --> 00:14:17,950

you know processing a site kind of a

331

00:14:23,820 --> 00:14:22,180

forensic way and then we had like Sky

332

00:14:26,580 --> 00:14:23,830

View watch out in the Superstition

333

00:14:28,440 --> 00:14:26,590

Mountains those nights after and and

334

00:14:30,750 --> 00:14:28,450

again that was just an awesome

335

00:14:32,220 --> 00:14:30,760

experience because you you know you get

336

00:14:34,050 --> 00:14:32,230

to collaborate with people from all over

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00:14:36,480 --> 00:14:34,060

the country in the world actually we had

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00:14:39,450 --> 00:14:36,490

people from all over

339

00:14:42,120 --> 00:14:39,460

chase klasky came in and she conducted

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00:14:45,900 --> 00:14:42,130

not that field training which was just

341

00:14:48,240 --> 00:14:45,910

so in so valuable I mean to have that

342

00:14:50,160 --> 00:14:48,250

experience just once even it's just you

343

00:14:52,740 --> 00:14:50,170

know a real goldmine for someone like me

344

00:14:54,720 --> 00:14:52,750

where you can apply these techniques and

345

00:14:57,870 --> 00:14:54,730

just make yourself a better investigator

346

00:14:59,940 --> 00:14:57,880

so that was a terrific experience and it

347

00:15:02,250 --> 00:14:59,950

was so successful that I think the

348

00:15:05,580 --> 00:15:02,260

national MUFON is considering putting

349

00:15:08,130 --> 00:15:05,590

those on either in various locations and

350

00:15:09,960 --> 00:15:08,140

and on an annual basis so we'll see how

351

00:15:11,550 --> 00:15:09,970

that turns out but nice we had a great

352

00:15:14,430 --> 00:15:11,560

time that's awesome

353

00:15:17,370 --> 00:15:14,440

alright so you've sort of walked us

354

00:15:19,830 --> 00:15:17,380

through you know an overview of what

355

00:15:22,860 --> 00:15:19,840

it's like to investigate UFOs or how

356

00:15:24,720 --> 00:15:22,870

move on does it so you know like I

357

00:15:27,480 --> 00:15:24,730

mentioned we've we've been hearing a lot

358

00:15:28,830 --> 00:15:27,490

about government UFO studies so opinion

359

00:15:30,840 --> 00:15:28,840

time I'm going to ask you you are

360

00:15:33,720 --> 00:15:30,850

persons will appear in opinion how do

361

00:15:36,000 --> 00:15:33,730

you think government UFO studies differ

362

00:15:39,240 --> 00:15:36,010

from something like MUFON UFO

363

00:15:41,400 --> 00:15:39,250

investigations yeah so I think the first

364

00:15:44,990 --> 00:15:41,410

thing I would have to say is that you

365

00:15:49,470 --> 00:15:45,000

know we're we're definitely structured

366

00:15:53,570 --> 00:15:49,480

in a way to move you know a report from

367

00:15:57,940 --> 00:15:53,580

you know just a raw report to a

368

00:15:59,680 --> 00:15:57,950

disposition so let's say for example

369

00:16:02,620 --> 00:15:59,690

you know we get a case and it's a

370

00:16:04,720 --> 00:16:02,630

sighting of a craft you know so let's

371

00:16:08,920 --> 00:16:04,730

say it's a daylight sighting of a craft

372

00:16:11,620 --> 00:16:08,930

and the person got a photograph of it

373

00:16:14,110 --> 00:16:11,630

and they submit that report so then we

374

00:16:17,380 --> 00:16:14,120

go through the process of you know date

375

00:16:19,810 --> 00:16:17,390

time location and what were the weather

376

00:16:21,760 --> 00:16:19,820

conditions I mean you know very detailed

377

00:16:24,130 --> 00:16:21,770

what was the temperature whoa what was

378

00:16:26,170 --> 00:16:24,140

the wind direction the speed what's what

379

00:16:28,030 --> 00:16:26,180

was the barometer I mean you know you

380

00:16:31,300 --> 00:16:28,040

just go through all of these factors and

381

00:16:34,240 --> 00:16:31,310

then other factors like when you do know

382

00:16:35,650 --> 00:16:34,250

the date time location you can use

383

00:16:37,480 --> 00:16:35,660

software that tells you where the

384

00:16:39,310 --> 00:16:37,490

planets are and the stars are and

385

00:16:41,440 --> 00:16:39,320

everything at that exact moment

386

00:16:43,300 --> 00:16:41,450

you can even recreate it digitally and

387

00:16:45,070 --> 00:16:43,310

make a little video of it you know you

388

00:16:48,460 --> 00:16:45,080

make good use of Google Earth for

389

00:16:51,490 --> 00:16:48,470

example and so then you kind of you nail

390

00:16:53,620 --> 00:16:51,500

down that data and then you have a

391

00:16:55,540 --> 00:16:53,630

conversation certainly an interview with

392

00:16:57,880 --> 00:16:55,550

the person and you try and get as much

393

00:16:59,920 --> 00:16:57,890

detail as possible while the report is

394

00:17:02,620 --> 00:16:59,930

fairly detailed certainly having

395

00:17:05,350 --> 00:17:02,630

conversation teases out a lot a lot more

396

00:17:07,930 --> 00:17:05,360

stuff so that's a really important part

397

00:17:10,300 --> 00:17:07,940

of the process and then you know I'll do

398

00:17:12,640 --> 00:17:10,310

things like I called a local military

399

00:17:17,260 --> 00:17:12,650

base the police departments you know

400

00:17:19,510 --> 00:17:17,270

that the news channels look at you know

401
00:17:23,290 --> 00:17:19,520
local news national news look for other

402
00:17:25,630 --> 00:17:23,300
reports check new fork API these other

403
00:17:27,940 --> 00:17:25,640
reporting organizations to see if anyone

404
00:17:29,710 --> 00:17:27,950
else made a report and if they did then

405
00:17:32,020 --> 00:17:29,720
you could contact that person and that

406
00:17:33,790 --> 00:17:32,030
witness and then you can corroborate you

407
00:17:35,920 --> 00:17:33,800
know and build strength of the case and

408
00:17:38,980 --> 00:17:35,930
that sort of thing so it's a fairly

409
00:17:41,920 --> 00:17:38,990
involved process it takes maybe I mean

410
00:17:45,340 --> 00:17:41,930
for the more simple one might take two

411
00:17:47,650 --> 00:17:45,350
to four six hours of research for more

412
00:17:49,960 --> 00:17:47,660
complex and it could take you you know

413
00:17:52,270 --> 00:17:49,970

20 hours or more of research and that's

414

00:17:54,580 --> 00:17:52,280

that's even just kind of desk time and

415

00:17:57,190 --> 00:17:54,590

then if you have a case that justifies

416

00:17:59,500 --> 00:17:57,200

you know a visit then you go out and you

417

00:18:01,630 --> 00:17:59,510

you you do that and you conduct the

418

00:18:03,490 --> 00:18:01,640

visit and so you know there's a pretty

419

00:18:06,970 --> 00:18:03,500

good investment in time and effort and

420

00:18:09,130 --> 00:18:06,980

some money but it's it's manageable now

421

00:18:09,740 --> 00:18:09,140

from a government perspective you know

422

00:18:12,740 --> 00:18:09,750

I'm sure

423

00:18:15,950 --> 00:18:12,750

it's going to be you know they they will

424

00:18:17,870 --> 00:18:15,960

have more of an agenda and I don't mean

425

00:18:20,120 --> 00:18:17,880

that to sound negative they they they

426
00:18:22,790 --> 00:18:20,130
have a purpose and you know obviously

427
00:18:24,350 --> 00:18:22,800
when they investigate they investigate

428
00:18:27,440 --> 00:18:24,360
from the perspective is can we identify

429
00:18:30,020 --> 00:18:27,450
this to make sure it's not a a threat or

430
00:18:31,940 --> 00:18:30,030
you know if not a physical threat is

431
00:18:34,310 --> 00:18:31,950
that a political threat is it you know

432
00:18:36,530 --> 00:18:34,320
the threat of panic or any of those

433
00:18:38,660 --> 00:18:36,540
sorts of things that's their perspective

434
00:18:42,290 --> 00:18:38,670
where MUFON is perspective is just

435
00:18:44,330 --> 00:18:42,300
gather the data analyze that data come

436
00:18:46,640 --> 00:18:44,340
to a disposition and when I say

437
00:18:50,060 --> 00:18:46,650
disposition I mean either unknown or is

438
00:18:52,160 --> 00:18:50,070

it you know an IFO is it you know was it

439

00:18:55,910 --> 00:18:52,170

a drone was a you know planet being a

440

00:18:58,520 --> 00:18:55,920

small of all those kinds of things so so

441

00:19:00,500 --> 00:18:58,530

really MUFON is role is to collect the

442

00:19:03,020 --> 00:19:00,510

data analyze that data come up with a

443

00:19:05,420 --> 00:19:03,030

disposition record that and make that

444

00:19:07,820 --> 00:19:05,430

available to others who want to research

445

00:19:10,130 --> 00:19:07,830

the topic whereas a government program

446

00:19:11,750 --> 00:19:10,140

really is from the perspective they

447

00:19:13,690 --> 00:19:11,760

might go through the same steps I'm sure

448

00:19:16,370 --> 00:19:13,700

that they would investigatively speaking

449

00:19:18,650 --> 00:19:16,380

but their their agenda is different

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00:19:21,290 --> 00:19:18,660

they're not looking to make it public

451
00:19:22,940 --> 00:19:21,300
and share it with others they're looking

452
00:19:24,800 --> 00:19:22,950
to you know assure that they're

453
00:19:27,410 --> 00:19:24,810
fulfilling their role as that government

454
00:19:30,260 --> 00:19:27,420
agency namely to protect you know the

455
00:19:32,840 --> 00:19:30,270
public right well it'll certainly be

456
00:19:36,830 --> 00:19:32,850
interesting to see what more we learn

457
00:19:39,020 --> 00:19:36,840
about any existing government UFO study

458
00:19:40,760 --> 00:19:39,030
as government UFO studies are sure to

459
00:19:44,240 --> 00:19:40,770
continue B to be a topic of discussion

460
00:19:46,490 --> 00:19:44,250
in 2019 we're quite aware of the

461
00:19:49,670 --> 00:19:46,500
government's historical UFO studies and

462
00:19:51,860 --> 00:19:49,680
on that topic Shan you and I both

463
00:19:53,630 --> 00:19:51,870

attended a special screening of the

464

00:19:56,210 --> 00:19:53,640

first episode of history's upcoming

465

00:19:57,560 --> 00:19:56,220

dramatic series Project Blue Book so I

466

00:20:00,950 --> 00:19:57,570

have to ask what were your impressions

467

00:20:03,980 --> 00:20:00,960

after seeing that oh that was first of

468

00:20:06,710 --> 00:20:03,990

all that was just plain plain fun it was

469

00:20:11,150 --> 00:20:06,720

great it was up theater yeah and and

470

00:20:13,250 --> 00:20:11,160

they had a Q&A after they also had this

471

00:20:15,230 --> 00:20:13,260

little machine there where you could get

472

00:20:17,000 --> 00:20:15,240

in front of a green screen and they they

473

00:20:18,470 --> 00:20:17,010

took your picture and superimposed it

474

00:20:20,780 --> 00:20:18,480

with that you know like getting sucked

475

00:20:22,500 --> 00:20:20,790

up in a thank you fo so yeah it was

476

00:20:25,800 --> 00:20:22,510

pretty cute it was fun

477

00:20:30,300 --> 00:20:25,810

oh the the the program itself I think is

478

00:20:33,540 --> 00:20:30,310

just terrific they they really hit the

479

00:20:37,830 --> 00:20:33,550

nail on the head with you know UFO lore

480

00:20:40,200 --> 00:20:37,840

and the factual representation of you

481

00:20:43,560 --> 00:20:40,210

know Project Blue Book and some of those

482

00:20:46,200 --> 00:20:43,570

cases now I know this is you know this

483

00:20:48,960 --> 00:20:46,210

is a drama and it's fictional but it is

484

00:20:51,300 --> 00:20:48,970

based on you know actual events so you

485

00:20:53,880 --> 00:20:51,310

have to go into it with that mindset

486

00:20:57,570 --> 00:20:53,890

this is a this is entertainment right

487

00:21:00,720 --> 00:20:57,580

not not a documentary but you know the

488

00:21:03,900 --> 00:21:00,730

fact that there's is entertainment based

489

00:21:06,590 --> 00:21:03,910

on the UFO theme to me is awesome I mean

490

00:21:09,360 --> 00:21:06,600

look how we're getting mainstream now

491

00:21:12,030 --> 00:21:09,370

what was a fringe and you know you kind

492

00:21:13,740 --> 00:21:12,040

of had to hide it now now it's you know

493

00:21:16,830 --> 00:21:13,750

it's on the History Channel and it's on

494

00:21:18,900 --> 00:21:16,840

all those channels and and that they've

495

00:21:20,210 --> 00:21:18,910

done a great job with it it's kind of a

496

00:21:22,530 --> 00:21:20,220

period piece

497

00:21:24,870 --> 00:21:22,540

you can tell they spent the money on

498

00:21:27,240 --> 00:21:24,880

production it's super high quality yeah

499

00:21:30,090 --> 00:21:27,250

I mean I am really stoked for it I am

500

00:21:32,070 --> 00:21:30,100

too and I you know I tell people it it

501
00:21:34,170 --> 00:21:32,080
really appeals to the same crowd is like

502
00:21:36,330 --> 00:21:34,180
the x-files you know if you like to show

503
00:21:39,270 --> 00:21:36,340
like the x-files you'll like this it's

504
00:21:43,620 --> 00:21:39,280
the same thing it's it's like a period

505
00:21:46,800 --> 00:21:43,630
piece x-files yeah but it it is so well

506
00:21:49,320 --> 00:21:46,810
shot and produced the acting is great I

507
00:21:52,440 --> 00:21:49,330
just had so much fun with it and just

508
00:21:54,750 --> 00:21:52,450
being a UFO nerd like it is so much fun

509
00:21:57,720 --> 00:21:54,760
to see them taking something real like

510
00:22:01,380 --> 00:21:57,730
Project Blue Book having a lot of based

511
00:22:04,110 --> 00:22:01,390
on real elements in that story having

512
00:22:06,150 --> 00:22:04,120
characters based on real people involved

513
00:22:08,940 --> 00:22:06,160

in the UFO studies

514

00:22:10,980 --> 00:22:08,950

it's just endlessly fun for me so I

515

00:22:12,600 --> 00:22:10,990

thought for the first episode was

516

00:22:15,830 --> 00:22:12,610

awesome and it left me wanting to see

517

00:22:18,060 --> 00:22:15,840

all of it so I'm super excited for that

518

00:22:20,400 --> 00:22:18,070

it premieres on History Channel on

519

00:22:22,830 --> 00:22:20,410

January 8th so it's right around the

520

00:22:24,990 --> 00:22:22,840

corner yeah that's gonna be great when

521

00:22:26,820 --> 00:22:25,000

you think about it you know as you

522

00:22:28,740 --> 00:22:26,830

mentioned the production is fantastic

523

00:22:30,090 --> 00:22:28,750

the writing was good and just think if

524

00:22:32,820 --> 00:22:30,100

you're a writer on this show you have

525

00:22:34,250 --> 00:22:32,830

twelve thousand six hundred and some-odd

526

00:22:36,890 --> 00:22:34,260

cases you

527

00:22:39,500 --> 00:22:36,900

to pull from to you know create an

528

00:22:42,110 --> 00:22:39,510

episode so this thing could run for

529

00:22:44,090 --> 00:22:42,120

years really well he's an alone and then

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00:22:46,670 --> 00:22:44,100

Paul high-neck you know J Allen Hynek

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00:22:49,550 --> 00:22:46,680

son that's an endless source of

532

00:22:52,130 --> 00:22:49,560

information to so having that element

533

00:22:54,140 --> 00:22:52,140

added to the show that features the main

534

00:22:56,300 --> 00:22:54,150

main character based on jaylen high neck

535

00:22:59,150 --> 00:22:56,310

it's incredible so I think they've got a

536

00:23:01,310 --> 00:22:59,160

lot of the right pieces of the puzzle

537

00:23:02,690 --> 00:23:01,320

they're together so it'll be interesting

538

00:23:04,070 --> 00:23:02,700

to see what they do I think I think

539

00:23:04,550 --> 00:23:04,080

season one for sure is going to be

540

00:23:06,830 --> 00:23:04,560

amazing

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00:23:08,270 --> 00:23:06,840

and I am guessing it's going to be

542

00:23:10,130 --> 00:23:08,280

successful enough for season two we'll

543

00:23:11,660 --> 00:23:10,140

see what they do after that but because

544

00:23:15,830 --> 00:23:11,670

you can't you can't make more project

545

00:23:18,800 --> 00:23:15,840

Bluebook as a finite length of time but

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00:23:21,170 --> 00:23:18,810

yeah we'll see what they do well as 2018

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comes to a close we're excited for 2019

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we have several things in the work for

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next year and speaking about unknown

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specifically our 2019 season will

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00:23:31,780 --> 00:23:29,970
feature some brand new open and closed

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00:23:35,120 --> 00:23:31,790
music so we'll look forward to that

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00:23:36,170 --> 00:23:35,130
let's wrap up this episode I invite you

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00:23:38,120 --> 00:23:36,180
to come join us in the rogue planet

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00:23:40,340 --> 00:23:38,130
Facebook group at facebook.com slash

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00:23:42,200 --> 00:23:40,350
groups slash rogue planet that's where

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00:23:45,200 --> 00:23:42,210
we can share stories get feedback and

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00:23:47,180 --> 00:23:45,210
engage in a real conversation we always

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00:23:48,800 --> 00:23:47,190
love hearing from you guys and we really

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00:23:50,600 --> 00:23:48,810
want to hear from you to know what

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00:23:51,710 --> 00:23:50,610
topics that interest you and the

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00:23:53,750 --> 00:23:51,720
questions you might have

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00:23:56,120 --> 00:23:53,760

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podcast places of course you can always

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planet TV is your home for all the

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strange it's also where you can get your

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own unknown t-shirt from the broke

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planets store just go to store rogue

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planet TV thanks again for hanging out

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00:24:17,870 --> 00:24:16,320

with us today I'm Jason McClellan and

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Shane hurt and I have something to ask

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do us a favour friends have a very happy

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new year and most importantly stay

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